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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION1st Motor Transport Battalion
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMFCOMMANDERLt. Col. M. S. SHIMANOFF
1 - 31 JanuarySUBORDINATE UNITSHeadquarters and Service Company
1st Motor Transport Battalion1st Lt. D. M. MURPHY
1 - 31 January

Company "A"

1st Motor Transport Battalion

Capt. J. C. THOMPSON
1 - 31 January

Company "B"

1st Motor Transport Battalion

1st Lt. J. L. WHEELER

1 - 28 January

2nd Lt. P. J. D'ACHILLE, JR
29 - 31 January

Company "C"

1st Motor Transport Battalion

1st Lt. J. J. ABBATTISTA
1 - 31 JanuaryATTACHED UNITS

Company "A" (Rein)

5th Motor Transport Battalion

1st Lt. C. F. GRIFFIN
1 - 31 January2. LOCATION

1 - 31 January 1970: Camp Perdue, Da Nang, RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Maj. P. S. BRADLEY	1 - 31 January
Sergeant Major	Sgt. Maj. J. J. KENNEDY	1 - 31 January
S-1/Legal0/Adj.	Capt. J. J. McGRAW	1 - 31 January
S-3	Capt. P. T. KEARNEY	1 - 31 January
S-3A	2nd Lt. W. L. WARTHEN	1 - 31 January
S-4	1st Lt. O. J. RODMAKER	1 - 31 January
S-5	2nd Lt. T. K. O'REILLY 2nd Lt. E. H. BROWN	1 - 14 January 15 - 31 January

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ComMO	2nd Lt. W. L. WARTHEN	1 - 31 January
SupplyO	1st Lt. O. J. RODMAKER	1 - 31 January

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER	
Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
27	379	0	7	0	0

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 1st Motor Transport Battalion continued its assigned combat support logistics functions within the 1st Marine Division TAOR. Its vehicles travelled 124,421 miles, transporting 7,196 tons of general cargo and 77,927 personnel. The battalion remained in direct support of the First, Fifth, Seventh and Twenty-Sixth Marine Regiments. Cargo and personnel movement convoys were also conducted by the battalion in support of these units.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

During January the battalion suffered no combat casualties and had 5 non-battle casualties (Evacuated).

A total of 16 personnel took advantage of the R & R program.

One officer and 48 enlisted personnel were rotated to conus, while 4 officers and 20 enlisted personnel were received as replacements. Of those who rotated, the officer and 25 enlisted were sent as part of a surface draft.

Eighty-eight promotions to lance corporal were made. There were 4 recommendations for Navy Achievement Medals and one for a Navy Commendation Medal.

On 8 January MajGen WHEELER visited the battalion. On 27 January BrigGen ROBERTSON and BrigGen DOEHLER also visited the battalion.

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During January the battalion continued its routine mission of providing direct motor vehicle support to the 1st Division's Infantry Regiments. It also conducted 27 tactical and administrative resupply and troop movement convoys in support of these units. No road mining incidents occurred during the month.

On 1 January the battalion consolidated its maintenance resources of men and material into a battalion motor vehicle maintenance section within its Headquarters and Maintenance Company. All second echelon maintenance is now being performed by this section. Upon formation all vehicles were required to be thoroughly inspected and the necessary corrective and preventive maintenance accomplished. This proved to be an effective maintenance management program and considerably increased the battalion's combat readiness.

Supply support to the consolidated maintenance program was excellent and continued to progress, providing supplies in a timely manner. During the period covered only one vehicle was deadlined for a supply item for longer than 24 hours.

During January 16 M-35A2C 2½-ton cargo trucks were evacuated to 1st Force Service Regiment for repair. Fourteen were repaired and returned to service and one was assigned a condition code "H". In addition, 1 M-49A2C fuel truck, 2 MRC-109 radio trucks and 2 M-105A2 cargo trailers were evacuated to 1st FSR but not returned. A total of 109 items of miscellaneous equipment were sent to 1st FSR for repair, with 83 being repaired and returned and 10 assigned a condition code "H".

During January 12 M-35A2C cargo trucks were exchanged through the FY 70 Replacement and Evacuation program.

A vehicle lubrication platform was constructed in the battalion maintenance area and the motor park graded to allow increased area for parking vehicles and for staging convoys. All perimeter bunkers, trench lines, fighting holes and defensive positions were renovated and strengthened in preparation for an anticipated TET offensive by the enemy.

Three medcaps were held in Dong Phuoc Hamlet by the battalion S-5. A total of 256 Vietnamese civilians were treated by medical personnel. The battalion's civic action area of responsibility has been shifted from Dong Phuoc Hamlet (At 9573) to Khanh Son Hamlet (At 9576) after approval by G-5.

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