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HEADQUARTERS  
Headquarters Battalion (Reinforced)  
1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
(Attn: Field Historian)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Jan 1967 to 31 Jan 1967.

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: (1) Headquarters Battalion Command Chronology for January 1967.

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 January 1967 to 31 January 1967

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA  
COMMANDER

1. DESIGNATION

Headquarters Battalion (Rein), 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF	Colonel W. A. LEITNER	1-31 Jan
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SUBORDINATE UNITS

COMMUNICATION COMPANY	Major N. D. WYNN	1-31 Jan
HEADQUARTERS COMPANY	Major C. A. WHITE	1-31 Jan
MILITARY POLICE COMPANY	Lt. Colonel J. J. ROOTHOFF	1-31 Jan
SERVICE COMPANY	Captain T. D. REESE Captain D. F. MILLER	1-14 Jan 15-31 Jan
SUB-UNIT #1, ServCo, HQBN	Major R. C. HALL	1-31 Jan
SUB-UNIT #2, HqCo, HQBN	Lt. Colonel R. B. MOLESKY	1-31 Jan

ATTACHED UNITS

1ST DENTAL COMPANY	Captain P. C. CONGLIS (DC) USN	1-31 Jan
1ST INTERPRETER TEAM	CWO-3 L. V. SHERIDAN	1-31 Jan
2D SPECIAL SECURITY COMM TEAM	2dLt. J. N. CORCORAN	1-31 Jan
3D COUNT RINTELLIGENCE TEAM	Captain W. R. BOWERS	1-31 Jan
3D INTERPRETER/TRANSLATOR TEAM	Captain D. M. KENWORTHY	1-31 Jan
3D PLAT 29TH CA Co	Captain P. E. DOUGHERTY IV, USA	1-31 Jan
5TH PLAT 29TH CA Co	Captain J. E. COLBE, USA	1-31 Jan
6TH PLAT 29TH CA Co	Captain M. E. SAMMON, USA	1- <sup>19</sup> 31 Jan <i>MT</i>

2. LOCATION

1-31 January 1967: DA NANG TAOR, Republic of Vietnam

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**3. STAFF OFFICERS**

EXECUTIVE OFFICER	Major R. C. RICE	1-24 Jan
	Major R. F. EGGERS	25-31 Jan
ADJUTANT	Captain W. F. FLATO	1-31 Jan
ASST ADJUTANT	2dLt. C. T. JONES	1-31 Jan
OPNS/LOGS O	Major R. F. EGGERS	1-31 Jan
ASST LOGS/EMBARKATION	Captain D. R. WEST	1-31 Jan
ASST OPNS/NBC DEF O	Captain B. C. HENRY	1-31 Jan
SUPPLY O	Captain R. L. TIDWELL	1-31 Jan
ASST SUPPLY O	2dLt. D. E. STAFFORD	1-31 Jan
MOTOR TRANSPORTATION O	CWO-4 H. H. HENSON	1-31 Jan
LEGAL, CAO, IRO, SPL SERV O	Captain B. C. HENRY	1-31 Jan
MEDICAL O	Lt. (MC) W. C. GIBBS, USNR	1-31 Jan
CHAPLAIN	Lt. (Chc) R. M. WEEKS, USNR	1-31 Jan

**4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH**

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
235	1820	33	77	0	0

**PART II**  
**NARRATIVE SUMMARY**

During this reporting period:

Three officers and 157 enlisted attended the Battalion Orientation and Indoctrination Presentation and seven officers and 247 enlisted fired individual and crew-served weapons for familiarization. Civic Action was emphasized; 507 patients were treated through MEDCAP by the HQBN Medical Staff. Extensive heavy equipment operations to improve fields of observation and fire and generally improve the defenses of the Division Command Post were approximately 50% completed. 117 men participated in scheduled one day R&R at China Beach.

Sub-Unit #1 released the personnel of the I Corps Security Group to 1st MP Battalion. The CACs suffered eight combat casualties.

Service Company Command Group displaced from the CHU LAI TAOR to DA NANG.

Communication Company provided the following support as indicated:

1-31 January 1967:

a. III MAF Communications Center - six men

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- b. DA NANG Control - two men
  - c. Construction of poleline and installation of cable to 1st Marine CP - 20 men.
  - d. 2/5 - six men
  - e. Marble Mountain Radar Beacon Team - two men

29-31 January 1967:

- a. TF X-RAY Radar Beacon Team - one man

31 January 1967:

- a. 1st MED Battalion - one man

1st Dental Company's contribution to Civic Action included 881 total patients treated and 1530 procedures accomplished during this period. The following dental facilities have been established by the 1st Dental Company in the designated TAOR.

CHU LAI: TF X-RAY CP, 1st MED Bn (Rear), FLSG-B  
3d Amph Bn/1st Recon Bn, 9th Eng Bn  
3/7, and 5th Mar CPs.

DA NANG: 1st MarDiv, HQBN, 1st Mar, 1/1, 2/1, 3/1 and 2/5 CPs

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 Jan 1967 111 members of the I Corps Security Group transferred from Sub-Unit #1, Service Company, to 1st MP Battalion for duty.
- Ref: 1st MarDiv SO #681-66  
(TAB "A" to enclosure (1) )
- Civic Action Officer supervised the donation of 50 bars of soap and 48 lbs of clothing to an orphanage adopted by the I Corps Security Group.
- 2&14 Jan67 Captain K. L. MORGAN, DC, USN, Force Dental Officer, III MAF visited 1st Dental Company.
- 4 Jan 1967 Commenced Dental treatment with DA NANG TAOR, MEDCAP. 124 extractions.
- 8 Jan 1967 The CO and Admin O of 1st Dental Co inspected dental treatment facilities at 1st Marines, 1/1, and 2/1.

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- 10 Jan 1967 Civic Action Officer approved the building of a school at HOA MY Hamlet.
- Jan 1967 CAC Platoon B-1-5 received Letter of Commendation from CG, III MAF
- Ref: CG III MAF Ltr 5/1rj undated.  
(TAB "B" to enclosure (1) )
- 13 Jan 1967 CAC Platoon B-1-5 while in defense attacked by enemy mortar and rifle grenade fire. Four Marines and one Corpsman WIA.
- 15 Jan 1967 Captain D. F. MILLER relieved Captain T. D. REESE as Commanding Officer, Service Company.
- Ref: Bn SO #13-67  
(TAB "C" to enclosure (1) )
- The CO and AdminO of 1st Dental Co inspected dental treatment facilities at 3/1.
- 16 Jan 1967 Service Company CP displaced and established DA NANG TAOR from CHU LAI.
- Ref: CO HQBN, oral instruction of 5 Jan 1967
- 18-19 Jan67 Division Ordnance conducted inspection.
- 19 Jan 1967 Main HQBN messhall remodeling completed. One empty wing will be theatre/classroom.
- 21 Jan 1967 The CO, 1st Dental Co inspected dental treatment facilities within the CHU LAI TAOR.
- 26 Jan 1967 Construction of a new butler building completed for HQBN Supply.
- 27 Jan 1967 CAC Platoon D-2 ambushed while on MEDCAP patrol. One Marine and one Corpsman KIA. One Marine WIA.
- 28 Jan 1967 Battalion Chaplain visited HOA MY during MEDCAP.
- Civic Action Officer delivered six rolls of fencing for school to PHUOC TOUNG Hamlet Chief.

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PART IV  
CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. CHRONOLOGY FOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

NOTE: The chronology of subordinate commands has been included with  
PART III - SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

2. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- TAB "A" - 1st MarDiv SO #681-66
- TAB "B" - CG III MAF Ltr 5/lrj undated
- TAB "C" - Bn SO #13-67
- TAB "D" - Sub Unit #1, Service Co Command Chronology

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1st Marine Division (Rein), PFC  
APO, San Francisco, 96602

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26 December 1966

DIVISION SPECIAL ORDER  
NUMBER . . . . 681-66

1. The following reassignments to 1st Military Police Battalion are effected on 1 January 1967. Service Records, Pay Accounts, and Embossed Metal Plates will be entrusted to the individual or delivered by hand to the unit to which assigned on the effective date of transfer. CO will direct personnel to report prior 1300 on the effective date of transfer.

From: Headquarters Battalion (Rein)	RTD
HARWOOD G R JR	2dLt 096899/1803 Apr67
ACOSTA H	SSgt 1481882/0369 Feb67
ANDERSON R J	Cpl 2077123/0311 Mar67
ASHCRAFT D A	Sgt 2058724/3111 Feb67
AVINA J M	PFC 2234658/0311 Dec67
BAGWELL G E	LCpl 2236166/0311 Aug67
BAILLOU D S	Cpl 2114151/0311 May67
BARRIENTES J J	Sgt 1980566/1833 Apr67
BARTHOLOMY R A	Cpl 2041066/0341 Mar67
BATES D G	PFC 2225826/0331 Aug67
BEEDLE R K	PFC 2225126/1833 -do-
BODO S JR	Cpl 2056616/0844 Jun67
BREWER D	Pvt 2225917/0311 Dec67
BUCHANAN J R	PFC 2226038/0351 -do-
BULGER J F	Pvt 2186112/0311 -do-
CALLAWAY K L	LCpl 2141730/0311 Mar67
CASTILLO R JR	Sgt 2029343/0311 May67
CLAY D M	LCpl 2197893/0844 Jun67
CLEVELAND G S	LCpl 2156519/0311 Feb67
CLEMONS S B	LCpl 2125228/0331 -do-
COLE W O	Cpl 2087934/0331 -do-
COMPTON C F	Pvt 2125773/0311 -do-
CONTRERAS C C	Pvt 2234970/0311 Dec67
COOPER J E	PFC 2152360/0811 Apr67
COUSER S	LCpl 2071071/0311 Dec67
DANSEREAU M C	LCpl 2148512/0311 Aug67
DIEVENDORF G T	Pvt 2155982/0311 -do-
DOTTERMANN N	Cpl 2058978/4312 May67
DOWLING R	LCpl 2170494/0331 Aug67
DUDA D	PFC 2179284/0351 Dec67
DURHAM H R	PFC 2204420/0311 Aug67
EDWARDS J M	Cpl 2121518/0311 Jun67
EISENHART R W	PFC 2211622/1391 Oct67
ELWOOD T E	LCpl 2118073/0141 Apr67
EMERY R G	Cpl 2093164/0341 Feb67
FEDER N J	LCpl 2151896/0311 Mar67
FLEECE J A	PFC 2192385/0811 Jun67
GERARD G M	LCpl 2197015/1391 -do-
GILLIS H J	Cpl 2047595/3051 Apr67

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From: Headquarters Battalion (Rein)RTD

GONZALEZ J A	LCpl	2142441/0141	Feb67
GOODBAR C E JR	LCpl	2135309/0331	Apr67
GOODMAN L E JR	PFC	2191635/0331	-do-
GOODWIN B L	Sgt	1498097/0311	Jun67
GRANT D A	Pvt	2279253/0311	Dec67
HANCE P E JR	PFC	2141302/0311	-do-
HALE K T JR	LCpl	1956701/3051	Apr67
HERKER D P	Sgt	2004830/0311	Jun67
HOGAN M G	PFC	2210354/0311	Dec67
HULLINGSWORTH C H III	Cpl	2110639/0311	Aug67
HORSLEY C M	PFC	2249368/0311	Dec67
HOY H L JR	Cpl	2042506/0331	Jul67
HULSEY G W	LCpl	2148168/0811	Jun67
IRELAND R B	Pvt	2243991/0311	Dec67
JACKSON E J	PFC	2221972/0311	-do-
JOHNSON J L	PFC	2270048/1391	Oct67
JOHNSON S H	Pvt	2241766/0311	Dec67
JONES W G	PFC	2246595/0331	-do-
KENDALL H A	LCpl	2148491/0844	May67
KICKLIGHTER R E	PFC	2256967/0311	Dec67
KING O JR	PFC	2258666/0311	-do-
KIRKSEY M E	Pvt	1997390/0311	-do-
KURDUPSKI R E	LCpl	2134069/2533	May67
LAYTON J L	Cpl	2099724/0811	-do-
LEDFORD L	LCpl	2226632/1391	Aug67
LEHMANN C W E	LCpl	2087343/0811	May67
LOCKHART C M	SSgt	1432494/0369	Aug67
LOMORIELLO A	LCpl	2169479/0311	-do-
LOWE R M	Cpl	2083547/0811	Nov67
LEE F C	LCpl	2131225/0811	Dec66 (Req 6 mos ext)
MACK J J	LCpl	2104314/3500	Apr67
MATLOCK I E	Sgt	2086144/0311	Aug67
MCPHERSON D R	PFC	2179025/0331	Dec67
MEDINA S B	LCpl	2119321/0811	Mar67
MERSKY H M	PFC	2237226/0311	Aug67
MILLER D J	Cpl	2058758/0341	Feb67
MURPHY D J JR	LCpl	2157308/3371	Mar67
MOORE W R	LCpl	2112794/0311	Dec67
MURRAY F J	Pvt	2215886/0351	-do-
NIELSON C D	PFC	2222379/0811	Aug67
NODA K K	PFC	2188956/0311	-do-
ONEILL R A JR	PFC	2201607/1391	-do-
PARADISE W H	PFC	2117241/2531	Apr67
PATTERSON A	Cpl	1692165/0311	Feb67
PENSANTE J J	PFC	2105691/0311	Aug67
PERRY J E	PFC	2218449/0311	-do-

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DIVISION SPECIAL ORDER 681-66 Contd  
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<u>From: Headquarters Battalion (Rein)</u>			<u>RTD</u>
POZUM J R	PFC	2229052/3111	Aug67
RAFFERTY J E	LCpl	2041111/3111	Feb67
REATHER D D	PFC	2131786/0311	Jul67
REED G E	PFC	2101519/3531	Mar67
REINHARDT D G	LCpl	2135887/0311	Apr67
RITCHHART C E	PFC	2203185/0311	Dec67
ROURKE J W	PFC	2204217/0311	-do-
RYAN K G	LCpl	2151035/0811	Mar67
SAGE D N	PFC	2207470/0311	Aug67
SANCHEZ A A	Pvt	2234960/0311	Dec67
SCHALL G L	PFC	2185368/0311	-do-
SCHNEIDER L W	Sgt	2043561/0351	Jun67
SCOTT W	PFC	2217479/0311	Aug67
SENA M G	LCpl	2252407/0311	-do-
SHOCK H L	PFC	2139626/0331	Dec67
SIMONSHIRE K W	Sgt	2073436/0351	Feb67
SMITH J R	PFC	2228731/0311	Dec67
STEWART R	Sgt	1910764/0311	Jul67
TAYLOR J D	Sgt	2032310/0331	Feb67
TAYLOR R L	PFC	2256149/0311	Dec67
USHER A W	PFC	2256692/0311	-do-
WAGNER C R	PFC	2201009/3111	Aug67
WALKER A D	LCpl	2076220/0811	Jul67
WEIDERSPAHN R E	Cpl	2096556/2311	Jun67
WESTALL D L	LCpl	2144194/1833	Apr67
WOOD L R	Cpl	2143793/0311	Mar67
ZODY S B	Pvt	2231526/0311	Dec67

H. NICKERSON, JR.  
Major General, U. S. Marine Corps  
Commanding

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COMMANDING GENERAL  
III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE  
MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM  
C/O FPO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 96601

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From: Commanding General  
To: Combined Action Platoon, B 1-5

Subj: Commendation

1. On 25 November 1966, acting on intelligence provided by HOA LAC Village Chief, Combined Action Platoon B 1-5 effected the capture of a group of fifteen Viet Cong, including a Viet Cong Hamlet Chief, a Viet Cong Political Team and a Viet Cong Reconnaissance Unit.
2. At 1210 on 8 December 1966, Combined Action Platoon B 1-5 received small arms fire from a group estimated as six Viet Cong. Fire was returned and in the ensuing brisk fire fight, four Viet Cong were killed at a cost of four Vietnamese Popular Forces members and two U. S. Marines wounded in action. The action uncovered an extensive cave complex, which was destroyed and resulted in the capture of one five pound shape charge, six chicom grenades, three M-26 grenades, one 45 caliber pistol, one carbine, and one French automatic weapon.
3. The aggressive spirit and decisive professional conduct of Combined Action Platoon B 1-5 throughout these actions reflects a high degree of teamwork and sound leadership throughout your platoon and is a tribute to the effectiveness of the Combined Action Concept.
4. I commend Combined Action Platoon B 1-5 for its fine display of professional competence and determination. A hearty "Well Done" to all.

  
L. W. WALT

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CG 3d MarDiv  
CO 3d Bn, 9th Marines  
CG I Corps  
District Chief, HOA VANG

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1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF  
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1320  
17 January 1967

BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER  
NUMBER.....13-67

## 1. The following reassignment is effected.

Name	TR From	ED	Report To
Cpl HAUER J J 2151929/0141	HqCo	16Jan67	CO 1st ReconBn auth DSO 58-67 RTD Aug67. Your rifle & 782 will be invoiced to the CO, 1st ReconBn
C.03 RYNNARD L 070230/2805	HqCo	18Jan67	CO CommCo fordu

## 2. The following assignment is effected.

Name	Org	Type	ED	Remarks
Capt MILLER D L 083033/0802/0430	ServCo	DU	15Jan67	was CO vice Capt TD ROBERT JR Reassigned

C. T. JONES  
Second Lieutenant U. S. Marine Corps  
AsstBnAdj  
By direction of the Commanding Officer

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1. Received these orders at \_\_\_\_\_ Company at \_\_\_\_\_ time on \_\_\_\_\_ date.

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SUB UNIT #1  
Service Company, Headquarters Battalion (Rein)  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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2 Feb 1967

From: Officer in Charge  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
Via: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion (Rein), 1st Marine  
Division (Rein) FMF

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ROBERT C. HALL

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PART I1. DESIGNATION

Sub Unit #1, Service Company  
 Headquarters Battalion (Reinforced)  
 1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF

COMMANDER

ROBERT C. HALL  
 MAJOR USMC  
 1-31Jan67

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

1-31Jan67, Danang RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

2dLt Ronald J. PASCUAL USMC 1-31Jan67 XO

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USM</u>		<u>OTHERS</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
2	210	0	15	0	0

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PART II

During the reporting period, this unit transferred one hundred eleven personnel who are members of I Corps Security to the 1st MP Battalion.

The Combined Action Units of this command conducted their routine patrols, mine sweeps, med-caps and maintained security in the various villages and hamlets in their respective areas. During this period there were eleven individuals wounded in actions and two killed in action as a result of engagements with the insurgent forces.

Further, Combined Action Platoon B-1-5 received a Letter of Commendation from the Commanding General, III MAF for actions during early December 1966.

PART III

1Jan67:

111 members of I Corps Security transferred to 1st MPBn, 1stMarDiv for duty.

Ref: 1stMarDiv SO 681-66  
(TAB A to enclosure (1)).

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\_\_Jan67:

CAC Platoon B-1-5 received Letter of  
Commendation from CG III MAF

Ref: CG III MAF Ltr 5/1rj undated

13Jan67:

CAC Platoon B-1-5 engaged with enemy  
in defense of their positions when it  
came under attack by mortar and rifle  
grenade fire. <sup>Four</sup> Five Marines <sup>one USN</sup> were WIA  
as a result.

27Jan67:

CAC Platoon D-2 was ambushed while on  
a Med-Cap patrol. As a result 1 Marine  
was WIA, 1 Marine KIA and 1 USN Corpsman  
was KIA.

PART IV

None

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