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Part I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. 1st Tank Battalion

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Company "A", 1st Tank Battalion
Company "B", 1st Tank Battalion
Company "C", 1st Tank BattalionCaptain R. E. ROEMER
Captain W. J. BRITTON
Captain J. C. WINTHROP
Captain P. S. WEIGAND

2. Location

Headquarters, 1st Tank Battalion, Danang, RVN at (AT 997723)
H&S Company, 1st Tank Battalion, Danang, RVN at (AT 997723)
Company "A", 1st Tank Battalion, Danang, RVN at (AT 235315)
Company "B", 1st Tank Battalion, Danang, RVN at (AT 961673)
Company "C", 1st Tank Battalion, Danang, RVN at (BT 073658)

3. Staff Officers

Battalion Executive Officer	Major E. P. TRADER Jr.
Battalion Adjutant	WO-1 C. C. CARL Jr.
Battalion Personnel Officer	WO-1 W. L. AKAHOSHI
Battalion S-2 Officer	Capt D. HOWE
Battalion S-3 Officer	Major C. R. BRADBEC
Battalion S-4 Officer	Major D. B. CRUDUP
Battalion S-5/Civil Affairs Officer	1st Lt J. M. RAY

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	USN
OFF 34	ENL 719
OFF 1	ENL 14

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
S-3, 1st Tank Battalion, FMF
June 1967
Operations and Training

I. Operations.

a. Operation Arizona. The 2nd platoon (-) (Rein), Company A and Company B, (-), (Rein), with four (4) flame tanks, supported the 7th Marine Regiment during the period 15-24 June 1967.

b. Operation Adair. A platoon of tanks consisting of two (2) heavy sections from Company A (-) (Rein), supported the 5th Marine Regiment during the period 15-24 June 1967

II. Antitank Activities

a. Mines. During the month of June 1967, this tank battalion experienced 10 mine incidents. It has been determined that all mines consisted of various amounts of TNT, ranging from 10-to 60 pounds and were initiated by a pressure type detonator. Damage to tracked vehicles ranged from slight to extensive, most of the damage being sustained by the tank's suspension system. Deadlined status of mined tanks ranged from a matter of hours to several weeks, depending on the extent of damage and availability of replacement parts. Two (2) tanks were evacuated as a result of extensive damage received from mine incidents. Five (5) Marines were WIA, non-evac (Treated at Aid Stations).

b. Recoilless Rifle. During the month of June 1967, this tank battalion also experienced 8 rounds of 57mm recoilless rifle fire resulting in slight damage to 2 tanks which received 5 direct hits. These tanks were deadlined for 2 days to replace one damaged shock and repair a range finder. Two tank crewmen were med-evac.

c. Booby Traps. On 28 June 1967, a tank from the 2nd platoon of Company C on a recon patrol detonated a grenade hanging approximately 4 feet from the ground in the branches of a tree. The tank received slight damage to its right headlight and right infrared light and a small piece of shrapnel was embedded in the 90mm gun. There were no casualties.

III. Southern Defense Sector

a. The Combat Operations Center of this battalion continued to initiate, direct, and coordinate defensive activities within the Southern Sector, 1st Marine Division Rear Area with the following results:

(1) This battalion furnished sixty (60) patrols and ambushes and ran ten (10) special security patrols in response to intelligence information furnished to the sector or for protection of Civic Action and Med-Cap Teams.

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(2) There were seven hundred and forty four (744) tenant unit activities coordinated by this tank battalion during the month of June within the Southern Sector.

(3) At 300030H, Hoa Cam Training Center received approximately 30 rounds of 82mm mortar fire from an undetermined direction. There were two PF's killed and 43 wounded. The attack lasted approximately one minute. The first two rounds fell in the vicinity of OP #47. There were no casualties suffered at the OP. 1st Tank Bn COC assisted the Hoa Cam Training Center with Med-Evacs and furnished one doctor and four Corpsmen to assist in treating the wounded. A survey team from the 11th Marines was requested on the morning of the 30th to determine the approximate site used by the VC to launch the attack.

IV. Training

a. Training emphasis for the month of June was centered on the maintenance of tracked vehicles and tank gunnery. General Military Subjects training was directed toward an all out effort on the M-16 rifle, weapons safety, M-60, and Field Sanitation and Hygiene. This battalion accomplished 1,265 man hours of weapons safety training and 5,264 man hours of M-16 training.

b. The Officers and Staff Noncommissioned Officers school continued with a weekly briefing which is held each Friday night. These briefings relate significant events of the past week dealing with 1st Tank Bn units, operations, administration, Danang TAOR incidents, logistic trends, Civic Action, Southern Defense Sector incidents, and plans for the coming week.

V. Ground Based Defoliants Report

a. During the month of June 1967, flame tanks assigned to the gun companies expended a total of 1440 gallons of napalm mix in executing assigned fire missions. On 6 June, while burning a tree-line, the fire resulted in 4 small explosions believed to be anti-personnel mines or booby trapped grenades.

VI. Viet Cong Box Score for June 1967

VC KIA Confirmed	22
VC KIA Probable	33
VC WIA Probable	02
VCS Detainees	07

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Part III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT DATA

- A. Significant Operations Conducted
- B. Casualties Sustained
- C. Civic Action
- D. Administration
- E. Personnel
- F. Intelligence
- G. Logistics

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SIGNIFICANT OPERATIONS CONDUCTED

At 011020H, a tank from 2nd platoon, Company A, located at AT904501 observed 4 VC carrying weapons at AT908508. The tank fired 1 round of 90mm HE and 250 rounds of .30 cal. A search revealed clothing and blood indicating 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 011855H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company C, detonated a pressure type mine of approximately 50 lbs at BT104647. The mine made a crater 4 feet deep and 10 feet in diameter. The tank was moderately damaged.

At 041230H, a tank from 1st platoon, Company B, detonated a mine of approximately 50 lbs at AT828553. The tank was moderately damaged with no casualties.

At 041415H, a tank from 1st platoon, Company A, was called as a reactionary force to assist a CAC patrol at BT032595 pinned down by an unknown number of enemy. The tank fired 4 rounds of 90mm WP, 4 rounds canister, and 50 rounds of .30 cal. at the VC position in the vicinity of BT033593. A search was made with negative results.

At 041845H, a section of tanks from Company C, in support of an infantry unit at BT100622, after receiving sniper fire, saw VC running from a treeline at BT098623. The tanks fired 1 round of 90mm HE and 200 rounds of .30 cal. Two VC were captured and two were KIA Probable.

At 071015, a tank from 1st platoon, Company A, detonated a pressure type mine of approximately 50 lbs at AT993591. The tank was extensively damaged because the mine was detonated under the rear of the vehicle. One tank crewman was WIA non-evac.

At 071130H, a tank from 1st platoon, Company B, located at AT787552 was requested to fire on a bunker occupied by VC spotted by an FO at ZC211578. The tank fired 2 rounds of 90mm WP. A search of the area revealed 1 VC KIA Confirmed.

At 081645H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company C, detonated a mine of approximately 50 lbs at BT112627. The mine made a crater $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep and $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet in diameter. The tank was moderately damaged.

At 090830H, a section of tanks from 1st platoon, Company B, located at AT808568, waiting to rendezvous with tank B53, was fired upon by snipers from the vicinity of AT814564. The tanks returned fire with 2 rounds 90mm HE, and 1 round 90mm WP. A search revealed 1 KIA Probable.

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At 091500H, the 1st platoon, Company B, found a large antitank mine which appeared to be made from a 5 gallon watercan. It was blown with a $\frac{1}{2}$ block of C-4. The explosion left a crater 6 feet in diameter by 5 feet deep.

At 091930H, a section of tanks from Company B, moved a reactionary force in response to an observation tower observing a VC movement in the vicinity of AT974604. The VC took cover in a cave, but a tank dozer dug them up and captured 4 VC with one carbine, grenades, and flares.

At 111710H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company C, detonated a mine of approximately 60 lbs at BT107612. The mine made a crater 5 feet in diameter and 3 feet deep. The tank was moderately damaged with one tank crewman WIA non-evac.

At 120850H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company C, detonated a mine of approximately 40 lbs at BT066632. The mine made a crater 6 feet in diameter and 4 feet deep. The tank was moderately damaged.

At 141435H, a section of tanks from 1st platoon, Company B, while in a blocking position at AT834546 observed infantry troops under fire from AT834545. The tanks fired 3 rounds of 90mm canister, 1 round 90mm HE, and 200 rounds .30 cal. A search of the area revealed 2 VC KIA Confirmed.

At 141615H, a section of tanks from 1st platoon, Company B, located at AT834546, while in support of infantry, received an unknown number of S/A sniper fire from AT834545. The tanks fired 2 rounds 90mm HE, 50 rounds .50 cal. and 250 rounds .30 cal. resulting in 2 VC KIA Probable.

At 151750H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company B, located at AT828545 observed a helicopter receiving fire from an enemy position located at AT834543. The tanks fired 3 rounds 90mm HE and 1 round 90mm WP resulting in 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 142200H, a section of tanks from 1st platoon, Company B, in a blocking position at AT837550 observed what appeared to be an enemy movement at AT831551. One of the tanks confirmed with its xenon light that the movement was 15 VC and fired 500 rounds .30 cal. at VC in the water. There were 5 VC KIA Probable.

At 151030H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company B, in a blocking position at AT828545 spotted 3 VC with weapons at AT834545. The tanks fired 4 rounds 90mm HE, 1 round 90mm canister, and 100 rounds .30 cal. A flame tank fired a 10 second burst at a hedgerow to clear the foliage for better observation. There were three VC KIA Confirmed by body count.

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At 15100H, a tank from the Headquarters Section, H&S Company, located at AT855518, observed a firefight between friendly troops and VC located at AT867524. The tank fired 13 rounds 90mm HE and 11 rounds 90mm WP. There were 5 VC KIA Probable.

At 151508H, a tank from 2nd platoon, Company A, located at AT949543, in the process of assisting a mined LVT, received 3 rounds of 57mm recoilless rifle fire from AT955334 and approximately 75 rounds of automatic and semi-automatic S/A fire from the east, south, and north of their position. Approximately 15 VC were observed near antitank weapon. The tank fired 3 rounds 90mm WP and 800 rounds .30 cal. It received 2 more 57mm recoilless rifle rounds. Two tank crewmen were WIA med-evac.

At 151700H, a tank from 1st platoon, Company A, located at AT863568 spotted 4 VC with packs and weapons at AT858557. The tank fired 100 rounds .50 cal. and 50 rounds .30 cal. There were 2 VC KIA Confirmed and 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 152016H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company B, located at AT828543 sighted 1 VC at AT844547 crawling toward the river. The tank fired 2 rounds 90mm HE resulting in 1 VC KIA Confirmed.

At 151825H, a tank from 3rd platoon, Company B, located at AT828545 sighted 1 VC with a weapon at AT834545. The tank fired 1 round 90mm HE resulting in 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 160745H, a tank from 2nd platoon, Company A, while moving south on a road sweep at AT904505, received 3 rounds of 57mm recoilless reflo fire and 400 rounds S/A fire from AT922502. The tank fired 7 rounds 90mm He, 7 rounds 90mm WP, and 100 rounds .30 cal. The infantry arrived and called for air strikes on the enemy position.

At 180715H, a tank from 2nd platoon, Company A, hit a mine at AT912508. The tank received extensive damage. One tank crewman was WIA non-evac.

At 181300H, a tank retriever from Company B, proceeding along the road at AT894519, enroute to aid a mine damaged tank, observed 2 VC at AT896521 and received 4 rounds S/A fire. The retriever fired 100 rounds .50 cal., 200 rounds .30 cal., 1 LAW, 3 rounds M-79, and 15 rounds 7.62mm. Results of the action were 1 VC KIA Confirmed and 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 201330H, an amphibious tractor assisting a section of tanks from Company B, detonated a mine of approximately 40 lbs at AT964547. The vehicle was moderately damaged. There were no casualties.

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At 201400H, a section of tanks from 1st platoon, Company A, located at AT845377 received approximately 200 rounds S/A fire from AT843400. One of the tanks fired 9 rounds 90mm HE, 200 rounds .30 cal., and 50 rounds .50 cal. A search of the area revealed 2 VC KIA Confirmed and 2 VC KIA Probable due to heavy blood and drag marks on the trail. Three homemade gas masks were also found at the site.

At 210805H, a Headquarters tank leading an armor patrol detonated a mine at BT001580. The mine left a crater 10 feet in diameter and 6 feet deep. The tank received moderate damage. Two tank crewmen received minor injuries non-evac. Two infantrymen were injured, 1 med-evac.

At 211915H, a section of tanks from the 2nd platoon, Company A, located at BT016387 received approximately 30 rounds S/A fire from BT018390. The tanks fired 2 rounds 90mm HE, 90 rounds .50 cal., and 50 rounds S/A resulting in 2 VC KIA Probable.

At 221635H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company A, located at BT006324 fired 6 rounds 90mm composition consisting of 3 rounds 90mm WP and 3 rounds 90mm HE as prefire for a daytime patrol. There was effective coverage of the area located at BT006316.

At 231345H, a tank from the 2nd platoon, Company A, attached to Company B, detonated a pressure type mine of approximately 45 lbs TNT at AT909507. The tank was moderately damaged.

At 231500H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company A, located at BT055334 in support of infantry troops observed the infantry receiving approximately 15 rounds S/A sniper fire from BT056339 and BT058337. The tank fired 1 round 90mm canister at BT058337 and 1 round 90mm HE at BT055639 resulting in 1 VC KIA Probable.

At 260830H, a section of tanks from 2nd platoon, Company C, on patrol in support of infantry troops, detonated a pressure type mine of approximately 40 lbs at AT987585. The tank was moderately damaged. One infantryman received minor wounds. The crater from the explosion was approximately 10 feet in diameter and 6 feet deep.

At 271345H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company C, in a blocking position at BT135624 saw 1 VC suspect trying to evade a sweeping force. The tank fired 15 rounds .30 cal. and captured one VC suspect.

At 281050H, a section of tanks from 2nd platoon, Company C, on a recon patrol detonated a booby trapped grenade at BT095676. The grenade was approximately 4 feet above the ground. The tank received minor damage.

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At 291715H, a section of tanks from the 1st platoon, Company A, located at AT989358 was supporting the advance of infantry by fire on a suspected VC position at AT979360. The tanks fired 40 rounds 90mm HE and 100 rounds .30 cal. Three VC were observed running from the area. Two fell under fire. A search of the area revealed 2 heavy blood trails indicating 2 VC KIA Probable.

At 291920H, a section of tanks from the 3rd platoon, Company C, were in a blocking position at BT130631. The tanks were in support of the infantry and were requested to fire on a boat at approximately BT140639 which refused to stop. The tank fired 2 rounds 90mm HE and sank the boat. Four VC KIA were confirmed by the infantry leader.

At 301515H, a section of tanks from the 3rd platoon, Company C, in support of the infantry at an ambush site located at BT172599 observed 2 boats trying to slip up the shore line at BT173600 with no lights. The tank fired 3 rounds 90mm canister and 25 rounds .30 cal. resulting in 5 VC KIA Confirmed by the infantry leader, and 5 VC KIA Probable.

At 301050H, a section of tanks from 3rd platoon, Company C, in support of infantry troops at BT074613 spotted 1 VCS running at BT074615. The tank fired warning shots and then fired approximately 50 rounds .30 cal. A search of the area revealed 1 VC KIA Confirmed.

At 301715H, a section of tanks from the 2nd platoon, Company C, in support of the infantry at BT079668 was requested to mark enemy positions at BT088673 with WP. The tank fired 1 round of 90mm WP.

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CASUALTIES SUSTAINED

During the month of June this Battalion sustained 11 casualties, 2 of which were medically evacuated. During the month of June this Battalion had no Marines medically evacuated for non-battle reasons.

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On 5 June the 1st Tank Battalion showed a PYSONS film to the hamlet of Phong Bac. There were approximately 500 people in attendance. The film was shown by the 244th PYSONS Audio Visual Team. Because of the high turnout at the movie, it was decided to run these films on a regular basis every week. The 244th PYSONS Audio Visual Team however, is in direct support of the 1st Marine Division and therefore would not be available on a regular basis. The C. A. Team has procured its own projector for this purpose and the film support will come from the Vietnamese-American Cultural Center in Danang. Films were shown each Monday night from 1930 to 2130 during the month of June. The average attendance was approximately 600 persons; about one fourth of these being adults.

On the morning of June 6, a Vietnamese woman approached a member of the C. A. Team and attempted to sell him a package of marijuana. An agreement was made with the woman to meet later in the afternoon to conduct the transaction. When the woman appeared in the afternoon, she was detained and ARVN military personnel from Hoa Cam took her to the Training Center for interrogation. During the next two days, in conjunction with a sweep by the ARVN from Hoa Cam, members of the 1st Tank Bn C. A. Team confiscated over 2,000 marijuana cigarettes and several bags of marijuana that had not been rolled into cigarettes. As a result of the initial contact made by the C. A. Team, Vietnamese authorities arrested over 50 persons suspected of selling marijuana within this CAAOR.

On 6 June an incident took place in which a USMC tank which was being towed by a tank retriever ran off the road and crushed a bicycle. The C. A. O. visited the boy who owned the bicycle and assured him that we would make certain that he would get another bicycle. The maintenance section of the battalion is considering buying the boy the bicycle and then presenting it to him.

On 8 June, Lt. Commander Bunn, the C.A.O. of the Naval Support Activity visited the 1st Tank Battalion C.A. Team. The purpose of his visit was to take a look at the market place and other activities sponsored by this unit. During the course of his visit he suggested that we see if any young men or women from Phong Bac were interested in attending the Vocational School at Danang. The following is a list of the courses offered:

FOR MEN

1. Carpentry
2. Electricity
3. Auto Mechanics
4. Sheet Metal and Welding
5. Drivers Training
6. Masonry

FOR WOMEN

1. Typing
2. Sewing and Tailoring

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The next classes start in August and thus far this unit has had several inquiries about the program.

On 9 June there was an accidental discharge of an aircraft at the airfield, resulting in about two or three rockets landing in the hamlet of Phong Bac. There was only one person known to have been injured and this one was not serious. An investigation is still being conducted into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

On 10 June, a jeep from the 1st Tank Battalion collided with a motorcycle driven by a Vietnamese man. The man suffered a severe head cut and was evacuated to the USMC Hospital in Danang, where he died later of shock. The findings of the investigating officer showed that the Vietnamese man had pulled his motorcycle out in front of the jeep and was struck down as a result of his own negligence. The solatium payments officer is preparing to make a condolence payment to the widow of the dead man.

On 14 June, the C.A. Team began supporting a project in the hamlet of Cam Hoa. There is no unit presently assigned to this area. For this reason, the 1st Tank Battalion C.A. Team has been running Medcap twice weekly in that area in an attempt to ensure that each area in the southern sector has some C.A. coverage. The people of Cam Hoa purchased a water pump to flood their paddies during the planting season and this unit is helping them with gasoline.

On 15 June, Colonel ROSS from III MAF G-5 came to the 1st Tank Battalion to visit the Pig Project. He was escorted by Major HARRIS. After seeing the Breeding Farm, he was taken to see individual farms #1 and #2.

On 20 June, the C.A.O. attended a 1st Marine Division Civil Affairs/PYSOPS conference at the Headquarters Battalion SNCO Club. While at the conference this unit was told it had been assigned the pacification reporting responsibility for the Southern Sector. This area includes 10 hamlets which are administered by 9 units. In order to complete this report the C.A.O. visited all units involved in order to get a hamlet by hamlet view of the pacification progress in this area. A combined pacification report for the Southern Sector indicates that the area is about 75 to 80 percent pacified.

During the month of June, Medcap continued to show an increase of patients treated. The Medcap team treated 51 people at the 1st Tank Battalion Aid Station, 577 at Cam Hoa, 75 at the Hoa Cam Training Center Dependents Housing, and 897 at Phong Bac; a total of 1,600 patients. This is compared with 713 in April and 1,199 in May. Several changes have been made for Medcap during June. Medcap has been discontinued at the school and is now being held at the breeding

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Farm in order to accomodate the other side of the hamlet. 1st AT Battalion is now conducting Medoap on Thursdays at Cam Hoa and this unit will hold Medoap at the Training Center Dependents Housing.

During June the C.A. Team distributed the following materials for self-help projects:

1. Twenty bags of cement, twenty 2 X4's, ten sheets of tin, and two loads of sand for rebuilding the community school at the Four Corners. This school was removed from the hamlet of Dong Be.

2. Four loads of scrap lumber were distributed for use as firewood to persons in the hamlet.

3. Approximately 18,650 pounds of garbage was distributed to the Breeding Farm and the individual pig farms to be used as feed.

4. Thirty books dealing with subjects concerning the Catholic Church were given to the Sacred Heart School in Danang. These books were donated by friends of Lt. General WALT.

During the month of June, the following projects were underway:

1. Construction of an outdoor theater facility to show PYSOPS films every Monday night. A projector and screen has been procured and film support is available. The benches are one third completed. Plans also call for the construction of a small platform and projectionist's booth.

2. Rebuilding of the public school at the Four Corners. All materials have been delivered and the ground is being cleared.

3. Sanitation program - Continued spraying of the market place with DDT and dissemination of yellow cap series leaflets on sanitation.

4. Psychological Operations - In addition to the weekly PYSOPS movie, the C.A. Team distributed leaflets and TU-DO newspapers at Medcaps and on patrols throughout the hamlet.

The projects underway and those continuing in nature seem to be taking a very good hold in the hamlet. The individual pig farms are doing very well. The pigs on the small farms are fast reaching the breeding stage. The pigs on farms #2 and #5 should be ready to breed in about another month. On the Breeding Farm, there are three sows which are getting to about the same stage. The only problems with the Pig Project is concerned with increasing the participation of the Co-op in the actual management of the farm and the obtaining of a feed source other than garbage. Attempts are

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being made to procure GVN co-op officials from Hoi An to discuss these problems with the farmers. This unit is still trying to obtain seed corn to start a program designed to provide a continuing source of feed for the program.

The C.A. office continues to publish bi-weekly a Civic Action bulletin that is oriented toward the Personal Response program. The purpose of the bulletin is to acquaint the individual Marine with the customs and religions of the Vietnamese and to instill in him the importance of his role as a representative of the American People. In conjunction with the battalion training program, there was one hour each given on PYSONS and Civic Action during the month.

Projects that are to get underway shortly are the Buddhist School, the hamlet office, and the conversion of one of the stalls at the market place into a dispensary.

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ADMINISTRATION

All companies are within the Danang Tactical Area of Responsibility, except Company A (-) (Rein) which is located in the 5th Marines operational area. The 1st Tank Battalion retains administrative control of all companies.

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The 1st Tank Battalion is currently in personnel category C-1 with a chargable strength of 34 Marine Officers, 718 Enlisted, one Navy Officer, and 14 Navy Enlisted.

During the month of June, the battalion joined five Marine Officers and 54 Marine Enlisted. Two Marine Officers and 31 Marino Enlisted were transferred.

The following MOS's are considered critical:

<u>MOS</u>	<u>M/L</u>	<u>ON BOARD</u>
3510	01	00
* 2822	00	00
** 1811	11	09
*** 1811	23	03

* Not rated on manning level, but have equipment on hand and is in use at the present time.

** This shortage pertains to GySgt.

*** This shortage pertains to SSgt.

Ten breaches of discipline occurred during the month of June.

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Weather. During the month of June, winds shifted to a southerly flow causing generally unlimited ceilings and unrestricted visibility throughout the Danang TAOR. The average temperatures for June were a high of 94 degrees and a low of 79 degrees, with the total rainfall for the month reading 1.89 inches.

Incidents. The number of reported incidents during the month of June was slightly above that for the previous month. There were 97 incidents reported which cost the enemy 22 KIA Confirmed, 33 KIA Probable, and 7 Detainees.

Mines. The number of AT mining incidents also decreased slightly during the month of June to 10 from 13 the month before. All of the mines were pressure detonated except one which was electrically detonated. They were all of the wooden box type ranging from 10-60 lbs in size.

TAB-B - Logistical Summary Report

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Subj: Logistics Summary Report

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Encl: (1) List of Supply items declared to be in a critical status
 (2) List of potentially critical items

1. In accordance with references (a), and (b) the following report covering the month of June 1967, is submitted.

SUPPLY

2. Supply Situation. The month of June has reflected an increased requisition fill rated over the previous month for most items; however the repair parts flow for tracked vehicle suspension systems remain slow and inadequate. Bulbs for the 18" searchlight have been on requisition since January 1967 without receipt of any to date. Repair parts for most wheeled vehicles have been received in increasing quantities, although, supply response on 1100 x 20 pneumatic tubes has been negative during this reporting period. Acetylene and sulfuric acid, electrolyte are both in extremely short supply. At present this command has T/E deficiencies existing for (10) M48A3 tanks, (1) M67A2 flame tank, and (4) M38A1 jeeps. No problem have been realized over the past month nor are any problems anticipated for class I, II, and V supplies.

3. Critical Items

a. Enclosure (1) reflects those items considered to be in critically short supply.

b. Enclosure (2) sets forth those items considered to be potentially critical.

4. Significant Problems Areas. A trend remains evident in lack of sufficient quantities of certain motor transport DX items, and tracked vehicle (power pack and suspension systems) repair parts! Blank forms utilized in the administration of personnel, both officer and enlisted are also in short supply. The three forms generating this problem area are:

a. Fitness Report Forms: (NAVMO 10147-DD and NAVMC 10233-DD)

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b. Records of Emergency Data (NAVMC 10526-DD)

c. Promotion Warrents (DD-216)

Items of individual equipment have also created a problem and are fast becoming critical in status. Primary concern for shortages in 782 gear results from a lack of the following items: Helmets, Canteens, Canteen Covers and Ammunition Belts. Left hand torsion bars have created a definite problem and supply response to this need is virtually nonproductive. All items noted above have been placed on requisition and aggressive follow-up and tracer action is being accomplished.

MAINTENANCE

5. Maintenance Situation. The maintenance effort within the command is developing into a well organized program with an improved quality of workmanship. However, the overall effects of the maintenance effort has been hindered to a degree by the lack of adequate repair parts for the tanks' suspension apparatus, and certain other automotive component parts. The communications section is effectively employing contact teams to minimize tank company radio problems. During this reporting period ten tanks have sustained substantial mine damage which of course, taxes the supply system and hampers the expedited return of tanks to a serviceable status. A coordinated and well controlled program of selective interchange of suspension parts off retrograde R&E vehicles has provided the primary source for repair of repairable mine damaged tanks and is being utilized as a stop gap until the supply system can respond to the requisition demands placed upon it.

6. Major Items of Equipment.

Item	QTY AUTH	O/H	OR	NORS	NORM
<u>MOTOR TRANSPORT</u>					
AN/MRC-109	1	1	1	0	0
M-37	3	3	2	0	1,3d Ech
M-49	7	7	6	0	1,2d Ech
AN/MRC-83	2	2	2	0	0
<u>TRACKED VEHICLES</u>					
M-51 VTR	4	4	2	1	1,3d Ech
M-48A3	53	43	30	1	13
<u>ENGINEER/CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT</u>					
TD-15 Tractor	1	1	1	0	0

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REFRIGERATION UNITS

MODEL

SP ON HAND

90 dy Req.

ME-10

(2) Belt "V" Pulley

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7. Significant Maintenance Problem Areas. No significant problems currently exist that were not previously reported.

8. Service Situation. No significant problem encountered during the reporting period.

9. Significant Transportation Problem Areas. None

10. Other Items of Interest. A well defined and coordinated maintenance and supply program, including increased utilization of contact teams, concentrated MOS and specialist training and regularly scheduled bi-weekly visits to each company, has been instituted with significant results being achieved during this reporting period.

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LIST OF CRITICAL ITEMS

RUC	FSN	ITEM NAME	QTY	DOD	DOC#	PRI	HOLDER	LATEST STATUS
21410	6830-264-6755	Gas, Acetylene	5040	7123	0004	12	C-1	Back Ordered 7152
21410	6240-752-2570	Lamp, F/18" Searchlight	2	7060	0713	05	C-1	None
21410	6810-249-9354	Acid, Sulfuric Electrolyte	40	6195	0819	12	C-1	None
21410	4940-014-0496	Cleaner, Steam	1	7103	0108	05		Release from 3d FSR 7086 message Req Status
21410	4110-289-7966	Refrigerator, 100 CUFT	1		43811	02	C-2	Barstow passed to HQMC Message Rel
21410	2610-051-9450	Tubes, Pneumatic 1100x20	25	7102	0208	05		3d FSR Back Order

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FSN	ITEM NAME	NOT SHORT	SHORT	IMPACT
1005-673-7965	Pistol, Cal .45	X		
5660-371-9494	Concentina		X	
5660-262-9914	Stake, Barbed Wire	X		Minimal
6135-858-5712	Battery BA-386		X	Minimal
6140-057-2554	Battery 6TN		X	Minimal
6140-160-7795	Wire WD 1/TT		X	Minimal
6145-226-8812	Wire WD 1/TT	X		Minimal
6145-243-8466	Wire WD 1/TT	X		Minimal
6605-846-7618	Compass, Magnetic		X	Minimal
6655-903-0932	Seismic Instruction Divice		X	Minimal
5995-224-4837	Cable, Spiral 4		X	Minimal
6240-635-9800	Lamp, Incandescent			Not Applicable
8470-576-4193	Body Armor, Upper Tcrso	X		Not Applicable
8470-576-4194	Body Armor, Upper Tcrso	X		Not Applicable
8470-576-4195	Body Armor, Upper Torsp		X	Minimal
7210-227-1524	Green Towel		X	Minimal
All Sizes	Green Underclothing		X	Minimal
8340-543-7787	Tent, GP Medium		X	Minimal
6830-264-9086	Nitrogen	X	X	Minimal
6830-264-6755	Acetylene		X	
6830-169-0800	Oxygen		X	Critical
6830-292-0132	Hydrogen Technical	X	X	Minimal
8415-261-6833	Helmet Covers	X		
8465-261-5001	Grenade Carriers	-	X	Minimal
All Sizes	Lightweight Utilities		X	Minimal
6840-270-8262	Chlordane		X	Minimal
2610-540-4724	Tires 1100X20	X		
2610-204-4008	Tires 900X20	X		
N/A	Spare Parts, M-16 Rifle		X	Not Applicable
N/A	Spare Parts, Refrigeration	X		

* This command has 25 subject rifles at present for training purposes. No spare parts on hand.

Enclosure (2)

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