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Encl: (1) Force Logistic Command, Command Chronology  
(2) Force Logistic Command Subordinate Units Command Chronologies  
and Supporting Documents

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference<sup>s</sup> (a) and (b), enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 June 1968 to 30 June 1968

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## PART I

### ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

#### 1. DESIGNATION

1st Force Service Regiment/Force Logistic Command

BGen H. C. OLSON  
(1-30 June 1968)

#### SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters & Service Battalion, 1st Force  
Service Regiment

LtCol W. F. KOEHNLEIN  
(1-30 June 1968)

Supply Battalion, 1st Force Service Regiment

LtCol R. G. EYKYN  
(1-30 June 1968)

Maintenance Battalion, 1st Force Service Regiment

LtCol J. M. HERMES  
(1-30 June 1968)

3rd Service Battalion (Rein)/Force Logistic  
Support Group ALPHA

Col F. W. VAUGHT  
(1-30 June 1968)

1st Service Battalion (Rein)/Force Logistic  
Support Group BRAVO

Col. J. G. BASS, JR.  
(1-30 June 1968)

1st Military Police Battalion, FMF

LtCol B. G. BROWN  
(1-30 June 1968)

3rd Military Police Battalion, FMF

LtCol J. GAMBARDIELLA  
(1-30 June 1968)

5th Communication Battalion (Rein), FMF

LtCol D. L. LINDEMUTH  
(1-30 June 1968)

7th Motor Transport Battalion, FMF

LtCol L. D. THOMAS  
(1-30 June 1968)

Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group  
BRAVO (-) (Rein)

LtCol R. J. SMITH  
(1-30 June 1968)

#### ATTACHED UNITS

None.

2. LOCATION. 1-30 June 1968, Danang, RVN

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Chief of Staff                    | Col R. I. WOOD, JR.<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| Staff Secretary                   | Maj G. W. SIMS, JR.<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| ACofS, G-1                        | LtCol M. P. NEWTON<br>(1-30 June 1968)   |
| ACofS, G-2/Inspector              | Maj C. E. WATSON, JR.<br>(1-30 June 1968)                                      |
| ACofS, G-3                        | Col J. R. JONES<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| ACofS, G-4                        | LtCol R. W. HOWLAND<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| ACofS, G-5                        | Maj T. J. SMYTH<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| ACofS, Comptroller                | LtCol A. E. HARE<br>(1-30 June 1968)   |
| Adjutant                          | 1stLt E. W. SCHOMISCH<br>(1 June 1968)<br>Maj D. A. NILSEN<br>(2-30 June 1968) |
| Staff Legal Officer               | LtCol F. M. HADEN<br>(1-30 June 1968)  |
| Communication-Electronics Officer | LtCol G. A. L'HEUREUX<br>(1-30 June 1968)                                      |
| Staff Chaplain                    | Capt G. I. PAULSON, CHC, USN<br>(1-30 June 1968)                               |
| Sergeant Major                    | SgtMaj W. T. TRAIN<br>(1-30 June 1968)   |

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

| <u>USMC</u> |            |
|-------------|------------|
| <u>Off</u>  | <u>Enl</u> |
| 468         | 9780       |

| <u>USN</u> |            |
|------------|------------|
| <u>Off</u> | <u>Enl</u> |
| 22         | 128        |

| <u>OTHERS</u> |            |
|---------------|------------|
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the period 1-30 June 1968, the Force Logistic Command continued to provide sustained logistic support to the III Marine Amphibious Force organizations and the Republic of Korea Marine Brigade.

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### PART III

#### SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

#### 1. Summary of Events

##### a. Personnel

##### (1) Reenlistment and Extensions:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|
| 1st Term    | 10.5              |
| Career      | 86.9              |
| Total       | 29.2              |

##### (2) RVN Extensions

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| June                        | 234  |
| Accumulative RVN extensions | 3568 |

##### (3) Transient Center

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Total Occupancy                | 24,306 |
| Daily Average                  | 810    |
| Monthly High ( 7Jun68)         | 1,364  |
| Monthly Low (17Jun68)          | 545    |
| Total number of meals served   | 58,129 |
| Total attendance Red Cross Hut | 6,318  |

(4) Awards. The following awards were presented to members of Force Logistic Command during June 1968:

Bronze Star - 2  
Air Medal - 6  
Navy Commendation Medal - 27  
Navy Achievement - 22  
Purple Heart - 21

##### b. Legal

(1) Legal Assistance. Legal assistance was rendered in 101 cases during the month of June 1968.

(2) Legal Lectures. Three lectures were given during the month of June 1968.

(3) Disciplinary Court-Martial cases: A total of 44 courts-martial were tried within FLC during June.

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c. Purchasing and Contracting. The Purchasing and Contracting Officer purchased various items in Vietnam on the open market for the support of military forces in Vietnam during the month. A total of \$231,290.12 was obligated during the month.

d. Communication-Electronics

(1) The 15 June rocket attack damaged telephone cables in the H&S Bn area. These cables were repaired by Fifth Communication Battalion.

(2) On 16 June a direct dial trunk to the Maintenance Battalion switchboard was activated.

(3) On 17 June two direct dial trunks were activated to the Dial Central Office at Chu Lai permitting direct dial service from FLC to Sup Co (-) (Rein)/FLSG-B.

(4) On 17 June the IBM-360 Model 20 was activated to the Automatic Electronic Switching Center at Nha Trang. This equipment will permit high speed communications within the Defense Communication System using narrative, data card or magnetic tape media.

e. Logistic.

(1) Support of Combat Operations: During the month of June the Force Logistic Command continued to provide support to those combat troops operating in the ICTZ. The establishment of an LSU at LZ Stud was completed to support Task Force Hotel located at Khe Sanh. The LSU's located on Hill 55 and at An Hoa continued to provide support for Marines operating in the Goi Noi Island area. These LSU's provide support for Operation MAMELUKE THRUST and for Operation ALLEN BROOK. The LSU located on Hill 10 was phased out on 14 June. Continuing operations throughout the month of June were Operations Napoleon/Saline, Kentucky Lancaster II, Sumari V, Burlington Trail, Houston, and Wheeler/Wallowa.

2. The integrated support situation for U. S. Army Forces in the ICTZ proceeded smoothly and presented relatively few problems.

3. On 20 June the Force Logistic Command's Support Group BRAVO ASP at Dong Ha was hit by enemy artillery fire resulting in the loss of the entire Class V assets amounting to 8,577 short tons.

4. Services: During the month of June, Force Logistic Command units processed 550,940 pounds of laundry. The Graves Registration platoon processed 782 human remains.

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5. Central Control Point Operations: During the month of June, 19 computer supply updates were processed. A total of 48,495 requisitions and 35,496 receipts were processed and 83,798 shipping mats were produced. The total number of transactions processed for the month was 938,602. The fill rate was 63% with the fill rate of R0 items being 65%.

6. Rations

a. During the month of June, Force Logistic Command bakeries produced a total of 924,166 pounds of bread broken down as follows:

- (1) Danang, 494,810 lbs
- (2) Phu Bai, 255,044 lbs
- (3) Dong Ha, 174,312 lbs

b. Rations Company, Danang produced 823,280 pounds of ice during the month. Additionally 409,200 pounds of ice was received from NSA. A total of 5,757,225 pounds of ice was purchased during June.

7. Ammunition. Except for minor problems, ammunition assets were equally distributed to meet commitments. During June MAERU reworked 12,259 rounds of 4.2" ammunition. The total Class V expenditures for the month of June was \$56,095,827.54. A total tonnage of 41,573 short tons was handled by the Ammunition Company, Supply Battalion at ASP # 1 and ASP # 2 for a daily average of 1.385 short tons.

8. Fuel. During the month of June the overall posture remained excellent. A fuel farm was installed at An Hoa on 21 June with capacities of 10,000 gallons of MoGas and 10,000 gallons of Deisel. On the 13th and 20th of June, Cua Viet Fuel Farm sustained moderate damage from enemy artillery attacks.

9. Product Improvement Kit for M-109. The M-109 product improvement kit installation which commenced on 9 February, to date has had 36 kits installed with one in process.

10. 105mm Howitzer Repair/Rebuild Program. Since the inception of the 105mm Howitzer Repair/Rebuild Program in February, the program has shown up significantly in the operational readiness of close support artillery batteries and a low deadline rate of equipment. Up to date 44 howitzers have been exchanged with the using units.

11. M-16 Rifles.

a. The M-16 Rifle Rework/Rebuild Program is continuing with a total of 41,053 rifles reworked and chrome barreled rifles issued using units.

b. 3rd Marine Division reports all troops armed with the M16A1 rifles have the new buffer assembly installed.

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12. Multifuel 5 Ton Fix and Do Kits. As of 29 June, 465 Fix and Do Modification Kits have been installed on the 5 ton multifuel engines. Remaining installation requirements are being validated.

13. Introduction of the M151A1 vehicle commenced to replace the M422A1 and M38A1 vehicles. A total of 1,434 M151A1's have been issued.

14. Maintenance Summary:

|            | <u>BOP</u> | <u>REC'D</u> | <u>COMP</u> | <u>EVAC</u> | <u>EOP</u> |
|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Comm/Elect | 1652       | 546          | 4799        | 753         | 1565       |
| Eng        | 450        | 997          | 959         | 173         | 315        |
| M/T        | 851        | 2831         | 2492        | 146         | 1044       |
| Ord        | 1699       | 2842         | 3228        | 188         | 1125       |
| GS         | 467        | 2953         | 2240        | 785         | 395        |
| Total      | 5119       | 10169        | 13718       | 2045        | 4444       |

f. Civic Action

(1) On 2 June 1968 a check for \$3,000.00 was presented to the Children's Hospital from the townspeople of Littleton, N.H. the hometown of Dr. J. F. PHILLIPS, Command Surgeon. This is the largest contribution to date.

(2) On 9 June 1968 a festival was held in Phuoc Tan Hamlet. Sponsored by Supply Battalion, the principal features were cooking demonstrations, volleyball and the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps concert.

(3) On 18 June 1968 the Commanding Officers of MAC-11, 12, 13, and 16 made donations totaling \$1,375 to Children's Hospital. CG, 1stMAW was present for the presentation ceremony.

(4) On 19 June 1968 the Children's Hospital received \$2,000 from 1st MarDiv Chapel Fund.

(5) On 23 June 1968 FLC provided medical team and interpreter for first aid station at Armed Forces Day in Danang.

(6) 26 June 1968 ACofS, G-5 attended III MAF PSYOP conference. Topics discussed included propaganda against the VC infrastructure and the Chieu Hoi Program.

(7) The ACofS, G-5 continued to give an hour class to NCO Leadership School on RD, PSYOPS and Industrial Relations.

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g. Chaplain. A memorial Service was held at Camp Books Chapel on 17 June 1968, in memory of LCpl G. E. KORSON, TrkCo, H&SBn who died as a result of a rocket attack on 14 June 1968. Attendance at service was 97. Chaplains G. I. PAULSON, A. C. VOLZ, and D. A. MUELLER participated.

h. Command Chronology Highlights

(1) During June 1968, the Commanding General, Force Logistic Command, hosted and provided guided tours of Force Logistic Command facilities for the following distinguished visitors:

| <u>DATE</u>  | <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u>     | <u>COMMAND</u>  | <u>BILLET</u>  |
|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| 7 June 1968  | MGen        | DRAKE           | USMC            | Deputy CG PCV  |
| 5 June 1968  | RAdm        | F. B. GILKINSON | USN             | CO NAVBAS SUBIC  |
| 16 June 1968 | LtGen       | H. W. BUSE      | USMC            | CG, FMFPac   |
| 17 June 1968 | Maj         | J. S. KENDALL   | Australian Army | Australian Army  |
| 23 June 1968 | MGen        | F. C. THARIN    | USMC            | Deputy CG, FMFPac  |
| 27 June 1968 | Mr.         | T. D. MORRIS    | Civilian        | Asst Secretary of Defense<br>for Logistic & Installation |
| 29 June 1968 | Mr.         | Larry PECKERING | Civilian        | FSO-1 Special Asst. to<br>Ambassador BUNKER              |

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#### PART IV

#### CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. The following are subordinate command chronologies and amplifying material.
- a. ✓ H&SBn (-)(Rein), 1st FSR, FLC Command Chronology (Tab A to enclosure (2)).
  - b. ✓ SupBn (-)(Rein), 1st FSR, FLC Command Chronology (Tab B to enclosure (2)).
  - c. ✓ MaintBn (-)(Rein), 1st FSR, FLC Command Chronology (Tab C to enclosure (2)).
  - d. ✓ 3rd ServBn (Rein)/FLSG-A, FLC Command Chronology (Tab D to enclosure (2)).
  - e. ✓ 1st ServBn (Rein)/FLSG-B, FLC Command Chronology (Tab E to enclosure (2)).
  - f. ✓ 1stMPBn, FMF, FLC Command Chronology (Tab F to enclosure (2)).
  - g. ✓ 3rdMPBn, FMF, FLC Command Chronology (Tab G to enclosure (2)).
  - h. ✓ 5thCommBn, FMF, FLC Command Chronology (Tab H to enclosure (2)).
  - i. ✓ 7thMTBn, FMF, FLC Command Chronology (Tab I to enclosure (2)).
  - j. ✓ SupCo, FLSG-B (-)(Rein), FLC Command Chronology (Tab J to enclosure (2)).
  - k. ✓ Force Logistic Command Directory (Tab K to enclosure (2)).
  - l. ✓ Photographs of a command interest (Tab L to enclosure (2)).
  - m. ✓ Photographs of visitors to Force Logistic Command (Tab M to enclosure (2)).

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