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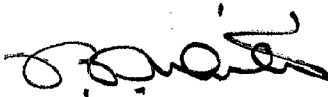
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1969 to 31 May 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATED

Commander

1st Combined Action Group
 III Marine Amphibious Force
 FPO, San Francisco, California

LtCol J. E. HENNEGAN
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Combined Action Company 1-1

Captain L. H. ROSS
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Combined Action Company 1-2

Captain R. R. WELPOTT
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Combined Action Company 1-3

Captain P. G. MITCHELL
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Combined Action Company 1-4

Captain K. M. SEARS
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATIONS

Hq, 1st CAG Chu Lai, Ly Tin District, Quang Tin Province, RVN

CACO 1-1 Tam Ky District, Quang Tin Province, RVN

CACO 1-2 Ly Tin District, Quang Tin Province, RVN

CACO 1-3 Binh Son District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN

CACO 1-4 Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN

MTT-1 Tam Ky District, Quang Tin Province, RVN

MTT-2 Binh Son District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major J. H. LAWSON
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Adjutant/S-1

2ndLt B. W. SMITH
 1 May 69 - 31 May 69

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Major R. F. ENDERT
1 May 69 - 31 May 69

S-4/Supply

Captain T. M. GARBOWSKI
1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Communications Officer

Major R. F. ENDERT
1 May 69 - 31 May 69

S-5/Special Services

Major J. H. LAWSON
1 May 69 - 31 May 69

Medical Section

HMC R. W. EILERS
1 May 69 - 20 May 69HML T. A. ROBINSON
21 May 69 - 31 May 69

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
Off	Enl
9	471

USN	
Off	Enl
0	35

OTHER	
Off	Enl
1	4(ARVN)

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c. Casualties. Casualties during the month of May 1969 were as follows:

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>DAI</u>	<u>DOW</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>WIA/NBC</u>	<u>RET TO DU</u>
USMC	2	0	0	19	8	10
USN	0	0	0	2	3	0

d. CONGRINTS/SPLINTS/WELREP. There were four Congressional Interest Correspondence and four Welfare Reports during the month of May 1969.

e. Administrative Assistance.

(1) Two Group directives were promulgated during the reporting month. A copy of this order is located in the documents section (section IV) of this chronology.

(a) Group Order 1740.1 - Request Mast

(b) Group Order P11240.2 - SOP for Motor Transport

f. Legal. A breakdown of legal activities for May is shown below:

<u>Art 32 Investigations</u>	<u>Informal Investigations</u>	<u>NJP</u>	<u>SPCM</u>	<u>SCM</u>
1	3	7	1	6

Two Article 32 Investigations were pending at the end of the reporting period.

g. Morale and Welfare. The morale of the unit continues to be high and special services equipment available to all hands. Quotas for both out of country and in country Rest and Recuperation (R&R) are effectively being utilized. The following is a break down.

(1) Out of country R&R - Quotas	Utilized
44	44

(2) In country R&R -	4	0
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(3) A party is held at a different CAP each week consisting of a cook out, beer and soda. Each CAP sends a man in to the rear on a staggered schedule to allow him to relax and enjoy the club facilities.

h. Career Planning. The career planning program continues to be stressed at all levels of command. A continuing effort is being made to increase the civilian education level of Marines within the command through USAFI GED testing.

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Personnel Administration.

a. Joined and transferred. During the month of May, the 1st Combined Action Group joined and transferred the following number personnel listed in the four categories below:

(1) <u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
0	72
(2) <u>Rotated CONUS</u>	
<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
1	48
(3) <u>Transferred within WestPac Command.</u>	
<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
0	3
(4) <u>Transferred by SR w/sick (out of country hospitals).</u>	
<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
0	10

b. Awards.

(1) There was one Silver Star, one Legion of Merit, one Navy and Marine Corps Medal, six Bronze Stars for heroism and eight end of tour awards submitted to FMFPac for approval during the month of May 1969.

<u>SSM</u>	<u>LOM</u>	<u>NMCM</u>	<u>BSM</u>	<u>NCM</u>	<u>NAM</u>
1	1	1	6	4	4

(2) Awards returned approved from FMFPac included the following:

<u>BSM</u>	<u>NCM</u>	<u>NAM</u>
3	2	1

(3) Personnel of the 1st Combined Action Group also received the following awards as a result of combat wounds, heroic/meritorious service in the Republic of Vietnam.

<u>PHM</u>	<u>VCG</u>	<u>Commendation from RVN Government</u>
36	1	0

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i. Mail. Daily average bags of mail were processed as follows:

Letters

Incoming
½ bag

Outgoing
½ bag

Packages

Incoming
4 bags

NOTE: One bag of letters represents approximately 2,000 letters.

91 5 0 - j. Promotions. Fifty-nine enlisted promotions were effected during the month of May 1969 as follows:

Gunnery Sergeant	1
Staff Sergeant	1
Sergeant	0
Corporal	33
Lance Corporal	1
PFC	0

k. Hospital Visits. Hospital visits are made daily by the Hospital corpsman representative, the Casualty NCC and the Mail Orderly along with frequent visits by the Commanding Officer, Executive, Adjutant and First Sergeant. Casualties are visited as soon as they are evacuated from the field. Normally, the Commanding Officer or his representative, having been notified by Dustoff Control Chu Lai, of the destination of the individual are waiting at the hospital when the casualty arrives. The dead are identified within hours of arrival at Chu Lai.

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2. Intelligence

a. General. There was no change in the intelligence chain for the month of May. There was an increase in the number of intelligence reports emanating from the MACV Advisory Team at Binh Son District headquarters however, which was the result of closer coordination. The local villagers provided the best tactically exploitable intelligence, as usual, with approximately 40% of the information producing results. Of the 17 occasions of intelligence reports from villagers, 7 produced the following results:

<u>VC KIA (C)</u>	<u>VCS</u>	<u>VC POW</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
1	5	2	4 contacts

b. Situation. Generally, April had produced a low level of contacts in ICTZ. Toward the end of the month, contact increased for 1st CAG units, particularly those involving indirect fire, indicated a probable increase in enemy activity for May, possibly a renewal of the Winter-Spring offensive. Because of increased enemy activity, the main areas of concern were Tam Ky District headquarters, Binh Son District headquarters, and Quang Ngai and the area surrounding these locations. It was felt that these areas would be subjected to an increasing amount of indirect fire, and possible sapper attacks.

(1). Period 1 - 11 May 1969. While elsewhere in the ICTZ, the first two weeks of May provided a low level of activity, the expected increase of enemy activity in the 1st CAG area materialized almost immediately. The offensive was first renewed in the Tam Ky area, where the three northernmost CAPs of CACO 1-1 accounted for 27 enemy kills in the first days of the month. Contact was initially made with what was suspected to be the 74th MF Bn. What was at first taken to be the start of a major offensive on the Tam Ky area, soon diminished, however, the second week of May produced few significant contacts.

(a) The CACO 1-2 area, an area known for its security, experienced the same lack of enemy contact as was noted elsewhere in the ICTZ.

(b). The number of contacts in the CACO 1-3 area increased in the first two weeks of May, mainly in attacks by heavy sniper fire. An increase in the number of attacks by small arms fire on the civilian populace was noted, and the CAPs accommodated this situation by increasing the security patrolling where villagers worked in their fields.

(c) CACO 1-4 had increased contacts which paralleled those of the 1st and 3rd companies. This increase was in the number of sniping incidents, including fire at civilians, and harassment by mortar fire. There was also a rise in the number of Chieu Hois, indicating a possible impending enemy activity.

(d) These contacts, while not constituting an offensive in themselves, were indications of the enemy activity to come. The activity in the CACO 1-1 area showed the obvious interest the enemy had in the Tam Ky area. The fact that many of the more outstanding contacts were made in the daylight hours, while the enemy was on the move, and that the enemy did not appear inclined to maintain contact when it was established, was assumed to be the result

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of the enemy's positioning of units for attack.

(2). Period 12 - 30 May

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(a) Intelligence from all sources, both military and civilian pointed out two dates as likely to be periods of high enemy activity. These were Ho Chi Minh's birthday on 19 May and The Buddha's birthday on 30 May. The period of main concern was that preceding Ho Chi Minh's birthday from 12-21 May. This period also coincided with the dark of the moon, a normal planning factor for NVA/VC.

(b). The NVA/VC attack plan for installations in the Americal Division area was captured by US Army unit prior to the initiation of the attacks. The plan envisioned capturing and holding hamlet areas and the destruction of US installations personnel and material. Attacking units were levied quotas of personnel to kill or capture and amounts of artillery and vehicles to destroy. US Army position was to be attacked in daylight and held. All of this seemed directed towards influencing negotiations in Paris - toward creating an impression of high damage to gain strength at the bargaining table.

(c) In the early morning hours of 12 May, the expected attacks began. All companies of the 1st Combined Action Group reported incoming sniper fire or mortar fire, as did US Army and ARVN installations along National Route #1. Most firebases reported fire, with LZ's BUFF, GATOR and BOTTLE receiving ground probes.

(1). In the First Company, CAP 1-1-7 was the most heavily engaged. The CAP reacted to the mortaring of an RF compound in their TAOC with artillery fire and sweeps of suspected enemy locations. In incidents between 12 May and 15 May, CAP 1-1-7 accounted for 62 kills. Intelligence from the battlefield confirmed the enemy unit to be the 16th Sapper Bn, with elements of the 70th and 74th battalions. CAPs 1-1-1 and 1-1-4 were noticeable in the decline of significant contacts, other than the to be expected contacts with village guerrilla and snipers. This was believed to be the result of the enemy's concentrated attack on the RF units in Tien Phuoc area west of Tam Ky and the CAP areas.

(2). In the CACO 1-2 area there was an increase in sniper fire, and mortar fire, but despite the increase, the level of contact was still low. Second Company countered the possibility of any escalated enemy activity in their area by holding a multi-CAP sweep operation throughout their TAOCs.

(3). There was an increase in activity in the 3rd CACO TAOC which paralleled the activity in the 1st Company. It, however manifested itself in increased sniper fire and mortar fire on 3rd Company CAPs. This activity appeared to be an effort to maintain pressure in the area while increasing attacking LZ BUFF to the west of National Route #1. Another possibility which may have been responsible for the lack of ground activity is found in the interrogations of the Chieu Hoi taken by the CAPs during the month.

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UNCLASSIFIED (4) The activity in the CACO 1-4 area was much the same as that in the 1st Company area. There was no appreciable increase in the ground activity, but a marked increase in sniper activity, and harassing fire. Here too, as in the Third Company, and Second Company, a sweep operation was conducted to clear an area of possible enemy influence. The Fourth Company received 60% of all Chieu Hoi.

c. Recapitulations. The intelligence for the month, then, showed the possibility of high periods of contact around Ho Chi Minh's birthday, and The Buddha's birthday. The earlier attack materialized while there was no activity in CAP TAOC's on the religious holiday. Intelligence showed an increasing interest in the Tam Ky area, along with allied fixed installations. It was learned from Hoi Chanhs that the enemy was suffering from material and food shortages, and from disease. The wave of attacks conducted in mid-May bore out the captured attack plan, generally, but fell short of the goals of destruction as spoiling attacks were mounted against NVA/VC and their movement was pursued after the attacks with general success. In some cases, individual CAPs, especially along the Tra Bong River were of assistance in securing LZ's when USA and ARVN units passed through their TAOCs.

d. Prognosis. The prognosis for enemy activity in the coming month is a sharp decline of activity in the CAP TAOCs during the first two weeks. The enemy will concentrate on regrouping, reforming his units with replacements, and preparing for his next offensive phase, possibly during the last part of the month.

e. ARVN Liaison Officer and interpreters. During the month of May, 1st CAG received an ARVN 2nd Lt. to replace the Liaison Officer who left in March. There were four interpreters assigned to 1st CAG. One of these remained UA.

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3. Operations

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a. General.

(1) The 1st Combined Action Group continued to conduct operations in accordance with its mission of village level security in the two southernmost provinces of the I Corps Tactical Zone. The month proved more profitable in terms of kills than any preceding month, as 211 enemy were killed in contacts with the CAPs. Sixty-one weapons were captured in these actions, most of which took place in the First Company TAOCs.

(2). Due to a continuing lack of maintenance support, the river patrolling operations fell off again in this period. The Southern Patrol came to a halt, as the maintenance load at the Northern Patrol precluded time being available for the NCOIC there to handle repair problems of both patrols. Wear on old engines kept the patrolling at the Northern Patrol down to about fifty percent, with most daylight patrolling secured in favor of maintenance needed to have engines up for night work. Despite these problems, the Northern Patrol was able to provide transportation from time to time to the Americal G-5 and Psyop sections carrying Medcap and Loudspeaker teams into areas accessible by water. In addition, during the month's peak period of attack threat, the NCOIC and his crew managed to keep two boats in the water about ninety percent of the time, so that they were available to patrol when intelligence indicated a sapper threat from two locations across the channel to the north. For six nights the two boats added to security of the LST Ramp at Chu Lai Base. As prospects for re-establishing maintenance support have dimmed, arrangements are being made to relinquish this mission.

b. Activities

(1). During the reporting period, there were 4 multi-CAP, and 2 Joint CAP-U. S. Army operations conducted by units of 1st CAG. With one exception, these operations produced little in terms of results, but did produce a coordinating experience for the Vietnamese forces involved as well as the Americans. Given the present emphasis on returning the war to Vietnamese hands, these coordination experiences are significant.

(a). Although CAGO 1-1 accounted for the greatest number of kills again this month, its single joint operations with a 1/1 Cavalry Armored Personnel Carrier element and a five-CAP TAOC sweep did not produce significant results.

(b). CAGO 1-2 conducted a joint operations involving three CAPs and a platoon of 1/6 Infantry of the 198th Light Infantry Brigade. Two of the CAPs and the U. S. Army platoon were helilifted into the operational area, a new experience for the CAPs. The operation was under the control of the Ly Tin District S-3, with CAGO 1-2 Headquarters acting in a liaison/advisory capacity. This operation was most significant due to the magnitude and nature of coordination involved.

(c). On 29 and 30 May, four CAGO 1-3 CAPs participated in a Binh Son District Operation in northeastern Binh Son which resulted in the relocation

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of approximately 559 villagers to a Government controlled area at the mouth of the Tra Bong River. This was a classic night operation, with four CAPs moving on separate axes into positions to provide security for the removal of the civilians from VC-controlled area. The operation was consummated with maximum surprise, as it was conducted on the night and early morning before the "Cease-Fire" in honor of the birth of the Buddha. Surprise was also due to the complete secrecy with which plans were laid and executed. The result was a minimum of casualties and a successful mission. The VC sustained one KIA confirmed. Later, villager reports indicated an additional number of VC KIA in the action, but these remain unconfirmed since the Friendly Forces did not physically recover the bodies.

(d). CACO 1-4 conducted two joint operations with up to one company of Son Tinh District PW and the CACO 1-4 headquarters. Results in both cases however were insignificant except the coordination effort involved. That there was no contact in an operational area in which CAP 1-4-1 normally is taken under fire upon entry was of interest as it indicates a possible security problem.

(2). The following statistics reflect the results of 1st CAG operations and activities for the month of May:

(a)	Night Patrols	1117	IP's	754
	Day Patrols	825	Multi-CAP Operations	6
	Ambushes	1571		

(b) Enemy Casualties

<u>KIA (C)</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>DETAINEES</u>	<u>HOI CHANH</u>
211	5	19	10

(c) Friendly Casualties.

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>VIA</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>POW</u>
USMC	2	29	0	0
USN	0	1	0	0
PF	10	44	0	0

(d) Weapons Captured

AK-47	41	Pistol, 9mm	1
AK-50	1	MAS 36	1
SKS-56	1	Thompson Sub Mg	1
M-1	6	* B-40 Rocket Launcher	4
BAR	3	* .30 Cal Mg	1
AK-44	4	* 7.62 Mg	1
Grease Gun	2		

* Indicate crew served weapons.

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(1). General. During this period, training conducted by 1st CAG included Vietnamese Language and Personal Response instructions for the USMC personnel as well as General Military Subjects and First Aid instructions for both Vietnamese forces and USMC personnel.

(2). CAP Training. The formal training conducted on the CAP level consisted of 1120 hours of instruction. This is an addition to informal instruction conducted by CAG and CACO Headquarters personnel during visits to each CAP and during CAP Commanders' meetings. The depth of training was increased as each CAP was forwarded a Lesson Plan, from this Headquarters, on all subjects conducted on the CAP level.

<u>Type of Training</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hours</u>
General Military Subjects	CAP	837
Vietnamese Language	CAP	195
Personal Response	CAP	52

(3). MIT Training. The two MIT's conducted 108 hours of formal instruction while training Vietnamese forces. This is in addition to On The Job Training resulting from night ambushes, LP's and sentry duty.

(a). MIT 1-1, located in Tan Ky District, trained 104 Combat Youth who are to be employed as hamlet security.

(b). MIT 1-2, located in Binh Son District, trained 30 Popular Force soldiers of Quang Ngai, PF Platoon #189.

(4) Other Training.

(a). Four 1st CAG Marines completed the month-long Vietnamese Language course conducted at 2nd CAG Headquarters in Danang.

(b). All newly-joined Marines received a one day Indoctrination Course prior to attending CAP School.

d. Inspections. Each CACO Headquarters and CAP was inspected by a member of the 1st CAG Headquarters during the period. General YOUNGDALE made a visit to CAP 1-1-1 in the Tan Ky area which produced some excitement when two rounds of incoming mortar fire were received. There was no damage to the General's party or the aircraft however. The Commanding Officer, 1st CAG inspected many of the CAPs by air and road during this month.

(1). The difficulty in inspection CAPs experienced by Third and Fourth Companies persists due to lack of dependable and timely helicopter transportation. Nonetheless, the inspections are conducted, though not with any efficiency in terms of time.

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(2) The Inspector strength remains the same, with two NCO's assigned. Newly-joined Scouts conducted spot classes on Map Reading, and the 60mm mortar this month, while inspecting the CAPs as part of their pre-CAP School orientation to 1st CAG.

e. Air Support. Fixed Wing CAS continued best in the Tam Ky area with CAGO 1-1 utilizing the Quang Tin Province FAC, Forward Air Controller on at least seven occasions on which there were kills from the contact. In all a total of eighty-six kills obtained from contacts in which CAPs received air support during the month of May.

f. Fire Support. The fire support situation changed slightly with the addition of a platoon of 105mm Howitzers from the Direct Support Artillery of the 198th Light Infantry Brigade at hill 26 in the CAP 1-4-4 TAOC. These howitzers were emplaced to support joint U. S. Army/ARVN screening operations to the southwest, west, and northwest of the Fourth Company CAP TAOC's on the Batangan Peninsula and in the southeastern coast of Son Tinh District.

g. Scout Dog Teams. There were four Scout Dog Teams operating in support of 1st CAG companies at varying times throughout the month. Two teams remained at the end of the month, with two more expected to arrive early in June.

h. Other Support. Toward the end of May, LZ MINUTEMAN, located on the Batangan Peninsula, was vacated by "C" Company of the 5/46th Infantry, 198th LIB. This position was taken over by the 228th Regional Forces company. The vacating company remained in the area conducting joint screening operations with two ARVN Battalions of the 6th Regiment, 2d ARVN Division. These operations maintained pressure on the 48th Local Force Battalion, which operates between the Batangan and National Route #1. These units accounted for over forty kills and kept the 48th LF Battalion on the move, preventing coordinated, heavy attacks on the refugee hamlets on the Batangan. These operations account for the diminished number of contacts for the two Batangan CAPs.

(1) In May, Americal Division interest in the Batangan sector of its Operational Zone was reflected in the presence of Engineers whose task it is to build defensive berms and clear fields of fire around the several refugee hamlets on the Batangan and along the Son Tinh east coast to the south of the Peninsula. In addition, these engineers will conduct mine-clearing operations to assist the CAPs. This interest has and will continue to benefit the CAPs as well as the refugee population in these areas.

i. Psychological Operations. In May, 1st CAG, in coordination with the Americal Division dropped over eight million propaganda leaflets, and conducted over twenty-two hours of teared aerial and ground broadcasts.

(1) In order to exploit instances of VC terror attacks, the killing of civilians by VC mines, and the dissemination of enemy propaganda against FVNAF and Republic of Vietnam forces and political cadre, ground broadcast teams were employed in a general Rewards program. Information concerning food and weapons caches, enemy troop movement, location of mines, rocket sites, and the names and living places of VC Infrastructure were all requested during a total

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existed in the 70 MHz band. This is because helicopter radios are not capable of operating in this frequency range. A Liaison visit to the Americal Division Signal Officer resulted in 1st CAG being assigned frequencies in the 70 band on a continuous basis. An immediate improvement was noted in that "override" from other nearby higher powered stations was minimized. Communications with helicopters is accomplished over a group Air-Ground common net which has a frequency compatible with helicopter radios.

(2). Technical Assistance.

(a). Two SNCO representatives were sent to the 1st CAG from 5/7 Communications Battalions at our request to study the communications situation in 1st CAG AO. It was determined that, considering terrain characteristics and distances involved, communications reliable as possible with existing equipment. To improve communications reliability it was recommended that certain higher powered radio equipment be loaned temporarily to 1st CAG from 5/7 Communication Battalion. Accordingly 1st CAG initiated a letter to G-6, III MAF requesting:

AN/MRC-83 6 each w/operators

AN/PRC-47 2 each w/operators

It was further determined the AN/PRC-74 on temporary loan is not adequate to meet the communications requirements of 1st CAG. The AN/PRC-74's were turned back to 5/7 Communications Battalion.

(3). Radio Repairs.

(a) 1st FSR. An indication of repair support is becoming evident. During the period from September to December 1968, the average RT-505/PRC-25 "turn-around" time was 62 days. During the period 1 January 1969 to present, the average "turn-around" time was 38 days. The overall average from September 1968 to present is 55 days. Although some improvement is evident the repair support from 1st FSR Maintenance Battalion is still far below satisfactory. A satisfactory "turn-around" time is considered to be one day in shop.

(b) 1st CAG. Since 1st CAG established its own 2nd echelon repair shop for AN/PRC-25, use of the 1st FSR facilities have been minimized, and a significant decrease of "turn-around" time is apparent. Average "turn-around" time for 31 jobs completed on the RT-505/PRC-25 has been 6 days.

(4) Repair Work Summary.

	1st FSR	CAG-1	1st FSR	CAG-1	TOTAL DIL	TOTAL RET
AN/PRC-25	1	15	1	9	16	10
RT-524	1	0	0	0	1	0
H-189	13	1	0	1	14	1
AN/GRA-39	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
LS-166	0	1	0	1	1	1
TA-312	1	0	0	0	1	0

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of 13½ hours of broadcasting. A total of five hours of Chieu Hoi appeals were broadcast toward the enemy areas. The size of the listening audiences in these cases unknown.

(2) The following statistics result from Psychological Operations in Mat:

<u>LEAFLETS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>BROADCAST TIME</u>
Chieu Hoi	3,936,000	1:40
Rewards	408,000	1:30
Pro-GVN	1,813,000	2:40
Anti-VC	347,000	:55
Anti-NVA	114,000	:20
Rally	2,080,000	3:30

j. Kit Carson Scouts. During the CAP 1-3-8 assault of a VC element in the vicinity of Phuoc Thuan hamlet in Binh Son District, KCS THEO was killed in action the night of 9 May, 1969. This reduced the KCS complement at 1st CAG to 11, including the new KCS assigned late in April to CACO 1-1.

k. Volunteer Informant Program. A total 26,500 \$VN was spent during May under the VIP program. All expenditures were for weapons or ordnance turned in or pointed out in place to the CAPs. CACO 1-1 and 1-4 followed, with CACO 1-2 spending the least in VIP funds. It is felt the low response to the VIP program in Ly Tin District (CACO 1-2) is the result of the good security, as well as competition for the ordnance between 1/6th Infantry Psyop Section and the Chu Lai Base PMO, whose motorized patrols saturate that particular area. An absence of U. S. Army competition for the CACO area is given credit for the high VIP expenditures.

(1). The following statistics recap VIP expenditures for May:

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TYPE ORDNANCE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TYPE ORDNANCE</u>
9	82mm rounds	2	M-26 grenades
4	81mm rounds	28	Chicom grenades
22	60mm rounds	2	M-72 LAAM
24	57mm round	1	Claymore mine
6	B-40 rockets	5	M-16 mines
5	40mm rounds	1	Bounding type mine
1,212	.50 cal linked rounds	1	Trip flare
2,500	.30 cal linked rounds	1	Smoke grenade

1. Communications.

(1). Radio Wave Propagation.

(a). During the reporting period 1st CAG's radio frequencies were analyzed and it was determined the least used frequencies in this area

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4. S-4/Supply

a. Significant Events.

- (1) A unit Motor Transport SOP was published.
- (2) The 2nd echelon maintenance required for motor transport equipment will be accomplished by Sub-Unit 1, 1st FSR. The maintenance support is a result of a request initiated by this command in which Maintenance Battalion, 1st FSR was tasked with 2nd echelon support of 1st CAG.
- (3) Completed Mechanized Embarkation Data System (MEDS) cards were submitted to III MAF.

b. Supply.

- (1) The overall supply posture within the Group is satisfactory. Certain Table of Equipment (T/E) deficiencies affect the combat readiness of the organization in the area of communications and motor transport equipment. Also M-60 machine guns are a potential problem.
- (2) Replacement requisitions for the handset, H-189/GR, and antenna, AT-271A/PRC, have been outstanding and liaison with the Central Control Point (CCP), FLC indicate the items to be critical in the supply system.
- (3) Helmets and helmet liners became a problem at the end of the month, however, receipts are expected shortly.

c. Maintenance.

- (1) Maintenance support of communications, motor transport and ordnance equipment by responsible agencies has been excellent during the month. An increased attrition of machine gun (M-60) barrels and the unserviceability of M-60's resulting from Code "H" letters is a problem.
- (2) The maintenance support to be afforded the Group by 1st FSR should enhance the operational effectiveness of the unit in the Motor Transport area. Limited Technical Inspections (LTI's) are to be held on each vehicle and a maintenance repair schedule established. The establishment of a 2nd echelon repair parts block to support the maintenance effort is being programmed by Shop Stores, 1st FSR.

d. Motor Transport.

- (1) During the month a high deadline rate of the M37B1 3/4 ton truck was experienced. Presently 2 M37's are in FSR for repair, 3 vehicles have been LTI'd and replacement through the Rebuild Program will be effected. In addition the 2 M274A2 truck platform will be exchanged with the Rebuild Program. Progress is being made in establishing an effective Motor Transport Operation.

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e. Miscellaneous.

(1) During the month recommended T/E changes were reviewed and comments made and returned to the CAP Directors' office.

(2) The Group enlisted shower point was renovated to more adequately accomodate the troops.

(3) Periodically, during May, M-79 (40mm) ammunition was in short supply. No critical problem was experienced; however, liaison with the AMMO ICP, FLC indicates this item may become a problem.

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f. Medical

(1) General. Many needed medical supplies were ordered, received, and have been reordered to maintain a continuous incoming flow of necessary medical materials. During the month, the Group Aid Station has been making preparations to move all bulk medical supplies to a space that has been provided in the Group Supply Warehouse. This move will enable the Group Aid Station to advantageously perform its primary mission, i.e., care and treatment of the sick and injured.

(2) Evacuation. Americal medevac helicopter support continues to be quite satisfactory.

(3) Additional Information. The following areas are reported for the month of May.

(a) Personnel Hospital Corpsmen

Reported for duty	09
In country transfers	01
Rotated to COMUS	02
Medevaced out of country	02
MIA's (1 DOW)	06
Awarded the Purple Heart	03
Awarded the Bronze Star w/Combat "V"	01
Recommended for the Navy Achievement Medal w/Combat "V"	01
Promoted to HM3	01
Promoted to HM2	04

(4) Techniques

(a) Sanitary inspections were conducted weekly of the CAG Headquarters compound by HML ROBINSON, USN. Areas of improvement were pointed out in field sanitation. HML ROBINSON has started a program of visiting all care stressing field sanitation and Med Cap techniques.

(b) Medcaps Conducted	Totals
Patients treated	25,693
Adults evacuated	99

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Children evacuated	140
Dentists conducted	108
(c) U. S. personnel treated at CAG Sick Call	412
(d) Hospitalized	
WIA	36
Illness	78

(e) The monthly meeting of all CAG Senior Corpsmen was held on 28 May 1969 at the III MAF Force Surgeon's Office, Danang. Topics discussed were hepatitis, enteric disorders, heat casualties, treatment of non-pot ble water, psychiatric profiles being processed out of service, hospital corpsmen (T/A for CAGs), and deworming procedures for COMUS rotatees. In this area a program for deworming personnel returning to COMUS will be instituted by the Group Aid Station in conjunction with the Group S-1.

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5. Civic Action.

a. The Combined Action Platoons were responsible for treating 25,643 Vietnamese during May through regularly scheduled MEDCAPS. There were a total of 55 adults and 13 children evacuated for Medical reasons.

b. There were 1147 pounds of food distributed to the resettlement villages on the Batangan Peninsula. Small quantities of soap, food, and clothing were also distributed by the CAPs. Only 1 midwife kit was given out.

c. There was only one significant project completed. This was the repair of a roof and one side of a 5 room school in CAP 1-3-3's area in the hamlet of Phuoc Hoa, Village of Binh Thong, Binh Son District. Other smaller projects included a new well and pump at the Binh Son Orphanage by CAP 1-3-7. CAP 1-4-3 dug a large drain and sump for one of the hamlet wells at An Hai on the Batangan Peninsula. In addition, there were a number of hamlet protective fences repaired and one public shower at CAP 1-3-8's position (BS 575915).

d. It should be a matter of record that the relationship between this Group and that of the G-5 Staff, Americal Division, continues to be excellent on both a professional and personal basis.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF CHRONOLOGICAL EVENTS

1 May

CAP 1-1-4. An estimated NVA squad opened fire with small arms and machine gun fire at BT 258200. The CAP returned the fire with organic weapons killing 1 NVA and capturing 1 AK-47. A medevac was requested for one PF wounded in the action. Gunships escorting the medevac plane were employed on the enemy positions and a CAP sweep conducted upon completion of the medevac found 5 NVA KIA and 1 M-1 carbine. RESULTS: 6 NVA KIA, 1 AK-47, and 1 M-1 carbine, 1 PF WIAE.

CAP 1-1-6. A patrol found a tunnel at BT 234245. The tunnels were found to contain 3 NVA and 1 VC who were shot and killed by the CAP. RESULTS: 3 NVA KIA, 1 VC KIA, 1 M-2 carbine, 1 AK-47, 1 submachine gun, and 1 M-26 grenade.

CAP 1-4-2. Two Chieu Hois surrendered to CAP. The two claimed to have information concerning the whereabouts of LOVC and 20 NVA from unit K-48. They were taken to District Headquarters for exploitation. RESULTS 2 Hoi Chanhs.

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CAP 1-4-2. Two Hoi Chanhs came to CAP. Three VN females accompanied 1 of the Hoi Chanhs and were detained as VCS. RESULTS: 2 Hoi Chanhs, 3 VCS.

CAP 1-5-4. Three VN males, 1 with shrapnel wounds, came to position at BT 621017. The VN stated the shrapnel wounds had been inflicted by the fire mission called by CAP during contact. The wounded man and his two escorts were detained as VCS. RESULTS: 3 VCS.

CAP 1-4-1. One VN male ran from patrol checking ID Cards in the vicinity of BS 624814. The male was pursued and detained as VCS. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CAP 1-3-4. Received approximately 10 M-79 rounds from an estimated 4 or 5 VC at BT 621007. The CAP returned organic fire and swept the area with negative results;

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CAP 1-3-2. 1 VN male brought 1 M-16 mine to CAP. The CAP destroyed the mine and a VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 1 mine destroyed.

CAP 1-3-3. An element received approximately 50-199 SA rounds from an unknown size force. The CAP returned fire and called an artillery mission with undetermined results. RESULTS: Unknown.

CAP 1-3-3. While setting up security for VN harvesting rice CAP received SAF from an estimated squad of VC at 679969. The CAP returned fire and called an artillery mission with unknown results. RESULTS: Unknown.

CAP 1-1-7. A patrol engaged and exchanged SAF with approximately 18 VC at BT 315316. The VC broke contact, fleeing N. The CAP swept area finding 4 VC KIA, and 1 AK-47. RESULTS: 4 VC KIA, and 1 AK-47.

CAP 1-1-6. A patrol received SAF, 60mm, and M-79 fire from approximately 18 VC at BT 232244. The CAP returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee N. Gunships were employed in the area and the CAP swept the area finding 3 VC KIA and 1 Thompson Submachine Gun. 3 PF's were WIAE in the contact. RESULTS: 3 PF WIAE, 3 VC KIA, 1 Thompson Submachine Gun.

CAP 1-1-4. A patrol made contact with approximately 1 platoon of VC at BT 248198. The CAP called gunships and airstrikes on the enemy position. A sweep of the area found 10 VC KIA, 3 AK-47's, and 1750 lbs of rice. Villagers reported seeing 14 VC carrying bodies of wounded to the W. 1 USMC, 1 USN, and 1 PF received minor wounds in the contact and 1 PF was WIAE. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA (M), 1 USN WIA(M), 1 PF WIAE, 1 PF WIA(M), 10 VC KIA, 3 AK-47's, 1750 lbs of rice.

CAP 1-3-7. An ambush from CAP observed and opened fire on 3 or 4 VC at BS 615935. The VC fled S and the CAP swept the area with negative results; RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-3-4. 3 to 5 VC opened fire on VN civilians putting up a fence at BS 628999. Patrol sent to the area received 50-60 SA rounds and 4 M-79 rounds. The patrol returned fire and called an artillery mission, causing the VC to flee SW. The CAP swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-4-2. 3 VN children brought 2 M-79 rounds and 1 dud trip flare to position, at BS 776858. A VIP payment was made and the ordnance was destroyed. RESULTS: 2 M-79 rounds, 1 trip flare.

CAP 1-3-10. A patrol apprehended 3 VCS coming out of a tree line at BS 610867. The tree line area was swept, finding 7 M-79 rounds. The VCS were sent to Binh Son District Headquarters. RESULTS: 3 VCS, 7 M-79 rounds.

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CAP 1-1-4. CAP received SAF from approximately 15 VC at BT 256194. The CAP returned fire, causing the enemy to flee to the NW. The CAP swept the area finding 2 VC KIA. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA.

CAP 1-1-6. Received sniper fire at BT 243245. The CAP swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIAE.

CAP 1-4-3. One Hio Chanh surrendered to CAP at BS 768838. RESULTS: 1 Hoi Chanh.

CAP 1-3-9. The CP group at BS 473875, received between 500-600 rounds of SAF. An artillery mission was fired on suspected enemy positions resulting in one secondary explosion. The area was swept the the CAP finding 1 VC KIA, and drag marks. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

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CAP 1-4-1. An element received heavy small arms fire from an estimated enemy squad BS 610805. The CAP unit returned fire and returned fire and directed both an artillery mission and fixed wing airstrikes on the on. One bomb was observed to land among 5 VC. The area was swept finding several body parts. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

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CAP 1-3-2. 1 Hoi Chanh surrendered at BS 547886, with his weapon and one grenade. RESULTS: 1 Hoi Chanh, 1 IWC, 1 grenade.

CAP 1-3-5. A PF detonated a mine at BS 712961 as the CAP was setting up security in the area. Immediately thereafter the CAP received sniper fire from an unknown number of enemy. Fire was returned with organic weapons and 81mm mortars. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 2 PF's WIAE.

7 May

CAP 1-3-2. Apprehended 1 VCS, at BS 556892. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CACO 1-4, and CAP 1-4-1. Participated with three PF platoons in a sweep of the area from grid BS 6283 to 6290. The sweep was conducted in response to local intelligence concerning the location of one VC squad. The CAP unit found one empty tunnel which was destroyed, 15 VCS apprehended.

CAP 1-2-3. A patrol found 1 French 36 sniper rifle in an old bunker at BT 444115. RESULTS: 1 TNC.

8 May

CAP 1-3-1. One PF was ambushed and killed enroute to his home at BS 683988. A patrol from the CAP swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 1 M-2 carbine lost.

9 May

CAP 1-3-9. Patrol surprised 9-10 VC eating at BS 506877. The VC started to flee and the CAP opened fire killing 6 VC and capturing 4 chicom grenades and 1 M-26 grenade. RESULTS: 6 VC KIA, 4 chicom grenades, 1 M-26 grenade.

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CAP 1-1-1. Patrol received sniper fire from 3 enemy at BT 267174. The patrol returned fire; the enemy broke contact and fled W. The CAP swept the area finding 1 NVA KIA, 1 9mm Chinese pistol, 1 bottle of vitamins and 782 gear. Pictures and documents in the KIA's wallet identified him as a 1stLt from the 74th Main Force Battalion. The Lieutenant has a brother in school in Russia. RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA, 1 9mm Chinese pistol.

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CAP 1-1-7. Patrol opened fire on 1 squad of VC at BT330294, killing 2, capturing 2 VC and 2 AK-44's. The enemy broke contact to the NE and the CAP pursued killing more VC and capturing 1 AK-44 and 1 M-1 carbine. RESULTS: 4 VC KIA, 2 VC POW, 4 IVC.

CAP 1-1-4. Ambush observed 4 people carrying rice to a VC contested area at BT 266202. The CAP apprehended the 4 as VCS and sent them to Tam Ky District Headquarters. RESULTS: 4 VCS.

CAP 1-1-7. 3 booby traps were detonated in the protective wire of CAP. The CAP immediately fired the FFL and requested preplanned artillery. A sweep of the area found 1 VC KIA in the wire. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

CAP 1-1-2. An element from CAP engaged 5 VC moving down a trail at BT 322187. Two VC were KIA and the remaining 3 fled to the SE. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 1 grosso gun captured.

CAP 1-3-3. An element employed artillery on 1 squad of VC at BS 656994. One VC was observed to have been hit. The area was swept with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-8. Observed an unknown number of VC entering the old CAP compound at BS 572922. The CAP opened fire and swept the area finding 1 VC KIA. While on the sweep the CAP received SAF from a trench line near the compound. The CAP fired artillery on the enemy position, illuminated the area, and assaulted causing the enemy to withdraw to the W. One KCS was KIA in the action. RESULTS: 1 KCS KIA, 1 VC KIA.

10 May

CAP 1-1-4. A patrol was hit by a command detonated 105mm trap at BT 259202. The patrol immediately received small arms fire from approximately 1 squad of enemy that withdrew to the W when the CAP returned fire. The area of contact was swept with negative results. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIAE, 2 FF WIAE.

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CAP 1-1-6. A patrol received fire from an estimated reinforced enemy squad at BT 234249. The patrol returned fire killing 3 VC and causing the remainder to flee to the S, W, SE. An AO arrived on the scene and directed artillery on the fleeing enemy. A sweep of the area produced negative further results. One VCS had been picked up by the patrol prior to the contact. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 1 VCS.

CAP 1-1-4. Patrol discovered 5 VC bodies in a ravine near where daytime contact had taken place at BT 257209. The enemy dragged the bodies to this location. RESULTS: 5 VC KIA, 1 destroyed AK-47.

CAP 1-2-2. Element moving to check out movement engaged approximately 3 VC at BT 400127. The enemy fled NE without returning fire. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-3. Patrol opened fire on 2 VC at BS 672979. The VC fled S and the patrol checked the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-4-2. 1 NVA Hoi Chanh came position at BS 776858. He stated he was from the 48th NVA Battalion, and he was sent to Binh Son District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 Hoi Chanh.

CAP 1-3-9. Ambush initiated fire on 3-4 VC at BS 481870. The VC threw 2 grenades and fled N. The CAP pursued and requested illumination but was unable to maintain contact. A sweep of the area discovered 1 box mine. 1 USMC and 1 PF received minor wounds in the contact. RESULTS: 1 USMC VIA(M), 1 PF VIA(M), and 1 box mine.

12 May

CAP 1-1-6. Heard movement near their CP and discovered approximately 1 squad of VC attempting to probe the CP perimeter. The CAP opened fire with SA and claymores, called illumination and swept the area finding 7 VC KIA, 2 AK-47's and 2 chicom grenades. RESULTS: 7 VC KIA, 2 AK-47's, 2 chicom grenades.

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CAP 1-1-7. An unknown size enemy force initiated simultaneous 60mm mortar and SAF attacks on CP and a nearby CAP ambush at BT 303205. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and swept the area finding 7 VC KIA, 15 chicom grenades, 10 B-40 rounds, 1 30 caliber machine gun, 1 Russian 7.62mm MG and 1 AK-47. RESULTS: 7 VC KIA, 1 30 cal. MG, 1 Russian 7.62mm MG, 1 AK-47, 15 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-2-4. AVN civilians brought 1 claymore mine and 1 smoke grenade to CAP at BT 466081. A VIF payment was made. RESULTS: 1 claymore and 1 smoke grenade.

CAP 1-3-2. An enemy force attacked CP at BS 556892, with approximately 35-40 B-40 rocket rounds, 20-30 60mm mortar rounds and heavy SAF. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and forced the enemy to flee S. A sweep of the area found 3 VC KIA, 1 B-40 rocket launcher, 3 B-40 rockets, and 15 chicom grenades. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 1 B-40 rocket launcher, 3 B-40 rockets, 15 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-3-5. Received 3 incoming grenades and 50-70 SA rounds from an enemy force located at BS 709962. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and 60mm mortar fire with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-9. Received approximately 75-100 SA rounds. The CAP returned fire and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-7. CAP was attacked by approximately 30 VC at BS 613937. The enemy utilized 60mm mortar fire, satchel charges and SAF. 1 USMC was WIAE but DOW. 4 PF's were WIA(M), 1 USN was WIAE, 7 RD Gads were WIAE. The VC fled to the East and a sweep of the area found 3 VC KIA and 1 wounded VN female. RESULTS: 1 USMC DOW, 4 PF's WIA(M), 1 USN WIAE, 1 RD WIAE, 7 RD WIA(M), 3 VC KIA, 6 chicom grenades, 1 satchel charge.

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MPF 1-2. Received approximately seven or eight 60mm mortar rounds at BS 597921. The MPF returned 60mm and 50 caliber fire and swept the area at first light. The MPF found 4 craters believed to be launching sites for 122mm rockets. The craters indicated a NW firing direction. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-1-4 and 1-1-1. Detonated a SFD at BT 275180, wounding 2 USMC and 2 PFs. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIAE, 2 PF WIAE.

CAP 1-2-5. An element made contact with 3-5 VC at BT 403122, killing one VC and capturing 1 AK-47. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 1 INC.

CAP 1-3-9. A patrol found 2 105mm rounds rigged for catapulting at BS 472872. The rounds had low velocity charges underneath and were armed with friction fuzes. The patrol also found two sites that had been used the night before. All positions were aimed at the village and were made of bamboo. RESULTS: 2 105mm rounds destroyed in place.

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CAP 1-1-7. Received 5 60mm mortar rounds 4 RFC rounds and moderate SAF from an unknown number of enemy at BT 297287. The CAP returned fire with organic weapons and called an artillery mission. The area was later swept finding 3 VC KIA. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIAE, 5 PF WIAE, 3 VC KIA.

CAP 1-4-2. One Hoi Chanh surrendered at BS 778858. RESULTS: 1 Hoi Chanh.

CAP 1-3-2. An element received approximate 5 hand grenades and a heavy volume of SAF fire from an unknown number of enemy. The CAP returned fire with organic weapons and requested an artillery mission on the enemy positions. A sweep was conducted with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-1-7. Reported that an element of the CAP, while on a sweep of the CAP AO, found fresh graves at BT 290275, BT 310255, and BT 310275. The graves contained the

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bodies of 20 VC who are believed to have been killed by gunships in support of the CAP contact at 130245H May 1969. 4 AK-47's and 1 AK-4, were recovered from the battlefield. At 1330 the patrol made small arms contact with an estimated company of VC and was forced to withdraw to the CAP CP. An AC was requested and air strikes were run on the enemy. A sweep by the CAP netted 15 VC KIA, 1 B-40 rocket launcher and 10 B-40 rockets. 5 PTs were wounded in the contact. At 0900 on the 14th the CAP again swept the area of contact finding 12 additional VC KIA, 1 AK-47, 2 BARs, 1 B-40 rocket launcher and 10 chicom grenades. Documents found on the enemy bodies identified them as members of the XI6 Sapper Battalion. RESULTS: 5 PT WIA, 47 VC KIA, 8 IWC, 2 CSUG, 10 B-40 rockets, and 10 chicom grenades.

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CAP 1-3-3. An OF received approximately 100 rounds of SAF. The CAP returned fire and conducted a sweep with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

MFT 1-2. Received 6 incoming 60mm mortar rounds at BS 599919. Counter battery was delivered and the area swept with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-8. An element opened fire with small arms and artillery on an estimated VC squad at BS 563918. The enemy returned small arms fire and withdrew in an unknown direction. A sweep of the area found 1 VC KIA and numerous blood trails. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA and 1 chicom grenade captured.

CAP 1-4-2. A patrol was in the process of apprehending 2 VCS at BS 772829, when it was fired upon by 1 VC. The patrol returned fire and engaged 3 other VC who were in the immediate area. The VC broke contact heading SE. The patrol found 2 VC KIA and 1 M-1 carbine. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 2 VCS and 1 IWC.

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CAP 1-3-9. Received approximately 200 rounds of SAH at BS 473878. The CAP returned fire with small arms and artillery; illumination and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-3. Received 3 incoming 82mm mortar rounds at BS 664973. The CAP fired CB on suspected enemy positions with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-3-3. Received two incoming 82mm mortar rounds at BS 664900, wounding a VN boy in the immediate area. CB was fired with negative results. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA.

CAP 1-4-1. Reported that a patrol at BS 608795 had received approximately 150 rounds of SAH from 10 VC during the period 0825 to 0925. The patrol engaged and pursued the enemy; observing one to fall to the ground wounded. 3 VCS were apprehended in the area without identification. RESULTS: 3 VC

CAP 1-2-2. A VN child turned in one M-26 grenade to CAP at BT 418124. A VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 1 M-26 grenade.

CAP 1-1-6. An element received SAH from an estimated VC platoon at BT 242267. The CAP unit returned fire and requested an artillery mission causing the enemy to withdraw to the west. A sweep of the area produced 5 VC KIA and 1 AK-47. 1 PF was wounded in the contact. RESULTS: 3 PF KIA, 5 VC KIA, 1 IVC.

CAP 1-3-7. Received SAH from an unknown sized enemy force at BS 614935. The CAP returned fire and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-4-4. Reported that the RF CP at BS 754816 had received small arms and mortar fire from an unknown number of enemy. Shortly thereafter the CAP received 20 - 30 rounds of SAH and a patrol was dispatched to sweep the area. The patrol adjusted artillery on movement sighted in the area and completed the sweep with negative findings or contact. RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-2-4. Reported finding 2 chicom grenades rigged as a booby trap at BT 419076. The CAP blew the booby trap in place. RESULTS: 2 chicom grenades destroyed.

CAP 1-2-5. An element observed 1 VC at BS 670980. The CAP opened fire, called for illumination and swept the area, finding 1 VC PRA and 1 AK-47. 1 PF received minor wounds from the VC's return fire. A resweep of the area at first light discovered 3 AK-47 magazines and 3 chicom grenades. RESULTS: 1 PF WIA(0), 1 VC KIA, 1 IWC, 3 chicom grenades.

17 May

CAP 1-1-6. Got in with APC at BT 247155 when they received 8240 rocket fire and SAF. The CAP and the APC returned fire and called artillery and illumination, causing the unknown size enemy force to withdraw to the SW. The area was swept with negative result. RESULTS: Negative.

CAGO 1-1. A VN boy brought 6 recoilless rifle rounds to CAGO. A VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 6 recoilless rounds.

CAP 1-3-3. An ambush called an artillery mission on 6 VC observed at BS 664985. The CAP swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-4-1. (Delayed Report) CAP and 3 PF platoons in joint sweep in the vicinity of grid 6579, detained 1 VCS. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

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CAP 1-1-6. Two Marines went to the river at BT 247266. One Marine tripped an M-14 mine, causing both Marines to be WIAE. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIAE.

CAP 1-3-3. An element observed 1 male and 1 female fishing in an off limits area at BS 641974. The CAP detained the two as V. VCS after PF's identified them as VC. RESULTS: 2 VCS.

CAP 1-2-5. Civilians brought one 60mm WP round and 1 chicom grenade to CAP at BT 416123. A VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 1 60mm WP round and 1 chicom grenade.

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CAP 1-3-2. A VN male brought parts of one AK-47 to CAP at BS 576905. The weapon had been hit by artillery. A VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 1 AK-47.

CAP 1-3-5. An element observed enemy activity at BS 719955. The CAP called an artillery mission causing the enemy to flee SE. A sweep of the area found 1 M-14 mine. RESULTS: 1 M-14 mine.

CAP 1-3-1. An element received heavy small arms fire from approximately 30 VC traveling SE in the vicinity of BS 697967. The CAP called a 60mm mortar mission and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-1-4. Civilians brought one wounded male to CAP 1-1-4 at BT 285200. The wounded man was evacuated as a VCS. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CAP 1-3-2. Two 60mm M1 mortar rounds were turned in to CAP by civilians at BS 552890. VIP payment made. RESULTS: 2 60mm rounds destroyed.

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CAP 1-2-4. Reported that in the past 3 days 19 bunkers had been found and destroyed in the vicinity of grid square BT 4608. The bunkers were estimated to be 20-25 days old. Several widely scattered spider holes were also found and destroyed. RESULTS: 19 bunkers and an unspecified number of spider holes destroyed.

CAP 1-2-3. An element engaged 5 VC with organic weapons at BT 455102. The VC broke contact and fled W. A search of the contact area was made. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-50 with 3 magazines, and assorted 782 gear.

CAP 1-3-7. An ambush conducted a sweep of an area where they had observed lights at BS 612934. RESULTS: Negative.

21 May

CAP 1-1-4. Discovered fresh graves containing 20 NVA bodies dressed in dark green uniforms, vicinity of grid square BT 2719.

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The graves and weapons were found in an area where the CAP had run fixed wing air strikes on suspected enemy at 201750H. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-9. Observed approximately 20 VC moving SE at BS 473863. The CAP called an artillery mission and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-7. An element received SA and M-79 fire at BS 614935. The CAP element called illumination and swept the area finding blood trails and sections from a rifle grenade. RESULTS: Negative.

22 May

CAP 1-4-2. An element operating with PRU units detonated one SFD at BS 774848. A reaction patrol from CAP 1-4-2 received SAF when it was dispatched to secure the LZ for the emergency medevac. The patrol returned fire causing the enemy to withdraw to the NW. After the CAP elements had combined, they detonated a second SFD at BS 774852, wounding 2 USMC, 2 PF's and 2 PRU's. The CAP returned to the CAP CP and effected medevacs for all wounded. RESULTS: 1 PRU Advisor, KIA, 3 PRU Advisors WIAE, 3 USMC WIAE, 2 PF WIAE, 3 PRU WIAE and 2 USMC WIA(M).

CAP 1-3-8. Reported that one VC entered the hamlet of Phuoc Thuan and assassinated a PF, wounded his wife, and taken the PF's rifle. The CAP dispatched an element as a reaction force to sweep the area at BS 578922. The sweeping element received approximately 40 rounds of SAF but was unable to make worthwhile contact with the fleeing enemy. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA and 1 VN female WIAE.

CAP 1-3-7. Swept area of previous contact at BS 611932, finding 1 VC KIA, 2 rifle grenades, and 1 chicom grenades, 1 blood trails, and a cartridge belt. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 2 rifle & 1 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-3-6. Received 40 - 50 rounds of SAF from S of their CP at BS 574937. The fire was returned and the area swept with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-1-7. (Delayed Report) An element made contact with approximately one company of VC at BT 313392. A spotter plane was requested and artillery was adjusted on the enemy to withdraw N. A sweep of the area found 3 VC KIA, 2 M-26 grenades, 5 chicom grenades, 2 BAR magazines, 4 AK-47 magazines, and 4 blood trails. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 2 M-26 grenades and 5 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-4-3. 2 USMC personnel acting as security from 1st CAG Headquarters, observed and engaged 2 armed NVA in green uniform at BS 774728. The NVA returned SAF wounding 1 USMC. A reaction unit from CAP 1-4-3 was sent to aid the security element and the combined elements received SAF from an unknown number of enemy. Fire was returned and the enemy broke contact and fled NE. A search of the area found one blood trail. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(M).

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CAP 1-1-7. An element was on a patrol at BT 302290, when they received a heavy volume of SA and RPG fire from an estimated VC company. 3 PF's were KIA, 3 USMC and 3 PF's were WIA from the initial enemy volley. The CAP unit returned fire and the enemy broke contact and moved NW. A sweep of the contact area found 8 VC KIA, 1 AK-47, 1 BAR, and 1 carbine. RESULTS: 8 VC KIA, 3 IWC, 3 PF KIA, 3 USMC WIAE, and 3 PF WIAE.

CAP 1-4-3. A patrol walked to within 50 meters of the rear of an enemy ambush at BS 776831. Both spotted the other at the same time and exchanged SAF resulting in no wounds for 1 USMC. The enemy withdrew into a nearby tree line. A search by CAP element found 3 bunkers, 5 M-26 grenades, and 1 cal..50 toe popper. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(M), 5 M-26 grenades, and 1 cal..50 toe popper.

CAP 1-4-2. A hamlet chief from a hamlet near CAP reported that the VC had captured 20 to 25 civilians at BS 776860. The VC were reported to have been armed with M-16's carbines and grenades. They supposedly took the civilians to the general area of

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BS 753866. The civilians were on the beach searching for food at the time of their abduction. RESULTS: 20-25 civilians abducted.

CAP 1-3-7. A patrol conducted a sweep of an area where lights had been observed at BS 619931. Movement was spotted and the CAP initiated fire on an unknown number of enemy. 4 VC were later spotted fleeing E. A continuation of the sweep netted 1 VC KIA, 4 VCS, and 1 M-1 carbine. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 4 VCS, and 1 IWC.

25 May

CAP 1-1-2. Patrol was set in ambush site, heard noises from new life village. Patrol proceeded to check out area, received SA fire from estimated squad VC. Patrol returned with SA and enemy broke contact, fleeing SW. Called artillery in direction of withdrawal. Swept area. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-6. Received 100 rounds SA from BS 573933. Returned fire with SA and M-60 MG, called illumination, checked area. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-1-7. On patrol when an estimated company size VC unit opened fire with heavy volume, SA and B-40 rockets. 3 USMC WIA, 3 PF WIA, 3 PF KIA. RESULTS: 3 USMC WIA, 3 PF KIA, 3 PF WIA, 1 AK-47, 1 M-1 carbine.

26 May

CAP 1-4-1. 2 ARVN vehicles proceeding S on Highway #1 received sniper fire from unknown size VC element at BT 651755. PF's said approximately 20 VC sniping. RESULTS: 1 ARVN WIA.

CAP 1-4-3. While blasting trees at 767833. Marines found 2 VC KIA, which are suspected to have been killed in action 16 April 69. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA.

CAP 1-3-4. Received approximately 100 rounds SA from BT 635988. Approximately 6 VC fled SE. Returned fire with SA and 60mm swept area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

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CAP 1-2-2. Element spotted 3 VC at BS 400134. Opened up with SAF, request illumination to sweep area. Spotted 20-30 VC exchanged SA fire and pulled back to red line. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-2. 1 VN male brought 2 M-26 mines with fuse to this position. They were found in rice paddy beside village. Blow in place, VIP payment made. RESULTS: 2 M-26 mines destroyed.

CAP 1-1-4. CAP CP was waiting to displace to new night time CP. The CAP commander was discussing the new site with the village police men and PF leader outside a village shop. Grenade thrown inside while 5 USMC were getting a cold drink. RESULTS: 7 USMC KIA.

28 May

CAP 1-3-2. 1 VN male brought in dud 105 round found at BS 562900. VIP payment made. RESULTS: 1 105 round destroyed.

CAP 1-3-10. Patrol spotted 3 VC at BS 595867. Called fire mission. Swept at first light. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-2. Patrol saw 3 VC and opened fire. Received 15-20 rounds carbine fire. Called illumination. Swept area. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-1-4. On patrol estimated squad of enemy opened up with small arms fire. CAP returned small arms and M-79 fire. Called artillery. Enemy broke contact and withdrew to H. RESULTS: 1 NVA canteen cover, 1 M-79 shot gun round, 1 pair NVA trousers, 30-40 empty AK-47 casings.

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CAP 1-3-2. 1 VN child brought 3 60mm rounds to CAP at BS 585906. The rounds destroyed and VIP payment made. RESULTS: 3 60mm rounds destroyed.

MEP 1-2. 1 VN male brought 1 satchel charge to MEP at BS 599915. The charge was destroyed and VIP paid. RESULTS: 1 satchel destroyed.

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CAP 1-1-2. Detained 1 teenage male VCS at BT 30178. On 31 May the VCS led the CAP to the homes of 3 other VCS in the same area. RESULTS: 4 VCS.

CAP 1-1-2. A VN child brought 1 M-72 to CAP at BT 457068. VIF payment made. RESULTS: 1 M-72.

CAP 1-1-7. A joint Biet Lop, CAP patrol received SAM and B-40 rockets from an estimated enemy platoon at BT 305294. 1 Biet Lop was KIA and 2 Biet Lops were WIA. The patrol returned SAM and called a spotter plane. Airstrikes were run on the area resulting in 15 VC KIA, and 4 AK-47's captured. RESULTS: 15 VC KIA, 4 AK-47 I.C.

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1 May 1969

GROUP ORDER 1740.1A

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Request Mast

Ref: (a) U. S. Navy Regulations 1948
(b) MARCORPMAN, par 1701
(c) ForO 1740.1A

1. Purpose. To establish procedures and publish instructions governing Request Mast within this Group in accordance with references (a) through (c).

2. Cancellation. GroupO 1740.1.

3. General

a. Request Mast is defined as the right of any person in the Naval Service to communicate directly and privately with his Commanding Officer for personal advise, or to make requests, reports, or statements.

b. Individuals requesting mast have the right to have a direct interview with the Commanding Officer and the subject matter of the requested interview need not be discussed with any intermediate. Request Mast is considered confidential and will be handled accordingly.

c. Personnel availing themselves of the right of Request Mast in good faith may do so without fear or prejudice to their interests.

d. The Commanding Officer will hold Request Mast in his office at any time during normal working hours except when scheduled activities requiring his presence elsewhere make it impossible to do so.

4. Action

a. Personnel desiring to appear at Request Mast before the Commanding Officer will comply with the following procedures:

(1) Inform his Company Commander/Section Head that he desires to request mast with the Group Commanding Officer.

(2) Make application in writing and submit application to the Group First Sergeant for appointment.

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b. In the event the Commanding Officer is unable to resolve the applicant's problem, or if the applicant expresses a desire to appear before the Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force, the necessary arrangements will be made in accordance with the provisions of reference (c).

c. The contents of this order will be brought to the attention of all personnel at regular intervals and posted on all Bulletin Boards.

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GROUP ORDER P11240.2

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Standing Operating Procedure for Motor Transport

Ref: (a) Force Order P4000.5B
(b) FMFPacO P11240.2
(c) FMFPacO 11240.3

Encl: (1) Locator Sheet

1. Purpose. To establish guidance for the operation, administration and maintenance of automotive vehicles and equipment within the 1st Combined Action Group.

2. Certification. Reviewed and approved this date.

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SECTION I

GENERAL

101. Applicability. This order is applicable to all companies within the 1st Combined Action Group. Motor Transport procedures shall be in accordance with this orders and references (a) through (c). Should the provisions of this SOP conflict with the directives of higher authority the latter shall prevail.

102. Action. All personnel in the 1st Combined Action Group will comply with the provisions of this order. All personnel directed to perform duty in Motor Transport will be thoroughly familiar with, and comply with the provisions of this order.

103. Responsibility.

1. Staff. The group Supply Officer/S-4 is also designated the Motor Transport Officer, and he is directly responsible to the Commanding Officer in the performance of his duties. The group Supply Officer/S-4 will coordinate Motor Transport functions for the Commander, to include assignment of vehicles.

2. Individual. All officers, non-commissioned officers and enlisted personnel have a duty to prevent abuse and/or misuse of Motor Transport equipment and to initiate promptly such corrective action as may be required in the interest of safe operation and preservation of equipment.

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SECTION II

OPERATIONS

201. General.

1. Tactical and logistical requirements are the governing factors in employment of Motor Transport.
2. Vehicles will be utilized for official use only.
3. Vehicles will be operated only by properly licensed personnel possessing a valid SF-46 with the authorized capacity for the vehicle to be operated.
4. Company Commanders will ensure they have personnel trained, licensed, and assigned to operate and perform first echelon maintenance on vehicles in their charge in accordance with the T/E.

202. Responsibilities.

1. The group S-4 has staff cognizance over the operations and maintenance of vehicles.
2. The group S-4, through the group Motor Transport Chief, will also:
 - a. Exercise control over all vehicles in order to eliminate misuse or abuse and ensure maximum utilization, and that safe operating procedures are being employed.
 - b. Ensure timely performance of all required organizational maintenance and the evacuation to higher echelons of repair.
 - c. Review the dispatching record daily and sign the last entry for the day.
 - d. Supervise dispatching and ensure the accuracy of all Motor Transport records.
 - e. Ensure qualified personnel are available for the purpose of operating and maintaining 2½ ton vehicles.
 - f. Be prepared to deploy the group on order.
3. Operators of all vehicles will:
 - a. Have in his possession a valid SF-46 issued in his name.
 - b. Be responsible for the safe operation of the vehicle assigned to him and for the proper loading and safety of passengers and cargo being transported.
 - c. Operators will comply with all military and civilian traffic regulations. The operator will be held responsible for all traffic violations and any damage resulting from negligence.

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d. Operators will promptly report any mechanical defects to the dispatcher.

e. Every operator is responsible for performing the required preventive maintenance on the day assigned.

f. Operators will ensure they have a properly completed trip ticket, Vehicle Accident Report Form (SF-91), and bilingual Vietnamese Accident Identification card in his assigned vehicle.

4. Company Commanders will ensure drivers are familiar and comply with the above requirements.

203. Dispatching Procedures.

1. A duty dispatcher will be on duty at the Group Motor Pool on a 24 hour-day basis.

2. The dispatcher will maintain a daily dispatching log, noting all information and remarks necessary to any attendant circumstances pertaining to commitment.

3. The dispatcher will review all trip tickets for correctness and possible misuse prior to completing the log.

4. Records will be maintained in accordance with TI 4700-15/1.

5. No vehicle will be dispatched unless the driver has in his possession the following:

- a. A valid SF-46.
- b. SF-91 Accident Report Form.
- c. Bilingual Identification Card.
- d. Trip Ticket.

6. Only vehicles in safe operating condition will be dispatched.

7. No vehicle will be dispatched until the required operators maintenance has been performed.

Vehicle Security.

1. Proper security in order to prevent damage to or theft of vehicles will be exercised on a continual basis. Security of a vehicle, after it has been dispatched, is the driver's responsibility.

2. Vehicles will be returned to the Motor Pool when the requirement for its use has ended unless reasonable conditions dictate otherwise.

3. Vehicles will be locked when not in use.

205. Passenger Loads.

1. Government vehicle loads, including the operator, will not exceed the following passenger limits;

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>FRONT</u>	<u>REAR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
(1) Truck, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, M51A1	2	2	4
(2) Truck, $\frac{3}{4}$ ton, M37B1	2	8	10
(3) Truck, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton, M35A2	2	20	22

206. Traffic Regulations.

1. All traffic regulations promulgated by military and civilian authorities will be obeyed.

2. Vehicles will not be operated at a speed greater than reasonable under existing conditions, posted speed limits notwithstanding.

3. No government vehicle shall be backed until the driver has positively ascertained that the maneuver can be accomplished in safety. A guide will be used at nights when backing up or travelling cross country.

4. No vehicle will be towed at a distance exceeding 16 feet behind another.

5. Operators will exercise extreme caution when operating under blackout conditions. Guides will also be used when off main roads.

207. Administrative Deadline.

1. There will be no required administrative deadline in a combat area. Where feasible, in the interests of combat availability, the placing of vehicles on administrative deadline is authorized.

208. Motor Vehicle Accidents.

1. Each driver issued a trip ticket will also be issued a blank Accident Report Form (SF 91).

2. All accidents, regardless of how slight the injury or damage, will be reported to the Group Motor Transport Chief.

3. The group S-4 will be responsible for submitting required accident reports to higher authority.

4. Drivers will complete the SF-91 at the scene of the accident while the incident is fresh in his memory.

5. Investigations of accidents will be conducted in accordance with procedures found in MARCORSUPMAN; JAG INST P5800.7; and MACV Directive 25-1.

SECTION III

MAINTENANCE

301. General. Maintenance is a Command responsibility. Commanders at all levels must take an active interest and allocate sufficient time for the care of assigned equipment. Maintenance of all Motor Transport equipment and maintenance records must comply with the requirements of reference (b).

302. Maintenance Program. An effective maintenance program is dependent upon the following:

- (1) Command Interest and Supervision.
- (2) Training. Technical training for mechanics and drivers will be conducted on a continuing basis.
- (3) Facilities. This includes an adequate shop, necessary tools and equipment, the pertinent publications, and required parts and supplies on hand.
- (4) Time. Proper care of equipment requires that adequate time be set aside for daily and weekly preventive maintenance.

303. Preventive Maintenance.

1. Preventive maintenance, or operator's maintenance as it is more commonly called, is the most important echelon of maintenance. The entire maintenance program is dependent on the success or failure of first echelon maintenance.

2. Maintenance procedures will comply with the instructions contained in TM 11240-15/1, Tactical Motor Transport Vehicles Preventive Maintenance, appropriate modification instructions, lubrication instructions, and individual vehicle manuals.

3. The majority of maintenance problems will be avoided if conscientious and continuous preventive maintenance is adhered to.

304. Modifications.

1. Modification of Marine Corps furnished equipment will be performed in accordance with instructions contained in Marine Corps Modification Instructions and Technical Publications.

305. Declassing Vehicles.

1. Vehicles requiring quarterly or annual preventive maintenance will be declassified until the required maintenance has been performed.

2. In the event that a vehicle involved in a combat situation is not available, preventive maintenance will be performed as circumstances allow.

3. Vehicles to be evacuated to a higher echelon of repair will have all required organizational maintenance accomplished prior to turn-in. The Motor Transport Chief will prepare the TERO and Deadline Report as required.

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SECTION IV

SUPPLY

401. Responsibility.

1. It is the responsibility of the Supply Officer to procure and maintain appropriate stock levels of repair parts required to maintain equipment in serviceable condition.

2. It will be the responsibility of the Motor Transport Chief to ensure that personnel requesting and turning in repair parts adhere to applicable supply procedures.

402. Usage Data.

1. Correct usage data is important in order that an adequate level of supplies and repair parts may be maintained. One way of invalidating usage data is the practice of procuring supplies and parts from other than the normal sources, (commonly called "scrounging"), and not reporting it to the Supply Officer.

403. Procedures.

1. Supplies and parts required by the Motor Transport unit will be requisitioned as follows:

a. Required repair parts for a vehicle will be requested on a
REQ.

b. Other supplies and equipment will be requisitioned on a
REQ.

SECTION V

FIRE AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

501. Normal Operations.

1. Garages, shops and other enclosures will be well ventilated.
2. Artificial light other than electrical lamps will not be used in connection with examination or repair of vehicles, i. e.; candles, cigarette lighters.
3. Smoking will not be permitted in shops or garages.
4. "No Smoking" signs will be displayed in areas where smoking presents a hazard.
5. Vehicles being filled with gasoline or not in use will have the engine turned off and parking brake engaged.
6. Gasoline or other flammables will not be used for cleaning purposes. Only authorized cleaning solvents may be used.

502. Fire Provisions.

1. The Motor Transport Chief is responsible for posting and maintaining a fire bill.
2. Fire stations will be marked and fire fighting equipment available.
3. Fire stations will be assigned by the Motor Transport Chief.

SECTION VI

TRAINING

601. General. Technical and general training of Motor Transport personnel is a command responsibility. On-the-job training for the development of driver and mechanic technical skills is desirable and encouraged. Cross-training in subject material pertaining to drivers and mechanics is necessary. Training in the requirements of individual vehicle types for preventive maintenance services is particularly necessary for operators.

602. Training Requirement. In order to meet the requirements for technical training the Motor Transport Chief will conduct classes for all Motor Transport personnel as the tempo of combat operations allow.

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SECTION VII

REPORTS

701. Unsatisfactory Equipment Report (UER). UER's will be submitted by the S-4 in accordance with ECO 4700.1. The UER is one of the most important methods that can be used to assist in the correction of equipment deficiencies.

702. Stolen/Missing Vehicle Report. Operators of vehicles will report stolen or missing vehicles to the Motor Transport Chief. The Provost Marshal will be immediately notified. The Group S-4 will take further appropriate action.

703. Vehicle Status Report. This report will be submitted daily to apprise the Commanding Officer of the status of the group vehicles. It further provides a report of deadline equipment.

704. Technical Training Report. To be submitted to the S-4 as training is conducted. This report will contain the subject matter, hours of instruction and personnel attending.

705. Quarterly Density Report. This report will be submitted as required by reference (b).