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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 Jan TO 31 Jan 1967

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Motor Transport Battalion. Major. J. T. ELKINS. . 24Dec66
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SUBORDINATE UNITS

NONE

NONE

ATTACHED UNITS

NONE

NONE

2. LOCATION

1-31 Jan: Chu Lai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer. 1-31 Jan. . . Major J. T. ELKINS USMC
Executive Officer S/3 1-31 Jan. . . Major K. H. REAGAN USMC
Sergeant Major. 1-31 Jan. . . SgtMaj C. JANIEL USMC
S-1/Adj/Legal O 1-31 Jan. . . 2ndLt B. V. BRANSON USMC
S-3 Ass't 1-31 Jan. . . 1stLt R. H. SHIREMAN, III USMC
S-4/Supply. 1-31 Jan. . . WO A. D. HALL USMC
Communications O. 1-31 Jan. . . 1stLt R. H. SHIREMAN, III USMC
Chaplain. 1-31 Jan. . . Lt L. L. GLOVER USNR

Headquarters and Service Company

Commanding Officer 1-31 Jan. . . 1stLt R. B. MEISSNER USMC

Company "A" (Attached to 3rdMTBn, 3rdMarDiv)

Commanding Officer. 1-31 Jan. . . Capt W. E. SMITH USMC

Company "B"

Commanding Officer. 1-31 Jan. . . Capt J. D. FINDLAY USMC

Company "C"

Commanding Officer. 1-31 Jan. . . Capt J. A. FREEMAN

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
14	271

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	8

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
NONE	NONE

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During January 1967 the majority of the battalion's efforts were in support of normal supply and logistics requirements.
2. An average of 96% of the available trucks were committed during the month.
3. A total of 9, 440 miles were driven in support of Operations SIERRA and DeSOTO during January. Operation SIERRA was in the Mo Duc area and secured 10 January 1967. Operation DeSOTO is in the area of Duc Pho and is still in progress.
4. Monsoon rains were more prevalent than normal for this month and hampered operations slightly.
5. Company "A" remains under operational control of the Third Motor Transport Battalion at Da Nang, RVN.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 02 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 11 M-35's from Company "C" and 12 Refuelers from MAG-36 transported 36,000 pounds of class 3 & 4 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 08 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 11 M-35's from Company "B" and 1 M-35 from Company "C" transported 27,700 pounds of class 1, 3, & 5 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 10 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 4 M-35's from Company "B" transported 70 Marines from Hill #54 to G.C. BT330208. On the return trip 70 Marines were transported back to Hill #54.
- *13 January 1967: The Commanding Officer visited Company "A" in Da Nang.
- 14 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 3 M-35's from Company "C" and 22 M-35's from Company "B" transported 92,905 pounds of class 1, 3, 4, & 5 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip. On the return trip a Resuscitation Team was transported to the 1st Medical Battalion.
- *16 January 1967: General Wood B. KYLE, Commanding General, 3rdMarDiv inspected 3rdMTBn area to include Company "A", 1stMTBn

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- 17 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 2 M-35's from Company "C" transported 30 Marines from the Chu Lai area to GC 6358484. Convoy then continued South to Quang Ngai to pickup a disabled "C" Company M-35 for the return to the TAOR.
- 20 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 16 M-35's from Company "C" transported 62,100 pounds of class 1,3, & 5 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 20-21 Jan 1967: An S-4/Supply inspection was conducted by Task Force X-Ray Supply Team. Results-Satisfactory
- 21 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 15 M-35's from Company "B" transported 52,690 pounds of general supplies, and 216 troops from Mo Duc GC 735528 back to the Chu Lai TAOR. 2 M-35's from Company "C" OPCON to 2/7 since Dec 10 1966 in support of Operation SIERRA, returned to 1st Motor Transport Battalion with convoy.
- *21 January 1967: Moved Company "F", 2/26 to new location. Moved Company "A" 3/7 to new position.
- *22 January 1967: Rough Rider departed to Phu Bai.
- *23 January 1967: Rough Rider returned.
- 23 January 1967: 18 M-35's from Company "B" joined a larger 7th Motors Convoy transporting 61,194 pounds of class 1,3, & 5 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 23 January 1967: A Type I Comm inspection was held by the Task Force X-Ray CEO with satisfactory results.
- 24 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 16 M-35's from Company "B" and 3 M-35's from Company "C" transported 46,366 pounds of ammunition from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 24 January 1967: 5 Company "B" M-35's transported a 1st Engineer Battalion Bridge Recon Team to the Mo Duc area. The convoy received small arms fire south of Mo Duc and returned the fire with 50 Cal. machine guns. There were no casualties.
- 26 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 15 M-35's from Company "B" transported 25,320 pounds of class 5 supplies and 291 troops from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip in support of Operation DeSOTO.
- 27 January 1967: 15 M-35's from "B" Company joined a larger 7th Motors convoy hauling 51,785 pounds of class 1,2, & 5 supplies from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.

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- 28 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 13 M-35's, W/M-105's from Company "B" transported 19,300 pounds of general supplies and 360 troops from the Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 29 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 5 M-35's from Company "C" transported 13,000 pounds of cement from Tam Ky to the Chu Lai area.
- 30 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 14 M-35's from Company "C" 8 refuelers from MAG 36; 18 M-54's from 7thMTBn Company "C" vehicles transported 69,000 lbs of class 1&V supplies from Chu Lai area to the Quang Ngai airstrip.
- 30 January 1967: Convoy comprised of 12 M-35's from Company "B" transported 58,900 lbs of class V to 1/5 GP
- 31 January 1967: Technical inspection of engineer equipment held by 1st Engineer Battalion. Results-Satisfactory
- * Denotes action by Co. "A" OPCON to 3rd Motor Transport Battalion in Da Nang, RVN

PART IV

NONE

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