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Force Logistic Command
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 August 1969 to
31 August 1969

Ref: (a) MCO P5750.1
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8A

Encl: (1) 1st Military Police Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with provisions of references (a)
and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

2. Downgraded at 3 year intervals. Declassified after
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 August 1969 to 31 August 1969

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PART 1

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDERLtCol J.D. BAILEY
1-31 August 1969SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Co	1-31 Aug. 1969
Co "A"	1-8 Aug. 1969
	9-31 Aug. 1969
Co "B"	1-31 Aug. 1969
Co "C"	1-31 Aug. 1969
Co "D"	1-31 Aug. 1969

Capt H. GONZALEZ
Capt R.E. SCHWARTZ
1stLt J.V. STACY
Capt J.H. HANSON
Capt W.D. ISENHOUR
1stLt D.M. TENNANT

ATTACHED UNITSCo "C", 3d MPBn 1-31 Aug. 1969
Detachment, 7th
Comm Bn

1stLt S.T. MIKULA

2. LOCATIONS

1-31 Aug. 1969 D. 1000, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Exec Off	1-31 Aug. 1969
S-1/Adj	1-31 Aug. 1969
S-2	1-31 Aug. 1969
S-3	1-31 Aug. 1969
S-4	1-25 Aug. 1969
	26-31 Aug. 1969
S-5	1-31 Aug. 1969

Maj J.P. MARADA
1stLt D.R. FARRINGTON
2ndLt R.W. JOHNSON
Maj R.A. FLAHERTY
1stLt T.S. PATTON
Capt W.G. McCLURE
2ndLt R.E. TREVINO

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC
OFF	ENL
40	579

	USN
OFF	ENL
0	11

S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. One Bronze Star with combat "V" was awarded to a member of this command during the reporting period.

2. LOSSES

	USMC
OFF	ENL
10	78

	USN
OFF	ENL
0	1

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3. REPLACEMENTS

USMC	
OFF	ENL
6	62

USN	
OFF	ENL
0	0

4. DISCIPLINE. Five Special and five Summary Courts-Martial were convened during the reporting period. 11 Battalion Commander's and 29 Company Commanders' Non-Judicial Punishments were imposed during the month. One person was UA.

5. STRENGTH

	EFFECTIVES				NON-EFFECTIVES			
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
H&S Co	13	84	0	11	1	7	0	1
Co "A"	3	70	0	0	1	4	0	0
Co "B"	4	92	0	0	1	5	0	0
Co "C"	5	96	0	0	1	15	0	0
Co "D"	5	97	0	0	1	4	0	0
Co "C", 3d MP Bn	4	80	0	0	0	3	0	0

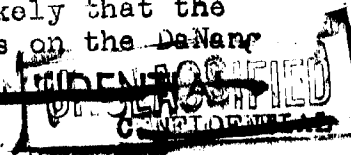
PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARYS-2 INTELLIGENCE

1. During the month of August one VCS was killed while attempting to flee an ambush. In a combined sweep with the 1st Co, 521st R.F. Bn eight draft dodgers and five VCS were apprehended. The VCS were forwarded to Quang Da Special Zone and later reclassified as innocent civilians. In another sweep four more VCS were apprehended but reclassified by the 5th CIT as innocent civilians.

2. During the reporting period the following arms and equipment were captured:

- a) (3) 105 mm HE rounds
- b) (1) 60 mm HE rounds
- c) (1) M-26 grenade
- d) (6) VC flags
- e) assorted VC propaganda leaflets

3. The lull in enemy activity ended with rocket and mortar attacks on the Da Nang area on the nights of 11 and 12 August. More attacks followed on the 19th and the 22nd. These events marked the commencement of the enemy's "Summer-Autumn" campaign, which had been predicted in numerous agent reports. In the immediate area there has been a rise in the number of booby-trap incidents. While maintaining emphasis on his goal of neutralizing the GVN pacification program, it appears that the enemy has increased priority to inflicting casualties on U.S. forces. It seems likely that the enemy will continue his rocket and mortar attacks on the Da Nang area through the first two weeks of September.



4. The following have been reported as lost during this period:

- a) Cam le bridge
- b) Hoa Cam Training Center
- c) NSA Hospital
- d) U.S. offices and quarters in Da Nang city

S-3 OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

1. During this period the Battalion participated in numerous company, platoon, and smaller unit operations but no significant contact was made.

2. The Battalion conducted 143 fireteam sized day and night patrols, 96 squad sized day and night patrols, 222 fireteam sized ambushes, 329 squad sized ambushes, and 21 platoon size operations for a total of 811 small unit operations. In addition, 6 company sized operations were conducted during the month of August.

3. Battalion Officers and Staff Non-Commissioned Officers attended classes conducted on the following subjects and areas of interest: Enemy Mines and Booby Traps; Legal Assistance; the organization and Coordination of Defense within Quang Da Special Zone; and an Intelligence Briefing by III MAF G-2.

4. Battalion CMS Training was conducted in accordance with current directives to include training by MOS and NCO leadership Training. Some training was cancelled due to operational commitments.

5. Three Enemy rocket attacks were conducted against the Da Nang Vital Area Complex during the reporting period.

S-4 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. a. On 26 August Captain W.G. McClure III assumed all duties as S-4 Officer from Lt. T.S. Patton. Lt. Patton is T.A.D. as R&R Officer, Manila, Republic of the PHILIPPINES.
- b. On 22 August Lt. M.C. Conway assumed duties as S-4 assistant.

2. PERCENTAGE OF COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT OPERATIONALLY READY

- a. Supply 100%
- b. Motor Transport 80%
- c. Communications 83%

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S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS1. GENERAL

a. Several farmers in Khue Troung 1 and An Thuong have expressed a desire to plant IR-8 rice. Suitable land has not yet been offered for the project due to disputed land ownership.

b. Naval Support Activity has been requested to investigate the delay of approval by the Mayor of DaNang concerning project submittal forms for six wells in Xuan Hoa Village.

2. EDUCATION

a. Company "C" is continuing to work in conjunction with Naval Support Activity's V.A.T. #11 teaching English five afternoons a week.

3. PUBLIC HEALTH

a. A total of 1556 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within 1st Marine Aircraft Wing's Civic Action area of responsibility this month.

b. A total of 738 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within Naval Support Activity's Civic Action area of responsibility.

c. Sixty-two bars of soap were distributed during MEDCAPS.

4. WELFARE

a. NONE

5. CIVIC ACTION TRAINING

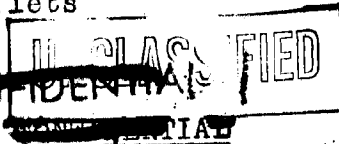
a. Five hours of personal response classes were given to 247 members of the battalion during the month of August.

b. The Civil Affairs Officer gave all newly arrived personnel a personal response orientation class.

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

During the month the following propaganda materials were distributed throughout the TAOR:

1. 132 Come Back To The Government Of Vietnam Leaflets
2. 610 VC Reward Leaflets
3. 427 Weapons Reward Leaflets
4. 74 Tell Us Where Weapons Are Buried Leaflets



5. 380 Tell Us Where The VC Are Leaflets
6. 245 Safe Conduct Passes
7. 422 Chieu Hoi Passes
8. 115 Denounce The VC Cadre Leaflets
9. 100 Historical Posters

1. BATTALION AID STATION CHRONOLOGICAL DATA:

A. Significant Events: Preventive Medicine Unit from F.L.C. conducted their monthly sanitation inspection of this battalion. There were no major discrepancies. A total of 2294 Vietnamese were treated in conjunction with the Battalion MedCap Program.

B. NEW DEVELOPMENTS: A 1,000 gallon water tank was installed at the BAS to provide an emergency water supply in case of a water shortage.

C. Problems Encountered: With the relocation of Maintenance Battalion, the lack of ambulance service for mass casualty evacuation becomes more important. Medical officers from MWSG-17 were contacted regarding their assistance in an emergency and indicated their on call availability. Emergency vehicles will also be made available. There is no emergency electrical power provided for the BAS or the medical bunker.

2. Military Patient Statistical Data:

- A. Average number of patients seen: 12
- B. Average daily number of patients referred to other treatment facilities for consultation, dental, X-ray and laboratory work: 04
- C. Routine Medical Complaints: common cold; heat rash
- D. Significant disease peculiar to the area: None
- E. Number of emergency treatments: Combat Injuries: 04; Lacerations: 06; Burns: 01; Trauma: 01.
- F. Innoculations and prophylactic medications: Innoculations: 528; Malaria Prophylaxis: 3000 Tabs.
- G. Patients admitted to BAS ward: None

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. At 011525 August 1969 "B" Company, 1st MP Battalion completed a sweep of My Thi (H) (BT054743). One 8 foot tunnel was found and destroyed.
2. At 061300H August 1969 "B" Company 1st MP Battalion patrol found four VC flags and VC propaganda passes at BT 054145.

3. At 110750 August 1969 an unknown person charge into a Vietnamese restaurant at [redacted] explosive. [redacted] PFs and nine civilians were injured.

4. At 120325H August 1969 approximately eight mortar rounds impacted in the vicinity of NSA Hospital, resulting in minor damage to five buildings and sixteen MIAs (minor).

5. At 120900H August 1969 "B" Company, 1st MP Battalion found two NLF flags, one of which was booby-trapped with an M-26 grenade at BT 061752.

6. At 130410H August 1969 five rockets impacted at DaNang Air Base at BT 004773, BT 005772, BT 009776, BT 010770 and BT 014769. Results were minor damage to one POL tank and miscellaneous supplies at the DaNang Mortuary. Four rockets were reported to have been fired from BT 037703.

7. At 1902210H August 1969 eleven rockets impacted at the following grids: One round BT 058734; one round BT 055734; four rounds BT 064755; one round BT 067748; and four rounds at MAG-16 resulting in two USMC KIA's and 7 USMC WIA's.

8. At 212015H August 1969 an "A" Company, 1st MP Battalion ambush detonated an unknown type explosive device at BT 042739 resulting in three USMC WIA's (E).

9. At 220140H August 1969 eleven rockets impacted at the following locations: The 1st MP Battalion compound BT 003746 received one round resulting in minor damage to power lines and water pipes; A Co, 1st MP Battalion BT 015740 received one round causing minor damage to 2 conex boxes; MAG-11 BT 001741 and AT 998743 received three rounds resulting in one WIA (M); and the 366th TFW received six rounds, one making a direct hit on a barracks BT 015745 resulting in one USAF KIA, 28 USAF WIA and 1 building destroyed. Counter Battery was fired with unknown results.

10. At 222040H August 1969 a "B" Company, 1st MP Battalion patrol enroute to night ambush site detonated an unknown type explosive device at BT 065712 resulting in 2 USMC WIA (E). One of the WIA's later died of wounds at NSA Hospital.

11. At 25040H August 1969 "A" Company, 1st MP Battalion with one platoon from H&S Company, 1st MP Battalion participated in a sweep with the 1st Company, 521st R.F. Battalion in the hamlet of Hoa Cuong BT 019754 to BT 033740 resulting in the apprehension of eight draft dodgers, five VCS and three former VC.

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE.

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