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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 to 14 APRIL 1971

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HEADQUARTERS
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1st Marine Division (-), (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Marines

01-14 April 1971

COMMANDER

Col P. X. KELLEY

SUBORDINATE UNITS

HqCo, 1st Marines

01-14 April 1971

Capt H. W. GARDNER

1st Bn, 1st Marines

01-13 April 1971

Lt Col R. P. ROSE

2d Bn, 1st Marines

01-14 April 1971

Lt Col R. E. MOSS

3d Bn, 1st Marines

01-14 April 1971

Lt Col M. A. MOORE

2. LOCATION

01-14 April 1971

Camp D. M. PERDUE, RVN

3. KEY BILLETS

Executive Officer

01-14 April 1971

Lt Col R. J. LYONS

S-1/Adjutant

01-14 April 1971

MSGT B. L. HEATON

S-2

01-04 April 1971

Maj J. A. STUEBE

05-14 April 1971

Maj J. S. GRINALDS

S-3

01-14 April 1971

Maj J. P. MONAHAN

S-4

01-14 April 1971

Maj E. P. LOONEY

S-5

01-05 April 1971

1st Lt M. D. KOLAR

06-14 April 1971

Maj T. B. LECKY

Communication Officer

01-14 April 1971

Maj R. A. DECKER

Air Liaison Officer

01-14 April 1971

Maj H. T. BERWALD

Regimental Surgeon

01-14 April 1971

Lt H. R. RINDERKNECHT

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
147	3680	10	181

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PART II
SECTION A
PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. PERSONNEL

a. AVERAGE STRENGTH

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
HqCo	20	265	3	6
1st Bn	42	1115	3	57
2d Bn	43	1175	2	56
3d Bn	42	1125	2	62

b. CASUALTIES

<u>BATTLE</u>				<u>NON-BATTLE</u>			
<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>DOW</u>	<u>SERIOUS</u>	<u>MINOR</u>	<u>DEATH</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
0	14	0	0	1	9	0	10

c. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
8	262	0	13

d. ROTATION DURING REPORTING PERIOD

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
8	85	1	29

e. PERSONNEL SUMMARY. At the close of the reporting period the personnel strength was as follows: 144 Officers and 3585 Enlisted Marine Personnel, and 9 Officers and 176 Navy Personnel. Normal replacement procedures were in effect.

2. LEGAL AND DISCIPLINE

	<u>HqCo</u>	<u>1/1</u>	<u>2/1</u>	<u>3/1</u>
NJP	2	14	22	10
SCM (COMPLETED)	0	0	1	0
SCM (PENDING)	0	2	6	2
SPCM (COMPLETED)	0	0	1	0
SPCM (PENDING)	0	2	7	11
GCM (COMPLETED)	0	0	0	0
GCM (PENDING)	0	0	0	1
INVESTIGATIONS (COMPLETED)	0	4	15	4
INVESTIGATIONS (PENDING)	0	2	17	10

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3. R&R PROGRAM. The following is a recapitulation of the R&R quotas for the month of April 1971:

	<u>HqCo</u>	<u>1/1</u>	<u>2/1</u>	<u>3/1</u>
Bangkok	1	6	6	11
Hong Kong	1	4	3	5
Taipei	0	2	5	5
Okinawa	1	3	2	2
Hawaii	2	3	5	4
Sydney	1	6	4	5

4. CHAPLAIN SUPPORT

a. Chaplains Attached:

(1) Regimental Chaplain	01-14Apr71	CDR G. B. ANDRESS, CHC, USN, SB
(2) Assistant Regimental Chaplain	01-14Apr71	LT F. D. MINTJAL, CHC, USNR, RC
(3) 1st Battalion	01-14Apr71	LT R. G. RUPP, USNR, EPIS
(4) 2d Battalion	01-14Apr71	LCDR J. D. FESSINGER, CHC, USN, L
(5) 3d Battalion	01-14Apr71	LCDR M. L. EYLER, CHC, USN, UCC

b. Divine Services Conducted by Regimental Chaplains:

(1) Protestant Services:

Sunday:	21	Attendance: 542
Weekday:	22	Attendance: 360
Total Services:	43	Attendance: 902

(2) Catholic Services:

Sunday:	5	Attendance: 161
Weekday:	14	Attendance: 209
Total Services:	19	Attendance: 370

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(3) Memorial Services:	1	Attendance: 45
Total Services:	63	Attendance: 1317

c. Related Activities:

(1) Bible Classes:	4	Attendance: 28
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d. Miscellaneous:

- (1) Chaplain ANDRESS assumed duties as 3d MAB Chaplain 14 April.
- (2) Chaplain RUPP gave excess materials to a local Catholic church. He also attended a DAI LOC school program.
- (3) Chaplain ESSINGER visited China Beach Protestant orphanage and donated three cases of canned fruit, some paint and brushes, a hot plate and also a fan.

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PART II
SECTION B
ENEMY, WEATHER AND TERRAIN

1. Enemy. Enemy activity during the period 1-14 April was at a low level throughout the 1st Marines TAOR.

a. There was a slight decrease in enemy initiated activity within the 1st Marines TAOR during the period, characterized by limited attacks by fire, sniper/harrassing actions, mining/booby trap incidents and terrorist and propaganda activities. The contacts continued to be with small groups of enemy from local force units and the infrastructure. The enemy continued his efforts at disrupting the GVN pacification program and avoiding contact with 1st Marines units whenever possible.

b. There were three rocket attacks during the period as follows:

(1) On 05 April at 0206H, DA NANG Air Base received a total of seven 122mm rockets from vicinity (BT034688); two homes destroyed, one damaged and two civilians WIA.

(2) On 09 April at 0058H, DA NANG Air Base received a total of six 122mm rockets from vicinity (AT986667); negative casualties and damage to Free World Forces and Equipment.

(3) On 09 April at 0642H, Hill 55 received two 122mm rockets from vicinity (AT903605); negative casualties and damage.

c. Significant events for the period 1-14 April were:

(1) On 03 April at 0020H, CUYP SKINNER 2/1 at (AT984624) observed light and movement approximately 200 meters southwest of their position. The unit fired small arms and swept the area resulting in three enemy KIA's and one AK-47 captured.

(2) On 07 April at 1600H, D/1/1 CP on Hill 65 utilizing IOD observed approximately 25 enemy with packs and weapons in vicinity of (AT876555). The unit fired 111 rounds of 81mm mortar resulting in 30 enemy KIA's. The KIA's were confirmed by Vietnamese sources at DAI LOC District Headquarters.

(3) During the period 07-12 April, Operation SCOTT ORCHARD was conducted in Base Area 112 by 1st Marines with teams from "A" Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion in support. Results of the operation were; one enemy KIA, one POW, 12 weapons captured, 110 82mm mortar rounds, 17 75mm recoilless rifle rounds, and ten Chicom grenades destroyed, 15 booby traps found and destroyed, six bunkers, five huts, one messhall, one cave and one tunnel complex destroyed, and miscellaneous medical gear, clothing and equipment captured. There were no friendly casualties due to enemy action.

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(4) On 14 April at 0830H, a platoon from G/2/1 observed two Vietnamese males and two females at (BT027673) huddled together in what appeared to be meeting. Upon observing the platoon moving toward them, they fled toward an area of high grass in an attempt to escape. The Vietnamese were told to halt and warning shots were fired, and when they continued to flee, the unit fired small arms resulting in two enemy KIA's, two enemy WIA's captured and miscellaneous documents, pictures and two grenades captured.

d. Units of the 1st Marines, in conjunction with FVP units operating within the 1st Marines TAOR, accounted for 38 enemy KIA's, which included those listed above.

e. The units operating within the 1st Marines TAOR include elements of the Q.90, Q.91, and the Q.92 Battalions, the Q.82, Q.83, Q.84, Q.85 Local Force Battalions, D.9 NVA Battalion, Elements of the 38th NVA Regiment, the 575th and 577th Rocket Artillery Battalion, the R-20th Main Force Battalion, and the Q.55 Independent Company. Probable and suspected units include the T-87th Sapper Company; HAI VAN Engineer Company; T-89th Sapper Battalion and the 140th and 150th Transportation Battalion.

f. Booby trap and mine incidents totaled 31 during this month. Of these 24 were discovered and seven detonated for a 77 percent detection rate.

g. There were six attacks by fire directed against 1st Marines' positions during the period 1-14 April.

h. Incidents for period 1-14 April 1971:

(1) Enemy Initiated Contacts	<u>23</u>
(a) Sniper/Harrassing fire	<u>17</u>
(b) Mortar attacks	<u>4</u>
(c) RPG attacks	<u>2</u>
(2) Bunkers/tunnels destroyed	<u>11</u>
(3) Mines/booby traps	<u>31</u>
(4) Enemy sightings	<u>30</u>
Total:	<u>95</u>

i. Enemy losses for period 1-14 April 1971:

(1) Personnel

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(a) Total detainees	<u>13</u>
1 POW's	<u>3</u>
2 Hoi Chanh's	<u>0</u>
3 Civil Defendants	<u>0</u>
4 Innocent Civilians	<u>10</u>
(b) KIA's	<u>38</u>
(2) Weapons and Equipment	
(a) IWC	<u>12</u>
1 AK-47	<u>3</u>
2 SKS	<u>7</u>
3 7.62 Pistols	<u>1</u>
4 M-1 Carbine	<u>2</u>
(b) CSWC	<u>0</u>
(c) Equipment (Rkts)	<u>0</u>

2. Volunteer Informant Program. The majority of expenditures were paid to Vietnamese Nationals for ordnance. Listed below are the expenditures for the period of 1-14 April

Regimental Hqs	<u>NONE</u>
1st Battalion	<u>4.7203VN</u>
2d Battalion	<u>14.0005VN</u>
3d Battalion	<u>NONE</u>

Total: 18.7203VN

3. Ground Surveillance. There were a total of 18 metallic and 434 seismic activations recorded during the period 1-14 April. No fire missions were called on these activations.

4. Weather. Rainfall during the period was light with a total of .01 inches of rain. The average high temperature was 88 degrees and the low was 72 degrees. Humidity averaged 77 percent.

5. Terrain.

a. The terrain in the 1st Marines TAOR is divided into two primary features, the coastal plains and low mountains. The coastal plains consist of poorly drained flat areas of rice cultivation and dryland farming. Rice-land elevations rarely exceed 20 meters and average five meters, in the area east of the low mountains and foothills, west of DA NANG.

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b. There are low mountains within three kilometers of the coast, overlooking DA NANG. These low mountains are separated from higher mountain formations to the west by a rolling plain varying in width from three to nine kilometers. Slopes on the mountains are commonly 30 to 35 percent, becoming more gradual as they merge into the coastal plains. The highest elevation in this group is 364 meters.

c. West of the low mountains across the rolling plain, elevations rise sharply and the terrain is extremely rugged. Steeply-sloped mountains predominate for approximately one-third of the area along the entire western portion of the TAOR. The exception, other than the coastal plain, are the river valleys. Multi-canopied forest with dense undergrowth is prevalent throughout the mountainous area.

d. Rivers and streams fragment the TAOR, both E-W and N-S. The seven main rivers, the CU DE, VINH DIEN, CAU DO, TUY LOAN, VU GIA, THU BON and YEN are navigable by shallow-draft boats.

e. Located within the TAOR are Routes 1, 4, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, and 587. All of these routes are elevated and pose no trafficability problems, except during and after heavy monsoon rains, when they are flooded in low spots.

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PART II
SECTION C
OPERATIONS

1. GENERAL

a. The beginning of the month of April (1st-14th) saw a slight decrease in enemy activity throughout the 1st Marines TAOR. Emphasis remained on intensified pre-emptive operations for rocket belt security in defense of the DA NANG Vital Area. Support of the accelerated pacification program continued with participation in the Combined Unit Pacification Program (CUPP).

b. Effected 1st Marines FRAG O 007-71 (SCOTT ORCHARD) (TAB 1), at 071045H in response to 1st Marine Division FRAG O 008-71 (TAB 2). SCOTT ORCHARD was a Category III Operation in the highlands in the southwestern 1st Marines AO.

c. On 13 April 1971, effected 1st Marines FRAG O 008-71 (TAB 3) which concluded the move of 1st Bn, 1st Marines from Hill 37 to Hill 34 (AT989706) for standdown, (move was completed at 131235H). 2d Bn, 1st Marines assumed responsibility for 1/1 AO.

2. COMBAT SUPPORT OPERATIONS

a. ARTILLERY

(1) During the period 1 through 14 April the 1st Battalion 11th Marines continued its assigned mission of providing direct support fires for Marine and other Free World Forces operating in the 1st Marines TAOR. 3d 8" Howitzer Battery provided General Support/Reinforcing fires as required. The forward Battalion Command and Control Group continued tactical and limited technical control from Hill 34 (AT989706) with 1st Battalion, 11th Marines Command Post (-) located at the Northern Artillery Cantonment (AT925795). At 0001H on 13 April Battery A ceased combat operations and moved at 1027H 13 April from Hill 65 to the Northern Artillery Cantonment to commence standdown for redeployment to CONUS.

(2) Displacements

(a) At 1100H on 7 April two 105mm howitzers and a forward CP group displaced to Fire Support DAGGER to provide artillery support for the operation SCOTT ORCHARD.

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(b) At 1600H on 7 April Battery C (-) and CX displaced from Hill 510 to the Northern Artillery Cantonment.

(c) At 1500H on 11 April Mortar Battery WY displaced from Hill 425 to the Northern Artillery Cantonment.

(d) At 1530H on 12 April the Forward CP group and artillery weapons returned to their appropriate battery positions thus terminating artillery support for operation SCOTT ORCHARD.

(3) Total Surveillance for April 1971

(a) Casualties: VC/NVA KIA 29
VC/NVA WIA 1

(b) Damage Assessments: Bunkers Destroyed 2
Secondary Explosions 1

(4) Mission and Ammunition Expenditure Summary

<u>105mm</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Rounds</u>
Contact Missions	24	263
Intelligence Targets	328	1163
Preparatory Fires	13	43
Pre-emptive Fires	459	503
Special Fires	38	350
Confirmed Targets	<u>115</u>	<u>1281</u>
Total	977	3603

<u>107mm</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Rounds</u>
Special Fires	7	96
Confirmed Targets	1	17
Pre-emptive Fires	14	18
Intelligence Targets	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	23	132

<u>155mm</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Rounds</u>
Special Fires	5	5
Confirmed Targets	6	111
Contact Missions	1	72
Intelligence Targets	<u>48</u>	<u>428</u>
Total	60	616

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<u>8 Inch</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Rounds</u>
Special Fires	2	20
Confirmed Targets	2	34
Contact Missions	4	40
Intelligence Targets	41	52
Pre-emptive Fires	<u>124</u>	<u>124</u>
Total	173	270
Grand Total TAOR	1233	4621

b. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT

(1) During 1 through 14 April no Naval Gunfire Support was employed in the 1st Marines TAOR.

c. AIR SUPPORT

(1) General. For the period 1-14 April, Helicopter support increased markedly over the rate established for the previous three months while Fixed Wing support dropped to practically nil. Operation SCOTT ORCHARD, a major scale operation, accounted for the significant increase in statistics on trooplifts and logistics for the helicopters. The insert and extract phases of the operation were well executed and a magnificent display as to the professionalism of the air crews of Marine Aircraft Group-16.

(2) Statistics

(a) Helicopters

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Trooplift	46	3,659 Passengers
Logistics	43	406,463 Pounds of Cargo
Med Evac	56	78 Casualties
Visual Recon	14	38 Hours
Gunships	24	41 Hours
Administration	32	758 Passengers

Average medical evacuation reaction times for 1-14 April were:
Emergency 23 minutes; Priority 24 minutes; Routine 25 minutes.

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(b) Fixed Wing

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
CAS	10	54,480 Pounds of Ordnance
Beacon	0	0
TPQ-10	1	4,500 Pounds of Ordnance
Photo Recon	0	0
Aerial Observation	54	64 Hours
Flareships	1	2 Hours

(c) Miscellaneous ordnance expended in addition to that listed above:

<u>ORDNANCE</u>	<u>AMOUNTS</u>
7.62mm	44,000
20mm	240
40mm	300
50 Cal.	0
2.75 Rockets	133

(d) BDA for the month included one KIA and one secondary explosion.

(3) Operational Discrepancies. None.

d. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

(1) HB Teams were employed making anti VC/NVA broadcasts in MIEU THACH SON and QUANG NAM, and in conjunction with one cordon and search operation.

(2) HE Teams showed movies to 400 Vietnamese in PHUOC SON and QUANG NAM.

(3) Early Word broadcasts were employed nine times primarily in the CUPP AO's.

(4) A total of 22,000 leaflets were air dropped and another 4,000 leaflets were hand delivered in the 2d Battalion's AO.

(5) An Armed Propaganda Team is being employed in the LE SON (1) and YEN NHE hamlets

(6) Psychological Operations in conjunction with the VIP program continues to be effective as 165 various pieces of ordnance were turned in during the reporting period.

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SECTION D
TRAINING

1. Formal school quotas during April - 1st to 14th 1971.

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>QUOTAS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
CBR/NBC	2	* Okinawa
Land/Mine Warfare Course	24	RVN
GRF Training	98	RVN

2. 2d and 3d Battalions conducted normal GMS Training with emphasis on FAM Firing, Drug Abuse, Venereal Disease Lectures and Marksmanship Training.

3. Headquarters Company conducted FAM Firing and Quick Kill Firing. A total of 31 men participated.

* The two men from 2d Battalion will be in school during the month of April. School convened 10 April 1971.

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SECTION E
LOGISTICS

1. Supply-Logistics

a. The logistics posture of the 1st Marines remained at the same high level as attained in previous months. The Regiment possesses 99% of the Combat Essential Equipment rated by T/E and Special Allowances. 93% of this authorized Combat Essential Equipment is operationally ready. Redistribution of excess equipment between the Regiment and other Division units continued to fill T/E deficiencies to assist in and alleviating excesses. Emphasis is being exerted on the logistical preparations for the anticipated redeployment of this organization.

b. Supply:

(1) Supply point distribution, with Force Logistics Command providing all classes of supply, was utilized throughout the month, except for unit distribution for Classes I, III and V employed for 1st Battalion, 1st Marines by LSU #5 located at Hill 37. On 12 April 1971 the LSU ceased operations in view of the forth coming standdown of the First Battalion and the turn over of the Hill 37 cantonment to the Republic of Vietnam on 13 April 1971.

(2) Resupply to Company's assigned area of operations was performed mainly by helicopters. Sufficient resources were provided for 287 lifts for a total of 326,739 lbs.

2. Lines of Communication. An adequate road network in good condition currently exists within the 1st Marines Tactical Area of Responsibility.

3. Transportation. The Regiment was, as in previous months, augmented during the reporting period by vehicles from 1st Motor Transport Battalion. These trucks are utilized daily in performance of supply/resupply, troop movements within the DA NANG secure area and other housekeeping functions. These vehicles are allocated within the Regiment as follows:

HqCo	3
1st Bn	5
2d Bn	5
3d Bn	5

In addition to this regular motor transport augmentation, the 1st Marine Division continued to provide general motor transport support for requirements beyond the capability of the Regiment.

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4. Maintenance and Engineer Assistance

a. Equipment maintenance support was provided by the Force Logistic Command. The following table depicts the number of Headquarters Company, 1st Marines Tactical Equipment Repair Orders submitted and completed during the reporting period.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Submitted</u>	<u>Completed</u>
Comm-Elect	41	24
Ordnance	2	2
Motor Transport	0	0
Engineer	0	0

b. Common Service Support rendered by the U. S. Army Contractor, Philco-Ford, during the reporting period was responsive.

c. Cantonment rehabilitation efforts increased during the reporting period to ensure that the cantonments of the Regiment remained in acceptable condition for turn over to other Free World Forces. During the reporting period, the Hill 65 cantonment was turned over to the U. S. Army on the 12th of April 1971 and on the 13th of April 1971, the Hill 37 cantonment was turned over to the Republic of Vietnam.

5. Embarkation. The embarkation readiness of the Regiment remained at its previous high level. At present, all units within the Regiment have adequately trained embarkation personnel. In view of the forthcoming redeployment actions emphasis is being placed on preparation of supplies and equipment for retrograde. The lateral movement of the 1st Battalion and 2d Battalion to Hill 34 cantonment assisted greatly in embarkation preparation by requiring pre-packing of materials for the movement.

6. Sanitation. Conscientious sanitation programs continue to receive immediate attention and a high state of sanitation is maintained throughout the 1st Marines TAOR. Sanitation inspections are conducted regularly by medical personnel organic to the Regiment.

7. Medical

a. During the reporting period, medical facilities were maintained throughout the Regimental TAOR. Each unit held routine daily sick call and treated patients within its capability as outlined in sub-paragraph c below.

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b. The medical facilities were manned by a total of 6 Medical Officers, 2 Dental Officers, 179 Medical Corpsmen and 2 Dental Technicians.

c. The following is a break down of the patient load examined/treated during the reporting period.

(1) Sick Call Patients:

(a) Skin Disorders	156
(b) Diarrhea	65
(c) Evacuation	4
(d) New VD Cases	41
(e) Upper Respiratory Infections	24
(f) Malaria	1
(g) Fever of Unknown Origin	18
(h) Total Patients Seen	1,231

(2) Dental Patients	95
(3) Immunization	341
(4) Total MedCap and DentCap Patients	1,010

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SECTION F
CIVIL AFFAIRS- CIVIC ACTION

1. PUBLIC WORKS

Public works assistance was given to the villages of HOA VINH, HOA THANH, LOC HOA and HOA LONG by providing construction materials. The most significant project is the construction of a new village office at HOA LONG with the 2d Battalion providing the majority of the materials. Estimated completion of the project is prior to 30 April 1971.

2. WELFARE

The orphanage at PHU THUONG was given three truckloads of salvage lumber, 45 pounds of food, 15 pounds of soap and medical supplies and some engineer tools. Assistance was given to DUC DUC District as a result of the enemy's attack on 29 March 1971. The below listed materials were provided to the DUC DUC District Chief for distribution:

2560 BF - 1"x8"
720 BF - 2"x10"
808 BF - 2"x6"
1620 BF - 4"x4"
1340 BF - 1"x4"
32 - Sheets salvage plywood
385 Sheets tin
320 lbs - 6d nails
150 lbs - Roofing nails
900 lbs - Clothing
24 cases - Babyfood
6000 meters - Black cloth
60 pr - Scissors
60 Spools - Thread
60 pkgs - Buttons
60 pkgs - Needles
180 lbs - Laundry soap ($\frac{1}{2}$ lb bars)
24 - Textile kits

3. EDUCATION

The 2d Battalion used an HE Team within their CAAOR to show movies to 335 children. Seventy school kits were distributed to the school children in THAI CAM II. Building materials were provided schools in HOA THANH and VAN DUONG, twenty pounds of school supplies were provided to the school at VAN DUONG and ten pounds of school supplies were provided to the schools in HOA VINH, QUAN NAM and LOC HOA.

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4. HEALTH

A total of 996 Vietnamese Civilians were treated by MedCaps and another 20 received dental care. A high intensive Air Force MedCap Team treated 240 in one day at HAO HAI Village. In addition to this the Air Force MedCap treated 159 Medical, 85 Surgical and 65 Dental patients at NUI KIM SON.

5. PERSONAL RESPONSE

Personal Response lectures were held for new arrivals in country.

6. SOLATIUM

No payments were made during the reporting period.

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SECTION G
COMMUNICATIONS

1. During the period 1 April through 14 April 1971, 1st Marine Communications continued to provide radio, telephone and teletype circuits from Camp PERDUE to the Battalions. Telephone and teletype circuits to the 1st and 2d Battalions were via integrated wire/radio relay, and via the 1st Marine Division cable to the 3d Battalion.
2. The Communication Center processed a total of 770 messages, 163 outgoing and 610 incoming. No significant circuit outages occurred, although some disruptions in service were encountered due to power failures and equipment malfunctions. During outages back up guard was provided by courier service. Communication/Crypto guard was maintained for 11th Motor Transport Battalion and 1st Battalion, 11th Marines.
3. Two AN/TRC-27 links were maintained by the Radio Relay section. One link provided telephone/teletype service to the 2d Battalion at Hill 34 on 1 April and maintained as back up from 2 April through 13 April 1971. The other link provided telephone service between 1st Battalion and the cantonment at Hill 65 for the period 1 April through 8 April 1971. Overall operational time for the two links was 99.37 percent and 98.99 percent respectively.
4. The Tech Shop completed and processed a total of 64 TERO's during the period 1-13 April. A total of 23 items required 2d echelon repair, all of which were completed. The remaining 41 items required 3d echelon repair and were evacuated to 1st FSR. Of these, 24 items were completed and returned, while 17 still remain at 1st FSR.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01 April 1971 - At 010820H, LIMA Liaison 2/1 (BTO38693) reported that the 170th platoon, 134th RF Group found two 122mm rockets at (ATO40690).
- 02 April 1971 - 022045H 1/1 liaison at DUC DUC reported one squad VC entered THU BOH Hamlet at 020500H. VC attempted to force the hamlet to return to VC control. When hamlet refused, 28 males, nine females, and 10 children were abducted, 37 homes were destroyed.
- 03 April 1971 - 030500H 1/1 liaison DUC DUC (AT864473) reported receiving 82mm mortar rounds resulting in one RF KIA and 15 RF WIA.
- 030020H CUPP SKINNER 2/1 (AT984624) initiated contact on a flash of light and movement which resulted in three VC/NVA KIA, captured one AK-47, two M-26 grenades, one bayonet, and assorted documents.
 - 032015H LIMA Liaison 2/1 to 134th RF reported 10-12 VC/NVA. Initiated contact on RF unit resulting in one RF KIA, three RF WIA(E).
 - 032030H H/2/1 night ambush while moving from platoon CP tripped a B/T (AT969667) resulting in one USMC WIA(E).
 - 032020H-032100H Hill 65 (AT880580) received incoming 82mm mortar rounds resulting in one USMC WIA(E), two USMC WIA(R), and one USMC WIA(M). Marines were members of Battery A 1/11.
- 04 April 1971 - 040915H train hit a mine (AT916944) causing moderate damage to train engine. Detonation resulted in three RF WIA(M).
- 05 April 1971 - 050206H Seven rockets were fired from (BTO34688) into the DA NANG Vital Area resulting in two homes destroyed, one home damaged, and two civilians WIA.
- 050700H A/1/1 platoon CP (AT949632) Marine was retrieving a claymore mine from night defensive position when he detonated an unknown type B/T resulting in one USMC WIA(E).

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- 05 April 1971 - 050900H H/2/1 platoon patrol, while moving into a new CP site (AT977664) detonated a box type surprise firing device resulting in two USMC WIA(E) and two USMC(R).
- 07 April 1971 - 070215H C/1/1 listening post, while checking suspected enemy movement, tripped a chicom grenade type B/T resulting in one USMC WIA(P).
- 071045H Effected 1st Marines FRAG 0 007-71 (TAB 1) in response to 1st MarDiv FRAG 0 008-71 (TAB 2). The Regimental (-) operation was a Category III Operation in the 1st Marines Southwestern AO. Inserted artillery and security group on Fire Support Base DAGGER. Numerous old 60mm round type B/T's were found during the insetion. No casualties during insertion, recon elements were fired on, contact resulted in two VC/NVA KIA.
- 08 April 1971 - 081000H S-5 2/1 reported that five Vietnamese children found two 500 lb bombs, one M-26 grenade, 100 M-60 rounds, one M-60 E&T mechanism, four toe-poppers and pipe packed with C-4. Children paid \$5300VN.
- 081120H Began inserting companies and command group into areas of operation in accordance with 1st Mar FRAG 0 007-71.
 - 081530H Recon Team LYNCH LAW (1st Marines FRAG 0 007-71) found fifteen cases of 82mm mortar rounds, six rounds to a case, one chicom grenade, and one ammo box of shotgun shells. All ordnance was unservicable.
 - 081545H Co H/2/1 initiated contact with one VC/NVA carrying a pistol resulting in one VC/NVA WIA POW.
 - 081845H Hill 55 received four 122mm rockets, negative damage or casualties.
 - 082130H Co D/1/1 night ambush (AT951631) initiated contact with five VC. Contact resulted in two possible VC/NVA KIA who fell into river.
- 09 April 1971 - 090058H Six rockets were fired from (AT986667) into the DA NANG Vital Area resulting in five civilian WIA's, minor damage to three buildings, four vehicles, and the DA NANG Air Strip and major damage to three buildings.

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- 09 April 1971 - 090800H Co E/2/1 patrol found at (ZC052422) 17 82mm mortar rounds, two fuze kits, and CS crystals.
- 090930H Co G/2/1 patrol found at (ZC061414) a grass hut, tunnel complex which yielded documents, three SKS rifles, assorted clothing, and messing facilities.
 - 090945H Co F/2/1 patrol found one browning automatic weapon, two M-1 rifles, and one SKS rifle hidden beside a trail at (ZC055406).
 - 091200H Co F/2/1 at (ZC052407) initiated contact on one VC/NVA resulting in one VC/NVA KIA captured, one AK-47, three AK-47 magazines, one chicom grenade, and documents.
- 10 April 1971 - 100955H Co E/2/1 during re-supply, two Marines walking off the helicopter tripped a grenade type B/T resulting in two USMC WIA(E).
- 101030H Co K/3/1 (OPCON 2/1) initiated contact with 15-30 VC/NVA. During contact, Co K discovered one base camp at (ZC079421) which yielded two SKS rifles, eight chicom, small arms rounds, food and personal items.
 - 101330H Co F/2/1 at (ZC054409) found one SKS rifle, one AK-47 rifle, 60 lbs rice, and 30 lbs salt. Two dead Vietnamese males were found also.
 - 101615H Co K/3/1 (OPCON 2/1) destroyed 113 82mm rounds and 17 75mm recoilless rifle rounds found by recon team, LYNCH LAW.
- 11 April 1971 - 110905H E/2/1 platoon patrol tripped a grenade type B/T resulting in one USMC WIA(E).
- 110912H 1st Marines began retracting units participating in Operation SCOTT ORCHARD (1st Marines FRAG O 007-71). By 111210H all ground units were retracted.
- 13 April 1971 - 131235H 1st Bn, 1st Marines completed move to Hill 34 to commence standdown. Hill 37 was turned over to local forces. 2d Bn, 1st Marines assumed responsibility for security of 1/1 AO.
- 131435H A G/2/1 patrol stepped on a toe popper type B/T resulting in one USMC WIA(E).

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14 April 1971 - 140830H G/2/1 Platoon Patrol spotted four VC/NVA (BT027673). The four VC/NVA attempted to flee. Warning shots were fired, the VC/NVA still attempted to get away. G Co platoon initiated contact which resulted in two VC/NVA KIA, two VC/NVA WIA POW and captured one AK-47, two M-26 grenades, and documents.

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- 2 April Telephone system between Regiment and 2d Battalion re-established through 1st Division cable. Message Center has full duplex circuit capability.
- 3 April Telephone communications established between 1st Battalion forward on Hill 34 to 1st Battalion rear on Hill 37.
- 6 April Commenced communications planning/coordination for Operation SCOTT ORCHARD.
- 8 April AN/TRC-27 link between Hill 37 and cantonment at Hill 65 secured.
- 10 April Radio Section presented Radio Procedure class to QRF.
- 14 April Radio Section presented Radio Procedure class to QRF.
- 14 April Communications Platoon continued to prepare for embarkation.

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CG FIRST MARDIV FRAG ORDER 328-71

1. (S) SITUATION

A. ENEMY: PASEP

B. FRIENDLY

(1) 79TH RANGER BORDER DEFENSE BATTALION OPERATES IN AREA NORTH OF OBJECTIVE AREA. 51ST ARVN REGIMENT OPERATES TO EAST.

(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES FIXED WING & ROTARY WING SUPPORT.

(3) 1ST BN, ELEVENTH MARINES DIRECT SUPPORT OF 1ST MARINES.

2. (S) MISSION

(1) 1ST MARINES CONDUCT HELBORNE OPNS TO LOCATE & LIBERATE PWMAF & INDIGENOUS POW, TO LOCATE POW CAMPS VIC (ZC0541) & KILL OR CAPTURE ENEMY IN AREA OF OPNS.

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3. (S) EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT. COMMENCING ON D-1 1ST MARINES HELO-LIFT ONE COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTERY, A SECURITY ELEMENT, A RECON CMD GP, A DIRECT SUPPORT UNIT INTO FSB DAGGER. ON D DAY CONDUCT HELBORNE ASSAULT WITH A REINFORCED INFANTRY BN INTO OBJECTIVE AREA TO CONDUCT POW LIBERATION OPERATIONS.

B. 1ST BN

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) CHOP OPCON B CO (-) TO 2/1 BY 071200Z ON D-1.

(3) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE BN CMD GP WITH TWO COMPANIES AS REGIMENTAL RESERVE FOR OPERATION. THIS RESERVE UNIT WILL BE STAGED ON HILL 37 ON D-1.

(4) TAKE OPCON OF M-3-1 (-) BY 1500Z ON D-1.

(5) BE PREPARED ON D-1 TO RECEIVE TWO INFANTRY COMPANIES ON HILL.

(6) PROVIDE MESSING & BILLETING.

C. 2D BN

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) ON D-1 POSITION SECURITY FORCE & EQUIPMENT FOR BN CMD GROUP ON FSB DAGGER.

(3) ASSUME OPCON B CO (-) AND K CO (-) BY 1200Z ON D-1.

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(4) ON D-1 STAGE ALL ASSAULT COMPANIES AT HILL 34 & HILL 65.
(5) ON D-DAY ESTABLISH BN CMD GP ON FSB DAGGER, CONDUCT HELBORNE ASSAULT WITH 5 COMPANIES INTO OBJECTIVE AREA TO CONDUCT POW LIBERATION OPERATIONS.

D. 3D BN

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) CHOP OPCON A CO (-) TO 2/1 BY 1200H ON D-1.

(3) CHOP OPCON M CO (-) TO 1/1 BY 1500H ON D-1.

E. 1ST BN, ELEVENTH MARINES

(1) PROVIDE COMPOSITE BATTERY TO INCLUDE 4-155'S 2-125'S.

(2) ON D-1 POSITION ARTY BATTERY ON FSB DAGGER.

F. CO A (REIN) 1ST RECON BN

(1) PROVIDE COMMAND GROUP & 6 RECON TEAMS FOR EMPLOYMENT IN OBJECTIVE AREA

(2) ON D-1 POSITION COMMAND GRP & TWO TEAMS ON FSB DAGGER.

G. HQ CO, 1ST MARINES

(1) PROVIDE RADIO OPERATORS & EQUIPMENT FOR SMALL REGIMENTAL JUMP CP ON FSB DAGGER.

H. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

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(1) D-DAY 28 APRIL 1971

(2) L HOUR 0900H

(3) OPERATION NAME: [REDACTED]

(4) HELMETS, FLAK JACKETS, GAS MASKS WILL BE CARRIED/WORN BY ALL PERS.

(5) MAX USE OF ACS & ITT PERSONNEL

(6) MAX EMPHASIS ON MAINTAINING SECURITY OF OPN. DISSEMINATION ON A STRICT NEED TO KNOW BASIS ONLY.

(7) ASSAULT UNITS WILL HAVE AVAILABLE LOCK & BOLT CUTTERS.

(8) OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF THIS OPERATION WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED TO NEWS MEDIA. RETURNEES WILL NOT BE EXPOSED TO NEWS MEDIA PRIOR TO DEBRIEF BY CIT.

(9) BOTH LIBERATED POW'S & CAPTURED ENEMY WILL BE PROVIDED SECURITY ESCORT FM OBJECTIVE AREA TO COLLECTIONS POINTS. ALL LIBERATED POWS WILL BE HELD LIFTED ASAP TO 1ST MED BN.

(10) IF POW CAMP LOCATED DO NOT DESTROY UNLESS DIRECTED BY CO 1ST MAR.

4. (S) ADMIN & LOG.

A. IAW NORMAL PROCEDURES. RESUPPLY OF ALL ATTACHED UNITS WILL BE REQUESTED & COORDINATED THROUGH 2/1.

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5. COMMAND & COMM-ELECT.

A. COMMAND

(1) CO 1ST MAR EXERCISE OVERALL CONTROL OF OPN.

(2) REPORTS: IAW 1ST MARDIV ADMIN O 321-71

(A) REPORT

(1) CO CP LOCATIONS

(2) FIRE CAP

(3) SBOI REPORTS

(B) REPORT BY FLASH MSG.

(1) DISCOVERY OF POW CAMP

(2) NUMBER OF POW'S LIBERATED, RACE, AND GENERAL PHYSICAL COND.

(C) 6 HOUR SIT REP NOT REQUIRED.

B. COMM-ELEC

(1) IAW 1ST MAR CEOE: EXCEPT ALL TRAFFIC CONCERNED THIS
OPN PRECEDE TEXT BY KEY PHRASE "BRIGHTLIGHT".

(2) REGIMENTAL TAC 2 ON D 99 WILL BE UTILIZED FOR THIS OPERATION.

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XXIV CORPS/ III MAF FOR G-3
FRAS 0 8-71 BRIGHT LIGHT OPNS (U)

1. (S) SITUATION

A. ENEMY: PASSEP

B. FRIENDLY

(1) III MAF CONDUCTS COMBAT OPNS IN MR I IAW COMBINED FALL-WINTER CAMPAIGN PLAN.

(2) BORDER RANGER BNS COND OPNS IN AO'S.

(3) 23D INFANTRY DIVISION COND OPNS TO SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST OF OPNS AREA.

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(4) 1ST MAW PROVIDE FIXED WING AND HELO SPT AS REQ

(5) 95TH EVAC HOSP PROVIDE MEDICAL SCREENING AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AS REQ.

(6) I CORPS CONDUCT INTENSIVE SATURATION OPNS VIC DANANG VITAL AREA AS REQ.

2. (S) MISSION: 1ST MARDIV CONDUCT HELOBORNE OPNS TO LOCATE AND LIBERATE FVMAF AND INDIGENOUS POW, TO LOCATE POW CAMPS VIC (ZC0541) AND KILL OR CAPTURE EN IN AREA OF OPERATIONS.

3. (S) CONCEPT:

A. FOLLOWING AIR AND ARTY LZ PREP ON D-DAY-1, 1ST MARINES HELO-LIFT ARTILLERY BATTERY INTO FSB DAGUAR. ON D-DAY COND HELOBORNE ASSAULT BY REINFORCED INFANTRY BN VIC OBJECTIVE AREA TO COND PRISONER OF WAR LIBERATION OPERATIONS. TACTICAL HELO EXTRACTION OF ASSAULT UNITS AND POW'S TO BE SUPPORTED BY AIR/ARTY VIC POW CAMP AND LZ'S.

B. FIRST MAW

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) AT L-HOUR ON D-DAY LAND ONE REINFORCED RIFLE BN AT PREDETERMINED LZ'S VIC OF OBJ.

(3) COND INTENSIVE SEARCH OF OBJ AREA TO LOCATE POW CAMP, KILL OR CAPTURE ALL ENEMY IN VICINITY OF POW CAMP, AND LIBERATE ALL FVMAF/

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INDIGENOUS PRISONERS.

(4) MAINTAIN AND BE PREPARED TO EMPLOY ONE INF BN (-) AS OPERATION RESERVE FORCE.

(5) UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF ALL LIBERATED POW'S FROM OBJ AREA ASAP.

(6) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER THIS HEADQUARTERS, TO CONTINUE THE OPERATION WITH A TOTAL FORCE OF TWO INFANTRY BATTALION (-) FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO FIVE DAYS.

(7) ESTABLISH FSB AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ARTY/CP FOS LOC FSB DAGGAN ON D-1.

(8) ON D-1 REC ATTACHMENT OF ONE PROVISIONAL ARTY BTRY FROM 1/11.

(9) ON D-1 REC ATTACHMENT OF SIX RECONNAISSANCE TEAMS AND PLT ONE GRP FROM A CO (REIN) 1ST RECON BN.

C. 1ST BN, 11th MAR

(1) CONT PRES MSG.

(2) CONSTITUTE AND ATTACH ONE PROVISIONAL ARTY BTRY TO CO 1ST MAR ON D-1.

D. CO A (REIN), 1ST RECON BN

(1) CONT PRES MSG.

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(2) IN COORD WITH 1ST MAR ATTACH UP TO 6 RECON TMS AND PLT ONE GRP FOR OPN.

E. CO A (REIN), 1ST ENGR BN.

(1) CONT PRES MSG.

(2) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AS REQUESTED AND APPROVED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

F. CO C, 1ST SP BN

(1) CONT PRES MSG.

(2) PROVIDE HST SPT AS REQ.

G. CO A (REIN) 1ST GEN BN

(1) CONT PRES MSG.

(2) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT-TREATMENT FOR DISEASED, WOUNDED AND DEBILITATED FOWAF PERSONNEL.

(3) PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR 11th MAR PROCESSING CENTER. PROCESS RETURNEES IAW 11th MAR OPORD 150-72. PROVIDE RETURNEES SPECIAL SECURITY IAW 11th MAR OPORD 150-72.

H. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) DISEASED.

(2) D-DAYS: 3 APRIL 1971

(3) H-HOURS: 1500 CO 1ST MAR

(4) L-LOC: 1500 CO 1ST MAR

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(5) OPERATION NICKNAME: SCOTT ORCHARD

(6) HELMETS, FLAK JACKETS, GAS MASKS WILL BE CARRIED/WORN BY ALL PERS.

(7) MAX USE OF CS DIRECTED IN VICINITY POW CAMP.

(8) MAX USE OF KCS, ITI, MINE AND BOOBY TRAP DOGS.

(9) MAX EMPHASIS DIRECTED TOWARDS MAINTAINING SCTY OF OPN. DISSEM ON A STRICT NEED TO KNOW BASIS ONLY.

(10) VR OF CSJ AREA AND VIC FSB DAGGER ONLY ON APPROVAL OF CO 1ST MAR.

(11) PREPOSITIONING OF ARTY WPNS AUTH.

(12) ASSAULT UNITS CARRY LOCK AND BOLT CUTTERS.

(13) THE OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF THIS OPERATION WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED TO NEWS MEDIA. RETURNEES WILL NOT BE EXPOSED TO NEWS MEDIA PRIOR TO DEBRIEF BY CIT. EXPOSURE TO PRESS IAW III MAF OPLAN 190-70.

4. (S) ADMIN AND LOG

A. IAW NORMAL PROCEDURES EXCEPT 1ST MAR PLAN AND PROVIDE LOGISTICS SUPPORT FOR ATTACHED UNITS.

5. (S) COMMAND AND COMM

A. COMMAND

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(1) CO 1ST MAR EXERCISE OVERALL CONTROL OF OPN.

(2) REPORTS: IAW 1ST MARDIV ADMIN O 301-71

(A) EMPHASIZE

1. MOVEREP

2. FIRE CAP

3. SPOT REP

(B) REPORT BY FLASH PRECEDENCE

1. DISCOVERY OF POW CAMP

2. NUMBER OF POW'S LIBERATED AND GENERAL PHYSICAL COND.

(C) SUBMIT 6 HR SITREP AT DISCRETION OF CO 1ST MAR.

B. COMM-ELC

(1) IAW 1ST MARDIV PG2000.2E (CEID) EXCEPT ALL TRAFFIC CONCERNED THIS OPNS PRECEDE TEXT BY KEY PHRASE "BRIGHTLIGHT".

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CO A (REIN) 1ST RECON BN

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FRAG ORDER 008-71 (S)

A. FIRST MAR DIV OPO 301-70 (S)

B. FIRST MAR OPO 301-70 (S)

C. FIRST MAR DIV OPO 1-71 (S)

1. (S) SITUATION

A. ENEMY: SEE CURRENT INSTUMS AND PERIMTREPS

B. FRIENDLY:

(1) 23RD INF DIV OPERATES TO THE SOUTH OF TAOR.

(2) ROK MARINE BRIGADE OPERATES TO THE EAST AND SOUTH OF TAOR.

(3) 196 INF BRIGADE PHASES INTO THE 1ST MARINE TAOR.

(4) 1ST MAW (-) PROVIDES FIXED WING & HELO SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

(5) CO A (REIN) 1ST RECON BN OPERATES IN RECON HAVENS THROUGHOUT

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THE TAOR.

(6) 1/11 DIRECT SUPPORT 1ST MARINES.

(7) ARVN AND RF'S/PF'S CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

2. (S) MISSION:

(1) 1ST MARINES COMMENCES STAND DOWN OF ITS UNITS ON THE 13TH OF APRIL TO CONTINUE UNTIL 7 MAY 71.

(2) CONTINUES MISSIONS AS ASSIGNED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

3. (S) EXECUTION:

A. 1ST BN

(1) EFFECTIVE 131200H APRIL 71, ALL UNITS STAND DOWN AT HILL 34.

B. 2D BN

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSIONS.

(2) EFFECTIVE 131200H ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR 1ST BN TAOR.

(3) EFFECTIVE 131200H DEPLOY ONE PLATOON (REIN) TO HILL 785 AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY.

(4) EFFECTIVE 131200H DEPLOY ONE PLATOON TO HILL 270 AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY.

(5) BY 131200H ESTABLISH LIAISON TEAMS AT HIEU DUC AND DAI LOC DIST HEADQUARTERS.

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(6) PLATOON DEPLOYING TO HILL 785 WILL MAINTAIN 4-M62 MG'S,
2-60MM MORTARS, 2-50 CAL MG'S, 1 ARTY, FO AND 1 FAC IN SUPPORT
OF ITS POSITION.

C. 3D BN

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSIONS.

(2) MAINTAIN ONE COMPANY AS QUICK REACTION FORCE, WITH ONE
PLATOON LOCATED REGIMENTAL CP AND TWO PLATOONS LOCATED CAMP 14.

D. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) 2D BN ASSUMES 1ST BN TAOR 131200H APRIL 71.

4. (U) ADMIN & LOG. NO CHANGE.

5. (U) COMMAND & COMM-ELECT. NO CHANGE.

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ANNEX A: OPERATION OVERLAY TO 1ST MARCH OF ORDER 1-71
(THE SON MOUNTAINS OPERATIONS MAR-APR 71)

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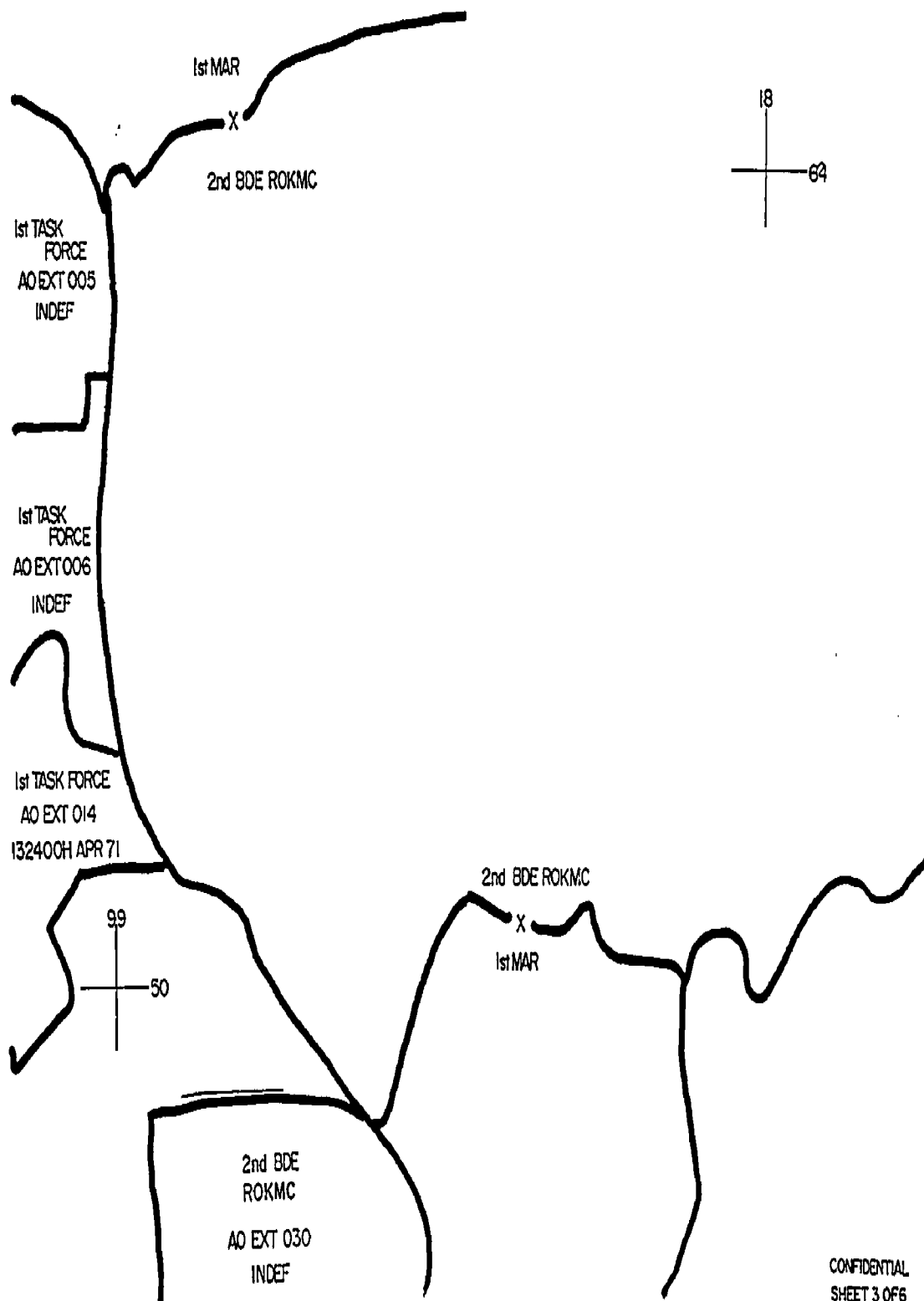
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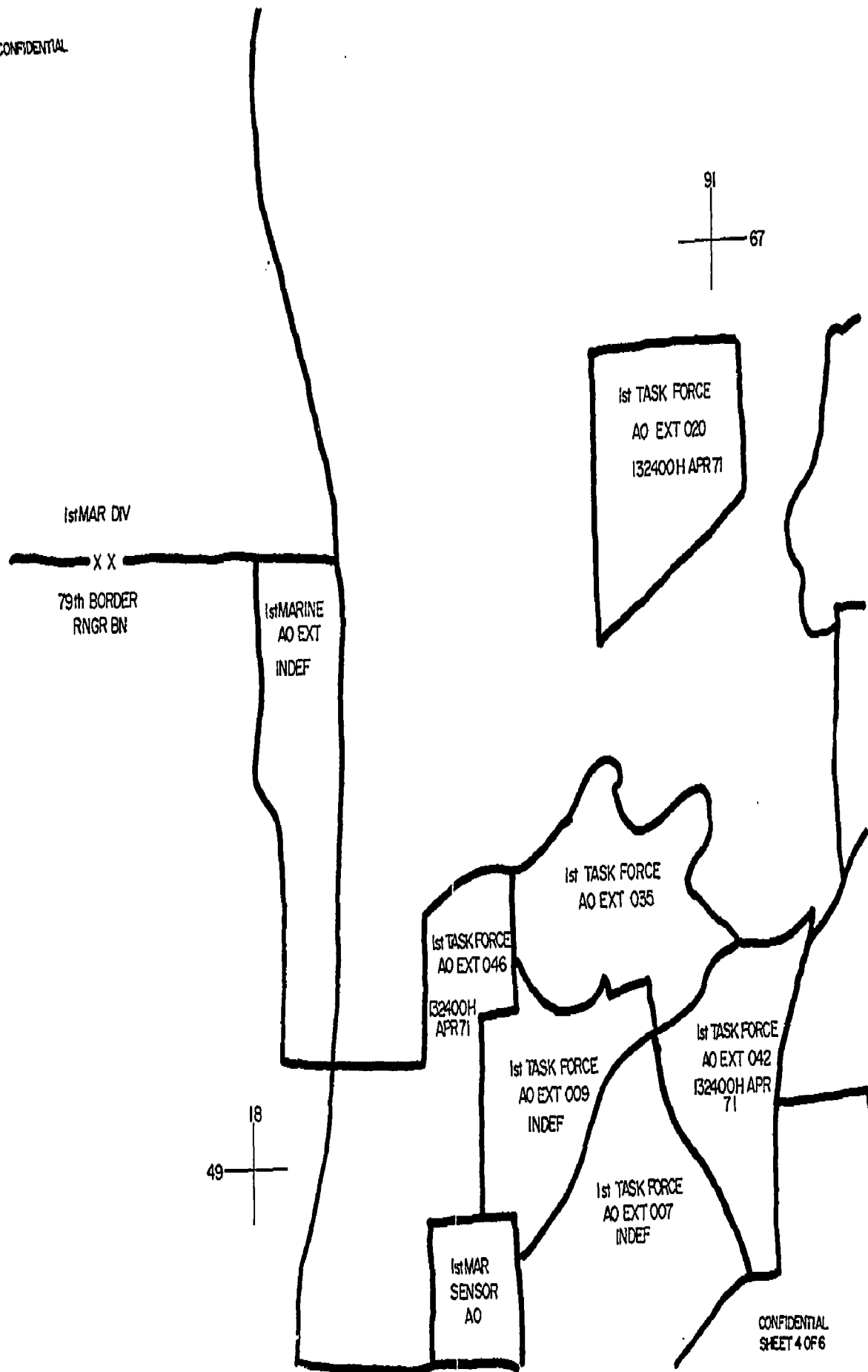
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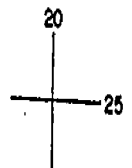
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(QUE SON MOUNTAINS OPERATIONS MAR-APR 71)

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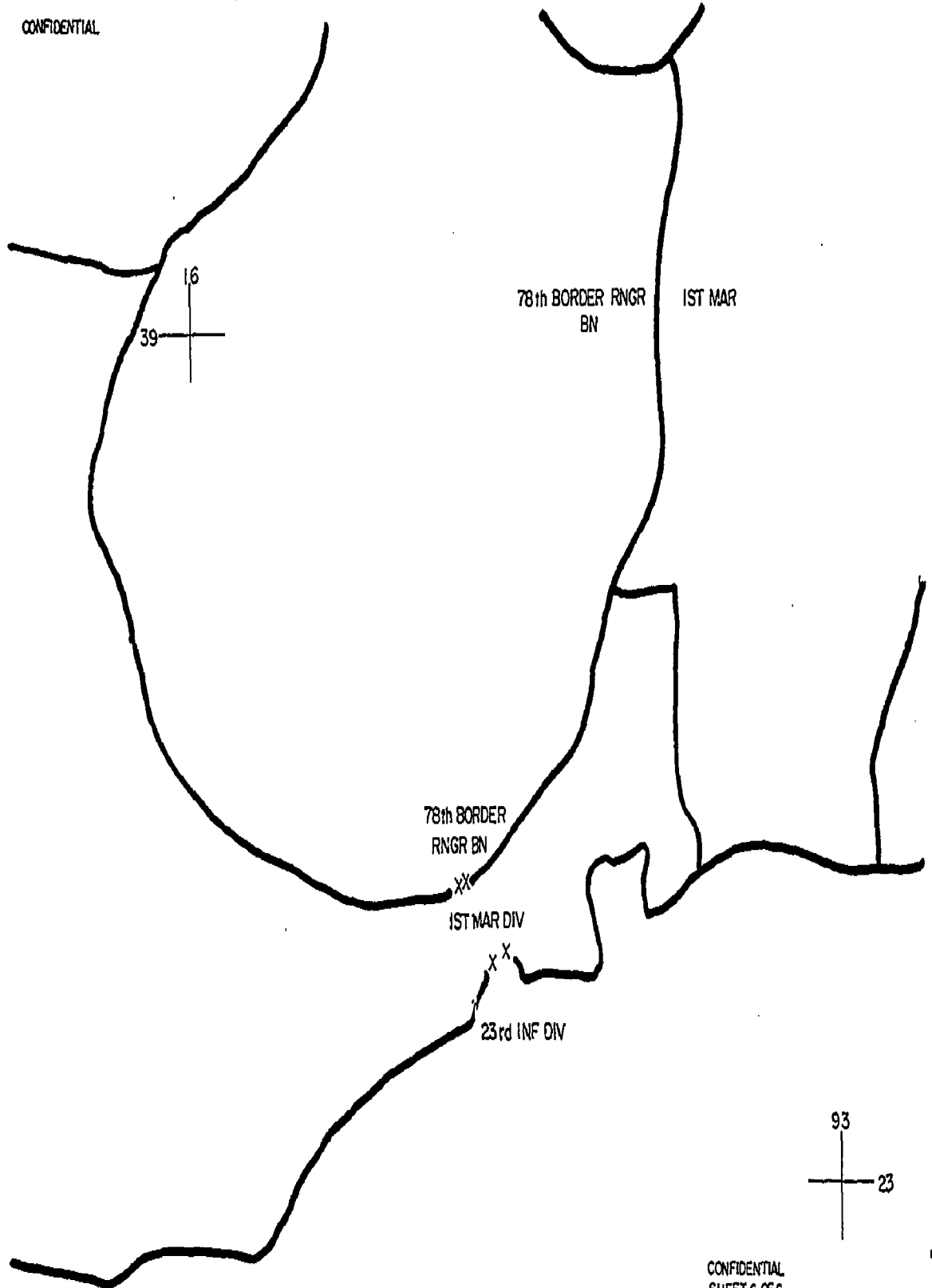
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