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1ST DENTAL COMPANY
Headquarters Battalion
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF,
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1. In compliance with the provisions of references (a) through (c),
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 August 1970 to 31 August 1970

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation:

1st Dental Company
 Headquarters Battalion
 1st Marine Division (Rein), FWF
 FPO, San Francisco, California 95602

2. Location:

a. 1 August to 31 August 1970 located at Danang, Republic of Vietnam.

b. 1st Dental Company, Headquarters - Danang. The 1st Dental Company Headquarters is located at the 1st Marine Division Command Post in Danang. The Headquarters Staff consists of the Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer, Administrative Chief, and three Administrative Clerks.

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

d. 1st Battalion - 5th Marines. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

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

f. 2nd Battalion - 1st Marines - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

g. 1st Battalion - 1st Marines - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

h. 3rd Battalion - 1st Marines, Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

i. 5th Marines - An Hoa. This facility is located in a stucco type building. One dental officer and one dental technician is assigned. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

j. 3rd Battalion - 5th Marines - Hill 65. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

k. 1st Engineer Battalion - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

l. III MAF Transient Facility-Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental technician and provides oral prophylaxis and stannous fluoride treatment to Marine personnel going on R&R, leave, and being separated.

m. Service Company - Danang. This facility is staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

n. 3rd Battalion - 7th Marines - FSB ROSS. This facility is a sandbagged reinforced wood frame bunker staffed by one dental officer and one dental technician. General and preventive dentistry is provided.

e. In addition to the Company headquarters and clinics listed, this Company also maintains a supply/mount-out section, dental repair and motor transport section. These sections are currently staffed by one dental officer, nine dental technicians and 4 Marines.

3. Staff Officers.

CAPT M. H. MEAD, DC, USN	Commanding Officer
CDR R. S. DAVIDSON, DC, USN	Executive Officer
LTJG J.A. HELLEY, MSC, USN	Administrative Officer

4. Average Monthly Strengths

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>
0	4	37	23

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. The 1st Dental Company renders support to the 1st Marine Division in the Danang and An Hoa areas in the Republic of Vietnam. There are currently 12 dental facilities in operation to provide dental support to the 1st Marine Division. The facilities in operation are of varied types of construction including 9 of the SBASIA hut type, one surgical van, one stucco building and one bunker.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. On 1 August 1970 Capt LUDWICK FMFPAC called regarding personnel.
2. On 2 August 1970 Tried to return call to Capt LUDWICK FMFPAC results neg. CDR PRINCE transferred. CDR DAVIDSON new Executive Officer.
3. On 3 August 1970 Tried to call Capt LUDWICK FMFPAC results neg.
4. On 4 August 1970 Meeting on Keystone Robin.
5. On 5 August 1970 Call from Capt LUDWICK. Capt MEAD meeting III MAF. Sent msg FMFPAC.
6. On 6 August 1970 Convoy to An Hoa for excess dental gear.
7. On 7 August 1970 Capt LUDWICK called. Secured 105 Trailer and discontinued support to CAF units. Convoy returned from An Hoa.
8. On 8 August 1970 Capt LUDWICK called. Had not received msg. Subject msg released from III MAF. "I" Corp meeting. Meeting on Keystone Robin. Commenced photographing all Dental Facilities for forwarding to FMFPAC, EAgtMARCOR, and Historical files.
9. On 9 August 1970 CO's monthly meeting of all Dental Officers. Discussed: embarkation, organization of detachment and rotation policies.
10. On 10 August 1970 Received extra funds from Div Surgeon for ordering supplies necessary for 100% MAL.
11. On 11 August 1970 Chief FORGET returned from Embarkation School. Given full brief of projects under Keystone Robin and schedules necessary to meet.
12. On 17 August 1970 Closed Dental facility 7th Engineer. Conference with FLC regarding supplies. Everything adequate.
13. On 19 August 1970 Report made to COC regarding dental vehicle being hit by 4 rounds of enemy fire returning from Hill #65.
14. On 20 August 1970 Dr. CLEMETSON departed for CONUS one day early. BuPers notified and Service Record forwarded to BuPers.
15. On 22 August 1970 Dental Officers celebrated annual birthday of the Dental Corps.
16. On 23 August 1970 Capt MEAD and LTJG HELLEY to Deep Water Pier. Had conference with embarkation officer Major KINNEY.

17. On 24 August 1970 Dr. BEAN assumed Embarkation Officers duties. New Dental facility opened at 3/1.
18. On 28 August 1970 An Hoa Dental Facility scheduled to close 5 Sep 1970.
19. On 29 August 1970 III MAF meeting on Keystone Robin.
20. On 30 August 1970 received warehouse support from Major KINNEY. This solved storage problem. Dental facility at Division CP closed.
21. Personnel:
- a. Gained during the month - 1
 - b. Dropped during the month - 5
 - c. Total strength on 31 August 1970 - 61
22. Administration. The Administrative Officer confers daily with all supervisory personnel to keep abreast of their problems and disseminates new policies and information.
23. Training. Due to the combat nature of duty in Vietnam, professional training for officer 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 USAFI. Professional material is maintained by the Company Office and is made available to personnel upon request. Guidance is provided whenever and wherever necessary or requested.
24. Command and Control. The Commanding Officer maintains supervision and control by periodic visits and telephone calls to clinic directors and supervisors of support sections. The Commanding Officer and Administrative Officer confer daily concerning current and planned company operations.
25. The following treatment was accomplished by the 1st Dental Company during the period 1 August 1970 to 31 August 1970.

<u>MILITARY PERSONNEL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
Restorations	2786	
Root Canal Treatment	35	
Prosthetic Appliances and Repair	73	
Surgical Procedures Other than Extractions	93	
Total Extractions	530	
Oral Prophylaxis	793	Enclosure (1)

X-rays	749
Total Patients Treated	6179
Total Procedures	13044

26. Civic Action.

a. Dental Officers coordinate their Civic Action Program with the medical Civic Action teams of the unit to which he is responsible for providing dental treatment.

b. Treatment rendered during the month of August through the Civic Action Program:

Extractions	- 388
Examinations	- 63
Total Procedures on Vietnamese Patients	- 464
Total Vietnamese Patients	- 356

27. Maxillo-facial injuries treated during the month of August 1970.

Fractures (Other)	- 0
Mandibular	- 4
Maxillary	- 6
Miscellaneous	- 51

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None.

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