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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division

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(b) FMF PacO 5750.8

Encl: (1) 1st 8" Howitzer Battery (SF) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 OCTOBER TO 31 OCTOBER 1967

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CONFIDENTIALPART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st 8" HOWITZER BATTERY (SP)

COMBANDER

Maj. W. G. SMITH JR.
074371/0302ATTACHED UNITS

1st PLT. 5th 155 GUN BATTERY (SP)

Capt. E. S. PARKER
081413/02062. LOCATION

1-31 Oct 67: Six (6) 8" How(M110) at Cam Lo, RVN
 1-31 Oct 67: One (1) 8" How(M55) at Gio Linh, RVN
 1-9 Oct 67: Two (2) 155 Gun (M53) at Cam Lo, RVN
 10-18 Oct 67: Two (2) 155 Gun (M53) at Quang Tri, RVN
 19-31 Oct 67: Two (2) 155 Gun (M53) at Cam Lo, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

NOT APPLICABLE

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

THIS BATTERY FIRED A TOTAL OF 511 OBSERVED MISSIONS AND 541 UNOBSERVED MISSIONS IN GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, EXPENDED 1,122 ROUNDS 8" AND 1147 ROUNDS 155mm.

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTSA. COMBAT MISSIONS ASSIGNED

GENERAL SUPPORT OF THIRD MARINE DIVISION

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SIGNIFICANT OPERATIONS CONDUCTED

OPERATION KINGFISHER 010001-312400 OCT 1967
 OPERATION MEDINA 100001-152400 OCT 1967

C. CASUALTIES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY

1. Two (2) KIA Confirmed
2. Eight (8) KIA Probable
3. Six (6) WIA Probable
4. Five (5) Secondary Explosions from Counter Battery Missions
5. Thirty (30) Bunkers Destroyed and Ten (10) Bunkers Damaged
6. Forty-one (41) Structures Destroyed and Thirty (30) Structures Damaged
7. One (1) O.P. and One (1) Steel Tower Damaged
8. 215 Meters of Trench Line Destroyed
9. One (1) Barge Destroyed
10. 40 Meters of Tunnel Destroyed

D. CASUALTIES SUSTAINED

SUSTAINED TWO NON-SERIOUS, NON-EVAC CASUALTIES

E. NEW TECHNIQUES EMPLOYED

NONE

F. COMMAND RELATIONS

NO COMMENT

G. EQUIPMENT

NEW 8 INCH HOWITZERS (SP) (M110) ARE CURRENTLY UNDERGOING MODIFICATION AT FLSU-1. ONE HOWITZER IS PULLED OUT OF ACTION AT A TIME TO RECEIVE EIGHT MODIFICATIONS. FOUR 6" HOWITZERS (SP) (M110) HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO FLSU-1 FOR RETROGRADE.

H. LOGISTICS

ALL INITIAL PROVISIONING SPARE PARTS FOR THE M-110 HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. USAGE DATA FROM THE ARMY IS BEING USED TO AUGMENT PARTS ON ORDER. PARTS ARE BEING ORDERED ON A CONTINUING BASIS FOR THE M-55 AND M-56. WE ARE STILL MISSING 61% OF OUR INITIAL PROVISIONING PARTS FOR THE M-110.

I. CIVIC ACTION

NO COMMENT

J. ADMINISTRATION

ANNUAL SRB AUDIT HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

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K. PERSONNEL

NO CHANGE IN PERSONNEL, JOINED 11 AND DROPPED 11.

L. INTELLIGENCE

NO COMMENT

M. COMMUNICATIONS

NO COMMENT

N. WEATHER

GOOD WEATHER DURING THE PAST MONTH HAS ALLOWED FOR FINDER OF DESTROYER AND AREA IMPROVEMENT AT COM LO AND DONG HA POSITIONS. ROUTINE SUPPLY HAS BEEN HIGHLY SATISFACTORY DUE TO DRY, TRAFFICABLE ROADS.

O. FIRE SUPPORT

NOT APPLICABLE

P. AIR SUPPORT

NOT APPLICABLE

Q. ACTIVATION/DEACTIVATIONS/REDESIGNATIONS

NONE

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE