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

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

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

Ref: (a) DivO 5750.2B

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

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

Headquarters Battalion (Rein),  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Colonel J. F. DONAHOE

1-31 Aug

SUBORDINATE UNITS

COMMUNICATION COMPANY

Captain R. T. HART  
Captain T. R. O'DONNELL

1-12 Aug  
13-31 Aug

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Major J. J. BURTON

1-31 Aug

MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

Major R. V. O'BRIEN

1-31 Aug

SERVICE COMPANY

Captain C. R. CHRISTMAS

1-31 Aug

SUB-UNIT #1, ServCo, HqBn

Major R. C. HALL

1-31 Aug

ATTACHED UNITS

1ST DENTAL COMPANY

Captain T. J. PAPE (DC) USN

1-31 Aug

2. LOCATION

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

3. STAFF OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major W. F. FLATO

1-31 Aug

ADJUTANT

Captain F. W. HARDING

1-31 Aug

ASST ADJUTANT

2ndLt C. T. JONES

1-13 Aug

CWO-2 J. A. FROST

14-31 Aug

OPNS/ED/HBCD O

Major J. J. BURTON

1-14 Aug

Major R. P. WHALEN

15-31 Aug

LOGS O

2ndLt G. B. MATTHEWS

1-31 Aug

ASST OPNS O

VACANT

1-31 Aug

EMBARKATION O

2ndLt E. A. RAYMOND

1-31 Aug

SUPPLY O

1stLt D. E. STAFFORD

1-31 Aug

ASST SUPPLY O

2ndLt W. F. JOHNSON

1-31 Aug

MOTOR TRANSPORT O

1stLt O. J. HART

1-31 Aug

LEGAL/CAO/IRO O

2ndLt J. D. GRAHAM

1-31 Aug

SPECIAL SERVICES O

2ndLt E. A. RAYMOND

1-31 Aug

MEDICAL O

Lt R. J. KOZERA

1-31 Aug

CHAPLAIN

Lcdr (ChC) J. D. YEICH, USN

1-31 Aug

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<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
229	2036

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
26	104

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. TRAINING

- a. 20 men FAM fired the M-60 machine gun.
- b. Nine officers and 31 enlisted from Headquarters Battalion and 41 enlisted from 1st Reconnaissance Battalion attended the Battalion Orientation and Indoctrination Presentation.
- c. 15 enlisted were trained to be vehicle operators and received operators permits.
- d. 1 officer and 2 enlisted attended Embarkation School, Okinawa.
- e. 1 officer attended Registered Publications Course.
- f. 3 enlisted attended NCO Leadership School, Okinawa.
- g. 5 enlisted attended III MAF Vietnamese Language School.
- h. 1 officer attended III MAF Civic Action Orientation Course.
- i. 13 enlisted attended a course given by Communications Company on Voice Procedure for Field Radio.
- j. 8 enlisted attended the Division Embarkation Course.

2. SECURITY. Eight security patrols were conducted in the area south and east of the Division Command Post. Negative contact.

3. LOGISTICS

a. The FMFPac Supply Assistance Team started an inspection at 1200, 4 August and completed it at 1400, 5 August. Results were satisfactory with minor discrepancies.

b. The completion of a four-inch water line from 1st Engineer Battalion to this Headquarters was accomplished on 18 August. When a sufficient high capacity holding tank is constructed at 1st Engineers, this water line will become our main source of water supply. The eight-inch water line from 1st MAF now being used will be left in place to be used as a back-up source.

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c. All five ammunition bunkers in the Battalion were inspected on 20 August by SSgt I. A. RODRIQUEZ, the BnAmmoTech. Two are being rebuilt to meet present requirements.

#### 4. CIVIC ACTION

a. Construction of a three room school in the hamlet of HOA MY is very near completion. The only work to be completed is the addition of the wood trim around doors and windows, and the hanging of door and window shutters. The present school furniture will be used until the monsoon sets in. New furniture will be constructed by the people of the hamlet when the weather becomes too wet to allow work outside.

b. The number of Vietnamese who received weekly medical and dental assistance in the hamlet of HOA MY during August, was 746 and 93 respectively.

c. Future projects in the hamlet of HOA MY include the construction of six wells and the repair of some houses prior to the monsoon.

d. Approximately 450 spectators of the HOA MINH village watched five games of volleyball between the villagers and nine Marines. Once again this was well received by the people of the village.

5. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS. During August, the 244th PsyOpsCo showed movies in the hamlet of HOA MY to approximately 2700 Vietnamese. In addition, 1000 copies of various PsyOps pamphlets and 4000 copies of the South Vietnamese News were distributed.

#### 6. LEGAL

a. Five Battalion NJP's imposed.

b. Four Summary and two Special Courts-Martials awarded.

### PART III

#### SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

2 August 1967	August's Patrol Schedule published in support of CO, HqBn FragO 2-67.  Ref: CO, HqBn ltr 3/JJB/mcb over FO 2-67 of 2 August 1967 Monthly Patrol Schedule (TAB "A" to enclosure (1))
15 August 1967	A re-assessment of the Headquarters Battalion defense situation was begun. The study was directed to the adequacy of the present system of static defense and the subsector defense command situation.

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27 August 1967

Estimate of the defense situation completed. Revisions under consideration included major changes in HqBn defense concept integrated with a change in the coordination structure of Sub Sector "B".

28 August 1967

G-2 estimate of the enemy situation this date indicated that an attempt would be made on the life of the Commanding General. At 2330 the reaction platoon of this Headquarters was activated to take up defensive positions around the Commanding General's quarters and those of key division personnel located in the vicinity of the Generals mess. The platoon consisted of a Platoon Commander, platoon Sgt, three 13 man squads, a corpsman and a radio operator.

29 August 1967

CO, HqBn met with CO of Sub Sector units to coordinate a new defensive system to counter the increased threat. Decision to change coordination of Sub Sector "B" from CO, 11thMar to CO, HqBn was contemplated at this time because the latter commander was most concerned with the vital areas of this subsector, i. e. Generals' Quarters and Division Command, Control and Communication facilities. An additional guard of seventeen men manning eight posts was effected to provide close in, last line of defense to the CG and ADC working spaces, Command Bunker and the attendant power supply.

In addition to the CP security platoon, positions requiring eighty four men additional augmentation in security at this time were

1. Reaction Platoon: One officer and forty two enlisted on defense (1900-0600) provided by the Band and Service Company.

2. Special Staff Guard: One NCO and sixteen enlisted on guard (1800-0600) provided by the Band, Hq Company and Service Company.

3. Activation of a reserve Reaction Platoon consisting of one officer and forty two enlisted provided by the Band and Service Company.

31 August 1967

The decision was made to switch coordination of Sub Sector "B" defense and damage control to CO, HqBn effective on 5 September 1967.

#### PART IV SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓1. TAB "A" - CO, HqBn Monthly Patrol Schedule of 2 August 1967.

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2 August 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Communication Company, Headquarters Battalion,  
1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF  
Platoon Commander, Security Platoon, Headquarters Company, Headquarters  
Battalion, 1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF

Subj: Monthly Patrol Schedule (August, 1967)

Ref: (a) CO, HqBn FragO 2-67 of 6 March 1967

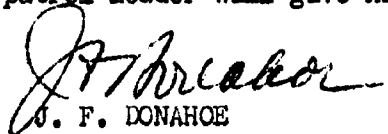
1. In accordance with reference (a), the following patrol schedule will be executed during the month of August, 1967.

<u>UNCLASSIFIED</u> <u>CODE</u> <u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTURE</u> <u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>PATROL</u> <u>CHECK POINTS</u>
BASS	061230H	8-4-2-1
*PIKE	100830H	1-2-3-4-5-6-8
TROUT	211000H	5-6-7
PERCH	290930H	1-2-3-5

\* This patrol will have a minimum of 15 men.

2. Patrol leaders will choose own departure and return points and do not have to plan patrols to pass through the check points in numerical sequence.

3. The Battalion Operations Officer will be informed at least 24 hours in advance of the time and place that the patrol leader will give his order.

  
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