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FIRST DEHEAL COMPANY  
 Headquarters Battalion  
 First Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion, First Marine Division  
 (Rein), FMF, FPO, San Francisco, California 96602  
 Subj: Command Chronology for period of 1 September to 30 September 1969;  
 submission of  
 Ref: (a) MCO P5750.1  
 (b) FMFAC Order 5750.8  
 (c) Division Order 5750.2c

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Encl: ✓ (1) September 1969 Command Chronology

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

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SCIENTIFIC CHRONOLOGY

1 September 69 to 30 September 69

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. Designation:

First Dental Company  
 Headquarters Battalion  
 First Marine Division (Rein), MTF  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

2. Location:

a. 1 September 1969 to 30 September 1969 located at Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam.

b. 1st. Dental Company, Headquarters - Danang. The First Dental Company Headquarters is located in the First Marine Division Command Post in Danang. The Headquarters staff consist of the Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer, Administrative Chief and two Administrative Clerks.

c. Dental Van, 1st. Marine Division Command Post Area. This facility is staffed with one dental officer and one dental technician and is capable of general and preventive dentistry.

d. Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion - Danang. This facility is staffed with one dental officer and one dental technician and is capable of general and preventive dentistry.

e. 1st. Medical Battalion Area - Danang. Five dental officers and eleven dental technicians are assigned to this clinic. Capabilities include oral surgery, treatment of maxillofacial injuries, prosthetics, endodontics, periodontics, general and preventive dentistry.

\* Two prosthetic technicians assigned to this clinic are on loan to the 11th Dental Company assisting in the Central Prosthetic Lab.

f. First Truck - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician and is capable of general and preventive dentistry.

g. 11th. Marine Regiment Area - Danang. A dental van is located in this area and is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. Capabilities are general and preventive dentistry.

h. 3rd. Amphibious Tractor Battalion Area - Danang. This facility has one dental officer and one dental technician assigned. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

i. 11th. Motor - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

j. 1st. Marine Regiment Area - Danang. Dental support in this area is provided by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

k. 1st. Battalion, 1st. Marine Regiment - Danang. This facility has one dental officer and one dental technician assigned and general and preventive dentistry is provided.

l. 7th. Marine Regiment Area - Ft. Baldy. Dental support in this area is provided by two dental officers and two dental technicians. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

m. 7th. Engineer Battalion Area - Danang. This facility has one dental officer and one dental technician assigned and general and preventive dentistry is provided.

n. 5th. Marine Regiment Area - Da Nang. This facility is located in a studio type building. Three dental officers and seven dental technicians are assigned. General, prosthetic and preventive dentistry is provided.

o. 3rd. Battalion, 1st. Marine Regiment - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician and provides general and preventive dentistry.

p. 2nd. Battalion, 1st. Marine Regiment - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician and provides general and preventive dentistry.

q. 1st. Engineer Battalion - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. Capabilities include general and preventive dentistry.

r. In addition to the company headquarters and clinics listed, this company also maintains a supply/ count-out, dental repair, preventive dentistry and motor transport sections. These sections are currently staffed by ten dental technicians and two Marine drivers.

3. Staff Officers:

CAPT. G. W. BARNETT, MC, USA, Commanding Officer  
 MAJ. R. J. BROWN, MC, USN, Executive Officer  
 MAJ. G. I. BROWN, MC, USN, Administrative Officer

4. Average Monthly Strength:

USMC		USN		TOTAL	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
0	*2	25	47	0	49

\*These personnel are carried on the rolls of Service Company, Headquarters Battalion and are assigned as drivers for this company.

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REPLY TO

1. The First Dental Company renders dental support to the First Marine Division in the Danang and An Hoa areas of the Republic of Vietnam. There are currently fifteen dental facilities in operation to provide dental support to the First Marine Division. The facilities are of varied types of construction including twelve of the MA hut type, two various types and one stucco building. Two M19 dental trailers are in reserve.

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MONTHLY REPORT OF PERSONNEL WITH

1. During the month of September a dental Clinic was established at the 7th Marine Regiment area located at Landing Zone Baldy. This facility is located in a MA hut and is staffed by two dental officers and two dental technicians.

2. Personnel:

a. The First Dental Company currently has two DLI's and one DDT serving voluntary extensions in the Republic of Vietnam for a total of three dental technicians.

Joined during the month	7
Dropped during the month	5
Total given thru September 1969	72

3. The 1st Corps Dental Society meeting was held at Camp Pheung Thien officers club on 13 September 1969.

4. Administration:

a. The Administrative Officer confers daily with all supervisory personnel to keep abreast of their problems and disseminate new policies and information.

5. Training:

a. Due to the combat nature of duty in Vietnam, professional training for both officers and dental technicians is handled primarily through the medium of correspondence courses. There is a very active enrollment of both officer and enlisted personnel in Navy Correspondence Courses and USMC professional material is maintained by the Company office and made available to personnel upon request. Guidance is provided whenever and wherever necessary or requested.

6. Command and Control:

a. The Commanding Officer maintains supervision and control by periodic visits and telephone calls to clinic directors and supervisors of support sections. The Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer and Leading Chief confer daily concerning current and planned company operations.

7. Civic Actions:

a. Dental officers coordinate their civic action program with the Medical Civic Action program of the unit to which he is responsible for performing dental treatment.

b. Treatment rendered during the month of September 1969 to the Civic Action Program:

Extractions	412
Extractions	529
Other Procedures	10
Total Procedures on Vietnamese patients	951
Total Vietnamese patients	529

8. Mandible-Facial injuries treated during the month of September 1969:

Fractures (Reduction and Fixation) Mandibular	4
Soft tissue laceration (Debridement and Repair) facial	6

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMPLAINTS

AND SUPPORTING EXCERPTS

1. None