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Command Chronology

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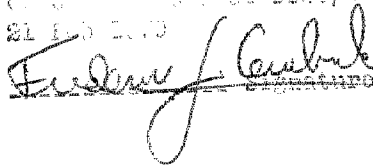
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 April 1971 to 30 June 1971

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COMMANDER

First Radio Battalion,
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

LtCol E. D. RESNIK 31 July 1970-

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters and Service Company

1-18Apr Capt J. A. MARSHALL
19Apr-30Jun Capt G. C. HAMILTON

Operations Company

1-29Apr Maj H. P. BAER
30Apr-30Jun Capt C. W. PHILLIPS

Electronic Warfare Company

1May-30Jun Capt R. A. BAER

2. LOCATION

1-17 April: Camp Books, DaNang, Republic of Vietnam.

18 April - 30 June: MCAS, KANEOHE BAY, Oahu, Hawaii

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj O. J. LEHRACK

1Apr-30Jun

Battalion S-1

Capt B. D. OWENS

1Apr-30Jun

Battalion S-2

Capt D. J. DIRKES

1Apr-30Jun

Battalion S-3

Capt R. H. HART

1Apr-30Jun

Battalion S-4

Capt D. D. LYNCH
Capt P.J. MCELHINNEY1Apr-2Jun
3-30Jun4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
APR	20	262	0	0	0	0
MAY	31	389	0	0	0	0
JUN	30	375	0	0	0	0

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1. (S) During the month of April, First Radio Battalion, through its operational platoons deployed throughout Quan Nam Province, provided direct near real-time support to tactical commanders of the First Marine Division, while the Battalion as a whole provided both direct and general support to the Headquarters, III Marine Amphibious Force, the U. S. Army XXIV Corps, the First Marine Division, and the First Marine Aircraft Wing. The direct support role was highlighted by the timely provision of vital tactical intelligence information to commanders in the field.
2. (S) On 15 April, the Battalion colors were redeployed to Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii and a Detachment remained in RVN in direct support of the 3rd MAB. This Detachment consisting of 6 officers and 79 enlisted Marines continued to provide that intelligence support addressed above until deactivated on 7 May 1971.
3. (S) The aforementioned direct support role ensured the continued loss by the enemy of personnel and equipment, the denial of freedom of movement to and from his forward base areas, and helped prevent the enemy from obtaining local provisions, supplies and recruits.
4. (U) On 21 May 1971, Sub-Unit Two, First Radio Battalion (-) was deactivated and all personnel and T/E items were absorbed by the Battalion.
5. (S) During June the Battalion instituted an aggressive training program designed to expand the scope of training and proficiency in the specific technical cryptologic functions necessary to provide the required Signal Intelligence Support capability for all Fleet Marine Force, Pacific contingency areas.

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a. April 1971

4 April First Personnel Increment departed RVN

7 April First Personnel Increment arrived Hawaii

15 April Detachment, 1stRadBn attached to Headquarters Company, 3rd MAB

18 April Battalion Colors returned to Hawaii
Second Increment(Personnel) departed RVN

21 April Second Increment(Personnel) arrived Hawaii

24 April First Increment of Equipment and Third Increment of Personnel departed RVN aboard USS Cleveland

27 April Fourth Personnel Increment departed RVN

b. May 1971

1 May Electronic Warfare Company formed

4 May Fourth Personnel Increment arrived Hawaii

5 May First Increment of Equipment and Third Increment of Personnel arrived Hawaii

7 May Detachment, 1stRadBn deactivated

10 May Fifth Increment of Personnel departed RVN

12 May Sixth Increment of Personnel and Second Increment of Equipment departed RVN aboard USS Ogden

14 May Fifth Personnel Increment arrived Hawaii

16 May Seventh Increment of Personnel departed RVN

18 May Seventh Increment of Personnel arrived Hawaii

21 May Sub-Unit Two, 1stRadBn deactivated and absorbed by First Radio Battalion

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24 May

Sixth Increment of Personnel and Second Increment of Equipment arrived Hawaii

c. June 1971

16 June

One Officer and 17 enlisted Marines participated in Exercise BELL THUMPER MABFEX 1-71 with 1stMarDiv

INTELLIGENCE

a. The Intelligence functions during this reporting period were primarily security orientation, education and training.

TRAINING

a. GMS training is conducted by this unit in accordance with existing directives. Company Grade Officers participate in the 1st Marine Brigade program and a vigorous training program has been initiated within the battalion for all enlisted Marines. Additionally as directed by CG, FMFPAC classes were held for all personnel stressing the hazards of drug abuse.

b. The training program for technical proficiency has been promulgated and implemented. It is anticipated that this training, coupled with on the job training, will be quite effective.

c. Forward Area On-Site training was conducted during this period for cryptologic specialists assigned to this unit. Personnel were assigned to Army Security Agency and Navy Security Group units throughout the PACOM Area for cryptologic training.

COMMAND RELATIONS

a. On 6 May 1971, First Radio Battalion came under ADCON of the First Marine Brigade, Fleet Marine Force.

LOGISTICS

May 1971

a. On 21 May, all T/E items of the Sub-Unit was transferred to the Battalion and the Sub-Unit was deactivated. The Battalion's redeployed equipments arrived from RVN in two increments with the only damage occurring to one Truck, Cargo, M-35A2C.

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June 1971

a. The Battalion finished the fiscal year with a balance of \$14.15 in obligational authority. First Quarter FY-72 obligational authority in the amount of \$95,000 was requested.

COMMUNICATIONS

a. The months of May and June were utilized for the performance of maintenance of equipments and records.

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