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Force Logistic Command
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 March 1970 to 31 March 1970 (U)

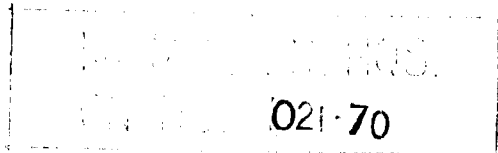
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Encl: (1) 1st Military Police Battalion Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. (U) DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDER1st Col S. D. THOMAIDIS
1-31 March 1970SUBORDINATE UNITSCompany H&S
Company A
Company B
Company C

Company D1-31 March 1970
1-31 March 1970
1-31 March 1970
1-27 March 1970
28-31 March 1970
1-7 March 1970
8-31 March 19701st Lt F. D. BALAZS
1st Lt T. S. PATTON
Capt G. C. CASEN
1st Lt R. L. SCHMIDT
1st Lt F. J. DRACH
1st Lt C. A. BEAGLES
1st Lt R. C. HASKETTATTACHED UNITS

Company C, 3rd MP Bn

1-3 March 1970
4-20 March 1970
21-31 March 19701st Lt R. C. HASKETT
1st Lt M. G. ROTH
2nd Lt J. E. MAYO

Detachment 5th Comm Bn

1-31 March 1970

2. (U) LOCATION. 1-31 March 1970 Danang, RVN3. (U) STAFF OFFICERSExec Off
S-1/Adj

S-2

S-3
S-4
S-51-31 March 1970
1-9 March 1970
10-31 March 1970
1-2 March 1970
3-31 March 1970
1-31 March 1970
1-31 March 1970
1-31 March 1970Major J. P. MARADA
1st Lt M. G. ROTH
2nd Lt J. E. MAYO
1st Lt B. W. GOODRICH
2nd Lt D. M. CLEMENTZ
Major J. J. COLLINS
Capt W. G. MCCLURE
1st Lt R. A. BASS4. (C) AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTHUSMCOFFENL

35

534

USNOFFENL

16

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY1. (C) S-1 Personnel and Administration

a. Awards. No awards were presented during this period.

b. Losses

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
5	106	0	1

c. Replacements

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
7	50	0	0

d. Discipline. Four Special Courts-Martial, two Summary Courts-Martial, five Battalion Commander's and twenty-five Company Commander's Non-Judicial Punishments were imposed during the reporting period.

e. Strength(1) Effectives

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Co H&S	17	87	0	15
Co A	4	70	0	0
Co B	5	117	0	0
Co C	4	110	0	0
Co D	4	99	0	0
Co C-	0	1	0	0

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(2) Non-effectives

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Co HAS	1	5	0	1
Co A	1	7	0	0
Co B	0	4	0	0
Co C	0	5	0	0
Co D	1	6	0	0
Co C-	0	0	0	0

2. (C) S-2 Intelligence

a. During the month of March, operations throughout 1st Military Police Battalion TAOR were generally limited to extensive patrolling and ambushes. These resulted in negative enemy contact.

b. Enemy activity has been low with few sightings and no incoming. However, increased Cadre activities have been reported. This is especially true of the City of Danang and East Danang area. We have had several anti-GVN leaflet drops in the area and reports proselytizing the populace. Most of these reports could be related to the provincial elections on 27 March and the up-coming rice harvest.

c. Reports for the future indicate an increase in attacks by fire in the Danang Vital Area. Numerous sources have reported movements of rockets to the South and West. The expected time for these attacks is the first week in April when lunar illumination is at a minimum.

3. (C) S-3 Operations and Training

a. (U) The 1st Military Police Battalion participated in numerous company, platoon and smaller unit-size day operations during the reporting period. No significant contact was made.

b. (C) The battalion conducted 385 fire team-size day patrols, 199 fire team-size ambushes, 38 squad-size day patrols, 351 squad-size ambushes, 21 river patrols, and 62 squad-size combat outposts, for a total of 1066 small unit operations.

c. (C) Battalion and Vietnamese military forces conducted 692 combined small unit operations.

d. (U) Officers and Staff Non-Commissioned Officers of the Battalion attended classes on the following subjects:

(1) Vehicle Safety

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- (2) Drug Abuse
 (3) Personal Response
 (4) S-2 Intelligence Briefing

e. (U) The Battalion Initial Indoctrination Instruction was conducted and all newly joined personnel attended troop orientation classes. Included was NBC briefing with a tear gas chamber exercise.

f. (U) Battalion GMS 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.

4. (C) S-4 Logistics

a. Significant Events

(1) 2ndLt S. F. LAWUN was reassigned from Delta Company to Assistant S-4 Officer.

(2) 2ndLt R. G. COOPER was reassigned from Assistant S-4 Officer to Delta Company.

(3) The chain link fence project on the northern perimeter was completed.

(4) The Commanding General's Semi-Annual Inspection took place on 16, 17 and 18 March with Satisfactory Results.

b. Percentage of Combat Essential Equipment on Hand

- (1) Supply.....50%
 (2) Motor Transport.....94.7%
 (3) Communications.....99.2%

5. (U) S-5 Civil Affairs

a. General

(1) Company "B" distributed one 3/4 ton truck load of firewood, one hundred thirty-two CARE school packs, three handsaws, two shovels, ten sheets of tin, one crowbar and three boxes (100 bars each) of soap throughout its TAOR.

(2) Company "C" distributed English primer books in the hamlet of Xuan Hoa II.

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(3) Company "D" distributed approximately four hundred bars of soap, twenty-five toothbrushes and fifteen tubes of toothpaste.

b. Education. All educational efforts were terminated in March.

c. Public Health

(1) There were seventy-nine MEDCAPS held by the corpsmen of the Battalion during the reporting period.

(2) There were no DENTCAPS during the month of March.

(3) Seven hundred fifty-eight bars of soap, twenty-five toothbrushes, and fifteen tubes of toothpaste were distributed during the reporting month.

d. Welfare. None

e. Civic Action Training

(1) S-5 gave all newly arrived personnel in the Battalion a Personal Response class.

(2) A total of three hours of Personal Response classes were given to the members of the Battalion during the reporting month.

f. Psychological Operations

(1) The following leaflets, passes and posters were handed out within the Battalion AO:

<u>Theme</u>	<u>Number</u>
Weapons Reward	5,520
Sanitation	1,325
VC Reward and Pay Scale	400
Chieu Hoi	590
Reward for VC Leaders	60
Come Back to GVN	30
Tell gov't where VC are	15

6. (U) Battalion Aid Station

a. Significant Events

(1) Preventive Medicine Unit from FIC conducted their monthly sanitation inspection, there were no major discrepancies.

(2) Commanding General's Inspection was conducted 16 thru 18

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March 1970. Inspection Officers were A. J. STONE, LCDR, MC, USN, FLC. Command Surgeon, G. A. PRITCHARD, LCDR, USO, USN, and K. A. RETAMER, LT, MC, USN. Results of the inspection were satisfactory with no discrepancies.

(3) A total of 1586 Vietnamese were treated in conjunction with the Battalion MEDCAP Program and a total of 79 MEDCAPS were held.

(4) One man, Cpl Gordon C. STANTON, USMC, Bravo Company, was killed as a result of fatal blast injuries caused by TNT charges which exploded in a multipurpose barge. Cpl D. G. JOHNSON, USMC, Bravo Company, was wounded in the same incident and was MEDEVACED to USNH YOKOSUKA, Japan.

(5) The rat eradication effort resulted in 11 rats killed in traps.

b. New Developments: Vietnamese workers replaced and/or repaired all of the supporting beams in the buildings of the B. A. S.

c. Problems Encountered: None.

d. Military Patient Statistical DATA:

- (1) Average number of patients seen per day: 17
- (2) Average daily number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consultation, dental, x-ray, and laboratory work: 04
- (3) Routine Medical Complaints.
 - (a) Rashes
 - (b) Diarrhea
 - (c) Colds
- (4) Significant diseases peculiar to the area: None
- (5) Number of emergency treatments:
 - (a) Combat injuries: 00.
 - (b) Lacerations: 09.
 - (c) Burns: 03.
 - (d) Trauma: 02.
- (6) Innoculations and prophylactic medications:
 - (a) Innoculations: 624.
 - (b) Malaria Prophylaxis: 2552.
- (7) Patients admitted to BAS ward: 00.
- (8) Patients admitted to other facilities.
 - (a) NSA Hospital: 05.
 - (b) 1st Medical Battalion: 04.
- (9) Patients Medevaced: 04.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. (C) 011200H March 1970. 1st Military Police Battalion was relieved of security for the I Corps/Trinh Linh Bridge at grid 040762, when security responsibility was assumed by a Regional Force Company from Danang Special Sector. 1st Military Police Battalion continued to provide traffic control and necessary UDT operations.
2. (C) 042115H March 1970. A squad ambush of "B" Co, 1st Military Police Battalion at BT 056730 apprehended a 15 yr. old Vietnamese male out after curfew who attempted to escape when challenged. When interrogated, claimed to be leader of Hamlet Security Force but didn't know chief's name. Subject was turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation.
3. (U) On 16, 17, and 18 March 1970, inspection of the 1st Military Police Battalion was conducted by the Commanding General, Force Logistic Command. Results were satisfactory with minor discrepancies.
4. (C) 190745H March 1970 a 1st Military Police Battalion jeep was hit by 3 rounds SAF, from coordinates BT 026732. Hoa Vang District Headquarters was holding a sweep in the general vicinity; no casualties.

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE CO LANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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