

COMPANY "A"
1st Shore Party Battalion
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Shore Party Battalion
Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2A
(b) DivBul 5750 of 4Dec65
(c) CG 1stMarDiv msg R140545Z Feb66

Encl: ✓(1) COMPANY "A", 1st Shore Party Battalion Command Chronology

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with references (a), (b), and (c).

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COMPANY "A", 1ST SHORE PARTY BATTALION COMMAND CHRONOLOGY1. Organizational Data

- a. Location: Danang TAOR, Republic of Vietnam
- b. Period covered: 1 - 28 February 1967
- c. Commanding Officer and Senior Subordinates:

Rodney W. BOTEELHO	Captain	Commanding Officer
John P. MERREITH	1stLt.	Exec Officer/Platoon Leader
William E. INGRAM	1stSgt.	First Sergeant
Keith S. HAIGHT	CySgt.	Shore Party Chief
James N. HOSSILIS	CySgt.	Platoon Leader

2. Commanders Narrative Statement

During this reporting period, Company "A" supported the 2nd Battalion 4th Marines and the 2nd Battalion 5th Marines with eight (8) Helicopter Support Teams in connection with "Operation Independence". An ISA was established at An Hoa, RVN in connection with "Operation Independence" and was proven to be highly successful from all reports. Supported "Operation DeSoto" with one (1) Helicopter Support Team aboard the USS Westchester County and six (6) Helicopter Support Teams on "Operation Stone" in support of Headquarters 1st Marines, 1st Battalion 1st Marines, 3rd Battalion 1st Marines, 2nd Battalion 4th Marines, and 2nd Battalion 26th Marines.

Daily mine sweeping operations were continued throughout the month in the vicinity of the 1st Marines CP. On 22 February, the north mine sweep detail sweeping Route 10 recovered 3 box type mines, 5 Chinese Communist hand grenades and one (1) VC confirmed KIA caused by apparent premature detonation of a box type mine he was installing.

Sgt. C.C. CARTER, NCOIC of the sweep team billeted at the 1st Marines CP is being nominated for the Silver Star by LtCol. G.E. PETRO Executive Officer of the 1st Marines. On 16 February, Sgt. Carter personally disarmed two (2) 200 lb. floating mines attached to one of the abutments, which if detonated could have resulted in extensive damage to the Song Cau Do Bridge located at coordinates 708007 Nong Son, Sheet 6658 IV.

Minor construction projects assigned by work orders from the Division Engineer were continued.

ENCLOSURE (1)

3. Significant Events

a. 1 February- Dispatched eight (8) Helicopter Support Teams to the 2nd Bn., 4th Marines and the 2nd Bn., 5th Marines in connection with Operation "Independence". Appendix "A"

b. 6 February- Sgt O.C. CARTER was recommended for the Silver Star by LtCol. G.E. PETRO, Executive Officer of the 1st Marines, for his professional action and disregard for personal safety while disarming two (2) 200 lb. floating mines attached to one of the abutments of the Song Cau Do Bridge, located at coordinates 708007 (Sheet 6658 IV), Nong Son.

c. 8 February- Dispatched one (1) Helicopter Support Team aboard the LST 1122 in connection with Operation "DeSoto".

d. 12 February- Dispatched six (6) Helicopter Support Teams to: Headquarters, 1st Marines, 1st Bn., 1st Marines, 3rd Bn., 1st Marines, 2nd Bn., 4th Marines, and 2nd Bn., 26th Marines in connection with Operation "Stone".

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APPENDIX "A"

1. References: (a) Verbal Instruction, CO 9th Marines
- ____(b) Verbal Instruction, XO 1st Marines
- ____(c) Verbal Instruction, XO 3rd Shore Party
- ____(d) Verbal Instruction, CO 1st Marines

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		A Company		OPCON 3rd Mar Div	
		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company to Chu-Lai Defense Command (12) men mine sweeps OP's 32 & 39 (16) men HST in support of 1/5 operation Clay (4) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action)	
		C Company		(15) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company to Chu-Lai Defense Command (7) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho	
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		C Company		(17) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (7) men in LSA Build up at Duc Pho	
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		A COMPANY		OPCON 3rd Mar Div		
		B Company		(17) men HST in support of 1/5 operation Clay (20) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company to Chu-Lai Defense Command (5) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action)		
		C Company		(15) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (12) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho		
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		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company to Chu-Lai Defense Command (15) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (5) men Long Binh Road Const.(Civic Action)		
		C Company		(15) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (12) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho		
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		A Company		OPCON 3rd Mar Div		
		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company to Chu-Lai Defense Command (15) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167		
		C Company		(57) men part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (15) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (12) men in ISA build up at Duc Pho		
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		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (15) men mine sweeps OP's 32 & 39 (5) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action) (4) men HST aboard LST 1167	
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		A COMPANY		OPCON 3rd Mar Div	
		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (2) Men Long Binh Road Const.(Civic Action) (15) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167	
		C Company		(13) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (12) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho	
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		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (5) Men Long Binh Road Const.(Civic Action) (15) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167		
		C Company		(12) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (12) men in LSA buildup at Duc Pho		
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		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (5) men Long Binh Road Const.(Civic Action) (16) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167		
		C Company		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (17) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho		
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		B Company		(4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (5) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action) (15) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167	
		C Company		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (17) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho	
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		C Company		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (31) men in LSA build up at Duc Pho	
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		B Company		(5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (5) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action) (9) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167		
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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (31) men in ISA build up at Duc Pho		

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		B Company		(5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (3) men Long Binh Road Const. (Civic Action) (13) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39 (4) men HST aboard LST 1167 (9) men defensive wire detail for Chu-Lai Defense Command		
		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (31) Men Buildup at LSA at Duc Pho		

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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (31) men in LSA buildup at Duc Pho		

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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (33) men in ISA buildup at Duc Pho	
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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (33) men in LSA buildup at Duc Pho	

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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (33) men in ISA buildup at Duc Pho	

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		C Company		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (33) men in ISA buildup at Duc Pho		

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		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto (4) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (15) men in ISA buildup at Duc Pho	

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				(2) men aboard LST 1165 support of HST		
				(50) men aboard LST 1170 HST support		
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				(14) men mine sweep OP's 32 & 39		
				(5) men HST aboard LST 1165		
				(5) men HST aboard LST 1170		
		C COMPANY		(19) men HST in support of 3/7 operation Desoto		
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		B Company		(5) men as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command (14) men mine sweeps OP's 32 and 39 (5) men aboard LST 1165 HST support (5) men aboard LST 1170 HST support	
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, (Rein), FMF
(Attn: Field Historian)

Via: Commanding General, Task Force X-Ray
1st Marine Division, (Rein), FMF

Subj: Command Chronology for Period 1 to 31 March 1967

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(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) 1st Shore Party Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 March to 31 March 1967

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PART IOrganizational Data1. Designation.

First Shore Party Battalion
 First Marine Division, (Rein), FMF

LtCol. E.H. JONES
 1 - 31 March 1967

Subordinate Units

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. Location.

1 - 31 March 1967 Chu-Lai RVN

3. Staff Officers.

Commanding Officer	Edward H. JONES	LtCol.	1-31 March 1967
Executive Officer	Thomas "J" GIPSON Jr.	Maj.	1-31 March 1967
S-1/Adjutant	Joe J. KOLIHA	2ndLt.	1-31 March 1967
S-2/S-3	Thomas "J" GIPSON Jr.	Maj.	1-31 March 1967
S-4	Robert F. GOINS	Maj.	1-31 March 1967

Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
20	468

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	15

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

PART II1. Narrative Summary.

During this reporting period the Battalion Command Group co-ordinated the timely assignment of Helicopter Support Teams (HST's), and other various Engineer and Logistic support elements which were provided to Task Force X-Ray organizations. This organization provided HST's on operations Desoto, Desoto/Deckhouse VI, Tippy Canoe, and once each in Helicopter unloading support of Landing Ship Tanks 1165 and 1170. Also, the Battalion designed and fabricated slings to lift 155mm Howitzers (Towed) by the CH-53 Helicopter. These lifts were performed in an orderly and expeditious manner. The Battalion furnished a detail of one (1) Officer and thirteen (13) Enlisted to form an element of a Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command. One (1) squad (Rein) was employed on mine sweep operations at OP's 32 & 39. Work continues on the Long Binh Road (Civic Action) project when operational commitments and weather permit. The Med-Cap treated approximately five hundred-and fifty (550) Vietnamese during this reporting period. Company "A" remains OPCON to 3rd Mar Div as noted in enclosure (2) of this report. Two Shore Party Marines were wounded while participating in operation Desoto during this reporting period. Minor Engineering and Construction projects were continued which were assigned by Task Force Engineer.

PART III1. Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

1 Mar 67 - Company "C" (-) (Rein) continued in support of 7th Marines (3/7), Operation "Desoto/Deckhouse VI", see appendix "A", reference (a).

1 Mar 67 - Company "C" provides (1) HST section (-) (Rein) in support of FLSG-B for ISA operations in Duc Pho, see appendix "A", reference (b).

1 Mar 67 - Company "C" provides (1) HST section (-) (Rein) in support of FLSG-B for ISA operations in Quang Ngai, see appendix "A", reference (b).

1 Mar 67 - Detachment Company "B" (Rein) conducting mine sweep operations at OP's 32 & 39, see appendix "A", reference (c).

1 Mar 67 - One (1) Company Grade Officer and a squad provided as part of Provisional Rifle Company for Chu-Lai Defense Command, see appendix "A", reference (d).

1 Mar 67 - Company "B" provides (1) HST section (-) (Rein) for Helicopter unloading of LST 1165, see appendix "A", reference (e).

1 Mar 67 - Company "B" provides (1) HST section (-) (Rein) for Helicopter unloading of LST 1170, see appendix "A", reference (e).

4 Mar 67 - Company "C" HST section (-) (Rein) for Helicopter unloading of LST 1165 was secured.

5 Mar 67 - Company "C" (-) (Rein) in HST support of Operation "Desoto/Deckhouse VI", with supported units consisting of 7th Marine Headquarters, 5th Marines (1/5), 7th Marines (2/7), 11th Marines (2/11), and the 2nd ARVN Division Forces was secured.

5 Mar 67 - A Platoon (-) (Rein) Company "C" was provided in support of Operation "Desoto", (3/7).

6 Mar 67 - Detachment Company "C" (Rein) replaced a detachment of Company "B" on mine sweeping detail at OP's 32 & 39.

12 Mar 67 - 1st Platoon (-) (Rein) Company "B" in support of 5th Marines (1/5), Operation "Tippy Canoe", see appendix "A", reference (b).

17 Mar 67 - 1st Platoon (-) (Rein) Company "B" in support of operation "Tippy Canoe" was secured.

21 Mar 67 - Company "B" HST section (-) (Rein) for Helicopter unloading of LST 1170 was secured.

22 Mar 67 - Company "B" provided HST section in support of (1/5) for a company sweep, see appendix "A", reference (b).

24 Mar 67 - Company "B" provides (1) HST section (-) (Rein) for Helicopter unloading of LST 1170, see appendix "A", reference (e).

28 Mar 67 - Company "B" provided a detail of Marines for installation of Defensive Wire for Chu-Lai Defense Command, see appendix "A", reference (f).

30 Mar 67 - Mine sweep operations were secured at OP's 32 & 39, see appendix "A", reference (c).

31 Mar 67 - The installation of Defensive Wire by Company "B" was completed this date.

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APPENDIX "A"

- Reference A. Task Force X-Ray Frag O. 8-67
- Reference B. Verbal instructions of Commanding
Officer of 1st Shore Party Battalion
- Reference C. Verbal instructions of Commanding
General, Task Force X-Ray (G-3)
- Reference D. CG, Task Force X-Ray Message 270709Z NOV 1966
- Reference E. Verbal instructions of Commanding
General, Task Force X-Ray (G-4)
- Reference F. Task Force X-Ray Work Order Number 123-66

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