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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1. 3d Battalion, 1st Marines (1-31) JULY 70 LtCol W. M. YEAGER

SUBORDINATE UNITS

(a) M&S Company	Capt S. G. BIEHLER	(1-31)	JULY
(b) Company "I"	Capt V. R. BURLINGAME	(1-31)	JULY
(c) Company "K"	1stLt R. D. RITTER	(1-31)	JULY
(d) Company "L"	1stLt R. O. CARLOCK	(1-31)	JULY

2. LOCATION

(a) Quang Nam Province, RVN (1-31) JULY

3. KEY BILLETS

(a) Executive Officer	Major P. L. LEFEVRE	(1-31)	JULY
(b) S-1 Adjutant	2ndLt J. J. ZATTON	(1-31)	JULY
(c) Legal Officer	1stLt K. J. MURRAY	(1-31)	JULY
(d) S-2	1stLt T. S. MCGRATH	(1-18)	JULY
	2ndLt J. L. ALMEIDA	(19-31)	JULY
(e) S-3	Major N. P. HENDRICKS	(1-31)	JULY
(f) S-3A	1stLt J. N. ETCHEART	(1-19)	JULY
(g) S-3B	1stLt T. A. MARTIN	(1-9)	JULY
(h) ALO	1stLt J. C. DAVIES	(1-31)	JULY
(i) FAC	1stLt J. P. SMITH	(1-17)	JULY
	1stLt J. G. WILLIAMS	(13-31)	JULY
(j) ArtyO	1stLt W. T. BARRY	(1-31)	JULY
(k) S-4	Capt R. C. NORRIS	(1-31)	JULY
(l) S-4A	2ndLt M. ZIZZO	(1-19)	JULY
	2ndLt J. G. CHASE	(20-27)	JULY
	1stLt G. M. POULOS	(28-31)	JULY
(m) CommO	1stLt D. J. WALLISER	(1-31)	JULY
(n) SupplyO	1stLt R. E. BROOKS	(1-18)	JULY
	2ndLt J. W. JORDAN	(19-31)	JULY
(o) MTO	1stLt L. D. GEARHART	(1-31)	JULY
(p) S-5	1stLt G. T. OLSZEWSKI	(1-31)	JULY
(q) Battalion Chaplain	LtCmr E. TAKESIAN	(1-3)	JULY
	Lt Z. C. MITCHELL	(22-31)	JULY
(r) Battalion Surgeon	Lt E. D. SMITH	(1-28)	JULY
	Lt R. D. SMITH	(29-31)	JULY

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
H&S Company	18	338	2	42
Company "I"	5	183		
Company "K"	4	173		
Company "L"	4	176		
Battalion Average	31	870	2	42

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY
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PART II
SECTION A
PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. PERSONNEL

a. Average Monthly Strength

UNIT	USMC	USN
3d Battalion, 1st Marines	OFF ENL	OFF ENL
	31 870	2 42

b. Casualties

BATTLE			NON-BATTLE		
KIA	WIA	MIA	SERIOUS	MINOR	DEATH
1	8	0	4	4	0

c. Replacements Received

USMC	USN
OFF ENL	OFF ENL
8 248	1 0

d. Rotation During Month

USMC	USN
OFF ENL	OFF ENL
3 103	0 0

e. Personnel Summary

1. At the close of the reporting period the personnel strength was as follows: 31 Marine Corps Officers, 950 Marine Corps Enlisted, two Navy Officers, and 39 Navy Enlisted.

2. There were two Marine Corps Officer promotions: two officers appointed First Lieutenants.

3. Enlisted promotions during the period consisted of: five Marines promoted to Corporal, 19 Marines promoted to Lance Corporal, and nine Marines promoted to Private First Class.

4. Awards recommended during the reporting period consisted of: five Bronze Star Medals, 12 Navy Commendation Medals, 37 Navy Achievement Medals, and five Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry Medals.

5. Awards delivered during the reporting period consisted of: two Navy Commendation Medals, and nine Purple Heart Medals.

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6. Awards readdressed and forwarded during the reporting period consisted of: two Navy Commendation Medals, and one Navy Achievement Medal.

2. LEGAL AND DISCIPLINE

NJP	33
SCM (COMPLETED)	1
SCM (PENDING)	0
SPCM (COMPLETED)	3
SPCM (PENDING)	0
GCM (COMPLETE)	0
GCM (PENDING)	1
INVESTIGATIONS (COMPLETED)	3
INVESTIGATIONS (PENDING)	2

3. R&R PROGRAM

Bangkok	8
Sydney	12
Taipei	8
Hawaii	13
Tokyo	2
Hong Kong	4
Okinawa	5

4. CHAPLAIN SUPPORT

- a. Chaplain Attached: Lt Z. C. MITCHELL
- b. Divine Services conducted by the Battalion Chaplain
 - 1. Sunday Services: (a) Number held: 3
 - (b) Number attending: 50
- c. Related Activities:
 - 1. No request for assistance in arranging MARS calls to families was received.
- d. Pastoral Activities:
 - 1. American Red Cross messages handled: 0
 - 2. Personal counselling cases: 15

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PART II
SECTION B
INTELLIGENCE

A. ENEMY

1. General. During this reporting period the 3d Battalion made 17 contacts with the enemy. There was one daylight contact and 16 night contacts of which one was enemy initiated. The Battalion accounted for six enemy KIA, 12 detainees; and no POW's. Weapons captured were one AK-47 (Assault Rifle), and one Soviet 7.62 millimeter pistol.

2. Enemy Situation. The active enemy units operating in the 3d Battalion's AO make up the Northern Wing, which is subordinate to the Front 44. Units of the Northern Wing are the:

(a) C-31 Independent (Doc Lap) Company. This unit has an estimated strength of 75 personnel. They have probably moved north of the Song Cu De and are operating from the vicinity AT8990.

(b) C-7 Company. This unit, with an estimated strength of fifty to sixty (50-60) personnel, is also believed to have moved north and is now operating from the vicinity AT8287.

(c) 573 Artillery Battalion. This unit, with 122mm and 140mm rocket capability, is assigned the mission of providing the Northern Wing with artillery support, both rocket and mortars, in coordinated attacks against selected ground installations in the AO.

(d) T-87 Sapper (Main Force) Battalion. This unit, with an estimated strength of 100 personnel is presently operating from the vicinity AT8589.

(e) Q-85 Armed (Local Force) Unit. This unit has an estimated strength of 200 personnel. This unit is presently operating from the vicinity AT9084.

(f) Q-90 Sapper (Local Force) Unit. This unit has an estimated strength of 65 personnel. This unit is presently operating out of a base camp area in the vicinity of AT8391.

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3. Enemy Mission. The mission of the enemy is to maintain reconnaissance patrols, harassing attacks and supply runs while building up units on the perimeter of the 1st Marines AO. The small patrols, usually six to eight men, attempt to make liaison with the Viet Cong Infrastructure to coordinate guerrilla action and logistical support. The main areas of interest are the villages of Hoa Vinh, Hoa Miep, and Hoa Lac. Associating closely with the villagers, therefore being the greatest hindrance to the enemy's mission, are the combined units of CAPI's and CUPPS's. The disruption of these programs would be extremely advantageous to the enemy.

At present the enemy appears to be content to protect his outlying units with an anti-reconnaissance screen while proselytizing the villagers and harassing the GVN troops of the combined unit programs.

4. Enemy Trends and Capabilities. The trends indicated by the enemy sightings and contacts are two fold: (1) a massing of units around the perimeter of the 1st Marines AO, (2) a continuation and increase in the use of small patrols to make liaison with the Viet Cong Infrastructure, to pick up supplies and launch harassing attacks.

Spottings made by reconnaissance teams on the fringe of the AO reveal that there are fresh, well equipped troops in the area. A concentrated anti-reconnaissance effort is being put forth. There appears to be a well developed supply system leading to troop concentrations along the natural avenues of approach to the lowlands.

The enemy is capable of rapid movement and deployment all along the AO using excellent cover and concealment in the mountain canopy by day and natural avenues for night movement.

The enemy will attempt to maintain his anti-reconnaissance efforts and increase his activities into the villages with hopes of extending his sphere of influence.

5. Statistics.

a. Booby Traps Found	0
b. Booby Traps Detonated	1
c. Captured Weapons	2
d. Detainees	12
e. POW's	0
f. KIA's	6
g. Bunkers/Tunnels Destroyed	7
h. VIP Funds Expended	350VN\$

6. Weather.

The temperatures during this reporting period ranged from a high of one hundred (100) degrees to a low of seventy-five (75) degrees. The mean temperature for the month was eighty-eight (88) degrees and the relative humidity was sixty-nine (69) per cent. Rainfall for the month totaled one and eleven one-hundredths (1.11) inches.

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a. In the Hoa Lac, Hoa Vinh, Hoa Thanh area the terrain is mostly covered by rice paddies. The hamlets and villages are on higher dry ground. There are several uninhabited hamlets with the remains of a few concrete houses. These areas provide good cover and concealment and storage sites for the enemy.

b. The area South and Southwest of Hill 190 and Hill 124 is characterized by low, rolling hills. Vegetation consists of low trees and bushes. Movement in this area is fairly easy. The ability to maneuver troops in this area is very good.

c. The major portion of the AO (Northwestern area) consists of extremely rough, steep, mountainous terrain. Movement in this area is greatly restricted, especially for large units. Unless streambeds or trails are followed, movement is reduced to one-hundred to three-hundred (100-300) meters per hour. Cover, concealment, and water are abundant.

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SECTION C
Narrative Summary

During the month of July, the Battalion continued its emphasis on small unit (squad and platoon) day and night combat patrols/ambushes within the area of operations. Most contact with enemy forces was with small three to five man groups in the area of "The Claw" (AT9183). Training in the form of combined operations and patrols was conducted with the 1/25th Regional Force Company Group.

A Company Reconnaissance in Force (RIF) of the Hoa Van Valley (AT8282) was conducted from 23 July to 26 July. On 23 July, Company "K", was helilifted into their respective landing zones and a Fire Support Base of one Section, 81mm Mortar was positioned on Dong Den (AT837828). A Reconnaissance in Force was conducted on the 23-25th and the Company was extracted from (AT8280) on the 26th. No contact was made with enemy forces during the operation, however, numerous trails, a man made well and fighting holes were sighted. On 27 July, Company "K" resumed its AO.

Company "I" conducted 167 day patrols and 210 night activities during period 1-31 July.

Company "K" conducted a four day company size Recon in Force, 56 day patrols and 58 night ambushes. Additionally a ten-day training cycle for all Platoons was conducted at Camp 14 during period 1-31 July.

Company "L" conducted 39 day activities and 57 night ambushes during period 1-31 July.

S-3 personnel conducted 32 hours of instruction during period 1-31 July. The end of the month of July found the battalion better trained in all respects and more confident in its ability to plan, organize and conduct larger-scale operations as well as small-scale squad/Platoon activities.

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B. AIR SUPPORT

FIXED WING

The First Marine Aircraft Wing supported the battalion with a total of 78 fixed wing air missions (13 Beacons, 45 Close Air Strikes and 20 TPQ-10 strikes) and 37 forward air controllers (airborne) utilizing OV-10 Aircraft. These aircraft dropped a total of 823,500 pounds of ordnance (496,500 CAS, 163,000 Beacon and 164,000 TPQ-10). There was also a total of 14-2.75" rockets, 6000 rds 20mm, 6000-7.62mm and 16 CBU-25's expended. This ordnance resulted in eight secondary explosions and seven secondary fires.

ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT

Nine medevacs were completed which evacuated seven emergency, four priority, and one routine. The average time for emergency medevacs from initial request until the time the helo was over LZ was 11 minutes. It took an average of 16 minutes once the helo came on station to get the man on board and complete the mission, making an average time of 27 minutes from the time mission was called until completion.

There was a total of 25 visual reconnaissance missions flown utilizing CH-46 and UH-1E Aircraft.

There was a total of three trap drop missions flown utilizing UH-1E aircraft for a total of four drops and 32 weapons expended on grid AT913837.

During the month of July there were a total of 902 passengers helilifted in support of 3/1 as shown below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>#Passengers</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1 July	L	38	AT900864	AT924845
1 July	K	40	AT924845	AT938783
1 July	K	36	AT938783	AT935784
1 July	H&S	21	AT935784	AT938783
11 July	K	44	AT877788	AT935784
11 July	K	32	AT935784	AT935783
11 July	K	50	AT938783	AT877788
22 July	H&S	16	AT938783	AT837828
22 July	L	5	AT924845	AT900869
22 July	I	12	AT897821	AT877788
22 July	K	54	AT877788	AT938783
23 July	K	44	AT938783	AT837828
23 July	K	88	AT938783	AT812821
26 July	H&S	17	AT837828	AT938783
26 July	K	43	AT834800	AT938783
26 July	K	84	AT838805	AT938783

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26 July	L	14	AT900863	AT924845
27 July	K	23	AT938783	AT877788
27 July	I	10	AT877788	AT897821
27 July	L	6	AT877788	AT938916
27 July	K	32	AT938783	AT935784

There were also a total of 193 troops moved at various times to outposts throughout the battalion AO.

C. ARTILLERY

The Fire Support Coordinator and company forward observers continued to conduct fire support classes.

The bulk of the battalion's fire support was provided by Battery "C", 1st Battalion, 11th Marines.

SUMMARY

<u>PRE-EMPTIVE FIRES</u>	<u>D/S ARTY</u>	<u>G/S ARTY</u>
Targets Submitted	1524	146
Targets Cleared/Fired	1420	145
Rounds Expended	16,777	632
Artillery Time on Target (TOT)	Rounds Expended 195	236
Naval Gun Fire Rounds Expended	1702	
90MM Tank Rounds Expended	121	
106MM Recoiless Rifle Rounds Expended	537	
Pre-Emptive Fire Total Rounds	20,200	

OBSERVED INDIRECT FIRES

	<u>81mm Mortar</u>	<u>D/S Artillery</u>	<u>G/S Artillery</u>
HE TARGETS SUBMITTED	332	130	3
HE TARGETS CLEARED/FIRED	308	122	3
HE ROUNDS EXPENDED	3,545	1,554	37
ILLUM TARGETS SUBMITTED	25	2	0
ILLUM TARGETS CLEARED/FIRED	20	0	0
ILLUM ROUNDS EXPENDED	360	0	0
TOTAL OBSERVED FIRE ROUNDS		5,496	
GRAND TOTAL ROUNDS EXPENDED (All types)		25,696	

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SECTION D
TRAINING

1. THE BATTALION CONDUCTED THE FOLLOWING TRAINING DURING JULY.

a. A Battalion Indoctrination school was held for a period of five days. 174 personnel attended.

b. A Battalion Orientation Briefing for Officers and Staff NCO's was held for a period of two days. Six personnel attended.

c. Company Training: All Companies conducted training in a weekly schedule and included Drug Abuse, Rules of Engagement, Personal Response and First Aid as subjects.

d. The Battalion Rifle Range was used to instruct replacement personnel in Quick Fire/Quick Kill method of engagement. A total of 174 replacement personnel were instructed in this method. Six replacement personnel fired the .45 Caliber Pistol for familiarization. The range was made available for personnel to fam fire and place battle sights on their weapons.

e. Quotas were recieved and filled for the following formal schools.

(1) <u>In Country Schools</u>	
NCO Leadership	7
Land Mine Warfare	36
Custom Inspector	1
(2) <u>Out of Country Schools</u>	
Basic Infantry Weapons Repair	1

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PART II
SECTION E
LOGISTICS

A. ENGINEER ASSISTANCE AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION

1. During the reporting period 12 Engineer Assistance Requests were submitted for the upgrading of existing facilities. Of those three were completed by engineers and three were completed under the Battalion-Self-Help Program, as materials became available. Monsoon preparations are still in progress within all cantonments in the Battalion AO. This Battalion, supported by First Engineers upgraded Marine positions at Hai Van Pass, Thua Thien Province, RVN in preparation for its turnover to the AFVN on 1 August 1970.

B. SUPPLY

1. During the period 23 July to 26 July this organization supported a Company Reconnaissance-in-Force Operation. No unusual experiences occurred.

2. Supply support has been sufficient with the exception of Class IX spare parts for Motor Transport equipment. Parts for M274A2, M151A2 and the EPCU have been on order for periods in excess of three months and are still forthcoming.

C. MAINTENANCE. The following tactical equipment repair orders were submitted to Maintenance Battalion, 1st FSR/FIC during July:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>COMPLETED</u>
Mortor Transport	38	29
Ordnance	148	55
Comm-Elect	182	98
Engineer	4	3

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PART II
SECTION F
CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIL ACTIONS

1. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Buildings

(1) Construction of MedCap station at Hoa Lac (V) (BT 901321) is ready to begin, pending approval from Hoa Vang District.

2. WELFARE

a. Orphanages

(1) Seven truck loads of scrap material was given to the Phnoc Thanh Orphanage, in Hoa Khanh (V).

b. Miscellaneous

(1) Approval from Hoa Vang (D) is still pending before construction of the sewing school/factory for refugees of Tung Son (H) can begin.

3. EDUCATION

a. Schools

(1) Nothing to report

b. Scholarships

(1) Nothing to report

4. HEALTH

a. MedCaps/DentCaps

(1) MedCaps were responsible for treating over 500 civilians during July.

5. AGRICULTURE

a. The IR-20 rice project was not well received due to its failure to grow as was expected.

6. SOCIAL

a. Members of the S-5 section attended seven social meals this month.

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PART II
MEDICAL/DENTAL AFFAIRS

A. PERSONNEL

1. On 31 July 1970 the total strength was one Medical Officer, one Chaplain, and 42 corpsmen. During this period there were nine corpsmen transferred to other commands for separation. There were two corpsmen MIA's and negative KIA's for this period.

B. PATIENT LOAD

1. For this period 408 patients were seen at the Battalion Aid Station for an average of 14 patients per day.

2. There were 14 diagnosed with V. D., none with diarrhea, none with upper respiratory infections, 10 with Fever Unknown Origin, 42 with skin disorders and one with malaria.

C. MEDCAP/DENCAP

1. There were three MedCap and no DenCap held during the month of July.

D. SANITATION

1. Weekly sanitation inspections were conducted throughout the Battalion and outlying areas during the month of July. These areas were found to be satisfactory overall. The problem of the head barrels not being burned properly and emptied frequently still remains. The Battalion is taking corrective measures on these situations.

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PART II
SECTION G
COMMUNICATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

As of 31 July 1970, the Communications Platoon consisted of one Officer and 75 enlisted personnel.

B. EQUIPMENT

Generator Section received one PU-667 skid mounted generator. A change of T/E now authorizes this battalion five skid mounted generators. The Tech Shop processed 186 TERO's, of which 85 were incoming and 101 were completed. 14 pieces of equipment were evacuated to DX, with 34 returned to this unit. FSR completed and returned 20 pieces to us. 12 pieces were turned into FSR for repair. Message Center processed 1069 incoming and 87 outgoing messages. A new type battery for the AN/PRC-77/KY-38/AN/PRC-25 has been issued in lieu of the BA-386. The replacement is the BA-4386 and has already proven reliable for three to four times as long as the BA-386.

C. OPERATIONS/TRAINING

Personnel of the Communications Platoon participated in several short range patrols, ambushes and one company size operation. Two hours of MOS technical training a week has been integrated into the training program. Continual progress in preventive maintenance and transmission security is being made daily.

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Operations

Section A

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PART III
SECTION A
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

011525H. Second Squad, Second Platoon, Company "I" at coordinates AT892820, destroyed a 1000 lb. bomb with the help of an EOD Team.

012200H. Company "I", O P. Robin at coordinates AT907820 spotted two VC/NVA at coordinates AT907821 moving from the southwest toward Quan Nam. Due to the location of Activity 142A, supporting arms were not used. Instead 142A swept the area under illumination with negative results.

022125H. Third Squad, Second Platoon, Company "I" at coordinates AT885017, while enroute to ambush site, spotted two enemy at coordinates AT883817, two hundred meters to their west. Activity opened up with small arms fire and swept area with negative results.

030420H. Second Squad, Second Platoon, Company "L" at coordinates AT891831, while in ambush site observed three VC/NVA in a treeline at coordinates AT886837. Activity called in 81mm fire mission, swept area with negative results.

032010H. Third Squad, Second Platoon, Company "L" at coordinates AT911848, activity enroute to ambush site spotted six VC/NVA at coordinates AT910850. The VC/NVA initiated contact, activity returned fire with small arms and the enemy broke contact. Ten minutes later the activity reestablished contact. They called in supporting arms and also a reactionary force was sent to reinforce the activity. Both activities linked up on sweep of area, with negative results.

071000H. First Squad, First Platoon, Company "I", while on patrol at coordinates AT905827, found one shallow grave with one NVA KIA, one NVA poucho, one AK47 magazine, one M-16 magazine, and one US map (sheet 6641 III DANANG). All gear turned into Bn S-2.

072015H. Company "I" CUFP unit, while set in ambush site at coordinates AT903832 observed two VC/NVA moving west at coordinates AT903831. Activity opened fire with small arms and swept area with negative results.

082035H. Third Squad, Second Platoon, Company "L" while moving into ambush site at coordinates AT921857 observed five enemy moving north-west at coordinates AT920858. Activity opened fire with small arms, called in 81mm fire mission and swept area with negative results.

091540H. Third Platoon, Company "K" at coordinates AT872787 captured one 20-year old VCS with no ID or papers. Woman told activity that enemy moved through coordinates AT820800 south to coordinates AT830750 to pickup point at coordinates AT866760. Enemy used this route every five days to pickup food. Woman detained by activity and later turned over to CTF.

092015H. Third Squad, Second Platoon, Company "L" while in ambush site at coordinates AT915859, received four RPG's and small arms fire from an estimated 15 enemy at coordinates AT914859 and AT915860. Enemy appeared to have been set in a horseshoe ambush. Activity returned fire, called in 81mm and 105 fire mission and an emergency medevac. Activity was reinforced by a squad and one tank, swept area with negative results. Friendly casualties: one KIA, two emergency medevacs, one priority, two routine.

101000H. First Squad, Second Platoon, Company "L" while sweeping area of previous contact at coordinates AT914862, AT915860, AT915859 and AT914860 found one chicom, approximately 100 AK47 casings, seven M-16 casings and three pieces of RPG. Activity called in 81mm fire mission on possible infiltration routes.

102205H. Second Platoon, Company "L" Special Activity, at coordinates AT915838 observed three enemy through NOD; at coordinates AT912833 two VC/NVA were carrying a long cylindrical object, and one VC/NVA appeared to be carrying something on his shoulder. Activity called 81mm and 60mm fire mission. Enemy fled to southeast.

121115H. First Squad, First Platoon, Company "L" while on patrol, activity found rubber slipper and small piece of pen, 25 meters apart at coordinates AT921858. Both objects had a small arrow drawn on them, which was pointing to the same house. Objects were not along trail but in open area. Activity questioned people in area but learned nothing.

122025H. Third Platoon, Company "I" special activity, while in ambush site at coordinates AT889802 observed two enemy at coordinates AT900801 moving southeast, one enemy carrying a rifle, the other carrying a pack. Activity opened fire with small arms, enemy returned fire, and broke contact. Activity swept area with negative results.

150700H. S-2 Scouts while on patrol at coordinates AT882834 found an enemy harbor site. Site was 100 meters square and consisted of numerous caves and granite rock with inter-connecting trails under heavy brush. Area has not been in use recently. Activity found 12 lbs of C-4, 15 feet Det Cord with blasting caps, two empty demolition bags, 35 empty mackerel cans, several empty C-Rats cans, one flashlight, pieces of BA 386 and two pair of sandals.

152045H. Second Squad, First Platoon, Company "I" while in ambush site at coordinates AT909825 observed six enemy 100 meters to the north at coordinates AT909826. Activity opened up with small arms fire and called in 81mm fire mission, swept area under illumination and found one blood trail.

160524H. Third Squad, First Platoon, Company "I" while in ambush site at coordinates AT902826 observed three VC/NVA 100 meters to the south at coordinates AT902827, moving west to east. Activity opened up with small arms and threw one M-26 grenade. Enemy fled to the southwest. Swept area with negative results.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

162245H. First Platoon, Company "K" at coordinates AT876788, observed one light at coordinates AT854804. Called 81mm and 105mm fire missions; light went out.

171045H. First Platoon, Company "K" while checking area of previous fire mission at coordinates AT848813 found freshly broken trail heading northwest from craters made by the artillery fire mission. The area consisted of dense vegetation and 10 feet to 30 feet canopy. Activity continued to sweep and found a piece of shrapnel with hair on it.

171340H. Third Squad, First Platoon, Company "K" while continuing sweep at coordinates AT843817 found a small rest site at coordinates AT861805. Site was surrounded by heavy vegetation and had thick canopy cover, two fighting holes at each end of site, six feet by two feet by two and a half feet, three feet by 1 1/4 feet by one and a half feet and second hole was T shaped.

181300H. Second Squad, First Platoon Company "K" while on patrol at coordinates AT849788 found six enemy rest sites, four feet by five feet in diameter. Site was hidden by foliage and had eight feet by 10 feet canopy cover. Area had reported infra-red readings earlier in the morning. Activity also found dud 105mm M E. round which it destroyed in place.

190230H-191000H. First Platoon, Company "I" at coordinates AT925856, Marine and RF combined Cardon and Search Operation conducted. 250 civilians screened by CIT. Eight detainees taken to CIT Headquarters at First Marines.

191150H. First Squad, First Platoon, Company "I" while on patrol at coordinates AT883804 found a well camouflaged trench in treeline two and a half feet by three and a half feet by 40 meters, trench ran around base of hill, appeared to have been used in past four to five days. Activity destroyed trench and burned camouflage.

201730H. 3d Battalion, 1st Marines, Forward Air Controller at coordinates AT898822 conducting air strikes on previous reported harbor sites at coordinates AT882834, observed four medium size secondary fires and one small secondary explosion, area checked with negative results.

220815H. S-2 scouts while on patrol at coordinates AT855815 found trail that appeared to have been camouflaged, and numerous holes along trail four feet by eight feet by seven feet which appeared to be a rocket storage area. Activity found one bunker two feet by two feet by three feet with human feces inside five or six hours old. Activity found strand of blue wire 1/4 inch thick and eight feet long tied to a tree stretched across trail.

230930H. S-2 Scouts while on patrol at coordinates AT848817 spotted five VC in heavy brush to their front. Activity opened up with small arms, swept area resulting in one enemy KIA. The KIA was female carrying five lbs of documents, one 9mm pistol with one loaded magazine. The document included names of 100 families living in Quang Nam (1) and (2) and Hoa Lac Villages.

III-A-3

ENCLOSURE (1)

232325H. First Squad, Second Platoon Company "I", while in ambush site at coordinates AT909825 observed two VC/NVA at coordinates AT910825. Activity opened up with small arms fire and called 81mm and 105mm fire missions. Swept area with negative results.

242110H. Company "I" CUPP Unit while in ambush site at coordinates AT914820 observed three VC/NVA moving southwest at coordinates AT907823. Activity commenced small arms fire, called in 60mm and 81mm fire mission. Swept area with negative results.

250005H. Company "L" OP Lima Leatherneck at coordinates AT900864 received one Chicom from coordinates AT900864. Activity threw grenades, called in 105mm fire mission.

251617H. Company "I" OP39 at coordinates AT865857. Activity called in 105mm and 155mm fire mission, observed two confirmed KIA's in river, remaining enemy fled to the southeast.

262131H. Company "I" at coordinates AT898822 sensor activations at coordinates AT897825. Company "I" notified OP Robin to check area with infra red, OP Robin observed 16 to 18 VC/NVA moving to the east, two with black shirts and black shorts, six with uniforms, and NVA pith helmets. Activity called in 60mm fire mission, and a reactionary squad was sent to check out area of fire mission. Area was swept with negative results, and the reactionary force I21 set up an ambush in area.

270010H. Company "I" CUPP Unit while in ambush site at coordinates AT908823 spotted five VC/NVA to their north at coordinates AT908825. Activity opened up with small arms fire, swept area with negative results.

270850H. 3d Battalion, 1st Marines OP2 at coordinates AT924783 observed 10 Vietnamese near perimeter wire. The Vietnamese appeared to be picking up C-Rat cans and cutting grass. Activity tried to halt them for questioning, all but nine ran away. Nine were detained, seven of the nine were released, and two held for questioning by CIT.

272010H. Company "I" at coordinates AT898822 had sensor activations. OP Robin observed seven enemy with weapons, pack and uniforms at coordinates AT899825. Activity called in 60mm fire mission trying to force enemy into I42A ambush site at coordinates AT909822. I42A observed enemy approaching and opened fire with small arms. Enemy returned fire. Activity swept area and found one VC/NVA KIA, in black shorts and cartridge belt, one US battle dressing, two pieces, four feet by six feet, of green plastic.

272140H. Second Platoon, Company "L" at coordinates AT928841 observed two enemy through a starlight scope crossing the river from south to north at coordinates AT908834. Activity called 81mm fire mission.

272320H. Company "I" observed three enemy wearing green uniforms moving east at coordinates AT912823. Activity initiated contact with small arms fire, swept area and found five Chicoms grenades in a green bag, rigged for possible booby traps, two dozen chestnuts, and four portions of rice wrapped in banana leaves.

III-A-4

ENCLOSURE (1)

280735H. Company "I", two squads of RF's were sent out to check area of previous contact, at coordinates AT909822 and AT912825 finding one AK47, two NVA uniforms and one body.

291830H. First Squad, Third Platoon, Company "I" while on patrol found one bunker eight feet by eight feet by six feet at coordinates AT905824. Activity searched bunker and found one knife, three papers with drawings and Vietnamese writing, one piece of eight feet by 12 feet plastic. Activity destroyed bunker with C-4 and gear will be turned into Battalion S-2.

310145H. Company "I" CUPP Unit on the way back from their ambush site at coordinates AT905818, activity spotted two VC/NVA on the same trail. Activity opened fire on the enemy, then six to eight or more VC/NVA returned fire at coordinates AT905817. Activity returned fire and enemy broke contact fleeing to the east. Swept area with negative results.

310600H. Company "I" CUPP Unit swept area of previous contact at coordinates AT905818, finding one homemade pack, one four by six feet piece of plastic, two lbs bag of candy, 15-20 lbs polished and unpolished rice, two packs of VN cigarettes and one tobacco pouch with cigarette paper. All items turned in to Battalion S-2.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

PART IV
SECTION A
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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TAB 1
S-3 JOURNAL

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JOURNAL OPENED
I2S ACT W/50D Team destroyed dud bomb
(AT892820) (Ref. 231000H June 70).
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JOURNAL OPENED
I-23 While on Route to A/S, AGT obsv'd
02 VC/NVA (AF883817). AGT opened fire
w/s/a. Swept area w/neg results. 81mm
and 105mm fire missions called on routes
of escape.
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0420 0435 1JOURNAL OPENED
L22 ACT obsv'd 03 VC/NVA in tree line
(AT886837) ACT opened fire w/s/a, called
81mm fire mission. Swept area w/neg
results.S,F
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2010 2025 2

L23 ACT obsv'd 06 VC/NVA (AT910850) enemy
initiated contact, L23 ret'd fire w/s/a,
called 81mm fire mission, also utilized
tanks and 106mmRR fire on routes of escape.
Swept area w/neg results. CL USMC MIAMI.

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III ACT on patrol FD 01 shallow grave at
(AT905827) containing 01 VC/NVA KBA, 01
NVA poncho, 01 AK-47 magazine, 01 M-16
magazine, and 01 US map sheet #6641 III
DANANG. All gear turned into Bn S-2.

2015 2030 2

III while set in A/S obsv'd 02 VC/NVA
(AT901831). ACT opened fire w/s/a.
Swept area w/neg results.

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JOURNAL CLOSED

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080001H July 70

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1540 1555 1JOURNAL OPENED
ILL ACT FD OL M-79 DUD (AT917834) neg
beoby trap of camouflage. Blew rd in
place w/Ch.S,F
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2035 2050 2

L24 ACT moving to A/S obsvd 05 enemy
(AT920858) ACT opened fire w/s/a, called
81mm FIRE MISSION. Swept area w/neg
results.

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090001H July 70

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JOURNAL OPENED

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K31 ACT detained 01 VN FEMALE, 20 yrs old
w/mag ID card (AT872787) Woman was turned
over to CIT.

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2015 2030 2

123 while in A/S rec'd 01 RPG rds and 3/A
fire from approx. 15 enemy. Enemy appear-
ed to be set in HORSESHOE shaped ambush
(AT911859 and AT915860). Contact resulted
in 01 USMC KIA, 02 USMC WIA (E), 01 USMC
WIA (F), and 02 USMC WIA (R).

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L21 while sweeping area of previous contact, ACT FD 01 Chicom (AT916862), approx 100 AK-47 CASINGS (AT916863), 07 M-16 CASINGS not of friendly usage (AT914860), and 03 pieces of RPG rd (AT915859). Chicom was blown in place.

0330 1345 2

S2A ACT FD underground Bunker 2'x4'x4'. Checked area w/neg results. Bunker dest'd w/Ch.

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2205 2220 3

L24 ACT obsv'd 03 enemy through NOB (AT912833) 02 were carrying a long cylindrical object. Other enemy was carrying object over shoulder, called 60mm and 81mm FIRE MISSIONS. Area swept w/neg results.

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JOURNAL OPENED
Ill ACT FD tunnel (AT914831) entrance was
too small for USMC to enter, Tunnel
dest'd w/Ch.
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JOURNAL OPENED
111 ACT PD rubber slipper and small piece
of Pen (AT921858). Both objects had
arrows drawn on them. Both arrows pointed
to the same house. CIT advised.
134 ACT obsv'd 02 enemy (AT900801) 01
enemy had weapon. ACT opened fire w/s/a
Area swept w/neg results.
JOURNAL CLOSED

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JOURNAL OPENED

L3 had 01 USMC wounded in abdomen and left elbow while attempting to clear .45 CAL pistol. Emergency medevac called and completed.

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JOURNAL CLOSED

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S2A AGT FD enemy harbor site (AT882834) consisting of numerous caves and granite rocks w/inter-connecting trails under heavy brush. Searched area and FD 12 lbs C-4, 15 FT Det Cord w/blastng caps, 02 enemy Demo bags, 35 empty mackerel cans, numerous empty C-RAT cans, 01 flashlight, pieces of RA386, and 02 PR Sandals.

2045 2100 2

IL2 AGT obsv'd 06 enemy (AT909826). Engaged enemy w/s/a, Swept area, FD 01 small blood trail, otherwise Neg results.

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160001H July 70

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0525	0540	1	IL3 obsv'd 03 enemy (AT902527). Engaged enemy w/s/a, swept area w/neg results.	S,F
0910	0925	2	I21 AGT FB partially buried metal tube, approx 6 in. in diameter (AT906835). Neg booby trap. Blew in place w/Ch.	S,F
1845	1900	3	I42 CP (AT907816) rec'd 02 M-16 magazines w/20 RDS each from 02 VN children. Paid children 200 \$ VN and retained magazines.	S,F
2150	2105	4	K1 PPB obsv'd 02 lights moving North (AT844817). Called 105mm Fire Mission, lights went out.	S,F
2245	2300	5	K1 PPB obsv'd 01 light (AT854804). Called 105mm Fire Mission, light went out.	S,F
2400			JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

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170000LN July 70

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 K16 while sweeping area of previous Fire Mission, ACT FD freshly broken trail near forty impact craters (AT848813). Checked area further w/neg results.

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1340 1355 2

K16 while checking area of Fire Mission, ACT FD small rest site along trail (AT848817). Site was surrounded by thick vegetation and had thick canopy cover. 02 fighting holes were located at each end of rest site, ACT followed trail to (AT848805) w/neg results.

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0001			JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
1300	1315	1	K12 ACT FD 06 small enemy harbor sites (AT849788). Sites were well hidden by foliage and had 8'-10' canopy. Checked area w/neg results.	S,F
1430	1445	2	142 GP (AT907816) rec'd 04 M-16 magazines w/58 RDS from 02 VN children. Paid children 150 \$ VN and retained magazines.	S,F
1530	1545	3	Hai Van RF's on motorized Patrol on Hwy 1 were hit by RPG and s/a fire (AT922928). Reactionary force from 606 RF CO. dispatched to scene, obsv'd 03 enemy and engaged w/s/a w/neg results. There were neg friendly casualties.	S,F
1745	1800	4	I GP-GP Robin obsv'd mvmt and metal flashes (AT877836). Called 105mm Fire Mission w/neg results.	S,F
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L1 Plt Gordon and search of Kim Lien Village w/RF's resulted in 08 detainees.

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Detainees were talked to by 15th ITF HQ.

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I21 AGT FD 01 Bunker 5'x4'x4' (AF904831).

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Checked area w/neg results. Dest'd Bunker.

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I11 AGT FD well camouflaged trench in tree-line (AF883864). Trench was 2 1/2' wide, 3'

deep and 40-45 meters long. Appeared to have been recently used. Checked area

w/neg results, dest'd trench and camouflage.

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0001			JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
1505	1520	1	Had Van MP's were called to vehicle accident (AF918928). Upon arrival MP's FD empty vehicle, and were hit by Oh RPG RDS and rec'd s/a fire. Negotiation force from 606 RF Co. checked area w/neg results. There were no friendly casualties.	S,F
2015	2030	2	I CP had 24 sensor activations (AF906829). Called 81mm Fire Mission. Sensors believed to be malfunctioning as activations continued after Fire Mission.	S,F
2200	2215	3	I CP had 70 MPS Sensor activations (AF883811) called 81mm and 105mm Fire Missions. Area swept w/neg results.	S,F
2200	2215	4	I CP had 14 MPS Sensor activations (AF885816) called 81mm and 105mm Fire Missions. Area swept w/neg results.	S,F
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210000H July 70

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1845 1900 1JOURNAL OPENED
789th RF ACT rec'd 20 rds a/a/f (AT922889)
resulting in 01 RF WIA (Pri). Priority
medevac called and completed.S,F
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2045 2100 2

K1 ACT obs'd 01 light (AT873784) fired
60mm FIRE MISSION, swept area w/neg
results.

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0815	0830	1	S2A ACT FD camouflaged trail (AT855815)	S,F
			also FD numerous holes along trail that	
			are possible rocket storage sites.	
1300	1315	2	L ACT spotted small fire (AT898858) fired	S,F
			60mm FIRE MISSION, swept area w/neg results.	
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0001			JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
0930	0945	1	S2A ACT obsv'd 05 enemy (AT848817) ACT engaged enemy w/s/a resulting in 01 NVA FEMALE. ACT captured 01 7.62mm pistol and numerous documents. Documents and pistol forwarded to Bn. S-2.	S,F
1500	1515	2	K2A while checking trail, ACT FD 01 camouflaged fighting hole, (AT813812), at (AT810811) ACT FD 01 large storage hole, 10'x12'x12'. Checked area further, FD VN cigarette butts and empty package. Dest'd holes.	S,F
1935	1950	3	I CP rec'd 17 magnetic sensor activations (AT897826) and (AT906830) called 60mm and 81mm FIRE MISSIONS. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
2325	2340	4	I21 ACT obsv'd 02 enemy (AT910825) engaged w/s/a, called 81mm and 105mm FIRE MISSIONS. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
2335	2350	5	I2 CP 01 USMC fell down hill (AT876788) suffering multiple cuts and bruises. Emergency medevac called and completed.	
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1145	1200	1	K3 ACT FD Q1 hole, 1 1/2 in DIA 7' deep. (AT813821) Checked area w/neg results. Dest'd hole.	S,F
1145	1200	2	K3B ACT FD Q1 bunker dest'd by airstrike (AT816822) ACT also FD several small trails. Checked area w/neg further findings.	S,F
1510	1525	3	K2C ACT FD Q1 large hole 8'x8'x8' w/approx 2' of stagnant water. (AT804809) ACT also FD tracks of several persons (AT804810). At (AT802807) ACT FD old RECON HARBOR site.	S,F
2025	2040	4	LLN ACT obsv'd fire (AT894859) called 81mm and 105mm FIRE MISSIONS. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
2110	2125	5	242A ACT obsv'd 03 enemy (AT907823) called 60mm and 81mm FIRE MISSIONS. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
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0005	0020	1	LIN ACT rec'd 01 incoming grenade resulting in 01 USMC KIA (R) and 01 USN KIA (R). ACT called 105mm FIRE MISSION. Called and completed Routine Medevac. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
0747	0802	2	K2A ACT had 01 USMC fall down shore embarkment. Priority Medevac called and completed.	S,F
1130	1145	3	K3 ACT FD old Recon Harbor Site (AT824805). Area had not been used in past month.	S,F
1300	1515	4	K11 ACT had 01 VN run from patrol. ACT detained individual but PSDF's surrounded ACT and would not let ACT bring detainee in. L Co G. O. and LRF Co K9 arrived and brought detainee to L GP for questioning. G17 questioned and released individual, suspect him of being draft dodger.	S,F
1800	1815	4	K2 ACT had 01 USMC heat casualty (AT822804) Emergency Medevac called and completed.	
1817	1832	5	OP39 obs'd 03 enemy swimming across Cu De River (AT865857) called 105mm FIRE MISSION, resulting in 02 enemy K.B.A.	S,F
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I CP rec'd sensor activations (AT897825)
also had visual sighting of Q2 VC and Q6
NVA. Called 60mm and 81mm FIRE MISSIONS.
Supt area w/ing results.
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0610	0025	1	IL42A ACT obsv'd 05 enemy (AT908825). En-	S,F
0850	0905	2	gaged enemy w/s/a. Swept area w/neg results. OP2 Detained 09 VN near perimeter wire. Detainees turned over to ITT for questioning 07 released to National Police, 02 remained for further questioning.	S,F
2010	2025	3	ICP had 18 sensor activations (AT899825), OP ROBIN obsv'd 07 enemy w/weapons and packs. Fired 60mm to route enemy toward IL42A A/S. IL42A observed enemy and engaged w/s/a resulting in 01 VC KIA, 01 Battle Dressing, 01 PR black shorts, 01 cartridge belt, and 02 pieces plastic 4'x5'.	S,F
2140	2155	4	L2 ACT obsv'd 02 enemy crossing River (AT908834). Fired 106mm R.R. and called 81mm Fire Mission. Checked area w/neg results.	S,F
2215	2230	5	ICP had 13 sensor activations (AT906830). Called 81mm Fire Mission. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
2320	2335	6	IL42RF ACT obsv'd 03 enemy (AT912823). En- gaged enemy w/s/a. Swept area, PD 05 Chi- cans, 01 sheet green plastic, and small amounts of food. In response of area, ACT PD 01 NVA KIA, 01 AK-47, 02 NVA uniforms, 01 PR green shorts, and 01 brown shirt.	S,F
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A3A Road Sweep FD 03 105mm Illum RDS near
Road (AT921852). Det'd RDS w/Ch.

IN ACT FD 01 Bunker approx 8"x8"x6"
(AT905824). Searched Bunker, FD 81 knife,
83 pieces of paper w/drawings and VN
writing, and 01 8"x12" piece of plastic.
Det'd bunker.

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0145	0200	1	142A while moving back to CP obsv'd 02 enemy (AT905817). Opened fire w/a/a and an additional 06 to 08 enemy returned fire. Swept area w/neg results.	S,F
0600	0615	2	1428 AGT swept area of previous contact (AT905818) PD 01 homemade pack, 01 piece of plastic 4x6, 02 1-lb bags of candy, 15-20 lbs polished and unpolished rice, 02 packs VN cigarettes, and 01 tobacco pouch.	S,F
1956	2011	3	I CP had 27 metallic activations (AT906831) called 81st FIRE MISSION, swept area w/neg results.	S,F
2355	0010	4	I CP had 15 metallic activations (AT906830) called 81st FIRE MISSION, swept area w/neg results.	S,F
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TAB 2
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Frag Order 19-70

Ref: (a) Danang, Sheet 6641 III, series L 7014
(b) 3rd Bn, 1st Mar Frag Order 2-70
(c) 3rd Bn, 1st Mar Frag Order 16-70

Time Zone: HOTEL

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

(1) No change, except intelligence indicates that the Hoa Van Valley is being used by the enemy as a harbor site and forward storage area for rockets.

b. Friendly Forces

(1) 1st Marines continues present mission.

(2) Air Support

(a) 1st Marine Aircraft Wing provides fixed and rotary wing support.

1. Fixed Wing LZ prep on D-1 and D-DAY.

2. Heliborne assault on D-DAY, H+1 hours.

3. Helicopter resupply on D+1 and D+2, if required.

4. Helicopter extraction on order on D+3.

(3) Artillery Support

(a) 11th Mar provides general support reinforcing fires.

(b) Battery "C", 1/11 provides direct support.

c. Attachments and Detachments: None

2. MISSION. 3rdBn, 1st Marines on D-DAY at H-Hour conducts a heliborne assault and reconnaissance in force of the Hoa Van Valley to locate enemy basecamps and equipment.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. On D-1, Co "K", 3rdBn, 1st Marines rede- ployes to 3/1 CP via helicopter and Co "I" positions one squad (Rein) on Hill 124 to replace Co "K". Section, 81mm Mortar Plt is positioned on Dong Den (vic AT837828). On D-DAY, one Plt, Co "K" conducts a heliborne assault into LZ Bluejay and one Plt to LZ Finch and establishes blocking positions. Simultaneously Co "K(-)" is helilifted to Dong Den and con- ducts RIF through the Hoa Van Valley (CM AT8282). Upon completion of RIF of Hoa Van Valley, Co "K" conducts RIF of terrain within assigned AO. (See Annex A, Opn. Overlay) Co "K" extracted approximately 261500H and on 27 July forces are repositioned.

b. Company "I"

(1) Continue present mission IAW Ref. (b) and (c).

(2) Deploy reinforced squad to Hill 124 on D-1 for duration of operation.

c. Company "K"

(1) On D-1 relinquish AO to Co "I".

(2) On D-DAY (H+1) helilift one platoon (Rein) to LZ Bluejay and one platoon to LZ Finch and establish blocking forces. Co "K(-)" lands at Dong Den and conducts recon in force of the Hoa Van Valley. (See Annex A-Opn Overlay)

(3) Upon conclusion of RIF of Hoa Van Valley establish Combat Patrol Base and conduct RIF in AO.

d. Company "L"

(1) Continue present mission IAW Ref (b) and (c).

e. 81mm Mortar Plt.

(1) Provide section 81mm Mortars in Direct Support Co "K". Position section on Dong Den on D-1.

f. Reserve

(1) Reinforcing units are available from resources external to the battalion to act as reserve.

g. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) D-Day, H-Hour: 230600H July 1970.
- (2) Duration: approximately 4 days.
- (3) Artillery support requested IAW current Bn SOP.
- (4) Helicopter support requested IAW current Bn SOP.
- (5) Medevac procedures IAW current Bn SOP.
- (6) Employ 60mm mortars at Company Commander's discretion.
- (7) Starlight scopes and 150' nylon rope mandatory for each platoon.
- (8) Carry MK115 Ordnance Detector.
- (9) CO, Co "K" acts as Fire Support Coordinator for 81mm fire support within Co "K" AO. Coordination of other fire support remains with CO, 3/1.
- (10) 81mm Mortar Section on Dong Den provides aircraft watch during daylight hours.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

- (a) Carry four days class I and V.
- (b) Resupply available on 24 and 25 July upon request.
- (c) Flak jackets and helmet will not be worn.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

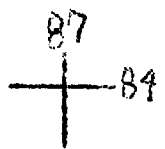
- (a) 3rd Bn, 1st Marines establishes a radio relay on Dong Den (vic AT837828) with station on Bn Tac (Primary), Callsign Donny Brook X-Ray.
- (b) SitReps and PosReps every two hours.
- (c) Report night positions by 1800H.
- (d) Emphasize Comm Security.

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ANNEXES:

1- Operations Overlay
2-DISTRIBUTION



ANNEX A (OPNS OVERLAY)
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ANNEX Z (DISTRIBUTION) TO FRAG O 19-70

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CO, 11th Mar	1
CO, 1/11	1
CO, 3/1	1
XO, 3/1	1
S-1, 3/1	1
S-2, 3/1	1
S-3, 3/1	3
S-4, 3/1	1
ModO	1
CommO	1
81mm Mort Plt Cmdr	1
CO, Co "I"	1
CO, Co "L"	1
CO, Co "K"	4
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