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Encl: (1) Force Logistic Command, Command Chronology  
Force Logistic Command Subordinate Units Command Chronologies  
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1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a) and (b), enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1968 to 31 May 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Force Service Regiment/Force Logistic Command      BGen H. C. OLSON  
(1-31 May 1968)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters & Service Battalion, 1st Force      LtCol W. F. KOEHNLEIN  
Service Regiment      (1-31 May 1968)

Supply Battalion, 1st Force Service Regiment      LtCol R. G. EYKYN  
(1-31 May 1968)

Maintenance Battalion, 1st Force Service Regiment      LtCol J. M. HERMES  
(1-31 May 1968)

3rd Service Battalion (Rein)/Force Logistic      Col. N. J. BEAT  
Support Group ALPHA      (1-18 May 1968)  
Col. F. W. VAUGHT  
(19-31 May 1968)

1st Service Battalion (Rein)/Force Logistic      Col. J. G. BASS, JR.  
Support Group BRAVO      (1-31 May 1968)

1st Military Police Battalion, FMF      LtCol B. G. BROWN  
(1-31 May 1968)

3rd Military Police Battalion, FMF      LtCol J. GAMBARDILLA  
(1-31 May 1968)

5th Communication Battalion (Rein), FMF      LtCol D. L. LINDEMUTH  
(1-31 May 1968)

7th Motor Transport Battalion, FMF      LtCol L. D. THOMAS  
(1-31 May 1968)

Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group      LtCol R. J. SMITH  
BRAVO (-) (Rein)      (1-31 May 1968)

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION. 1-31 May 1968, Danang, RVN

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Chief of Staff

Col R. I. WOOD, JR.  
(1-31 May 1968)

Staff Secretary

Maj G. W. SIMS, JR.  
(1-31 May 1968)

ACofS, G-1

LtCol M. P. NEWTON  
(1-31 May 1968)

ACofS, G-2/Inspector

Maj C. E. WATSON, JR.  
(1-31 May 1968)

ACofS, G-3

Col J. R. JONES  
(1-31 May 1968)

ACofS, G-4

LtCol R. W. HOWLAND  
(1- 31 May 1968)

ACofS, G-5

Maj T. J. SMYTH  
(1-31 May 1968)

ACofS    Comptroller

LtCol A. E. HARE  
(1-31 May 1968)

Adjutant

1stLt E. W. SCHOMISCH  
(1-31 May 1968)

Staff Legal Officer

Col V. L. OLIVER  
(1-31 May 1968)

Communication-Electronics Officer

LtCol G. A. L'HEUREUX  
(1-31 May 1968)

Staff Chaplain

Capt G. I. PAULSON, CHC, USN  
(1-31 May 1968)

Sergeant Major

SgtMaj R. V. FLOWERS  
(1-17 May 1968)  
SgtMaj W. T. TRAIN  
(18 31 May 1968)

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
471	9,602

<u>USN</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
21	142

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the period 1-31 May 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.



## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Summary of Eventsa. Personnel(1) Reenlistment and Extensions:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1st Term	20.5
Career	100.0
Total	37.4

(2) RVN Extensions

May	265
Accumulative RVN extensions	3,325

(3) Transient Center

Total Occupancy	13,591
Daily Average	438
Monthly High (25May68)	642
Monthly Low (15May68)	223
Total number of meals served	55,637
Total attendance Red Cross Hut	7,461

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

Legion of Merit - 1  
 Bronze Star - 2  
 Navy Commendation Medal - 20  
 Navy Achievement - 15  
 Purple Heart - 17

b. Legal

(1) Legal Assistance. Legal assistance was rendered in 77 cases during the month of May 1968.

(2) Legal Lectures. Twelve lectures were given during the month of May 1968.

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 221,481.71 was obligated during the month.

d. Communication-Electronics.

(1) As a result of the rocket attack on Camp BOOKS on 5 May 1968, all of the cables which provide inter-connects for the teletypewriter, data and telephone circuits for FLC were interdicted and severely damaged. Immediate restoration was accomplished through activation of the emergency radio relay circuit to CG III MAF. Three major cables were completely replaced by 5th Communication Battalion.

(2) The rocket attack on Camp BOOKS on 22 May caused damage to a cable which provides telephone service to Headquarters and Service Battalion. This cable was replaced by 5th Communication Battalion.

(3) On 30 May, the protective barrier for the FLC Communication Center, Data Communication Center and Dial Telephone System (AN/TTC-28) was completed.

e. Logistic.

(1) Support for Combat Operations. The month of May was characterized by a continued maximum effort to support those combat troops operating in ICTZ. Transportation requirements to northern ICTZ had leveled off to the point where high priority cargo was an exception rather than the rule. The Ca Lu LSA was fully established and its support of Task Force Hotel continued without any serious problems. LSU's were established on Hill 55, Hill 10 and at the 27th Marine Regiment Command Post located on Go Noi Island. These LSU's supported 1st Marine Division operations MAMELUKE THRUST and ALLEN BROOK taking place in the area of operation just south of Danang. Operation LEATHERNECK SQUARE commenced and terminated during the month of May were operations NAPOLEON SALINE, KENTUCKY, LANCASTER II, SCOTLAND II, SUMARI V, HOUSTON, WHEELER WALLOWA, and BURLINGTON TRAIL.

(2) Services. During the month of May, Force Logistic Command units processed 136,100 pounds of laundry. The Graves Registration platoon processed 1,248 human remains.

(3) Central Control Point Operations. During the month of May, 17 computer supply updates were processed. A total of 69920 requisitions and 42,314 receipts were processed and 85,256 shipping mats were produced. The total number of transactions processed for the month was 777,835. The fill rate was 57% with the fill rate of RO items being 61%.

(4) Logistic Summary Conference. The monthly logistic summary conference was held on 29 May. Information relative to critical items was exchanged by major commands. Conferees were provided current status and on hand assets of all critical items.

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(5) 972 Conference. A 972 conference, presided over by III MAF was held on 27 May. Discussions were held and information exchanged pertaining to handling, storage, and accounting of 972 material. Conferees included representative from III MAF, FLC, NCB, NSA, and FLSG Bravo.

(6) Rations

a. During May the Force Logistic Command bakeries produced a total of 1,042,239 pounds of bread broken down as follows:

- (1) Danang, 530,999 lbs.
- (2) Phu Bai, 287,688 lbs.
- (3) Dong Ha, 223,552 lbs.

b. Rations Company, Danang produced 881,656 pounds of ice during the month. Additionally 235,697 pounds of ice was received from NSA. A total of 4,139,978 pounds of ice was purchased during May.

(7) Ammunition. Except for minor problems, ammunition assets were equally distributed to meet commitments. During May MAERU reworked 7,715 rounds of 4.2 ammunition. The total Class V expenditures for the month of May was \$42,407,945.79. A total tonnage of 43,261 short tons was handled by the Ammunition Company, Supply Battalion at ASP #1 and ASP #2 for a daily average of 1,442 short tons.

(8) Fuel. During the month of May the overall posture remained excellent. The Wunder Beach installation increased their Avgas capacity to 40,000 gallons on 15 May. On 24 May the Cua Viet Fuel Farm sustained moderate damages from enemy rocket and artillery attack. On 31 May the LSA at Ca Lu suffered moderate damage from an enemy rocket and artillery attack. The 1st Marine Aircraft Wing installed two 10,000 gallon tanks at Ca Lu and replaced U. S. Army assets which were removed on 25 May.

(9) M-16 Rifles. The rework/rebuild program set up in March is still in process. At this time there are 34,815 chromed chambered rifles in the hands of the using units.

(10) M-109 Product Improvement Kit. Since the installation of the first kit on 9 February, there have been 32 kits installed, with an additional 3 in process of installation. This Command has received 6 M-109 SP How on loan from the U. S. Army. This has greatly increased the availability of weapons to using units while the improvement kits are being installed and repairs being performed.

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(11) Rehab of BLT 2/7 Equipment. BLT 2/7 started its rehabilitation cycle during May 1968. Completion deadline for local work is 8 June 1968. All equipment in FLC maintenance facilities has received priority status.

(12) Fix and Do Modification of Multi-Fuel Engines. This program continued during May 1968. Total completed as of 31 May was 465 with 35 remaining to be completed of the original 500 modifications to be made.

(13) Introduction of M151A1. Subject vehicles were introduced to replace M422A1's and M38A1's. A total of 864 M151A1 vehicles to date have replaced a like number of M422A1 and M38A1 vehicles. All vehicles were processed by Force Logistic Command maintenance facilities. The program is continuing according to plan.

## (14) Maintenance Summary (FLC - Total TERC's).

	<u>BOP</u>	<u>RECD</u>	<u>COMP</u>	<u>EVAC</u>	<u>EOP</u>
C/E	1600	4868	4162	654	1652
ENGR	433	940	755	168	450
MT	547	2672	2225	143	851
ORD	1174	3402	2590	287	1699
G/S	577	2145	1501	754	467
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Total	4331	14027	11233	2006	5119

## e. Civic Action

(1) On 8 May 1968, a meeting of Vietnamese village/hamlet officials and U. S. security and civic action personnel of the northwestern section of Hoa Vang District was held at the Camp BOOKS COM. Curfew regulations, security procedures, water supply and agricultural projects were discussed.

(2) On 31 May 1968, the civil affairs inspection of Supply Co. (-), FLSC-B Chu Lai was conducted with satisfactory results. As the logistic mission of the unit is phased out, the civic action area will be reassigned to MAC-13, freeing 2 Marines and 2 Hospital Corpsmen for other assignment.

(3) During the last two weeks in May, the G-5 section provided construction materials (cement, tin and lumber) to the Quang Nam Chieu Hoi Hamlet for the construction of a temporary two room school. The GVN planned permanent four room school for CY68 will not be completed before the fall term. The temporary school will greatly relieve the crowded conditions of the private home now being used as a school.

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(4) The priest of Phuoc Tan Hamlet has been requested to establish a new orphanage for 200 children now in a damaged orphanage in Phu Loc District, Thua Tien Province, just south of Phu Bai. He has requested support from Thua Tien Province, just south of Phu Bai. He has requested support from Headquarters, FLC. Plans are now being drawn up for the building.

(5) Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 continued to conduct a one hour class for the weekly NCO Leadership School. The class includes an explanation of the Revolutionary Development program. Psychological Operations and Industrial relations.

(6) Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 attended the weekly Quang Nam Senior Province Advisor meeting in Hoi An.

f. Industrial Relations

(1) 1 May 1968 - Local National Civilian Holiday. (Vietnamese Labor Day).

(2) On 2 and 3 May 1968 at the request of the Command IRO, the NSA IRD Safety Inspector conducted a Safety Survey of LNC industrial work areas in H&S Supply and 7th Motor Transport Battalion. Noted was the lack of LNC safety clothing in certain work areas. The Safety Survey was forwarded to the Command Safety Officer for appropriate action.

(3) 23 May 1968 - Local National Civilian Holiday - morning only (Ascension Thursday)

(4) 27 May 1968 - Semi-Annual Inspection of Supply Co, FLSC-B. The Industrial Relations Program was satisfactory with minor Discrepancies. It was found that LNC personnel files and the IRO filing system in general were incomplete.

g. Command Chronology Highlights.

(1) During May 1968, the Commanding General, Force Logistic Command, hosted and provided guided tour 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>
11 May 1968	Capt	John NEFF	USN	CO, USS Sancyuary
21 May 1968	MGen	J. M. HEISER	USA	ACofS, Logistic's, DA
22 May 1968	MGen	J. C. BOUKER	USMC	CG, FMFPac (Fwd)
23 May 1968	MGen	J. C. BOUKER	USMC	CG, FMFPac (Fwd)
31 May 1968	MGen	R. McC TOMPKINS	USMC	Deputy CG, III MAF

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#### PART IV

#### CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. The following are subordinate command chronologies and amplifying material:
- a. ✓ HESBn (-) (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 SerBn (Rein)/FLSG-A, FLC Command Chronology (Tab D to enclosure (2)).
  - e. ✓ 1st SerBn (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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