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

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Command Chronology Report

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

Located at

Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam

1 March 1967 to 31 March 1967



#### Part One, Organizational Data

#### 1. Commanders and Staff

- a. Thomas I. GUNNING
  Eattalion Commanding Officer
- b. Palmer A. ROESSIE
  Battalion Executive Officer
- c. Milton C. KRAMER Eattalion S-2/S-3
- d. Barry P. RUST Battalion S-4
- e. Charles R. TAYLOR Battalion S-1
- f. Billy J. SPEIGHTS
  H&S Battery Commanding Officer
- g. Donald R. TAYLOR
  H&S Battery Executive Officer
- h. Robert S. HOLMAN
  Battery A Commanding Officer
- i. David P. ALIEN
  Battery A Executive Officer
- j. Richard A. WISEMAN
  Battery B Commanding Officer
- k. Michael W. STEVENS Battery B Executive Officer
- 1. James D. KOPPANG
  Battery C Commanding Officer
- m. Thomas P. MCMULIAN
  Battery C Executive Officer
- n. James R. SCHETB
  Battery C Executive Officer

LtCol USMC 31 July 1966 to present

Major USMC 28 Sept 1966 to present

Major USMC 28 Sept 1966 to present

Major USMC 13 Sept 1966 to present

2dLt USMC 1 Oct 1966 to present

Capt USMC 14 Nov 1966 to present

lstLt USMCR 10 Mar 1967 to present

Capt USMC 7 Oct 1966 to present

Capt USMC 7 Oct 1966 to present

Capt USMCR 5 Nov 1966 to present

Capt USMCR 16 Jan 1967 to present

Capt USMC 21 July 1966 to present

1stLt USMCR 18 Oct 1966 to 9 Mar 1967

Capt USMCR 10 Mar 1967 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 Sept 1965 to present.

- c. Battery B, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 Sept 1965 to present.
- d. Battery C, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 Sept 1965 to present.
- e. H&S Battery, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 15 Sept 1965 to present.

## 3. Average Monthly Strength

a. Battery A	80
b. Battery B	80
c. Battery C	80
d. H&S Battery	260

## 4. Important Visitors

- a. Lt. General V. H. KRUIAK, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific and Major General L. B. ROBERTSHAW, Commanding General, First Marine Aircraft Wing visited Battery C, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion 1500-1515, 9 March 1967. Included in the visiting party were Major General H. NICKERSON Jr., Commanding General, First Marine Division, and Brigadier General W. A. STILES, Commanding General, Task Force X-Ray.
- D. LtCol. Gordon D. MCPHERSON, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One, S-3 visited this Battalion on 10 March 1967.
- c. LtCol. Ben C. ROWE, OIC of TADC, Da Nang, visited this Battalion on 14 March 1967.
- d. Col. R. M. HUNT, First Marine Aircraft Wing Inspector arrived at 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion Headquarters at 0945 and departed at 1030 21 March 1967 for Battery B. He was primarily interested in mess halls, living areas, recreational facilities, and shower and head facilities.

# Part Two, Significant Highlights

#### 1. None

## Part Three, Significant Events

#### 1. Personnel

a. H&S Battery promoted First Lieutenants W. O. BUSSEY Jr., E. D. FONTAINE, and R. L. MATTHEWS to Captain, 12 men to Sergeant, and three men to Corporal.

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- b. Battery A promoted First Lieutenant David P. Allen to Captain, four men to Sergeant, and one men to Corporal.
- c. Bettery B promoted First Lieutenant Michael W. STEVENS to Captain and one can deriber imply to Corporal.
- d. Battery C promoted First Lieutenant James ... BUHETB to Captain, four men to Sergeant, and one man to Corporal.

#### 2. General Information

- a. LtCol. T. I. GUNNING, Battalion Commander, and Major Milton C. KRAMER, Battalion S-3 departed for Da Nang on 16 March along with elements of Battery C to participate in Sea Hawk-I, Hawk Firing Exercise.
- b. LtCol. T. I. GUNRING, Battalion Commander, and Major Milton C. KRAMER, Battalion S-3 returned to Chu Lai on 28 March with the last elements of the firing patteries at the conclusion of Sea Hawk-I, Hawk Firing Exercise.
  - c. The training objectives of the firing exercise were:
- (1) To test the ability of the battery personnel to perform pre-firing checks on the Hawk system.
- (2) To test the missile handling crews in de-canning, assembly and checking out of Hawk missiles.
- (3) To familiarize fire control personnel with the procedures of tracking and launching missiles at a tow target, with an aircraft as a tow vehicle.
- (4) To test overall performance of the crews as a guide to the efficiency of the batteries if called upon in an actual emergency and to measure the effectiveness of the day-to-day training of each battery.
- d. All training objectives of the firing exercise were accomplished. The exercise was considered highly successful.
- e. Following personnel were sent TAD to formal Marine Corps Schools:

(1)	Boren, R. L.	Cpl.	Wireman's School
(2)	Chase, B. A.	Sgt.	Embarkation School
<b>(</b> 3)	Graycar, G. H.	Sgt.	Embarkation School
(4)	Douglas, R. W.	<b>S</b> St.	NCO Leadership School
(5)	Molina, E. F.	LCpl.	NCO Leadership School Enclosure (1)

(6) **Si**mons, L. G.

Cpl.

MUHHS School

3. Casualties None

### 4. Civil Affairs

- a. A total of 5779 civilians were treated by the battalion MEDCAP team during the month of March.
- b. On 15 March, LtCol. T. I. GUNNING, Battalion Commander, LtCol. S. A. HERMAN, Commanding Officer, H&HS-1, Sgt. Major F. W. GANN, Battalion Sergeant Major and GySgt. R. C. GERSTNER, NCOIC Civil Affairs, toured the island of Ky Hoa, visiting the village chief and the An Binh maternity hospital. Past, present, and future civic action programs were discussed.
- c. Additional reinforcements were accomplished on completed culverts on the roads of Ky Hoa Island by civic action personnel of this command, supervised by Sgt. A. J. KAEDER, S-2 clerk.
- d. On 21 March, a Popular Forces Private, ill with TB was medevaced by civic action personnel to "B" Medical Company.
- e. On 25 March, a 10 year old girl, HO THI HIEP, from the village of Hoa My was medevaced by civic action personnel to "E" Medical Company with a badly infected foot. Numerous visits were held to ascertain disposition and advise family of HO THI HIEP's progress. Prognosis was reported as GOOD. Patient was retained for fourteen days to observe response to treatment.
- f. All proprietors of business establishments on Ky Hoa Island were interrogated and forms filled out to comply with CLICO 5052.4. Two visits to 5th Marine Headquarters fulfilled necessary arrangements.
- g. On Easter Sunday, 26 March 1967, two significant events were hold on Ky Hoa Island.
- (1) Battery A conducted an Easter egg hunt for 125 children and 25 adults. Soft drinks were distributed to the participants.
- (2) A soccer match was negotiated by Civil Affairs OIC & MCOIC. The participants were a soccer team composed of MAG-12 and 2d IAAM Battalion soccer players matched against Vietnamese soccer players of the island of Ky Hoa. Over 400 Vietnamese villagers attended the event and were rewarded by seeing their team crush the Marines 6-2. A goodwill plaque was presented to the Vietnamese team by MAG-12.
- 5. Motor Transportation During the month of March, this Battalion provided one vehicle, traveling a total of 1,140 miles in support Enclosure (1)

of the Chu Lai Combat Base.

### 6. Communications

a. During the period 1-31 March 1967, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion's Communication & Electronics Section completed construction of a permanent shelter for the AN/TSC-15 and associated power supply.

b. The sand bagging of all Comm-Elect maintenance facilities began during this period.

#### 7. Education

a.	Battery A	67.4%
Ď.	Battery B	75.3%
c.	Battery C	70.0%
đ.	H&S Battery	73.7%
e.	Composite Percentage	71.6%

<sup>8.</sup> Local Security This Battalion held two intelligence briefings for the Battalion and Battery Commanders.