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2d Light AA Missile Battalion
Marine Wing Headquarters Group One
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
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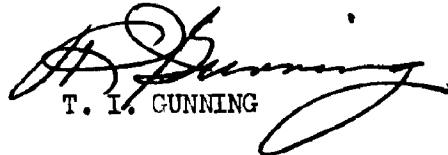
From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One (S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for December

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(b) WGO 5750.1B
(c) GruO 5750.1

Encl: ✓(1) Subject Report

1. In accordance with references (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.


T. I. GUNNING

ENCLOSURE (9)

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Command Chronology Report

2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion
Marine Wing Headquarters Group One
First Marine Aircraft Wing

Located at

Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam

1 December 1966 to 31 December 1966

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Part One, Organizational Data

1. Commanders and Staff

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| a. Thomas I. GUNNING Battalion Commanding Officer | LtCol USMC 31 Jul 1966 to present |
| b. Palmer A. ROESSLE Battalion Executive Officer | Major USMC 28 Sep 1966 to present |
| c. Milton C. KRAMER Battalion S-2/S-3 | Major USMC 28 Sep 1966 to present |
| d. Barry P. RUST Battalion S-4 | Major USMC 13 Sep 1966 to present |
| e. Charles R. TAYLOR Battalion S-1 | 2ndLt USMC 1 Oct 1966 to present |
| f. Billy J. SPEIGHTS H&S Battery Commanding Officer | Capt USMC 14 Nov 1966 to present |
| g. Robert S. HOLMAN Battery A Commanding Officer | Capt USMC 7 Oct 1966 to present |
| h. David P. ALLEN Battery A Executive Officer | 1stLt USMC 7 Oct 1966 to present |
| i. Richard A. WISEMAN Battery B Commanding Officer | 1stLt USMC 5 Nov 1966 to present |
| j. John F. MORGAN Battery B Executive Officer | 1stLt USMC 5 Nov 1966 to present |
| k. James D. KOPPANG Battery C Commanding Officer | Capt USMC 21 Jul 1966 to present |
| l. Thomas P. McMULLAN Battery C Executive Officer | 1stLt USMC 18 Oct 1966 to present |

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

- a. No task organization
- b. Battery A, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.

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c. Battery B, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.

d. Battery C, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.

e. H&S Battery, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.

3. Average Monthly Strength.

a. Battery A 83

b. Battery B 85

c. Battery C 73

d. H&S Battery 220

4. Important Visitors.

a. Major General L. B. ROBERTSHAW, Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, visited this battalion on 9 December 1966.

b. Brigadier General R. G. OWENS Jr., Assistant Wing Commander, accompanied by Colonel J. W. HUBBARD, Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12, visited the battalion on 11 December 1966.

c. Colonel W. L. ATWATER, Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One, LtCol G. D. McPHERSON, Operations Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One, Major T. K. BURK, Commanding Officer, Marine Air Control Squadron 7, and Major L. W. PARJER, Executive Officer, 1st Light AA Missile Battalion, visited the battalion on 15 December 1966.

Part Two, Significant Highlights.

1. None

Part Three, Significant Events.

1. Personnel.

a. During the month of December, H&S Battery promoted one officer to 1st Lieutenant, 1 man to Sergeant, 27 men to Corporal, and 5 men to Lance Corporal.

b. During the month of December, Battery A promoted two men to Sergeant, seven men to Corporal, and nine to Lance Corporal.

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c. During the month of December, Battery B promoted two men to Sergeant, seven men to Corporal, and three to Lance Corporal.

d. During the month of December, Battery C promoted three men to Corporal and eleven to Lance Corporal.

e. On 25 December, Air Defense Exercise 3-66 was conducted from 1000 to 1330. During this exercise, one aircraft was designated as hostile and was successfully engaged by the battalion. The second day of the exercise was cancelled because of foul weather.

2. Casualties. None

3. Civil Affairs.

a. During the month of December, 1240 people on the island of Ky Hoa were treated by the Battalion MEDCap personnel.

b. On 28 November 1966 LtCol. Thomas I. GUNNING, Battalion Commanding Officer, Lt. B. J. KIDD, USN(MC) Battalion Surgeon, and S/Sgt. D. M. LEMOS, Battalion Civil Affairs NCO, went to Bangkok, Thailand to deliver a Commanding General's Letter Of Appreciation to the President of the Congressional Secretaries Club of the United States for the Club's donation of maternity kits for the hospital on Ky Hoa Island, one of the Battalion Civic Action Projects.

c. On 1, 2, and 6 December 1st Lt. D. R. TAYLOR accompanied by a detachment from the 244th PsyOps Co. in Danang worked on the island of Ky Hoa. Several hundred health and propaganda leaflets were distributed and a propaganda movie was shown.

d. During December Battery A donated \$32.50 to the Chaplain's Fund for a destroyed Vietnamese Church near Chu Lai.

e. A group of 40 children from Tam Ky Orphanage visited the battalion on 21 December to sing Christmas Carols for the Marines.

f. On 22 December, a three year scholarship was donated by the battalion to the Evangelical Protestant Church of Vietnam. It was awarded to a ministry student from An Tan.

4. Motor Transport. During the month of December this battalion provided a total of 31 vehicles traveling a total of 5,787 miles in support of Chu Lai Combat Base.

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5. Communications.

a. During the period 1-31 Dec 1966, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion Communication-Electronics Section phased the new FM series radio equipment, the AN/PRC-25, into their communication system.

b. The battalion radio section commenced operation of a bi-weekly battalion radio drill circuit. This circuit is utilized for operator training and the passage of administrative traffic within the command.

6. Education.

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| a. Battery A | 55.0% |
| b. Battery B | 83.8% |
| c. Battery C | 82.5% |
| d. H&S Battery | 68.0% |
| e. Composite Percentage | 71.1% |

7. Local Security. At approximately 200115H a fishing boat without lights approached Battery A position. It was taken under fire by M-14 rifles and M-60 machine guns. Twenty-five rounds were expended. The boat disappeared behind a small island. Results were unknown.

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