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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1-31 Oct 1966

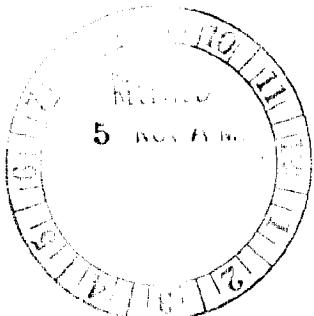
Ref: (a) DivO 5750.2

Encl: (1) Chronology

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).
2. Upon removal of enclosure (1), this letter becomes UNCLASSIFIED.

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## COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1. Organizational Data

- a. Location: Chu Lai Combat Base, Republic of Vietnam
- b. Period Covered by this report: 1-31 Oct 1966
- c. Name and Rank of Commanding Officer and Subordinates:
 

Commanding Officer . . . . .	LtCol R. E. JOHNSON USMC
Executive Officer . . . . .	Major K. H. REAGAN USMC
Sergeant Major . . . . .	SgtMaj C. JANIEL USMC
S-1/Adj/Legal0 . . . . .	2ndLt B. V. BRANSON USMC
S-3 Officer . . . . .	Major K. H. REAGAN USMC
S-4/Supply0. . . . .	WC-1 A. D. HALL USMC
Communication0 . . . . .	2ndLt R. B. MEISSNER USMC

Headquarters and Service Company  
Commanding Officer . . . . . 2ndLt B. V. BRANSON USMC

Company "A" (Attached to 3rdMTBn, 3rdMarDiv)  
Commanding Officer . . . . . Capt W. E. SMITH USMCR

Company "B"  
Commanding Officer . . . . . Capt J. D. FINDLAY USMCR

Company "C"  
Commanding Officer . . . . . Capt K. M. SEYBOLD USMC

2. Commanders Statement of Significant Events

- a. On five occasions during the month, members of this Battalion were subjected to hostile action. Incidents were (1) mine, (1) ambush, (3) Convoy received small arms fire. Results of this action was one Marine WIA (Evacuated) and two M-35s damaged.
- b. The first effects of the monsoon season were experienced during this period. Mud conditions in certain operating areas were such as to render brakes inoperative after one days operation. This has placed a far greater work load on the 2nd echelon shops. On (7) occasions during the month two otters have been employed in the 1/7 area resupplying Companies "B" and "D", when other motor vehicles were incapable of performing the task due to mud conditions.

## 3. 1 October - 31 October 1966:

02 October 1966: 3 trucks transported 5,000 pounds of supplies for 3/5 from the 3/5 C.P. to hill #29.

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03 October 1966: 3 trucks returning from the 2/7 C.P. received approximately 30 rounds of small arms fire, when the trucks stopped to render aid to a Marine lying beside the road.

06 October 1966: Major General H. NICKERSON Jr. visited 1st Motor Transport Battalion.

10 October 1966: At 1200, the 1st Motor Transport Battalion CHOPPED OPCON to Task Force X-ray.

11 October 1966: 2ndLt R. B. MEISSNER, from Company "B", was assigned Convoy Commander of 20 M-36s, from LAAM Bn. This convoy transported sacks of rice from the Chu Lai sand ramp to the ROK C.P. located at Tuy Hoa.

16 October 1966: 10 trucks from 1st Motor Transport Battalion and 10 M-36s from 7th Motor Transport Battalion, transported 39,283 pounds of "A" stores for the ROK, from the Chu Lai sand ramp to the ROK C.P.

16 October 1966: 1 truck heading for the Chu Lai Air Freight from the 1/7 C.P., detonated a mine causing slight damage to the vehicle.

17 October 1966: 1 truck heading for the 1/7 C.P. from Company "D", 1/7, was ambushed.

19 October 1966: 8 trucks transported 152 troops and 200 pounds of supplies for 1/5 from the 1/5 C.P. to the Chu Lai Defense Command.

21 October 1966: 4 trucks and 53 troops from 2/7 provided escort for a 50 truck ARVN convoy, from Bien Son to the MSR and Highway #1.

24 October 1966: 3 trucks and 45 troops from 2/7 provided escort for a 40 trucks ARVN convoy, from Bien Son to the MSR and Highway #1.

24 October 1966: 2ndLt R. H. SHIREMAN, from Company "C", was assigned Convoy Commander of 12 M-36s from LAAM Bn. This convoy transported construction material from MCB 4, located in the Chu Lai complex, to G.C. 632850.

25 October 1966: 3 trucks and 58 troops from 1/7, provided escort for 20 trucks from LAAM Bn, from Highway #1 and RMK road to G.C. 632850.

26 October 1966: 3 trucks transported 41 troops of 3/5 from the 3/5 C.P. to G.C. 307187.

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29 October 1966: 12 trucks from the 1st Motor Transport Battalion, 10 M-35s from 7th Communications Bn, 10 M-36s from LAAM Bn and 10 M-36s from 7th Motor Transport Battalion, transported ammunition from the Chu Lai ammo dump to the Quang Ngai airstrip. The convoy received 3 rounds of small arms while enroute to Quang Ngai and 10 rounds of small arms fire on the convoys return trip.

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1st Motor Transport Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96602

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Ser: 047-66  
4 Nov 1966

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
Subj: Command Chronology for Company "A", 1st Motor Transport  
Battalion for October 1966  
Ref: (a) DivO 5750.2  
      (b) CG 1stMarDiv msg 261725Z Oct66  
Encl: (1) Chronology for Company "A"

1. The Command Chronology for this Battalion was submitted on 1 November 1966 in accordance with reference (a).
2. In accordance with reference (b), enclosure (1) is forwarded herewith for Company "A" this Battalion, OPCON 3rd Motor Transport Battalion, 3rd Marine Division.

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## COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1. Organizational Data

- a. Location: DaNang Combat Base, Republic of Viet Nam
- b. Period covered by this report: 1-31 Oct 1966
- c. Name and rank of Company Commander and Subordinates:  
 Commanding Officer . . . . . 1stLt W. E. SMITH USMC  
 Executive Officer . . . . . 2ndLt W. E. SCHAAF USMCR  
 Company 1stSgt. . . . . 1stSgt E. M. WRIGHT USMC

2. Commander's Statement of Significant Events

- a. During the periods covered herein, this company provided support, on an extended TAD basis, to the following organizations:

HQ, 1st Marine Regiment (4 vehicles)  
 1st Battalion, 1st Marines (7 vehicles)  
 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines (6 vehicles)  
 1st MP Battalion (3 vehicles)  
 III MAW Post Office (2 vehicles)  
 China Beach R&R Center (1 vehicle)

Any available vehicles not TAD were committed to the Rough Rider convoys to Phu Bai and Dong Ha areas, the schedule of which is included in paragraph (3) below. In addition, this company provided command and control personnel to these convoys, which on occasion exceed 150 vehicles. The mission of these Rough Riders was to support the relocation of 3rd Marine Division units to the northern provinces of the I Corps.

## 3. 1 October - 31 October 1966:

01 October 1966: Rough Rider to Phu Bai and Dong Ha departs.

02 October 1966: One vehicle receives several hits from small arms fire while on resupply mission for 1st Battalion, 1st Marines. No casualties.

03 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.

09 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.

10 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.

11 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.

12 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.

13 October 1966: Rough Rider departs and returns.

14 October 1966: Rough Rider departs and returns.

15 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.

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16 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.  
17 October 1966: Company visited by Major General NICKERSON  
18 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.  
19 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.  
20 October 1966: Rough Rider departs. Visit by Lt. Col JOHNSON, Bn CO.  
21 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.  
23 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.  
27 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.  
28 October 1966: Rough Rider departs.  
30 October 1966: Rough Rider returns.

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