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Force Logistic Command  
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Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 July 1970 to 31 July 1970. (U)

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1B  
(b) FMF PacO 5750.8B

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

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

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## ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. (U) DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

**COMMANDER**

LtCol N. T. DONAHOO  
1-31 July 1970

## SUBORDINATE UNITS

Company H&S	1-31 July 1970
Company A	1-31 July 1970
Company B	1-31 July 1970
Company C	1-31 July 1970
Company D	1-9 July 1970
	10-31 July 1970

1stLt W. J. CLUNE  
1stLt T. P. RYAN  
Capt G. C. CASEN  
1stLt T. A. PRICE  
1stLt R. C. HASKETT  
1stLt P. W. ELLIS

## ATTACHED UNITS

Detachment 5th/7th Comm Bn 1-31 July 1970

2. (U) Location. 1-31 July 1970, Danang, RVN

3. (U) Staff Officers

Exec Off	1-31 July 1970
Adj	1-31 July 1970
S-2	1-31 July 1970
S-3	1-31 July 1970
S-4	1-26 July 1970
	27-31 July 1970
S-5	1-31 July 1970

Major J. J. COLLINS  
1stLt T. M. SAMPSON  
1stLt K. J. WADAS....  
Capt J. H. EAGER:.....  
1stLt T. S. PATTON.....  
1stLt T. P. CONOVER..  
1stLt J. F. JOHNSON

#### 4. (C) Average Monthly Strength

USMC

<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
29	496

USN	
OFF	ENL
0	9

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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY1. (C) S-1 Personnel and Administrationa. Awards. Noneb. Losses

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
7	52	0	0

c. Replacements

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	20	0	0

d. Discipline. Seven Special Courts-Martial, three Summary Courts-Martial, fifteen 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	10	113	0	9
Co A	4	60	0	0
Co B	4	105	0	0
Co C	4	88	0	0
Co D	3	84	0	0

(2) Non-Effectives

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Co H&S	0	8	0	0
Co A	0	4	0	0
Co B	1	6	0	0
Co C	0	5	0	0
Co D	0	10	0	0

2. (C) S-2 Intelligence

a. During the month of July, operations throughout the 1st Military Police Battalion TAOR included extensive patrolling and ambushes. These resulted in no significant enemy contact. In addition, one operation was conducted in conjunction with our Vietnamese allies, which resulted in the detention of 22 Vietnamese Nationals. Among those being detained were 4 VCS, 3 ARVN Deserters, 4 Illegal Residents and 11 Illegal papers.

b. Intelligence reports indicated one "high threat" period which did materialize to some extent in the form of terrorist activities. There was a total of 10 terrorist activities resulting in the killing of 3 VN Civilians and the wounding of 2 Marines, 11 ARVNs, 6 National Police and 14 VN Civilians. There were four separate incidents involving a demonstration by VN Civilians following an accident which involved U.S. Servicemen. Sources are divided as to whether these demonstrations are: ..... considered to be Communist inspired and the matter is currently under ..... investigation. There were no attacks by fire during the reporting period. ....

c. Current Intelligence Summaries indicate that the enemy will ..... continue with terrorist activities, attacks against surrounding GVN units. .... and concentrate on attacks by fire in the 1st M.P. Bn. TAOR. ....

3. (C) S-3 Operations and Training

(a) (U) The 1st Military Police Battalion participated in numerous company, platoon and smaller unit size operations during the month of July with no significant contact made. ....

(b) (C) During the reporting period, 280 fireteam size day patrols, 300 fireteam size ambushes, 30 squad-size day patrols, 133 squad size ambushes, 31 river partols and 62 squad size combat outposts for a total of 836 small unit operations were conducted. In addition, 1 battalion size operation was conducted.

c. (C) Joint Marine and Vietnamese Military Forces conducted 627 small unit operations within our area of operation.

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

- (1) Individual and group communications
- (2) Promotion System
- (3) Command Information/S-2 Brief
- (4) Religions in Vietnam
- (5) Rights and Responsibilities

e. (U) The Battalion Initial Indoctrination was conducted for all newly joined personnel. Included in this instruction was NBC training with a tear gas chamber exercise.

f. (U) GMS training was conducted in accordance with current directives to include training by MOS and NCO Leadership training. In addition a Pre-OG Inspection was conducted the last week of July on all Company Training Programs and Records. All training cancelled due to operational commitments was rescheduled and made up.

#### 4. (C) S-4 Logistics

##### a. Significant Events

- (1) A new shower was completed for H&S Company enlisted area.
- (2) Military Police platoon quarters were rehabilitated.
- (3) Erosion problems were temporarily checked on Companies "C" and "D" lines.
- (4) Supplemental lighting was installed on Company "D" lines with the use of a 20kw generator.
- (5) Two buildings in the motor transport lot were revamped for staging of equipment to be redeployed.
- (6) An embarkation team has been formed for the purpose of rebuilding and preparing mount-out boxes for redeployment, to include training forklift operators and preparing for agricultural inspections.

##### b. Percentage of Combat Essential Equipment on Hand.

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|---------------------|------|
| (1) Supply          | 100% |
| (2) Motor Transport | 100% |
| (3) Communications  | 100% |

5. (U) S-5 Civil Affairs

a. General

(1) One PC load of scrapwood and used plywood was given to the 523rd RF Company to build mess hall tables and chairs.

(2) 5,000 Vietnamese newspapers were distributed in the hamlets of Binh Thai and Khue Trung I.

b. Education

(1) Six truck and 3 PC loads of used plywood were given to Hoa Vang High School (Khue Trung I) to build desks and chairs for their new addition.

(2) 1600 new English books were presented to Hoa Vang High School.

(3) 20 sheets of tin, 40 gallons of paint, 10 gallons of disinfectant, 5 packs of writing paper, 2 packs of stencil paper, 2 cans of printing ink, 2 water barrels, 2 cases of insect repellent, 5 saws and 6 volley ball kits were distributed to the Hoa Vang High School.

(4) Sgt WALKER of "C" Company teaches English weekly at the Bode Elementary Buddhist School in the hamlet of Thanh Phong.

c. Public Health

(1) 1676 people were treated during MEDCAPS in the month of July.

(2) There were no DENICAPS held during the month of July.

(3) 8 "Do Not Dump Garbage" signs were put up outside Gate 12 heading South in the hamlet of Nghi An.

(4) One truckload of garbage was picked up from Khue Trung I.

(5) One five gallon can of disinfectant was presented to the hamlet chief of Khue Trung I.

(6) "B" Company distributed 60 bars of soap to the people in 4 of their hamlets.

d. Welfare. Three Six-by loads of used tin, used plywood and scrapwood were distributed to 5 homes in Danang that needed repair.

e. Civic Action Training

(1) The S-5 Officer gave all newly arrived personnel in the battalion a Vietnamese Orientation Lecture.

(2) A total of six hours of Personal Response classes were given to the members of this battalion during the month of July.

f. Psychological Operations

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

<u>THEME</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Chieu Hoi	2658
Sanitation	3183
Weapons Reward	1411

(2) Total leaflets handed out: 7252

6. (3) Battalion Aid Station

a. Significant Events

(1) The Preventive Medicine Section from FLC conducted their monthly inspection of this battalion and found only minor discrepancies.

(2) A total of 1676 people were treated by the Battalion MEDCAP program.

(3) 30 Marines were given Stannous Floride treatment at 1st Med Bn Dental.

(4) 110 Physical examinations were given for the purpose of separation.

(5) One man was medevaced due to a confirmed case of Infectious Hepatitis.

b. New Developments: None.

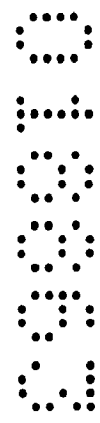
c. Problems Encountered: None.

d. Military Patient Statistical Data:





- (1) Average number of patients seen: 14
- (2) Average number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consultation, dental, X-ray, and laboratory work daily: 01
- (3) Routine medical complaints: G. I. problems and rashes.
- (4) Significant disease peculiar to area: None.
- (5) Number of emergencies:
  - Combat: 00
  - Lacerations: 04
  - Burns: 01
  - Trauma: 00
- (6) Innoculations & prophylactic medications:
  - (a) Innoculations: 454
  - (b) Prophylactic Medications: 2072
- (7) Patients admitted to BAS ward: 00
- (8) Patients admitted to other facilities:
  - a. 1st Med Bn: 05
  - b. 95th Evac: 00
  - c. USS Sanctuary: 00
- (9) Patients Medevaced: 05



## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. (C) 010745H July 1970, AFP's reported that a satchel charge filled with plastic explosive exploded inside a house (BT 025761) at 010715H July 1970. AFP's reported 2 ARVN's and 1 VN Civilian (female) KIA and 8 ARVN's and 1 VN Civilian (female) WIA. The female WIA; wife of an interpreter in this Battalion, subsequently died of her wounds.
2. (C) 011600H July 1970, AFP's reported that a clandestine explosive device (1 oz. C-4 and delay type firing device) exploded at ARVN check-point (BT 052755) at 011445H July 1970. One ARVN wounded, suffered minor lacerations and burns.
3. (C) 012045H July 1970, "C" Company reported that PF checkpoint (BT 003779) in front of bunker 17 had fired three rounds SAF in the air.
4. (C) 022335H July 1970, 1st MAW (Tango Security) reported that one of their posts (AT 996753) had received 5 rounds SAF from AT 993753. They had observed movement in the village, but had not returned fire.
5. (C) 031545H July 1970, "A" Co reported an explosion in old French Minefield (approx. grid BT 021734). Air Force reported that mine had been tripped by Vietnamese.
6. (C) 042250H July 1970, MAG-11 reported that they had apprehended two VN Civilians on base in their area. MAG-11 turned Vietnamese over to 1st M. P. Bn. who turned them over to AFP's. Vietnamese turned out to be Koreans who live in Danang City.
7. (C) 052010H July 1970, "C" Co reported that 10-15 rds. SAF were fired at an aircraft making its approach to DAB from BT 010779. Air Force reported negative damage or hits on aircraft.
8. (C) 072230H July 1970, Air Force reported that a C-117 received one round SAF originating from vicinity West of I Corps Bridge (BT 035763).
9. (C) 092015H July 1970, an ARVN jeep received a grenade (BT 025781) resulting in 1 ARVN, 2 VN Civilians, and 1 National Police wounded and vehicle 50% destroyed.
10. (C) 092025H July 1970, VC placed an unknown size plastic charge at the electric plant (BT 036779) resulting in 4 VN Civilians WIA, and minor damage to a transformer.
11. (C) 092025H July 1970, unknown person threw a grenade into VNAF jeep (BT 032774). Grenade did not explode and EOD removed grenade.

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12. (C) 092045H July, a VC threw a grenade at the Thanh-Khe bus station (AT 990778) resulting in 1 ARVN, and 3 VN Civilians WIA.
13. (C) 092045H July, "C" Co reported that an explosion had occurred along QL-1 (AT 995779). A group of Vietnamese were watching a road paving operation when explosion occurred, resulting in 2 VN Civilians WIA (minor injuries, non evac). Cause of explosion unknown.
14. (C) 100635H July 1970, AFP's reported that at 52 Nguyen Thi Giang Street (BT 032781) unknown person threw a satchel charge over wall of Korean Construction Compound. Negative casualties and damage.
15. (C) 102320H July 1970, 1st MAW (Tango Security) reported that approximately 25 ARVN's/PF's across from their compound were firing SAF into air and shooting illumination. Quang Da notified of incident and stated that it was a combined operation between PF's and National Police and that the incident was caused by National Police/PF's stopping VN personnel from fleeing from them.
16. (C) 112120H July 1970, Air Force reported that a Navy Plane received 2 rounds SAF 2 miles south of DAB. Rounds did not hit aircraft.
17. (C) 120125H July 1970, "C" Company reported that IP-1 heard two rounds SAF fired from BT 009775. IP-1 checked area and found 5 PF's in vicinity of firing. Firing is believed to have come from PF's.
18. (C) 120530H July 1970, a VN female tripped a SFD (BT 063721) resulting in multiple fragmentation wounds. VN female taken to 95th Evac Hospital by 1st Eng. Bn. Area swept by 1st Eng. Bn. with fragments found of other than those of M-26 grenade.
19. (C) 122030H July 1970, Air Force reported that VC threw a plastic explosive charge into Thanh Khe National Police Headquarters (AT 991770);.... Quang Da reported 5 National Police WIA.
20. (C) 132130H July 1970, "C" Co reported that bunker 17 observed SAF (BT 000779) being fired at C-130 making it's approach for a landing. Negative hits on plane.
21. (C) 132155H July 1970, "C" Co reported that Bunker 18 observed automatic and SAF and movement in vicinity of BT 000779. Investigation revealed that PF's were involved in breaking up a conflagration between two different VIETNAMESE political parties.
22. (C) 182040H July 1970, gate 12 reported that 1st Mar. Div. MP vehicle took one incoming M-26 grenade at AT 986774. The jeep was 100% destroyed, 2 Marines WIA and 1 VN Civilian who was riding by on a motor-cycle WIA, all parties medevaced to 1st Med. Bn.

23. (C) 200830H July 1970, Air Force Security reported that a 2½ lb. charge of C-4 was found by bunker 18, 37th Signal Bn. (BT 018756). Charge was placed in a wooden file box and a small clock with flashlight batteries was used as a detonator. EOD disarmed explosive device and incident under investigation by OSI.

24. (C) 202005H July 1970, Air Force Control Tower reported that flight path Southeast of air base (BT 021735) received two burst of SAF about 10 minutes apart.

25. (C) 212022H July 1970, "C" Co reported that bunkers 16 and 17 observed 6-10 rds. SAF fired into air from PF Compound (AT 998779). Aircraft was making approach to land DAB at time of incident. Air Force reported aircraft was not hit.

26. (C) 232245H July 1970, gate 12 reported that a Marine 6x6 reported that two VN males on a honda had thrown a CS grenade at their truck (AT 997744) and escaped in an unknown direction.

27. (C) 240400H July 1970, a combined cordon and sweep by elements of 1st M.P. Bn. and Danang Special Sector was held in the hamlet of An Khe (center of mass AT 997775). Cordon forces consisted of elements of "A" Co, "B" Co, "C" Co, H&S Co, 1st M.P. Bn. and MWHG-1 (Zulu 1) reaction company. Sweep forces consisted of "D" Co, 1st M.P. Bn., 110 PF's from District II, 20 National Police, 1 Platoon National Police Field Forces, and 3 QC's. Results 49 VN apprehended, 22 VN detained. Detainees were as follows, 3 ARVN Deserters, 9 Illegal Papers, 4 Illegal Residents, 2 Disobeying National Police, 4 VCS.

28. (C) 260040H July 1970, Air Force reported that an OV-10 received 1 tracer round from BT 048764. Negative damage or casualties.

29. (C) 262250H July 1970, Air Force reported that a C-130 received SAF South of DAB. Negative damage or casualties.

#### PART IV

#### CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE.