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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (G-3)  
Subj: Command Chronology for period 1-31 January 1969  
Ref: (a) DivO 5750.2A

Encl: ✓(1) January 1969 Command Chronology  
✓(2) Copies of January 1969 Situation Reports (Originals only)

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted.

2. Upon removal of enclosures (1) and (2), this letter is downgraded to UNCLASSIFIED.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 - 31 January 1969

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion LtCol J. E. HENNEGAN, 1-31 Jan

SUBORDINATE UNITS

E&S Company - Capt S. F. WHITE, 1-31 Jan  
 "A" Company - Capt D. J. SCONYERS, 1-31 Jan  
 "B" Company - Maj F. M. VANN, 1-31 Jan

UNITS IN DIRECT SUPPORT

Det, Sentry/Scout Dog Platoon, 3d Military Police Battalion  
 Det, 1st Shore Party Battalion, Mine Sweep Team  
 Det, 1st Dental Company

2. LOCATION: 1-31 Jan: DaNang, Quang-Nam Province, Republic of VietNam3. STAFF OFFICERS

ExecO - Maj J. H. KEEGAN, 1-7 Jan  
           Maj J. W. RAHILL, 8-31 Jan  
 S-1 - 1stLt W. J. PETERS, 1-22 Jan  
       Maj J. W. RAHILL, 23-31 Jan  
 S-2 - Capt H. G. BARGER, 1-31 Jan  
 S-3 - Capt J. R. WILLIAMS, 1-31 Jan  
 S-4 - Maj J. F. MOLINEAUX, 1-22 Jan  
       1stLt J. T. TERRELL, 23-31 Jan

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
OFF	ENL
23	633

USN	
OFF	ENL
1	15

OTHERS	
OFF	ENL
0	0

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PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During this reporting period the Battalion supported the 1st, 5th, 7th, 26th Marines and ROK Marine Corps. Technique of employment consisted of two platoons (rein) to ROK Marine Corps; one platoon each to 2/1, 5th Marines, 1/7 and 3/7; one platoon (-) to 1/26.

During the month three significant events occurred. The first event occurred on the 11th of January when four LVTE-1s were embarking aboard an LPT in support of TG 79.5 for operation BOLD MARINER. At approximately 1100, the ship signaled it was ready to accept the tractors for loading. Minutes after the tractors were waterborne 3-H-23 experienced engine difficulties and began taking excessive water in the engine compartment. As a result of the engine failure and the flooding of the engine compartment, the tractor sank approximately 100 meters from shore. The crewmen were able to safely evacuate the tractor and were rescued by Navy safety boats.

The second significant event was the redefinition of this Battalion's responsibilities within the First Marine's TACR. At the request of the Commanding Officer First Marines, a meeting was conducted on the 23rd of January with the following participants, Commanding Officer and S-3 1st Marines, Commanding Officer and S-3 2nd Battalion 1st Marines, Commanding Officer and S-3 3rd Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Commanding Officer and prospective Commanding Officer from Combined Action Company. After a brief discussion Colonel LAUFER assigned the following responsibilities to the 3rd Amphibian Tractor Battalion; the defense of our cantonment, operation of the Marble Mountain check point, the security of the NUI KIM SON road and the mine clearing responsibility for that portion of the NUI KIM SON road which is used by our vehicles.

The last event occurred on the 26th of January, at approximately 1050, when two LVTE-1s (3-H-27 and 3-H-25) were in support of "M" Company B1T 3/26. 3-H-25 with two line charges aboard fired it's first charge and the charge, while still in flight, detonated prematurely destroying the tractor and killing the seven Marines aboard instantly. The names of the six Marines who were members of this unit are listed below:

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Second Lieutenant Russell L. EQUI  
 Sergeant Robert L. JOHNSON  
 Corporal Charles H. BREZINSKI  
 Lance Corporal Martin J. GIMBERT  
 Lance Corporal Stanley H. NEWMAN  
 Lance Corporal Bradley E. SUCHKA

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Our ambush and security patrols in the village of NUI KIM SON have been experiencing a significant increase in enemy initiated contacts. These contacts normally consist of an initial volley of grenades followed by small arms fire and a break in contact. The enemy appears to be using Chinstrap Mountain as a haven. We now believe that this enemy activity is nothing more than a prelude to the coming TET offensive.

The Battalion had an average of 57 vehicles committed daily in direct support of the 1st Marine Division. The mission and frequency of specific tasks were:

Ambush - 1  
 MedEvac - 9  
 Resupply - 110  
 Recovery - 47  
 Security - 49  
 County Fair - 1  
 Convoy Escort - 1  
 Blocking Force - 13  
 Reaction Force - 5  
 Administration - 27  
 Troop Movement - 52  
 Waterway Denial - 7  
 Search and Destroy - 24  
 Patrol and Minesweep - 31

Vehicle utilization averaged 4.2 hours per day carrying an average of 4 persons and 113 pounds of cargo per day. In addition, the LVTE-1s fired 5 line charges.

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PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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1. TOPICS:a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Our personnel readiness category remains as C-2. We do not anticipate a change in this readiness category unless at least a ten percent loss in personnel is evidenced or unless a significant increase in replacements occurs.

(2) Four Marine Officers and thirty-two Marine enlisted rotated to CONUS. Five Marine Officers and one hundred twenty Marine enlisted and two Navy enlisted were received as replacements.

(3) Reenlistment rate for the month was 15.4%. This was based on two reenlistments which were of a career type.

(4) The Battalion sustained the following casualties; one Marine officer KIA, five Marine enlisted KIA, one Marine officer WIA, four Marine enlisted WIA, one Marine officer and four Marine enlisted evacuated not as a result of enemy action.

(5) Five new USAFI and five MCI enrollments were received this month.

(6) Awards. Eight Purple Hearts were awarded.

(7) Thirty-six personnel went on R&R. This program is well received and enhances the morale of the Marines.

(8) Twenty-eight extensions of overseas tours were forwarded for approval.

(9) Our Savings Bond participation is 82.6%.

(10) The Exchange services are adequate.

b. Enemy

(1) During the month of January, there were seventeen enemy contacts as follows:

- (a) Two enemy sightings
- (b) Five enemy attacks by fire
- (c) Two enemy sniper incidents

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- (d) Three amphibian tractors were mined
- (e) Three booby traps w/ pull wire
- (f) One grenade packed in mud
- (g) One punji stake pit

(2) There were seven detainees apprehended, three were detained for further interrogation and four were released.

(3) The Battalion conducted thirty day and night patrols during this reporting period.

c. Training

1. Formal training and OJT were conducted in conjunction with operational commitments. The following classes were presented:

- (a) Leadership
- (b) Map Reading
- (c) Enemy Tactics
- (d) Convoy Security
- (e) Supporting Arms
- (f) Tactical Trends
- (g) Code of Conduct
- (h) Weapons Safety
- (i) Personal Response
- (j) Field Fortifications
- (k) Voice Radio Procedures
- (l) First Aid and Sanitation
- (m) Individual Responsibility
- (n) Care and Cleaning of Weapons
- (o) Tactical Security on Operations

2. In addition, the following classes were conducted for SNCOs and Officers:

- (a) Legal Procedures
- (b) Message Writing and Drafting

3. Two officers and six enlisted Marines attended formal schools during this period, as follows:

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- (a) Officer Leadership Course - 1
- (b) SNCO Leadership Course - 2
- (c) NCO Leadership Course - 2
- (d) Kit Carson Scout Orientation - 1
- (e) Basic Ammo Tech Course - 1
- (f) Officers Organic Supply Accounting - 1

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d. Logistics(1) Supply Situation

(a) Minor LVT suspension parts (nuts and bolts) continue to be a problem. The DX program continues to improve and become more responsive to our needs on a timely basis, however, quality control checks appear to be absent as some of the LVTP5A1 starters were found to be inoperable once installed on the vehicle.

(b) One LVTE1 has been deadlined since 3 September 1968 awaiting a pallet lift cylinder. This vehicle is incapable of firing line charges until the defective cylinder is replaced. Philadelphia is the holder of the requisition for this item.

(c) This Battalion is still short the OVM as well as the 25 pound grease guns on the T/E replacement vehicles. This OVM deficiency was brought about when R&E vehicles were redesignated as T/E deficiencies. The lack of these items seriously hampers our 1st echelon maintenance program. To alleviate this problem OVM shortages are being ordered as individual components.

(d) The LVTR-1 is an essential item of equipment within an Amphibian Tractor Battalion. They provide the recovery and maintenance capabilities within each of the companies. As a result of the unavailability of boom chains, Company "A" has been unable to utilize the LVTR-1 vehicle to its fullest potential.

(2) Maintenance

(a) During the month the Battalion had three LVTP5A1s mined by enemy action. Two have been dropped; one as a Code H, the other as a Code Z. The third vehicle was repaired.

(b) Navy salvage personnel are unable to locate the LVTP5A1 which submerged on 17 November 1968.

(c) The average daily deadline during the month was nine LVTP-5A1s and two LVTE-1s.

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(d) A maintenance area which is quickly developing into a problem is the antenna matching unit (MX 6707). Presently, there are twenty-four of the subject units in the DX program at 1st FSR. The units have not been repaired, nor have code letters been received; consequently, we are unable to order replacements and are short twenty-four antenna matching units. The missing matching units cause an additional problem of having a six inch hole in the vehicle thereby limiting its operating capabilities.

(3) Motor Transport

(a) The daily deadline rate for wheeled vehicles during January was 4%.

(b) The Battalion Motor Transport logged 32,756 miles with only one major accident. One M-151A1 jeep, USMC #357732 was accidentally rolled on the beach outside the Third Amphibian Tractor Battalion's perimeter. On 28 January this vehicle was classified unserviceable (Code H) and replaced with a float vehicle from FSR. A total of 3602 passengers were carried and 237.6 short tons of cargo were transported.

(c) During January our vehicles participated in one Rough Rider convoy to AN HOA in support of the 4th Platoon, "A" Company, Third Amphibian Tractor Battalion.

(4) Services. No comments at this time.

(5) Medical. The following statistical information is provided concerning medical activities:

Total Patients Seen at MEDCAP	230
Total Battalion Patients (Non MEDCAP)	369
Total Venereal Disease Cases (new)	10
Total Inoculations	405

e. Civil Affairs/Civic Action

(1) 230 Vietnamese were treated in MEDCAPS.

(2) A truck load of sand, twenty-two bags of cement, and 1400 bricks were presented to the monks for cave denial operations.

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(3) The HOA LONG Elementary School was given fifty pounds of writing paper; as well as, four well rings and four bags of cement with which to erect a toilet.

(4) Two families, in KHUE BAC, whose homes were destroyed by fire received wood, tin and cement for rebuilding purposes.

(5) The local villagers were the recipients of clothing, fertilizer and hand soap from this Battalion.

(6) 9,800\$VN was paid to sixteen village boys who had turned in various munitions.

(7) Ten General WALT Scholarships were presented to students from the Elementary School in NUI KIM SON.

f. Communications

(1) Personnel. The overall personnel status is inadequate, especially in the 2800 field. This month the Battalion had a drop of four communicators with negative replacements.

(2) Equipment

(a) There is presently one AN/MRC at 1st FSR for Motor Transport maintenance.

(b) The AN/URM-48 is a required piece of communications equipment which is used to perform maintenance on Communications/Electronics equipment. Our only AN/URM-48, of which the Battalion rates two, will require maintenance at 1st FSR in the near future. The loss of this equipment will seriously hinder our communications maintenance program.

(c) "B" Company is still without an AN/URM-43 (Watt meter)

(d) Seventeen PRC-77s, to facilitate the KY-38s on hand, have been on order since 19 February 1969. The document numbers are still valid.

(e) There is a total of 161 outstanding Communications/Electronics requisitions, seventy of which are priority O2 and awaiting Battalion document numbers. A few of these requisitions for repair parts and equipment date back to November 1968.

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(3) Maintenance. There have been no significant maintenance problems this period; however, we do foresee problems with the turn-in of the above mentioned AN/URM-48.

(4) Operations. During this period 614 messages were received and 45 messages were transmitted by this Command.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓ See enclosure (2) for Situation Reports.

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SITREP 001 AS OF 020001H TO 022400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: A YOUNG VIETNAMESE BOY REPORTED THE PRESENCE OF A BOOBY TRAP IN NUI KIM SON. COORD OF BOOBY TRAP 078708 CONSISTED OF AN EXPENDED ILLUMINATION CANISTER, PACKED WITH AN UNKNOWN EXPLOSIVE AND RIGGED WITH A TRIPWIRE. IT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED WHAT TYPE OF FUZE WAS USED. REMOVED BOOBY-TRAP TO THE BEACH AREA FOR DISPOSAL. ATTEMPTING TO FIND THE BOY TO REWARD HIM.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CASUALTIES: NONE

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SITREP 002 AS OF 060001H TO 062400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: AT 061130H AT COORD 083705 TWO VIETNAMESE CHILDREN TURNED IN 1 M-79 HE ROUND, 1 M-26 GRENADE WITHOUT FUZE, AND 1 WP GRENADE TO PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN. S-5 REWARDED THE CHILDREN WITH PAYMENT OF 5000 VIETNAMESE DOLLARS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CASUALTIES: NONE

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SITREP 003 AS OF 090001H TO 092400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOCATION; NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION; NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: AT 090820H AT COORD 083618 WHILE ON MISSION TO PICK UP PRISONERS AND CAPTURED ENEMY WEAPONS FOR ROK MARINE CORPS, B-33 HIT AN ENEMY MINE ESTIMATED BETWEEN 70-80 POUNDS. MINE BLEW #1 ROADWHEEL ASSEMBLY OFF PORTSIDE; DAMAGED PART OF #2 ROADWHEEL ASSEMBLY ON PORTSIDE; BENT IDLER AND BLEW OFF 1 KIT OF TRACK. ESTABLISHED SECURITY AND BEGAN FIELD EXPEDIENT IN ORDER TO RETURN AMTRAC TO SECURE AREA.  
(B) AT 091450H AT COORD 087691 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN FOUND ONE BOX TYPE MINE WITH PRESSURE TYPE FIRING DEVICE ALONG TRAIL. MINE PLACED ABOUT 3" INCHES UNDERGROUND, BELIEVED TO BE 5-6 POUNDS. ESTABLISHED SECURITY AND BLEW IN PLACE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS; NONE
5. CASUALTIES; NONE

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SITREP 004 AS OF 100001H TO 102400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: NO CHANGE

3. CONTACTS: AT 101115H AT COORD 076704 PATRO FROM 3D AMTRACBN FOUND BLOOD TRAIL LEADING INTO FAMILY BUNKER. CHECKED OUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(B) AT 101415H AT COORD 084684 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN FOUND VN WOMAN WITHOUT ID CARD AND CARRYING 7,000 PIASTERS. WOMAN BROUGHT TO BATTALION CP FOR LOCAL INTEROGATION WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(C) PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN FOUND ONE VN MALE DIGGING HOLE ALONG FRENCH ROAD. BROUGHT INDIVIDUAL TO CP FOR LOCAL INTEROGATION WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BOTH VIETNAMESE DETAINEES TURNED OVER TO 5TH CIT FOR FURTHER INTEROGATION.

(D) AT 101500H AT COORD 075705 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN TOOK TEN (10) ROUNDS OF SNIPER FIRE FROM MARBLE MOUNTAIN. RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79 CHECKED OUT CAVE AND BLEW WITH 30 POUNDS OF C-4.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CASUALTIES: NONE

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SITREP 005 AS OF 110001H TO 112400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 111200H AT COORD 083705 WHILE PROCEEDING TO RECOVER THREE (3) ROK MC TRKS, BRAVO-49, SECOND IN CLMN STRUCK A NAT POLICEMAN. CRUSH INJ TO RIGHT FOOT, BICYCLE AND WRIST WATCH DAMG. CONTACTED CAG-2 CO, USMC. INVEST FOR COMPLETE RPT.
- (B) AT 112045H AT COORD 075704 PATROL FM 3D AMTRACBN LOC TWO (2) M-26 GRNDS ONE ON EA SIDE OF TRAIL WITH TRIP WIRE ATTACHED. ESTABLISHED SECURITY AND BLEW IN PLACE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. GAS: NONE

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SITREP 006 AS OF 120001H TO 122400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOC; NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER; NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 120230H AT COORD 073705 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN SPOTTED MOVMT AT ABOVE COORD. TOOK MOVMT UNDER FIRE WITH M-79 AND SML ARMS. RECD THREE TO FIVE RND RETRN FIRE. PATROL CHEKD OUT AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.  
 (B) AT 121345H AT COORD 953664 WHILE ON TROOP MOVMT LVT FROM 3D AMTRACBN A CO, HIT 50 LB BOX MINE. DAMGD #8 RD WHEEL, BLEW OFF #9 RD WHEEL, STB TRACK BUSTED, #12 FUEL OCEL RUPTED, HULL CRCKD, BATTERIES RUPTED. RECOVERY OF VEH NOW IN PROGRESS. ONE USMC MINOR WIA.  
 (C) AT 121530H AT COORD 078613 LVT'S B-34 AND B-47 WHILE ON RESUPPLY MISS CAME UNDER MTR FIRE FROM UNK SOURCE AND WERE FORCED TO TURN BACK ON ORGIN ROUTE. AFTER TURNING BACK, B-47 HIT A MINE BELIEVED TO BE COMMAND DTONE, 155MM RD. MINE WAS SET OFF UNDER ENGINE COMPARTMNT. FIVE PERS WERE MEDEVAC WITH SEVERE BURNS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS; NONE
5. CAS; FIVE (5) USMC WIA (MEDEVAC)  
 ONE (1) USMC WIA (MINOR)

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SITREP 007 AS OF 130001H TO 132400H JAN 69

1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 132105H AT COORD 075706 PATROL FROM CAP 2-7-6  
CAME UNDER FIRE FROM SML ARMS AND AUTO WEAPNS. PATROL RETRND FIRE  
WITH M-79 AND SML ARMS. PATROL CHCKING OUT AREA AT THIS TIME.  
MONITORED ACTIVITY AND ACTED AS AREA COORDINATOR. ONE (1) VC KIA.  
ONE (1) M-16 CAPTURED.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CAS: ONE (1) VC KIA

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SITREP 008 AS OF 140001H TO 142400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG

2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG

3. CONTACTS: AT 141410H AT COORD 074704 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN FOUND ONE M-26 GRNDE BOOBY TRAP. THE BOOBY TRAP WAS LAYING BESIDE TRAIL LEADING TO THE SADDLE IN MARBLE MOUNTAIN. BOOBY TRAP CONSISTED OF ONE (1) M-26 GRNDE ENCASED IN HARDENED ~~E~~ MUD. A SML PORTION OF SAFETY LEVER WAS EXPOSED. ESTABLISHED SECURITY AND BLEW IN PLACE.

(B) AT 141510H AT COORD 076707 PATROL FROM 3D AMTRACBN REPORTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A M-79 ROUND OR M-26 GRNDE DETONATE<sup>T.D</sup> IN THE VILLAGE OF NUI KIM SON. THE EXPLOSION WOUNDED TWO VN MALES. SOURCE OF EXPLOSION UNK AT THIS TIME. CONDUCTED MEDEVAC OF TWO VN MALES TO USON HOSP. INVESTIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CAS: TWO (2) VN (MEDEVAC)

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SITREP 009 AS OF 220000H TO 222400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 222320H AT COORD 087697 POINT MAN FOR PATROL FROM  
3D AMTRACBN TRIPPED BOOBYTRAP CONSISTING OF ONE (1) M-26 GRNDE WITH  
TRIP WIRE ATTACHED. POINT MAN HEARD SPOON FLY AND TOOK COVER.  
PATROL NOW CHECKING OUT AREA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CAS: NONE

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1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 231220H AT COORD 073710 3D AMTRACBN CHECKPOINT RPTD BEING APPROACHED BY ONE (1) VN BOY WHO HAD BEEN SHOT IN THE CHEST. INVESTIGATION SHOWED VN BOY WAS SHOT IN GARBAGE DUMP BY VN SECURITY EMPLOYEE FROM NSA. CONDUCTED MEDEVAC TO NSA HOSP. VN SECURITY EMPLOYEE TURNED OVER TO A NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER.
- B. AT 231540H AT COORD 090690 3D AMTRACBN PATROL OBSD TWO (2) V.C. W/WEAPONS RUNNING SOUTH INTO TAN AN VILLAGE. PATROL TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE AND LOST CONTACT AFTER MOVING INTO TAN AN VILLAGE. PATROL OBSD THE V.C. IN A BASKET BOAT MOVING SOUTH APPROX 200M OFF SHORE. TOOK UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE. CALLED 2/1 AND ADVISED THEM THAT V.C. MOVING IN THEIR DIRECTION. REQ'D 2/1 TO INTERDICT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CASUALTIES: ONE (1) VN BOY WIA

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1. UNIT LOC: NO CHNG
2. SUMMARY OF OPER: NO CHNG
3. CONTACTS: AT 282235H AT COORD 076708 PATROL FROM 3D ANTRACBN, WHILE SET IN AMBUSH, REC'D THREE (3) INCOMING GRENADES FROM UNKNOWN ENEMY POS. PATROL CHECKED OUT AREA.
- B. (VLLS IS A FOLLOWUP TO SPOT REPORT 282235H) WHILE PATROL WAS CHECKING OUT AREA WHERE GRENADES CAME FROM, PATROL TOOK S/A FIRE FROM HOUSE APPROX 25 METERS FROM THEIR POS. RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A FIRE, M-79 & ONE (1) LAW. PATROL CHECKED OUT HOUSE AND FOUND FOUR (4) M-26 GRENADES. ALSO FOUND DRAG MARKS LEADING UP TO CHIN STRAP MOUNTAIN. WILL AGAIN CHECK OUT AREA IN THE MORNING.
- N. (B) FOUR M-26 GRENADES
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CASUALTIES: NONE

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SITREP #12 AS OF 302200H TO 302400H JAN69

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: AT 302210H AT GRID 877708 3D AMTRACBN PATROL ALONG WITH ONE (1) SCOUT DOG, HEARD MOVEMENT IN VILLAGE WHILE IN AMBUSH SITE. AS THEY PROCEEDED TO CHECK AREA OUT, PATROL TOOK ONE (1) INCOMING GRENADE FROM AN UNKNOWN ENEMY POS. REACTION FORCE SENT TO ASSIST PATROL MED-EVAC CONDUCTED OF TWO (2) MARINES. AREA WILL BE CHECKED ASAP.  
C. (A) TWO (2) USMC WIA
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CASUALTIES: TWO (2) USMC WIA (MINOR)

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SITREP <sup>013</sup> #12 AS OF 310001H TO 312400H JAN 69

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: AT 311340H AT COORD #81689 3D AMTRACBN PATROL, WHILE ON ROUTINE DAYLIGHT PATROL DISCOVERED ONE (1) PUNJI STAKE TRAP. TRAP WAS 2' X 3' X 1'6" CONTAINING SHARPENED BAMBOO STAKES. DESTROYED WITH EXPLOSIVES.
- B. AT 311450H AT COORD #82685 3D AMTRACBN PATROL, WHILE ON ROUTINE DAYLIGHT PATROL, APPROACHED A GROUP OF VN MALES SITTING ON THE GROUND. UPON SIGHTING THE PATROL THE VN MALES RAN. PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE W/ SMALL ARMS, WOUNDING ONE VCS. PATROL PURSUED VCS AND CAPTURED TWO (2). ONE (1) VCS REC'D MINOR WOUND IN LEG. CONDUCTED MEDEVAC TO THIS C.P. FOR TREATMENT AND INTERROGATION.
- C. AT 312010H AT COORD #79709 3D AMTRACBN PATROL, WHILE IN AMBUSH, REC'D SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM JUNK PILE 100 METERS WEST OF THEIR POS. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND M-79 FIRE. REACTION FORCE DISPATCHED D. INTO AREA OF ENEMY FIRE. WILL SEND FOLLOW-UP REPORT AFTER AREA IS CHECKED OUT.

(FOLLOW-UP TO SPOT REPORT 312010) REACTION FORCE WAS CHECKING OUT JUNK PILE AND REC'D ONE (1) INCOMING GRENADE AND SNIPER FIRE FROM A SCHOOL HOUSE. CHECKED OUT SCHOOL HOUSE WITH NEG RESULTS. ANOTHER PATROL WAS DISPATCHED TO AREA WITH EXPLOSIVES. BLEW SCHOOL HOUSE WITH 40LBS OF C-4. SCHOOL HOUSE HAS NOT BEEN USED FOR AT LEAST THREE (3) MONTHS.

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**K. (B) TWO (2) VC**

**4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS, NONE**

**5. CASUALTIES, ONE (1) VC (MINOR)**

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