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Marine Air Control Group 18
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force Pacific
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Air Control Group 18

Subj: Command Chronology Report for August

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) WGO 5750.10

Encl: (1) Subject Report

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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Located at
Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam
1 August 1968 to 31 August 1968

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| a. Donald E. GUNTHER Battalion Commanding Officer | LtCol USMC 9 Feb 1968 to Present |
| b. Harry J. BALDWIN Battalion Executive Officer | Major USMCR 9 Feb 1968 to 14 Aug 1968 |
| c. Richard C. YEZZI Battalion Executive Officer | Major USMC 14 Aug 1968 to Present |
| d. Lowell W. HINES Battalion S-1 | 1stLt USMCR 28 Feb 1968 to Present |
| e. Richard C. YEZZI Battalion S-2/S-3 | Major USMC 19 Feb 1968 to 14 Aug 1968 |
| f. Benjamin R. HARRIS Battalion S-2/S-3 | 1stLt USMCR 14 Aug 1968 to Present |
| g. Richard S. NAUGHTEN Battalion S-4 | Captain USMCR 1 Aug 1968 to Present |
| h. Norman P. BOURRE H&S Battery Commanding Officer | Captain USMCR 2 May 1968 to Present |
| i. Thomas R. SNEAD Battery A Commanding Officer | Captain USMCR 11 Apr 1968 to Present |
| j. Frank J. D'AGOSTINO Battery B Commanding Officer | 1stLt USMCR 8 May 1968 to Present |
| k. James K. CRONEY Battery C Commanding Officer | Captain USMCR 6 May 1968 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.
- 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.

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e. H&S Battery, 2d Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 15 September 1968 to present.

3. Average Monthly Strength

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| a. Battery A | 90 |
| b. Battery B | 81 |
| c. Battery C | 80 |
| d. H&S Battery | 291 |

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4. Important Visitors

a. On 1 August 1968, Major General Getz, Commanding General of Americal Division, visited Battery A. On 10 August 1968, LtCol Roach, Executive Officer of the 198th Light Infantry Brigade, toured the area. On both occasions the officers discussed matters pertaining to the performance of Army units assigned to the battery as a security force.

b. On 6 August 1968, LtCol Hartman, 1st MAW Communications/Electronics Officer, visited the battalion.

c. On 15 August 1968, Captain Leures, USN, 1st MAW Medical Officer, toured Battery B's area.

d. From the 20th to the 28th of August 1968, personnel from the U.S. Army's 97th Artillery and the 6th Battalion of the 56th Artillery visited the battalion area to discuss plans and operations in conjunction with the redeployments of both HAWK Battalions. The following individuals were among those who visited: Col. R. F. Thomare, Maj Yates, LtCol W. R. Warren, Maj R. S. Lorimer, Capt Morilla, and Capt C. O. Bart.

e. On 27 August 1968, Major General C. E. Quilter, Commanding General, 1st MAW, and Colonel Fris, Commanding Officer, MACG-18, visited Battery B and the battalion AAOC. The general was briefed on the operations and functioning of the HAWK Battalion and the role of 2d LAAM Bn in the defense of the Chu Lai Combat Base.

f. From 26 to 29 August 1968, personnel from MACG-18 and 1st LAAM Bn conducted a pre-rotation inspection of 2d LAAM Bn equipment. The following personnel visited the battalions: LtCol Dopler, LtCol Garner, Capt Peters, Maj Chambers, 1stLt Leddix, Maj Cormack, 1stLt Wollaston, 2dLt Wass, WO Smith, 1stLt Lundberg, 1stLt Hodges, and CWO Herrero.

PART II. Significant Highlights. None.

PART III. Significant Events.

1. Personnel

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- a. James B. Lamb was promoted to Staff Sergeant during the month of August.
- b. H&S Battery promoted 8 Privates First Class to Lance Corporal to rank from 1 August 1968.
- c. Battery A promoted LCpl N. L. Hurne and Cpl B. W. Galewski to their present rank during August 1968.
- d. Battery B promoted T. E. Dacar to Corporal, D. W. Timmsen to Lance Corporal and P. Dilliworth to Private First Class.
- e. During the month of August the following personnel reenlisted:

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| Sgt E. P. Burgess 2129663 | 6 years |
| GySgt S. T. Powell 880098 | 2 years |
| Sgt L. L. Lakin 2122598 | 6 years |
| GySgt D. G. Bruin 1356580 | 4 years |
| SSgt J. H. Coop 1446595 | 4 years |
| SSgt K. J. Broz 1592483 | 4 years |
- f. Sgt J. W. Grabiec of Battery A extended his overseas tour for 4 months. Cpl E. Buckley of Battery C extended his overseas tour for 6 months.
- g. GySgt Austin, Sgt Phillips and Cpl Jacobs, of H&S Battery and Cpl J. M. Donelan of Battery B, received Good Conduct Awards during August.
- h. LCpl F. Daniel of Battery B was awarded a meritorious mast by the Battalion Commanding Officer.
- i. The following personnel joined the battalion during the month of August:

2dLt R. H. Strasle 0104784/3502
- j. The following personnel departed 2d LAAM Bn during the month of August:

Major H. J. Baldwin 060233/6704
Major J. V. Walsh 075223/6702/6704/5715
Captain S. H. Worley 092026/6704
Captain K. U. Beasock 091347/3510/3502
WO-2 E. A. Gidding 098712/5907
- k. On 20 August 1968, Cpl M. D. Burton was sent TAD to NCO Leadership School. On 23 August 1968, SSgt W. George was sent TAD to Embarkation School, Okinawa.

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1. LCpl P. Hendrickson was sent to Basic Infantry Weapons Repair School.

m. Cpl E. Tafoya, LCpl R. Goetzman attended NBC School in Japan.

2. Civic Affairs

a. The road project which had been undertaken on the island of Ky Hoa was completed on 7 August 1968. Although it is rough and only a base, it is quite an improvement over the former road and bicycle travel is now possible on the hard surface laterite.

b. Enough cement for 9 wells was acquired through CORDS in Tam Ky. At present, 6 of the 9 wells have been completed.

c. Construction of a pig pen has been completed at Hoa My Hamlet. The pen now has four separate stalls with feeding troughs, 2 small pools and a larger walking area. The Chu Lai veterinarian vaccinated all the Yorkshire hogs on the island against cholera.

d. Building materials and bricks have been delivered to Hoa Trung (BT489141) for the construction of a dispensary. Construction should commence this week with completion approximately 1 month from today.

e. A total of 765 Vietnamese were treated by MEDCAP and DENTCAP teams during the month.

3. Motor Transportation. A total of 32,368 miles were driven in support of 2d LAAM Bn for the month of August. In addition, 2,053 miles were driven in support of the Chu Lai Combat Base. A grand total of 3334 short tons were hauled during the month.

4. Education

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| a. Battery A | 24% |
| b. Battery B | 40% |
| c. Battery C | 41% |
| d. H&S Battery | 42% |
| e. Composite Percentage | 38% |

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5. Intelligence. Five intelligence briefings were conducted for the Commanding Officer, Staff and Battery Commanding Officers. Briefings were also conducted for the Staff NCOs and enlisted Marines of the Battalion.

6. Training. General Military Subject training during the month of August consisted of lectures on Riot Control, Command Information and Personal Response, NBC Defense, Map Reading, Guerilla and Counter-Guerilla Warfare and the M-16 Rifle.