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1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF
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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Attn: Field Historian)
Subj: Command Chronology Report; submission of
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1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) enclosure (1) is submitted.

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CONFIDENTIAL**COMMAND CHRONOLOGY****UNIT:** Headquarters Battalion, First Marine Division (-)(Rein), FMF**LOCATION:** Chu Lai Combat Base, Republic of Vietnam**PERIOD:** 1 April 1966 - 30 April 1966**COMMANDING OFFICER:**

NEIL DIMOND, Lieutenant Colonel

EXECUTIVE OFFICER:G. HUBBARD, Major
J. D. JONES, Major1Apr66 - 24Apr66
25Apr66 -**STAFF:**

S-1/ADJUTANT

J. D. JONES, Major 1Apr66 - 24Apr66

ASST ADJUTANT

L. H. BRIDGES, 2ndLt 25Apr66 -

S-3

L. H. BRIDGES, 2ndLt 1Apr66 - 24Apr66

S-4

E. S. P. PUA, Captain

SUPPLY

H. J. RIVELLA, Captain

MOTOR T.

A. L. CRAIG, CWO

LEGAL

J. W. MIZELL, Captain

EMBARKATION

R. D. SORTINO, 1stLt

MEDICAL O.

W. L. JOHNSON, Captain 1Apr66 - 30Apr66

CHAPLAIN

P. G. SCHUTT, Lieutenant (MC), USN

S. L. BRANT, Lieutenant (ChC), USN

COMPANY COMMANDERS:

COMMUNICATION COMPANY

C. R. SWILLEY, MAJOR

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

D. F. RANKIN, CAPTAIN

MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

G. E. BARTLETT, MAJOR

SERVICE COMPANY

P. R. GOTTLIEB, CAPTAIN

DENTAL COMPANY

F. S. WOZNIAK, CAPTAIN (USN)

ATTACHED:1ST CONSTRUCTION PLATOON, RADIO RELAY COMPANY
7TH COMMUNICATION BATTALION

H. C. SCHRODER, CAPTAIN

1ST INTERPRETER TEAM

L. V. SHERIDAN, CWO-3

9TH INTERROGATION-TRANSLATION TEAM

G. E. GAUMONT, CAPTAIN

2ND SPECIAL SECURITY COMMUNICATION TEAM

F. L. CISEWSKI, CAPTAIN

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1. 1Apr66. VC attempted probe of Battalion perimeter at BT531083. VC withdrew when fired on by defending forces. Results of friendly fire were unknown.
2. 5Apr66. Headquarters Battalion provided an honor guard for the Commanding General of the 2nd Infantry Division, RVN on his arrival at the Chu Lai Combat Base to present personal decorations to members of the 1st Marine Division from the Republic of Vietnam.
3. 5Apr66. In anticipation of local political repercussions stemming from current RVN political crisis, Headquarters Battalion organized and placed on standby a 35 man platoon for possible riot control in villages adjacent to the Chu Lai Combat Base.
4. 7Apr66. Headquarters Battalion riot control platoon was removed from a standby status as the RVN political crisis subsided.
5. 10Apr66. Construction Platoon, Radio Relay Company, 7th Communication Battalion arrived from CONUS and disembarked at Chu Lai. Strength 2 officers and 77 enlisted, attached to Headquarters Battalion for operational and administrative control.
6. 12Apr66. A detachment of four photographers and one officer with 24 enlisted men from Military Police Company was attached to 7th Marines for Operation Nevada.
7. 15Apr66. The 3rd ITT was attached to Headquarters Battalion for administrative control.
8. 17Apr66. Headquarters Battalion detachment attached to 7th Marines for Operation Nevada reverted to Battalion control. PFC C. D. MINCEMOYER, photographer attached to 7th Marines, was the only member of the detachment receiving a wound during the operation.
9. 19Apr66. Headquarters Battalion established a special services office and library in the 1st Marine Division Command Post area.
10. 21Apr66. A detachment of 4 photographers and one officer with 23 enlisted men from Military Police Company was attached to 7th Marines for Operation Hot Spring.
11. 23Apr66. Detachment from Headquarters Battalion attached to 7th Marines for Operation Hot Spring reverted to Battalion control. No casualties.
12. 25Apr66. Major J. D. JONES assumed duties as Executive Officer of Headquarters Battalion. Major G. HUBBARD transferred to Chu Lai Defense Command.
13. 25Apr66. 1st IT and 9th ITT joined Headquarters Battalion for administrative control.

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14. 25Apr66. Color guard from Headquarters Battalion escorted 1st Marine Division Colors to Quang Ngai to participate in an awards ceremony.

15. 26Apr66. Headquarters Battalion held an awards ceremony on the division parade field. Major General Fields presented decorations to personnel of Headquarters Battalion.

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APPENDIX A (LIST OF REFERENCES)

/NFF (see Appendix B)

1. S-3 Journal dtd 1 April 1966
2. DivBul 5060 dtd 3 April 1966
3. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
4. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
5. CG FortTrps FMFPac 29 Palms ltr 107ader over 1300 dtd 7 Mar 1966
6. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
7. CG 1st Mar Div msg 121120Z APR 66
8. CG 1st Mar Div msg 190737Z APR 66
9. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
10. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
11. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
12. Headquarters BSO 114-66
13. CG 1st Mar Div msg 240836Z APR 66
14. Verbal orders by Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion
15. Headquarters Battalion Order P5060.1

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APPENDIX B (DOCUMENTATION)

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