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(2) Staff Journals (S-1 + S-4)  
(3) SITREPS # 235-241  
(4) Company Operational Summaries, Period of 1-30 Apr 1966.  
*[Incls. A, B & C]*

1. In compliance with references (a) and (b) enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.

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PART I

1. Reporting Unit - 3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
2. Period covered - 1-30 Apr 1966
3. Date of Submission - 9 May 1966
4. Commanding Officer - 1-30 Apr 1966  
Lieutenant Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN, USMC
5. Command Post - Republic of South Vietnam (AT987711) Map AMS  
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## PART II

## 1. Operational Data, including attachments:

## a. Designation/Location

(a) Headquarters and Service Co. (-)	(DANANG TAOR)
(b) "A" Co. (-) (Rein)	(DANANG TAOR)
(c) "B" Co. (-) (Rein)	(HUE-PHU BAI TAOR)
(d) "C" Co. (Rein)	(DANANG TAOR)

## b. Period covered by report: 1-30 April 1966

## c. Name/Rank of Commanding Officer and Staff, and principle subordinates, including T/O billet assignment.

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

Commanding Officer.....	Lt Col B. A. HEFLIN
Executive Officer.....	Maj E. H. GRAHAM
S-1/Adj.....	2nd Lt G. DOHSE
S-2.....	Maj E. R. LARSON
S-3.....	Maj E. R. LARSON
S-3A.....	Unassigned
Liaison Officer.....	Unassigned
S-4.....	Capt K. E. SHARFF
Supply Officer.....	2nd Lt R. U. BOKELMAN
Motor Transport Officer.....	1st Lt E. R. MARMICZ
	1-12 April
	1st Lt D. L. TAYLOR
	13-30 April
Ordnance/Maintenance Officer.....	1st Lt B. M. MATHEWS
Communications Officer.....	2nd Lt M. C. SCHROEDER
Medical Officer.....	HMC G. K. LAW, USN

Headquarters and Service Co. (-)

Commandant.....	1st Lt J. T. MATHEWS
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Company "A" (-) (Rein)

Commanding Officer.....	Capt S. R. STEWART
Executive Officer.....	Unassigned
1st Plt Commander.....	2nd Lt P. F. MC ALBER
	1-15 April
	SSgt F. G. MISEMER
	16-30 April

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2nd Plt Commander.....1stLt M. P. KINGSTON  
1st Plt, Co "A", 1st AT Bn Commander.....2ndLt R. W. BERNARD

Company "B" (-) (Rein)

Commanding Officer.....Capt R. F. LANPHER  
Executive Officer.....Unassigned  
1-23 April  
Capt D. C. SATCHER  
24-30 April  
2nd Plt, Co "A", 1st AT Bn Commander.....1stLt D. J. NOONAN  
3d Plt, Co "A", 3d AT Bn Commander.....SSgt J. A. RODRIGUEZ  
1-9 April  
2ndLt M. H. PONDER  
10-30 April  
3d Plt, Co "B", 3d AT Bn Commander.....2ndLt T. J. MEEHAN  
24-30 April  
24 April: Chop from  
Company "C", 3d AT Bn

Company "C" (Rein)

Commanding Officer.....Capt F. FIRING  
Executive Officer.....1stLt M. M. WOOD  
1st Plt Commander.....SSgt R. R. ABRAMOWICZ  
2nd Plt Commander.....2ndLt A. W. HOOF  
3d Plt Commander.....2ndLt D. K. CASWELL  
3d Plt, Co "B", 3d AT Bn Commander.....2ndLt T. J. MEEHAN  
1-23 April  
23 April: Chop to  
Company "B", 3d AT Bn

## d. Average monthly strength during the period:

	Officers	Enlisted
(1) 3d Antitank Battalion	22	436
(a) Headquarters and Service Company	10	165
(b) Company "A"	3	90
(c) Company "B"	5	96
(d) Company "C"	4	85

2. Sequential listing of significant events.

a. Personnel. During the month there were 15 promotions to Corporal, 3 to Lance Corporal, and 8 to Private First Class. The Battalion sent 49 men on R&R. One Officer and three enlisted were medically evacuated for non-battle reasons. One man was granted emer-

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gency leave to CONUS. There were two WIA casualties. One man was killed and two wounded (non-battle) when they were caught in the back blast from an accidental firing of an ONTOS. There were five Article 15 punishments awarded and one summary court-martial. During the month two officers, 40 enlisted and one Corporal were rotated to CONUS. Three officers, 64 enlisted, and four Corporal were joined as replacements.

b. Administration. All companies were on Company Administration during this period, and employed the Addressograph PAS system.

c. Intelligence. Information concerning the enemy and terrain was received from III MAF, 3d Marine Division, 9th Marines, and HOA VANG District Headquarters. During the reporting period five Viet Cong Suspects were apprehended in the vicinity of YEN BAC hamlet (AT985701) and evacuated to higher headquarters for interrogation. Of this total, two were subsequently released, and three VCS are still being held for further interrogation.

d. Training. Training for the month of April was highlighted by familiarization firing of T/O weapons by all companies. Utilizing the contact team method of instruction, the Battalion Ordnance Maintenance Section sent teams to the gun companies for preventive maintenance and technical training on the ONTOS. Plans are being completed for the Battalion Ordnance Maintenance and Communications Sections to send contact teams on a regularly scheduled basis to work with the individual ONTOS platoons on an instructional and application basis, the prime objective being improved 1st echelon maintenance on the ONTOS and organic ordnance. The communications contact team will visit on the same schedule, with emphasis on 1st echelon maintenance of the communications equipment of the ONTOS. It is planned to further expand this program into the areas of Motor Transport, Maintenance, and Supply. Antitank company training followed the same pattern as in the past, with on-the-job training being the primary method of instruction. Occasional special subjects were covered to meet the ever changing situation in Vietnam, such as briefings on intelligence, current policies, prisoner handling, and "Religions of Vietnam". The Battalion Motor Transport Section conducted school for all drivers in the DANANG enclave on preventative maintenance and operation of the wheeled vehicles organic to the battalion. Periods of instruction were held on Vietnamese traffic signs and regulations. Formal classes on maintenance and functioning of the M-60 machine gun were held for the Battalion security element. Two Marines attended a one-week Generator Operator course at 3d Engineer Battalion, and received operator's licenses. Eleven enlisted men and one officer of the Battalion Reaction Platoon attended the 3d Engineer Battalion's school on VC mines and booby traps. A three day program of accelerated training on riot control forma-

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tions and employment of riot control agents was conducted during the month. This training, along with additional Protective Mask drill was in preparation for possible commitment of one ONTOS platoon and a Provisional Rifle Platoon as part of a Mechanized Task Force for the protection and evacuation of U.S. nationals from the City of DANANG.

The Operations Chief attended a Riot Control Agent seminar at Headquarters, 3d Marine Division.

es: Operations. On 1 April 1966 the Battalion was deployed as follows:

(1) 3d Antitank Bn in general support of the 3d Marine Division.

(a) H&S Co (-) (Bn CP) located DANANG Enclave.

(b) Company "A" (-) (Rein) in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment, (DANANG)

1st Platoon, Co "A" in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment. (DANANG)

2nd Platoon, Co "A" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines. (DANANG)

1st Platoon, Co "A", 1st AT Bn in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 3d Marines. (DANANG)

(c) Company "B" (-) (Rein) in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. (HUE-PHU BAI)

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 1st AT Bn in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines. (HUE-PHU BAI)

3d Platoon, Co "A", 3d AT Bn in direct support of the 4th Marines. (HUE-PHU BAI)

(d) Company "C" (Rein) in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment.. (DANANG)

1st Platoon, Co "C" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines. (DANANG)

2nd Platoon, Co "C" in direct support of the 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines. (DANANG)

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3d Platoon, Co "C" in direct support of the 9th Marines. (DANANG)

3d Platoon, Co "B" in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines. (DANANG)

(2) DANANG Enclave

(a) H&S Co (-). The Battalion area of responsibility was covered by 24 daylight patrols during the month. In addition five night ambushes were established in the area. The Company furnished a reinforced fire team for security of an Engineer well-digging site on six occasions.

A Provisional Rifle Squad was designated for employment as needed by Headquarters, 9th Marines for a Rear Area Defense counterattack strike force composed of units within the 9th Marines TAOR. The Company provided a squad-sized blocking force to support a ARVN sweep of CAM NE (3) sub-hamlet (AT978697). On 20 April a Vietnamese Popular Forces platoon with U. S. Army advisors passed through Battalion lines for employment as a blocking force for a sweep of YEN BAC (AT985701) and CAM HOA (1) (AT965703) and CAM HOA (2) (AT976701) hamlets by a company of 51st ARVN Regiment.

Construction of the Battalion mess hall was completed and the first meal was served on 24 April. A bunker rebuilding program was instituted during the month, and several additional troop strong-backs were constructed.

Visitors to the Battalion Command Post during the month included Colonel J. B. SWEENEY, USMC, Prospective Chief of Staff, 3d Marine Division, and Colonel E. H. SIMMONS, USMC, Commanding Officer, 9th Marines. Both Officers were briefed by the Battalion Commanding Officer and escorted on a tour of YEN BAC (AT985701) hamlet. Brigadier General R. R. VANSTOCKUM, USMC, visited the 3d Tank Battalion CP on 9 April and was briefed by the 3d Antitank Battalion Executive Officer at that location. Two Red Cross ladies conducted audience participation games in the Enlisted Men's Club on two occasions during the month.

(b) Company "A" (-) (Rein) continued in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment. The 1st Plt. remained in reserve at the Company C. P. with the mission of direct support of the 3d Marines. During the period of 1-10 April this platoon conducted practice firing at LE MY (AT99820), firing 106mm HEP-T and .50 Cal. spotting rifles on all OMOS. On 5 April the platoon was placed on standby for possible commitment to aid in the evacuation of U. S. citizens from the City of DANANG, but they were not called out. During the period of 11-20 April the platoon conducted familiarization firing with all T/O weapons, including the .30 Cal. machine gun.

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The month closed out with the platoon conducting a 40 mile road march for driver and crew training. The 2nd Plt. continued in direct support of the 2nd Bn, 3d Marines. During the period of 1-10 April the platoon conducted practice firing on the 106mm recoilless rifles and .50 Cal. spotting rifles at TRUE BAO (AT9071). From 8-10 April one ONTOS was placed on standby at the 3d AT Bn C. P. for possible employment in an armored column. During the remainder of the month the platoon developed defiladed firing positions in support of Companies G and H, 2nd Bn, 3d Marines. 1st Plt. Co "A", 1st AT Bn, continued in direct support of the 1st Bn, 3d Marines. From 1-10 April H&I missions were fired from a firing point located on hill 358 (AT931885) into GS (AT8988, AT9087, AT9088 and AT9089). On 8 April one section was placed on standby at the 3d AT Bn C. P. for possible employment in an armored column. They were released on 10 April, without having been committed. During this same period one ONTOS assumed a defensive role at NAM-O bridge (AT935867) in place of an M-48 Tank that was on standby for the armored column mentioned above. For the remainder of the month the platoon conducted nightly H&I fire missions from positions on hill 358. On 28 April the platoon conducted a direct fire mission in support of Co "D", 1/3, achieving good results in target area.

(e) Company "C" (Rein) continued in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment. The 1st Plt. was in support of the 2nd Bn, 9th Marines. The platoon commenced the reporting period with one section in support of "F" 2/9 and the other section with "G" 2/9. On 1 April the section with "F" 2/9 supported a sweep of (BT0161). On returning from that location they were taken under VC small arms fire. The ONTOS returned .30 Cal. machine gun fire with no confirmed results. On 2-3 April the section with "G" 2/9 supported a platoon sized patrol. On 3 April the section received small arms sniper fire from a railroad car (AT995616). The sniper fire ceased after the section returned fire with eight .50 Cal. spotting rounds and three rounds of 106mm HEP-T. On 8 April the section with "F" 2/9 supported a platoon patrol with no VC contact. On 9 April the section reinforced a platoon from "F" 2/9 in establishing a road block at THANH GIAT bridge (BT042621). On 10 April the section with "G" 2/9 supported a platoon sweep. That evening the section assumed defensive positions at QUANG DONG (3) (AT993617). At 0100, 11 April the defensive perimeter was hit with heavy VC small arms and automatic weapons fire. One ONTOS received a direct hit (weapon or Cal. unknown) causing a secondary explosion by detonating the 106mm HEP-T ammunition in one of the recoilless rifles. The section sustained two NIA's during this action. On 14 April the section supporting "F" 2/9 came under sniper fire from a house at PHONG LUC (3) (BT018624). The ONTOS used .30 Cal. machine-guns in support of the advancing infantry, and then fired three 106mm HEP-T rounds at the house. Sniper fire ceased.

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On 15 April one ONTOS section supported two squads from "F" 2/9 at a blocking position at THANH QUIT (1) (BTO28625). No contact was reported. On 17 April the section with "F" 2/9 supported a patrol and came under fire from approximately 30 to 40 VC who were spotted along the SONG THANH QUIT river (BTO25612). The section returned .30 Cal. machine gun, .50 Cal. spotting rounds and 21 106mm HEP-T rounds with an estimated 15 VC KIA (unconfirmed). On 20 April "E" 2/9 relieved "G" 2/9 and an ONTOS section now supported "E" 2/9. On 21 April "H" 2/9 relieved "F" 2/9 and an ONTOS section now supported "H" 2/9. On 25 April this section supported a S&D patrol, and was taken under fire by an estimated squad of Viet Cong. The ONTOS returned fire with .30 Cal. machine gun fire and five rounds of 106mm HEP-T. A search of the area disclosed expended .30 Cal. M-1 cartridge casings and trails of blood, indicating possible VC KIA/MIA's, but no confirmed count. On 27, 28 and 30 April the same section supported "H" 2/9 S&D missions. The 2nd Plt. was in support of the 3d Bn, 9th Marines. The platoon started the reporting period with one section at Battalion Maintenance and the other section at the platoon C. P. (BTO74657). On 2 April one section supported "K" 3/9 in operation "GOLDEN FLEECE", at KHAI TAY (2) (BTO45677). On 4 April a section again supported "K" 3/9 on the same mission. On 6 April one section supported "M" 3/9 on a blocking position between (BTO68677) and (BTO71698). On 13 April the 3/9 C. P. received VC small arms fire and one ONTOS section was immediately committed on the line and returned fire with .30 Cal. machine guns. Proximity of friendly troops precluded the use of 106mm recoilless rifles. On 14 April a section supported an "M" 3/9 sweep, with no determined results. On 19 April while supporting "M" 3/9 between (BTO63642) and (BTO92588), one VCS was captured. The patrol turned the suspect over to "M" 3/p and continued on their mission. At (BTO56654) the patrol received small arms fire. Return fire resulted in the capture of two VCS and one VC KIA. After the patrol returned to the "M" 3/9 C. P., the Company "M" Commander dispatched two fire teams with the prisoners to the 3/9 C. P., the ONTOS section acting as escort. On 21 April as troops were embarking on helicopters at the 3/9 LZ, .50 Cal. machine gun fire from the northeast and southwest of the perimeter was received. An ONTOS was sent to the scene and caliber .30 machine guns neutralized the enemy fire. There was one friendly MIA during this exchange of fire; enemy casualties were undetermined. On 27 April "M" 3/9 received enemy small arms fire from (BTO62648). An ONTOS section returned .30 Cal. machine gun and 106mm HEP-T fire. The VC withdrew under fire, with no determined results. On 30 April the section with "M" 3/9 supported a S&D operation in GS (BTO6662) and (BTO6661). No contact was reported. The 3d Plt. continued in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment, being used to reinforce the 1st and 2nd platoons, Company "C" and the 3d platoon, Company "B". One section was in support of 3/3 on hill 55 (AT971620), and one

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section remained at the platoon C. P. (AT990678). On 1 April one section supported "G" 3/3 at HA DONG bridge (AT990642) with no VC contact. On 7 and 8 April a section provided road security at the 2/9 C. P. On 9 and 10 April the section was placed on standby alert at the 2/9 C. P., then established a blocking force at (BT033646), with no enemy contact. One section remained with the 2/9 C. P. as part of the reaction force until 19 April. One ONTOS from the section on hill 55 (AT971620) fired at Viet Cong troops located at CHAU SON (1) (AT944613). The VC who had been firing at a "L" 3/3 patrol broke contact. Later a group of villagers approached the perimeter of hill 55, requesting a casket to bury one man (believed to be a VC KIA). On 21 April the 3d platoon was assigned a new mission of direct support of the 3d Bn, 3d Marines. (The 3d platoon, Company "B", formerly in direct support of 3/3, reverted to OPCON of Co "B", 3d AT Bn). One ONTOS was placed on hill 55, one section on hill 22 (AT954667) and the other section at AN TRACH (1) (AT969664). On 25 April the latter section supported a sweep of (AT969649) with no contact. 3d Plt. Company "B" continued in direct support of the 3d Bn, 3d Marines. The reporting period commenced with one section with "M" 3/3, one section with "K" 3/3 and one section on hill 55. The section with "K" 3/3 supported an extended operation of this company until 3 April. On 3 April one section provided convoy escort from the 1/9 area to hill 22. On 15 April "H" 2/4 relieved "K" 3/3 on hill 22 and the ONTOS section now supported "H" 2/4. On 19 April the section with "M" 3/3 at AN TRACH (1) supported a sweep conducted by "L" 3/3 with no enemy contact. On 23 April the platoon was relieved of its direct support mission of 3/3. The platoon moved to HUE-PHU DAI as part of a "Rough Rider" convoy, and upon arrival came under OPCON of Company "B", 3d AT Bn.

(3) HUE-PHU DAI Enclave

(a) Company "B" (-) (Rein) continued in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. The 2nd Plt. Company "A", 1st AT Bn was in direct support of the 2d Bn, 1st Marines. On 5 April one section had the mission of reinforcing a road block at (YD875148). They returned the following day, with no enemy contact. On 10 April the platoon participated in a company firing exercise at DONG DA Training center. The platoon's primary mission during the remainder of the month was that of manning three defensive positions within the 2/1 TAOR. The only other special mission during the month was the support of a reconnaissance patrol to (YD825245). The 3d Plt. Company "A", 3rd AT Bn commenced the month in direct support of the 3d Bn, 4th Marines. On 15 April the platoon was placed in direct support of the 1st Bn, 4th Marines. On 16 and 17 April the platoon was given the mission of providing convoy escort for the battalion during the displacement of the Command Post to (YD522300). During the early morning hours of 18, 19 and 20 April the battalion

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received enemy 60mm, 81mm and 82mm mortar fire within the perimeter. During the 20 April mortar attack the ONTOS commanders of one section observed muzzle flashes emanating from suspected VC mortar positions (YD524290). The ONTOS Section directed 19 rounds of 106mm recoilless rifle fire at the position. A morning patrol reported negative results. On 20 April one section supported an infantry patrol on an unnamed village at (YD474276) with no contact. On 21 April one ONTOS provided security for Engineers on a mine sweep. On 22 April one section provided direct support for "A" 1/4, setting up a blocking position at (YD4827). On 30 April one section was placed in direct support of "A" 1/4, with the mission of reinforcing a blocking force at (YD521288). Enemy troops were sighted at DON O O (YD5226). Eight rounds of 106mm recoilless rifle and twenty .50 cal. spotting rounds were directed at the Viet Cong, with unknown results. The 3d Platoon, Co "B", 3d AT Bn. The platoon was joined from Company "C", 3d AT Bn on 24 April, having departed from the DANANG Enclave with a mission of security for a "Rough Rider" convoy. The platoon arrived at the Company "B", 3d AT Bn C.P. (YD894143) with no contact. The platoon was placed in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment and assumed defensive positions within the 4th Marines TAOR.

F. Communications and Electronics. In addition to the normal Command Post communication functions the following events took place during the month. During the period 10-23 April, the wire section wired the Battalion's new mess hall for electricity. On 19 April three Seismic Intrusion Detectors were relocated around the permanent patrol base at YEN BAC hamlet (AT985701) in an attempt to attain increased security for the patrol base. During the period 21-23 April, the Battalion Communications Officer and Communications Chief visited Company "B" at HUE-PHU BAI to deliver AN/PRC-25/GRC-125 components and to acquaint the communication personnel and officers with the radio equipment. On 23 April, a radio-jeep was sent to Hill 327 to monitor "Rough Rider" convoy radio communications. During the period 26-28 April, the wire section replaced several power line poles with sturdier poles constructed out of bomb racks. On 29 April technicians prepared two AN/PRC-25 radios with LTI and condition codes for turn in to FSA.

G. Logistics. The problem caused by lack of track section for ONTOS was somewhat alleviated by the receipt of 192 sections. There remain 446 sections of track on valid requisition, of which 126 sections are on "RED BALL". The Criti-Pak list for this Battalion was modified and submitted to Division Supply Officer during April.

(a) Ordnance Maintenance. A total of 13 ONTOS were deadlined during the month and 17 were returned to service. Quarterly Maintenance services were performed on 11 ONTOS. Seven contact teams were dis-

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patched to provide services for units of this command. There were 15 work orders accepted and 15 were completed. Two men completed a one week course for generator operators conducted by 3d Engineer Battalion. One ONTOS was damaged due to hostile action and evacuated to FLSC.

(b) Motor Transport. During the month 43 work orders were received and 40 were completed. Eleven Quarterly services and one annual service were performed. A total of 1055 vehicle dispatches were made covering 12,346 miles. A contact team from FMFPAC made a courtesy inspection of the Motor Transport operations and recommended corrective measures in certain areas. One M-49 tanker truck was damaged when involved in an accident on 24 April. An investigation is being conducted.

(c) Supply. In April, one M422 truck was received from FLSC. One M50A1 ONTOS and two caliber .30 machine guns were coded "X" and one M422A1 truck was coded "B-4". Requisitions were submitted as follows: 11 priority two, 52 priority five, and 359 priority twelve and seventeen for a total of 422 requisitions. Requisitions filled during the month were: 5 priority two, 24 priority five, and 161 priorities twelve and seventeen for a total of 190. Two M422A1 trucks were invoiced to 1st Antitank Battalion.

h. Civic Action. During this month the Battalion Civic Action Team improved and created new projects while expanding the civic action program beyond the limits of YEN BAC hamlet. (AT985701). The medical team of the Battalion continued to operate the aid station in the hamlet daily, except Sunday, from 0800 to 1600, treating 217 adults, and 171 children. In addition, 3 dental treatments were administered. As in previous months over half of the treatments fell into the "Upper Respiratory Infection" and "Disease of the Skin" category. During this month 134,274 Plasters were contributed to the Vietnamese economy for laundry services and ice. The hamlet of YEN BAC received approximately 6,260 pounds of garbage and liquid waste from the Battalion messhall for animal feed. During the week 1 through 9 April Marines and Vietnamese continued working together on civic action projects such as a modern pig pen, reconstruction of an old well, and laying the foundation for a school house. A substantial amount of lumber was contributed to the hamlet for the pig pen and school house, and tin for the lining of the well. A photographic identification project was started by the Civic Action Team by taking pictures of family groups in the hamlet in connection with the census program. During the week 10 through 16 April activity commenced with the Commanding Officer and Executive Officer of the Battalion attending a presentation of an expensive medical instrument from the people of the USA to the DUY TAN Hospital. The Battalion Civic Action Officer held a conference with the people of the hamlet to discuss a school project which they had approved.

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Vietnamese and Marines together built a small school room in the hamlet and the first day of school found 20 children in attendance. Lessons in English were given by Marines through the Battalion interpreters. In the middle of the week the children of the hamlet began to stay away from the school. The aid station, merchant stores and barber shop closed down. This lasted but a few days and at the end of the week attendance at school increased, treatments at the aid station returned to normal and the stores and barber shop began operations as usual. The unrest among the villagers can be contributed to two factors. First, the political unrest in the City of DANANG choked off supplies for the hamlet stores; secondly, a suicide squad entered neighboring hamlets and threatened the people. The new school project had probably startled the Viet Cong as it was contrary to their doctrine. At the end of the week the Battalion established a permanent patrol base next to the aid station in the shopping center of YEN BAC. The base effectively denied access to a main trail between hamlets during curfew hours. Previously this route permitted movement unrestricted by GVN check points. During the week 17 through 23 April school attendance increased to 36 children a day, and plans were discussed to enlarge the now overcrowded school room. Many children from neighboring hamlets were also attending the classes. Hamlet routine returned to normal, and the aid station, barber shop and merchant stores had their usual business. During the week 24 through 30 April the school attendance skyrocketed to 43 children. Down came the walls of the small school house and work was begun by Marines and Vietnamese in construction of a bigger school. The increase in attendance can be attributed to several things, one being that the 40 Piaster fee to attend private schools is beyond the economic means of peasant farmers. Another factor is that when the schools in the neighboring hamlets are open the children of YEN BAC are needed in the fields to herd the cows. We have scheduled school hours in the hamlet from 1200 to 1400 during the noon heat, when children are resting from labor in the fields. The pig pen was completed and there are plans to buy American-Vietnamese cross-bred pigs and have them crossed with the hamlet swine. There is hope that this will improve the quality of pig breed. The Hamlet Agricultural advisors from USAID have said it looks like a sound program with great prospects. In the middle of the week the Battalion Civic Action Officer took the officers and non-commissioned officers of the Battalion on a tour through the hamlet to meet the people and get a better understanding of their customs and way of life. It was found in the past that patrols were misinterpreting customs of the people, mistaking them for Viet Cong inspired. This week school children were given soap, CARE school kits and an extra treat of a hot meal. The elders of the hamlet were not neglected. They received CARE sewing kits which they rapidly put to use in repairing and making outer garments of clothing. The success of the Civic Action Program in the hamlet of YEN BAC seems to be spreading. The hamlet chief of CAM HOA

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(KT965703) has requested aid for his village from this Battalion. He expressed a desire to have a population census and house number signs as in YFN DAC hamlet.

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TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security No enemy contact		F
0635		2		Normal CP operations commenced		F
0800		3		Patrol 67-66 changed back to 011400. All units notified as well as the Patrol leader.		F
1300		4		Chaplain KALE presented a lecture on Religion in vietnam to 1/2 of the company.		F
1420		5		Capt MCCULLUM YACHT-3 called to inform us that a two day school on "Engineer Generator Instruction" will commence at 0730 2Apr66. 3 man team will hold instructions. Our ordnance/maintenance officer will send four men to attend S-3 Notified.		F
1400		6		Two red cross girls arrived to entertain the troops in the E.M. Club.		F
1401		7		Patrol 67-66 departed on mission		
1515		8		Patrol 67-66 returned from mission Neg results		F
1520		9		Red Cross girls left area.		F
2000		10		Major BROWN, PARCHMENT 62, called and MAJ GEN MCKUTCHEON will escort V.I.P. on Monday 1525-1620 4Apr66 BRIGGEN PLATT will conduct rehearsal at 1300 Sunday 3Apr66 1420-1425		F
2400		11		From 1900-2400 50% security No enemy contact		F

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IN	OUT				
0235		1		CG msg 041612Z received C.O. & X.O. notified	S,F,
0335		2		CG msg 041751Z received C.O., X.O. & S-3 notified (100% alert at 0500)	S,F
0500		3		100% alert actuated (See journal Entry #2)	F
0501		4		From 2400-0500 50% security No enemy contact	F
0800		5		Opns Officer called Shove-3 (Maj. MAXWELL) who told him that No ration breakdown run or rotation run authorized - later run only run authorized.	F
0802		6		Dream-3 notified that our patrol 70-66 will go as scheduled.	
0805		7		Patrol 70-66 departed on mission with special briefing held prior to departure on circumventing houses.	F
0900		8		Patrol 70-66 returned from mission with no V.C. contact. Villagers very quite.	F
1230		9		Opns Officer departed for scene of accidental firing of 106mm RR. An CNIOS from the 2nd Flt Co "C" 3d ATBn was cleaning their 106mmRR tubes. One 106mm RR round was accidentally fired. The blackblast from the rifle tube killed one and wounded two members of the crew.	F
1650		10		Called Col. WILKINSON (Shove-3) and inquired if we were still required to furnish entos. He answered Affirmative - Sgt ROBERTSON H.F. Alpha notified	F
1745		11		Opns Officer returned from mission (See entry #9)	F
2040		12		Two shots were heard in CP, Smokeroom informed us he believed rounds to be from a carbine in the village of PHONG BAC.	F
2400		14		From 1900-2400 50% security, No enemy contact	F

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security No enemy contact Normal CP Operations continued.		F
0800		2		Permanent patrol base set up at bunker.		F
0845		3		Lt. BARNES Smokeroom-3 called & said they will have a 6 man patrol out in their southern perimeter area for 2 hours. Gun 6 and patrol base notified.		F
0900		4		General VAN STOCKEN will be in area at 0900 9Apr66		F
0901		5		Patrol 73-66 departed on mission		F
0945		6		Patrol 73-66 returned from mission with Negative results		F
1400		7		Operations Officer departed for a meeting with 3d Tank Bn. S-3		F
1414		8		Operations Officer returned from 3d Tank Bn S-3. The Bn reaction plt. is on 15 minutes stand-by. They will be given Protective masks & schooling in riot suppression procedures. One platoon of ontos standing by.		F
2110		9		Received call from Dream-3 informed us that they have cancelled all perimeter patrols Will call us when patrols are to resume		F
2130		10		One shot was heard in the Bn CP. Shots believed to have originated from rice paddy to our direct front. (Source unknown)		F
2400		11		From 1900-2400 50% security No enemy contact		F

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COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
PERMANENT PATROL BASE

1. MISSION. To establish a Permanent Patrol Base in the immediate vicinity of the village bunker located at (AT987706) in the hamlet of YEN BAC.

2. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation

On 080800 April 1966 a permanent patrol base will be established and manned 24 hours a day at (AT987706). Approximately nine personnel will work from the bunker located at this coordinate. All future Ambushes within the 3d AT Bn's patrol area of responsibility will receive on the spot briefing and instructions from the Senior Marine present at the permanent patrol base.

3. ETO and ETR will be: Established at 0800 8 April 1966, and site will be manned on a continual basis 24 hours a day.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

a. A land line will connect the PPB with the Battalion switch board on a permanent basis.

b. Back-up communications will be provided by PRC-8 radio on the Battalion tactical net.

5. AMMUNITION. The senior Marine present at the Permanent Patrol Base will be responsible for the custody and accountability of ammunition issued to support this mission.

E. R. LARSON  
By direction

Copy to: 9th Marines  
3d Bn, 3d Marines  
Hoa Cam Training Center  
3d Tank Bn.  
1st Amtrac Bn.  
3d MT Bn.  
H&S Co, 3d ATBn  
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TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
0230		1		Received call from SSgt DUFORD, HEAVY FIST CHARLIE - Ontos C-15 received one 57mm RR round - Two WIA's, Ontos is inoperable. Location of Ontos - AT993617 - SSgt MAYO notified, Bn XO notified, A SPOTREPORT was submitted to SENATOR and SHOVE by 2/9 (BLACKBOX-3). Time 110130H April 66 Both IA's Medevac.	F
0630		2		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. (Serial #1 above happened in TACR.	F
0800		3		Memorial Mass held at 3/9 C.P. for L/Cpl CUNEEN, DOAI on 051105H April 66 (See journal #5 serial #10).	F
0930		4		Capt FACKLIN, Smokerom-3, called and offered a loan of a film on "Operation PIRANHA" on 12 April 66, movie WCO notified to pick this film up at Smokerom-3.	F
1040		5		Operation departed on a liaison visit with Smokerom-3.	F
20		6		Operations Officer returned from Liaison visit with Smokerom-3.	F
1300		7		Operations Officer attending a Company promotion board meeting	F
1355		8		Patrol 75-66 departed on mission.	F
1600		9		Patrol 75-66 returned from mission with negative results.	F
2345		10		Numerous small arms shots heard vicinity of bridge Smokerom-3 called by Operations chief, report- they have no idea where the shots came from.	F
2400		11		From 1900-2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	

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## PLACE

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IN	OUT				
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued	F
0908		2		Patrol 76-66 departed on mission.	F
0925		3		Shots heard from vicinity of Hamlet #3 vic of patrol - 116 reported this on the phone. Reaction squad alerted.	F
0935		4		Patrol had encountered a bamboo snake and killed it with small arms fire. No casualties.	F
0950		5		S-2 called from gun #6 and passed word that a six man ARVN patrol was observed in the vic of our patrol. This information was passed to our patrol on the radio.	F
1046		6		Lt. BARNES, Smoke room-3 called to inquire about a VCS that our village sick bay turned over to them. Sick bay was hooked up on a conference call and informed the Lt that the patient was originally turned into them by 3 Officers from 3d Tank Bn. from Phong Bac.	F
1110		7		Patrol 76-66 returned from mission, with negative results. A 12 man ARVN patrol was noted during the patrol.	F
1445		8		The film "The Battle" received from Smoke room-3 for viewing at movie this evening.	F
1520		9		SSgt LARKIN, Shove 203 (G-3 Trng) called and said he has us scheduled for firing Sunday at the Hoa Cam Training Center 14-1700 modified 300 meter range and 14-1700 light machine gun, but no advisors are there yet and they must be connected before firing - Opns Chief will attempt to do this.	F
1620		10		Maj. MAXWELL, (Shove-3) called and talked with Opns Officer.	
2400		11		From 1900-2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	

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IN	OUT				
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.	F
LATE ENTRY		2		Effective 120548Z road conditions are now normal for vehicular traffic - security condition YELLOW remains in effect. Ref CG msg 120548Z	F
0945		3		Received word from Lt. DOHSE that the village of Yen Bac (AT985708) was vacated. Reaction squad was alerted. A squad size patrol will be dispatched to the area at 1300.	F
1000		4		Inspection team from FMF PAC inspecting the M.T. Section.	F
1300		5		Patrol 77-66 departed on mission they have increased their strength to one squad. Adjacent units notified.	F
1520		6		Patrol 77-66 returned from mission - one man was apprehended by the blocking force under on-the-spot control of Lt. DOHSE.	F
1537		7		Chaplain KALE scheduled the second of two lectures on "Religion in Vietnam" 1300 on both the 20th and 21st of April 66.	F
1602		8		Lt DOHSE/Civic Action Officer & his team apprehended one VCS & one VC. They were taken to the Prisoner Collection Point by S-2	F
1730		9	9	Smokeroom-3 called to find out if we had a patrol out at this time. Tanks spotted 10 man group conducting a sweep across paddy. Negative report submitted, but Civic Action Team at bunker observed small group of men at treeline across rice paddy.	F
2015		10		Smokeroom-3 notified that Blackbox (2/9) will have a continuous river patrol of the Song Cau Do River starting at darkness and lasting throughout the night.	F

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security No enemy contact	F	
0800		2		Bn Cmr held Staff meeting	F	
0805		3		Patrol 78-66 departed on mission	F	
0950		4		Patrol 78-66 returned from mission. No enemy contact.	F	
0930		5		Call from Capt Lloyd Div COC Watch Officer relaying request from III MAF G-5 for special report concerning situation of unrest in YEN BAC Hamlet and what action unit proposes to take to counter situation. Coordinate with 9th Marines (S-3 Officer took call)	S,F	
1120		6		Bunker (116) called and said Vietnamese w/ ID card was being detained SSgt BOHN sent down to inspect piece of paper that the Vietnamese was carrying.	F	
1307		7		This Vietnamese national was cleared	F	
1535		8		Opns Officer on trip to Permanent Patrol Base & Yen Bac w/Capt FREDERICKS, Division G-5 section	F	
1640		9		Opns Officer returned from Yen Bac.	F	
1700		10		Rec'd call from Senator 2 (Maj WARD) concerning unrest in Yen Bac	F	
1011		11		Rec'd call from Dream 3 at 1830 They will have practice alert S-3 & OOD notified	F	
2400		12		From 1900-2400 50% security No enemy contact	F	

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IN	OUT				
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.	F
0900		2		Received call from Capt. LLOYD, SHOVE COC watch Officer relaying request from SHOVE-2 for any information relaying to I Corps ISUM #99, Para 3.2 (a): At 072200 Apr 66 est VC Plt entered Cam Ne (4) (AT970695) and terrorized villagers. Eight people murdered (throats slit), four others kidnapped.	F
1032		3		Received call from XO. CO and XO departing C.P. for ARVN Military Hospital, then SHOVE C/S. Should return by 1230.	F
1034		4		Patrol Order has been changed from fire team to squad size. All units notified.	F
1140		5		Maj. RUSSELL, SHOVE -3 called and asked if we had a Plt in Chu Lai with BENDIX (2/4). Negative	F
1320		6		Patrol 79-66 departed on mission after briefing.	F
LATE ENTRY		7		LtCol. MACKEL G-5 visited the Bn. C.P. S-3 officer attending briefing from 1245-1345.	F
1437		8		Opns Officer departed for visit with district chief and Maj JACKSON in the village of Yen Bac (AT985708).	F
1515		9		Patrol returned from mission, no VC contact written report (debriefing received from fire team leader and squad leader.	F
2400		10		From 1900-2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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## PLACE

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0400		1		Patrol #82-66, ambush returned to FPB with negative results.		F
0625		2		Capt SHARFF - received call from CWO MILLIS if you send two trucks down to commercial pier right away you can get the drainage.		F
0630		3		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.F. operations continued.		F
0800		4		Patrol #83-66 departed on mission.		F
0820		5		Capt. FRANKLE, Snokerom-3 called and asked for an availability list of troops to be used in case of commitment.		F
0905		6		The S-5 from 9th Marines stopped and asked for one Officer to make briefing at 51st ARVN Reg. at BO MUNG (1) in reference to an ARVN sweep - they want us to furnish a blocking force.		F
0915		7		Ops Officer to G-3 on liaison visit.		F
1039		8		Ops Officer returned from liaison visit.		F
1100		9		Patrol #83-66 returned from mission. Negative results.		F
1400		10		Sgt. BARRY, recon/liaison NCO departed on liaison visit with the 51st ARVN Reg. at BO MUNG (1).		F
1425		11		Maj LAMB, Snokerom-3 made liaison visit with the Ops Officer.		F
1625		12		Snokerom-3 called and informed that they will have an ambush at shackle Y AQFEYT from 0001-0600 - message center broke shackle.		F
1630		13		Capt. LING, Senator-3, called in reference to ARVN sweep of area in the morning.		F
1650		14		Sgt. BARRY returned from liaison visit.		F

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TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.	F
0920		2		Maj. LAMB, Smokerroom-3 made liaison visit with Opns Officer.	F
0930		3		Maj. LAMB, Maj. LARSON departed on liaison visit with Senator-3.	F
35		4		Two men from CIT arrived with information concerning a VCS turned over to III MAF Collection Point on 13 April 66	F
1000		5		Received progress report from S-2 on a ARVN sweep of the villages of Yen Bac and Cam Hoa/Phong Bac - ARVN have rounded up 297 villagers and will hold them for questioning.	F
1103		6		Maj. LARSON returned from liaison visit with 9th Marines.	F
1210		7		Received call from SENATOR-3 informing us that SENATOR-6 would be arriving at our C.P. in approximately 30 minutes, for a tour of the village of Yen Bac.	F
1250		8		SENATOR-6, Col. SIMONS, paid visit to Bn Commander - he was taken on a tour of the village of Yen Bac.	F
1300		9		Class given to Company on "Black LANG" by Sgt. BARRY recon/liason NCO.	F
1320		10		Message with priority for Col SIMONS arrived at the S-3 bunker. Messenger was sent to Yen Bac with an armed guide.	F
1700		11		Received MTBn patrol order #42-66.	F
1900		12		Received call from SQUIRE-3, meeting at 221000H April 66, 2/3 C.P. for CO CDR and/or Flt. CDR. concerning "rough rider" to Hue Phu Bai.	F

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## PLACE

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400 -- 0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal CP operations continued.		F
0808		2		Senator 3 called and advised that the meeting scheduled for 230930H Apr66 has been postponed until 231400H Apr66.		F
1255		3		Operations Officer conducting practice lecture for presentation scheduled on 241130H Apr66. (Col. SWEENEY)		F
1400		4		Operations Officer departed on liaison visit with 9th Marines.		F
1410		5		Tank S-3 called with information on a sweep by 3d Tank Bn in Phong Bac Village (AT994706) to commence 0630 on 24Apr66.		F
1530		6		Operations Officer returned from liaison visit with 9th Marines.		F
2145		7		Received word from LtCol CUNLIFF - Col SWEENEY Chief of Staff desires an informal briefing/discussion by the CO and/or XO on highlights of Bn, functions or any type problems we have rather than a formal briefing by the S-1, 2, 3, 4.		F
2150		8		Smokeroom 3, Lt. BARNES, called to inform us that well security had fired one round in the vic of (AT986701) where our 2200 ambush is to be deployed.		F
2155		9		Contacted 2200 ambush element at gun #7 and notified them not to depart for ambush until they heard from Bn S-3.		F
2200		10		Notified Tank Bn S-3 that ambush element would be assigned a new ETD and they would be notified of it when it was decided.		F
2255		11		Switchboard notified S-3 that landline to bunker #7 was out. Radio contact with ambush element will provide the half-hourly check-in's by gun #7. Tank's landline to gun #7 is open.		F

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HEAVY BIST 2/3, 1st Antitank Bn	
PLACE	
DaNang, South Vietnam	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
280001H Apr66	282400H Apr66

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.		F
0830		2		Patrol #91-66 departed on mission.		F
1100		3		Patrol #91-66 returned from mission.		F
1130		4		A Vietnamese male was picked up in the village of Yen Bac (AT985708) for having an excess of medical supplies in his possession. The man was turned over to the 3d ITT to await processing.		F
1135		5		Received call from SENATOR-3, ARVN patrol will depart from GC (BTOOL722) 2300 tonight and move down road to the Hoa Cam Training Center.		F
1145		6		Sent report on FORCE REQUIREMENTS to Division S&U.		F
1535		7		Received from Opns Chief S-3 AXHANDLE a call relaying information to us that he had an opening for VC mines and Booby trap school - Hdqtrs Commandant said that the squad will go. Opns Chief called him and told him we wanted 10-12 to attend.		F
1650		8		SENATOR-BAILY (artillery) called and told us that our night security concentration had two registrations points concentrations cancelled they are BY-140 and BY-140Z. Operations Officer notified.		F
LATE ENTRY		9		1st Sgt COOKE given details on the 12 man opening for school at 0715 at Engineer Bn.		F
2400		10		From 1900-2400 50% security, no enemy contact.		F

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PLACE	
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290001H	292100H Apr66

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0010		1		Shore COC called and left message that the meeting scheduled for the Bn Cmdr. at 0900 29Apr66 has been changed to 1500 29Apr66. Bn Cmdr. notified by the Operations Officer.		F
0630		2 c		From 2400 - 0630 50% security, No enemy contact Normal CP Operations continued.		F
0837		3		Two NCO's from 3d ITT visited the S-2 in regards to entry #4 Journal #28-Apr. The Vietnamese had a bicycle and they wanted to know where it was - the S-2 told them that the Civic Action Officer had given it to the Vietnamese Man's Parents.		F
1000		4		Heavy Fist Alpha was called by Operations Chief - requirement layed on them to furnish one Marine for 2111 School on Okinawa.		F
1045		5		1stSgt COOKE, H&S Co called in to nominate PFC C. G. CHARTZ for 2111 School on Okinawa.		F
1302		6		Dream (Check Point Charley) called to inform us that the Road Guard Sentry from 3dATBn had not shown up - 1stSgt COOKE, H&S Co. notified by Recon/Liaison NCO.		F
1420		7		Memo on Companies and Section Heads (S-1 Section) distributed (Subj: Lessons Learned)		F
1630		8		Report on "Suggestions for Revision of FMTM-8-2" Sent to Division.		F
2400		9		From 1900-2400 50% security No enemy contact		F

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IN	OUT				
0900		1	010900	Jd 17 Men fr 3dBn 4th Marines to CoB HARRISON, MCCOLLUM, KENNEDY, SHAFFER, NIKLAS, WALKER, LEWIS, POOLAS, KUBISIAK, SMITH, EARLY, CROCKER, LEWIS, MURRAY, KEATING, WILLIAMS, NICHOLS	F
1200		1	021200	Fr H&R MOORE, HUDSON	F
1200		2	021200	CECIL Fr Okinawa	F
1500		3	021500	Jd fr CONUS, Enl., WILLIAMS, GALLAGHER, STRICKLAND, SIGWALD, to H&SCo	F
1000		1	031000	Interbattalion change Fr H&S to "B" SCHULKE	F
0800		1	040800	Lt. MARWITZ, MEDEVAC Philippines	F
1000		2	041000	Telcon fr Red Cross Chapter, Everett, Wash, case of Pfc G.S. SMITH 2148178/3531, H&SCo. "Dr. BARNES states surgery (3rd) on father 29Mar66 for 2nd bowel obstruction ASW channel open between bowel & stomach. Dr. does not feel adequate time to evaluate prognosis which is termed uncertain this time. Dr. recommends 10 day extension. Serviceman submitted own request through Navy message Service. Please notify us on action	Adj, CO
1300		3	041300	Parchment 119, 219 Mr. WALOTH Msg drafted for Pfc SMITH on EnLv given 10 days extra, in for CO sign	Adj
1400		4		Telcon fr Cpl at Chief of Staff saying visit of Sec. VANCE is cancelled.	Adj, CO
	1500	5	041500	Telcon to Red Cross telling of our Okay on Pfc SMITH & extension of EnLv They are also drafting msg.	Adj
0800		1	050800	Dr fr "C" to B.A.S. FRAZIER	F
1200		2	051200	Dr fr H&S to CONUS Lt. ANDAZOLA Dr fr "A" to CONUS CRAWFORD Dr fr "C" to CONUS SMITH	F

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IN	OUT				
1200			051200	Dr fr "A" to CONUS	
1300		3	051300	Killed fr accidental discharge of major weapon Enl GUNZEN fr "A"	
1120		1	061120	Called Shove 147, Sgt SELVIK, and gave him a verbal rpt of 37 seat requirements for Apr draft. Ref: CG ltr 7b/LB/dw 1300 of 30Mar66. Verbal rpt was also given by Cpl DODDS to a clerk at 147 at 1900 5Apr66	Info
1300		2	061300	Air Freight called for AT's to pick up one (1) replacement	F
1200		1	071200	Dr fr "C" to CONUS GOGGIN, MANNS	F
		2		Fr H&S: LAKE, "C": WILLIAMS, "A":	F
1700		3	071700	Jd fr CONUS to H&S: WARD, STEELE, ROMBERG, MCLACHLAN, ESPARZA, KONES, TICKEL: Jd fr CONUS to "B": POINER, ROBERTS, BROSSIA, PENTON, WEAVER, PRUITT, MEADOWS, BORG, BONURA, KOSKI, BROWN, BACCUS, BYRD. Tr to "B" fr H&S: KLIKNO, PASTUCK ROGERS, WILSON, HODGE, JACKSON, LEEDON, MCKAY.	F
	1100	1	081100	Talked to MSgt EMERSON, Shove 101 and asked if we could submit follow up Back Lash Rpt with evening guard mail. Permission was granted.	XO
	1215	2	081215	LCpl EISNER Air freight called and said there were four (4) replacements "A" Co alerted	"A" Co, 1st Sgt H&S S-4, XO S-3, NT, XO
	1230	3	081230	BOKELMAN & SPANN to be picked up and one other man	
	1445	4	081445	CoB rpts 93 percent Bond allotment participation	
1730		5	081730	Picked up RPS material	
1900		6	081900	Departed for hamlet	

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0800		1	090800	Fr B.A.S. to "C": FRAZER	F
1200		2	091200	Dr fr "C" to CONUS: MEAD	F
1800		3	091800	Jd fr CONUS to "A": SHAIBLE, WIDENEK, TATE, THOMPSON	F
0800		1	100800	To CMed fr "C": FRAZER, LALOND, BOWEN	F
1100		2	101100	Telcon fr Red Cross "Sons mother request Sgt CONLIN CoC" Step-father borderline case in hospital. Dr. BEARDSLEY states heart attack 2 weeks ago also one on 9Apr66	AdminChief, ExO
	1200	3	101200	Got Okay and TON fr G-1; orders out and signed. Arrangements made with Air Freight	ExO, F
1200		4	101200	Dr fr "C" to CONUS: SONATY, WILSON, HAMILTON	F
1510		5	101510	7 - 2143's go to PSR effective 15Apr66	T
1600		6	101600	Jd 2/Lt PONDER fr CONUS to CoB	F
0100		1	110100	Two men CoC Ontos hit by 57MM Recoilless BT 993617 Pfc LALOND frag wounds Rleg and small of back, Pfc BOWEN L ear perforated; medvac to CMed	File
0800		2	110800	Fr CMed to G: BOWEN	
1055		3	111055	Lt PONDER to depart at approx 1300	F
1200		4	111200	Dr fr H&S to B: SMITH, REAMES	F
1200		5	111200	Dr fr "A" to CONUS: BLACKER	F
1200		1	121200	Fr R&R: HEFLIN, H&S: MCALPHER, "A".	F
1400		2	121400	Jd fr CONUS to H&S: SMITH	F

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0725		1	130725	West Coast Audit Team arrived in GP	OO, XO
0800		2	130800	NO MOVNICH in charge	F
0900		3	130900	Fr Lt MARKITZ to MedVas Philippines	F
1300		4	131300	OO states he will attend 3d Marines	F
1530		5	131530	Change of Command Ceremony Jd fr Oki to H&S; Lt. TAYLOR Picked up two VCS in hamlet in connection with Civic Action Program	F
1505		1	151505	Jd fr CONUS to H&S; HATZELHOFFER, KANZLER; To "C"; TANNER	F
1200		1	161200	To D&R Old; H&S; OULA, CHARTZ "A"; WEBB "C"; TROSIER	F
2000		2	162000	Jd fr CONUS to "C"; Maj. DAVIS	F
1500		1	171500	Jd fr CONUS to H&S; HN. TIPPET To "C"; BAIRD, WOFFORD	F
1200		1	181200	Dr fr H&S to CONUS; KNIGHT	F
1200		1	191200	Dr to CONUS; Fr "A"; SILVER, BEHRENS KRAUTHEDM, NAYLOR, HARDEMAN, RIEP; Fr "B"; HENTHORN; Fr EnLv (CONUS); WEATHERFORD "A" Co	F
1400		2	191400	Jd fr CONUS to H&S; FISHER	F
1200		1	201200	Dr to CONUS; Fr H&S; LIVENDAHN Fr "A"; RITTER Fr "B"; MIKSAD, MCCOLLUM	F

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1100		1	211100	Jd fr CONUS to B: Off SATCHER	F
1200		2	211200	Fr R&R "C" LEE	F
1200		3	211200	Dr to CONUS fr B: HARRISON, SMITH, LEWIS	F
0800		1	220800	DYER H&S MedEvac	OO XO
1200		2	221200	InterBnTran fr H&S to "A" KATE "B" BAKER "C" KOMES	F
1200		3	221200	Dr fr H&S to 12thMar: PATAKI	F
1300		4	221300	Dr to CONUS Fr H&S SCHONTEIG "A" OLNEY Fr "B" LOTT	F
0800		1	250800	LCpl C.L. FROST O/S Tour Ext 3 mo to Jul66 this date DSO 327-66	F
0845		2	250845	Briefing held with BnCivActO	F
1000		3	251000	Cooking Oil & Firewood to hamlet	F
0800		1	260800	Meeting w/BnCivActO	F
0800	1600	2	260800	Work continued on school and bunker	F
1110		3	261110	Sent BALLMES to pick up 1 Replacement Air Draft	Adj
0900	1030	4	260900	AdminChf held conf w/all company Chf Clk, general admin procedures were discussed	Adj
0800		1	270800	Jd fr CONUS HEIDELBAUCH to "B"	F
0800		2	270800	Adj briefing w/CivActSgt, SACSGT & AdminChf	F
1200		3	271200	1 bar soap to ea school child of Yen Bac was given out	F
1230		4	271230	2 bags of cement to NGUYEN LUC for base for grain vats	F
0800		1	280800	Adj briefing w/CivActSgt, SACSGT & AdminChf	F
0830		2	280830	SMITH H&S fr EnLv CONUS	F
0830		3	280830	MORRISON, KOMES "C" sk BAS 2/9	F
1130		4	281130	TOOK HONG NHA to ITT VCS	F
1500		5	281500	1 can cooking oil to TRAN THI XI	F
1000		6	281000	Received a call fr III MAF G-5. He wanted to know where our school was located and how the program was coming along. Informed him the school	F

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				was in hamlet of Yen Dao 5 & the program was progressing satisfactory & the use of the interpreter as a teacher was working out fine	Adj
1030		7	281030	Received 20 sheets of corrugated metal w/nails for use in civicAct program. DivCivAff informed me that they have ample building supplies for civAct projects, all we have to do is request them.	Adj
1100		8	281100	Received a call from Sgt SUFFICK Div Pers. He informed me that in addition to the requirement of 5 men to go TAD to Danang East on the 15th of May DivPers has accessed this Bn w/the requirement for 3 additional men to to TAD effective today. They want the names this afternoon, the orders will be cut tonight & they will report to Danang East tomorrow.	Adj
1105		9	281105	In reference to Danang East TAD (the entry above) H&S was notify to supply 3 men from the working party, which can afford to be cut down now that the messhall has been completed	Adj

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1110		10	281110	S-3 Cnf voiced a complaint on the assignment of the Asst S&C clerk as the S-3 Typist. Every time the S-3 needs him he is tied up with S&C.	Adj
0915		11	280915	MessSgt complained about some civilians routing through the garbage can at the messhall. I called bunker#6 and asked the sentry who gave them permission to come through the gate. He said he didn't stop them because the messmen let them go through the trash and carry off <del>what</del> what they wanted. I informed the sentry to escort the civilians back out the gate and to let no one enter the gate without specific authority of the CO or OOD or CivAffOff	
1120		12	281120	Received a call from bunker#7 to the effect that they had apprehended a civilian who claimed to be a doctor in the possession of medical supplies and medicine. He did not have written permission to purchase these supplies. Instructed the sentry to bring him to the gate and notify S-2 to pick him up at the gate and bring him to HOA VANG District Hq for interrogating.	Adj



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TIME		Serial Number	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken M-map S-staff T-trps F-file
IN	OUT				
0800		1	290800	Adj briefing with CivAffSgt, & CSgt & AdminChf	
0900		2	290900	SgtCivAff arranged meeting between CAM HOA HamletChf & BnCivAffOff 0900 30Apr66	Adj
1400		3	291400	Received list of people who need clothes from YenBac hamletChf	Adj
0800		1	300800	InterBnTran ROBERTS "B" to H&S	F
0600		2	300800	Drop O'REAR to CONUS fr "A" DOWLING to 2/4	F
0800		3	300800	InterBnTran MCGRAW H&S to "B"	F
0900		4	300900	CivAffOff held meeting with CAM HOA hamletChf	Adj
0930		5	300930	CivAffTeam visited CAM HOA sub hamlet 1 - 5	

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3d Marine Division

April 1966

IN	OUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
x		177	011030	"A"Co. reported M37 involved in accident. "A"CO investigating.	
x		178	011100	Submitted Redops to SO3	Filed S-4's Copy
x		179	011520	Submitted Ammo Expd. Rpt to DivOrd	Filed S-4's Copy
x		180	011530	Submitted Work Request(requesting one carpenter) to DivEng.	" " "
x		181	021330	S-4 notified 1st AT's S-4 of tentative shipment of 2 M422A1s to their Bn as of this date	
x		182	021420	Submitted Generator Equipment Rpt to DivEng.	Filed S-4's Copy
3 April 1966 -----					
x		183	041400	Submitted LOGSUM Rpt to Div G-4	" " " " "
x		184	041410	Submitted Work Request (concerning (1) Tower for water tanks) to DivEng	" " " " "
x		185	051545	Submitted Equipment Dansity Rpt to Div G-4	" " " " "
6 April 1966 -----					
x		186	071530	Submitted list of Garrison Equipment to DivSup	" " " " "
x		187	081530	Submitted School Trained Embarkation Personnel to Div.	" " " " "
x		188	081540	Submitted Ammo Expd. to DivOrd	" " " " "
x		189	091045	Submitted Correction Notice for Erroneous JON's on OPBUD to DivComptroller	" " " " "
10 April -----					

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IN	OUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
x		190	110915	Received POL Rpt from "B"Co.	Filed
	x	191	111500	Notified FLSG of all details of deadlined Ontos hit by enemy fire	
	x	192	1208390	Submitted letter to "B"Co regarding Requisitioning procedures and Weekly Copy Rpts due	Filed S-4's
	x	193	121500	Generator developed major malfunction; notified DivEng, pending replacement	
x	x	194	130830	MT Inspections Team arrived from FMF PAC	
	x	195	130935	Submitted Transmittal of Statistical Cost Rpt. to SC-48.	Filed S-4's Copy
—	x	196	131300	Requested quotas for Cpl Conley and PFC Schexnayder to Generator's Operator's School  14 April 1966	
	x	197	151730	Submitted Ammo Expd. to DivOrd	Filled S-4's Copy
	x	198	160930	Submitted Deadlined of Combat Equipment Rpt to Div G-4  17 April 1966	" " " " "
	x	199	180830	Sub transmittal of Statistical Cost Rpt to SC-48.	" " " " "
	x	200	181200	Request for Vehicle Augmentation to DivMTO	" " " " "
	x	201	181330	Request for Special Allowance for 2 refrig- erator Unit to Div G-4	" " " " "
	x	202	181545	Submitted LOGSUM Rpt to SCI-4	" " " " "
	x	203	191000	Requested space for 12 track sections on next DivMTO Roughrider North	
	x	204	191130	Submitted Correction Notice for Erroneous JON's on OPBUD to DivComptroller	
	x	205	200715	Dispatched two trucks to Commercial Pier	ENCLOSURE (2)

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S.R.				INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT	NOL	DTG		
				for lumber. Will arrange for (1) 2½ ton truck (0630) daily to pier for lumber remainder fo week.	
x	207	210900		Set 15 May as re-inspection date for Motor Transport. Approved incentive program within MT Section.	
x	208	220930		"C"Co and Logistic Chief attended planning conference over Rough Rider	
x	209	220900		Submitted request for Quonset Huts to SCI-15	Filed S-4's Copy
x	210	221600		Submitted Ammo Expenditure Rpt to SCI-8	" " " " "
x	211	230800		Requested quotas for Infantry Weapons Repair as follow: H&SCo - 1 31May - 2 27June "B"Co - 1 31May	S-3; H&Sand "B"Co.
x	212	231445		Ref Journal entry #200 - denied. Request on as needed basis.	
x	213	241000		Beckerddispatched to GC 987667 to retrieve overturned gas tanker form "C"Co.	
x	214	251000		Submitted Request for Additional Real Estate to SCI-4	Filed S-4's Copy
x	215	251015		GySgt Fehaley (III MAF S-4) reported that 2 R&E M50A1's will be received prior to 30 June. Gave numbers 225811 and 226702 for replacement (Both "C"Co.)	
x	216	261500		Arranged to have 1200 gallons of non-potable MTO; S-4 water delivered each day from 1st AmTrac Bn for shower water	
x	217	271430		Submitted 30 day Requisition Hist otc S-4	
x	218	271504		Submitted Rpt of Cargo, Trailer, M100 to SCI-35	Filed S-4's Copy
x	219	271600		Submitted BnO 5560.1 concerning Unattended Vehicles to S-1.	

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x		220	281515	Div does not concur with info passed by Gunny Feheley (entry 251015). Div will check	Div
	x	221	281615	Mity Mite 234503 turned back to FLSG due to excess	MT
x		223 <sup>3</sup>	291430	Research of supply records reveal following outstanding requisition for Ontos track:  Doc# 06077 - 300 Sections - pri 12 Doc# 00892 - 20 Sections - pri 17 Doc# 06771 - 126 Sections - pri 02 (Red Ball) Doc# 0644 - 154 Sections - pri 17 (Cancelled 29Apr66)	Sup
	x	223 <sup>4</sup>	291600	Submitted Ammo Expenditure Rpt to SCI-8	Filed S-4's Copy
	x	223 <sup>5</sup>	291605	Submitted Negative Deadlined Combat Equip. to SCI-4	" " "
x		223 <sup>6</sup>	300800	During the month of April all 106mm guns of "A" and "C" companies were inspected for worn parts by Maintenance Contact Teams. Excessively worn parts were replaced. "B" Company's 106mm guns will be inspected during the first part of May.	
x		222	291500	DivOrd inspected our Ammo Bunker: Results Outstanding. Items needed: Copper Sulfate Pads (Required for Phos burns) and first aid kit and a water barrel	

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FM CO, 3D ANTITANK BN (-) (REIN)  
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 235 AS OF 032400H/042400H <sup>APR</sup> 1966

1. COMMAND POST LOCATIONSDANANG TAOBM&S CO, 3D ANTITANK BN (-) (REIN)

AT987721

"A" CO (-) (REIN)

AT987761

1ST FLT

AT987781

2ND FLT

AT987719

1ST FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

AT987782

"C" CO (REIN)

AT987723

1ST FLT

AT987778

2ND FLT

AT987757

3RD FLT

AT987778

3RD FLT CO "B" 3D ATBN

AT987706

MUE PHU BAI TAOB\*"B" CO (-) (REIN)

YD8941A3

\*2ND FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

YD8941A3

\*3RD FLT CO "A"

YD8941A3

\*DENOTES CHANGES IN C.P. LOCATIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

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FM CG, 3D AMBTANK BN (-) (REIN)  
TO CG, THIRD ARMY

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SITREP NUMBER 236 S OF 102400H/112400H APRIL 66

1. OPERATIONAL POST LOCATIONSANANG TACR1RS CG, 3D AMBTANK BN (-) (REIN)AT987711"A" CO (-) (REIN)AT942761

1st FLT

AT942761

2ND FLT

AT954719

1ST FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

AT944782

"C" CO (REIN)AT998723

1st FLT

AT990678

2ND FLT

BT074657

3RD FLT

AT990678

3RD FLT CO "B" 3D ATBN

AT974706

HUAIHU DAI TACR"B" CO (-) (REIN)

YD894143

2ND FLT CO "A" 1st ATBN

YD894143

3RD FLT CO "A"

YD894143

2. Significant events during the reporting period.

A. AT APPROXIMATELY 110130H APRIL 66 ONTOS VEHICLE C-15 FROM THE 1ST FLT, CO "C" RECEIVED ONE 57MM RR ROUND AT CG (AT993617) WHILE IN SUPPORT OF A SEARCH OF THE AREA BY 2/9. THE CREW SUSTAINED TWO KIA'S REQUIRING MEDEVAC TO "C" MED. ALL DETAILS REPORTED ON 2/9'S SPOTREPORT TO DIVISION.

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TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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ATTN: 237 13 OF 122/COH/132400H APRIL66

1. SIGNIFICANT VCS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

A. AT 131400H APRIL66 HIDE IN A SEARCH AND DESTROY PATROL OF YEN HAC HAMLET (AT985701), TWO VCS WERE APPREHENDED. ONE VCS, IDENTIFIED AS PHAM LY HIEU, IS A FORMER DISCHARGE PAPERS FROM THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT AND INDICATING THAT HE IS A MEMBER OF THE 594TH COMPANY. THE OTHER VCS IDENTIFIED AS NGUYEN VAN, IS IN THE "WANTED LIST" OF THE HOA VANG DISTRICT IN DAK NANG. HE IS ALSO ONLY THE SISTER OF THE YEN HAC HAMLET CHIEF. BOTH VCS BEING SENT TO XII MAF COLLECTION POINT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

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FM CO, 3D AIRBORNE BN (-) (RETR)  
TO CO, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 238 AS OF 132400/142400H APR 66

**1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.**

A. LATE REPORT. AT 132130H APR66 TWO MARINES WERE DISPATCHED FROM THE 3D AIRBORNE PATROL BASE AT (AT987706) TO ESCORT AN ADDITIONAL TWO MARINES FROM THE 3D AIRBORNE PATROL BASE TO THE PERMANENT PATROL BASE. SHORTLY AFTER LEAVING THE PERMANENT PATROL BASE THE TWO MARINES OBSERVED TWO FIGURES MOVING FROM A COURTYARD IN YEN BAC HAMLET (AT985706). THEY ILLUMINATED THE AREA AND OBSERVED TWO VIET CONG DRESSED IN BLACK PAJAMAS AND STRAW HATS RUNNING ACROSS THE OPEN FIELD. NO WEAPONS WERE OBSERVED. THE MARINES FIRED 8 to 10 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AT THE FLEEING VIET CONG BUT THEY ESCAPED INTO HEAVY BRUSH. THE BATTALION REACTION SQUAD CONDUCTED A SEARCH OF THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. A DAYLIGHT SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED A TRAIL THROUGH THE UNDERBRUSH AND FRESH FOOTPRINTS ACROSS AN ADJACENT RICE PADDY. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES AND NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES REPORTED.

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SITREP NUMBER 239 AS OF 172400/182400H APR66

1. COMMAND POST LOCATIONSDANANG TAORH&S CG 3D ANTITANK BN

AT987721

"A" CO (-) (REIN)

AT987761

1ST PLT

AT987761

2ND PLT

AT987719

1ST PLT CG "A" 1ST AT BN

AT987782

"C" CO (REIN)

AT987723

1ST PLT

AT987723

2ND PLT

BT074657

3RD PLT

AT987723

3RD PLT CG "B" 3RD AT BN

AT974706

HAU PHU BAY TAOR"B" CO (-) (REIN)

YD894113

2ND PLT CG "A" 1ST AT BN

YD894113

3RD PLT CG "A"

YD894113

\*TH RE HAVE BEEN NO CHANGES IN CP LOCATIONS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

2. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

A. AT 180630H APR66, TWO VIETNAMESE MALES WERE APPREHENDED IN THE VICINITY OF THIS BATTALION'S PERMANENT PATROL BASE (AT987706). THEY WERE DETAINED BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T PROPERLY EXPLAIN THEIR PRESENCE IN THE AREA. THE TWO VCS, DANH LANG (AGE 28) AND NGUYEN PHOC (AGE 17) WERE TAKEN TO THE HOA VANG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS BY THE S-2 CHIEF.

R. H. GRAHAM  
BY DIRECTION

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TO CO, THIRD MANDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 240 AS OF 242400/252400H 11R66

1. COMMAND POST LOCATIONSDANANG TAORH&S CO 3D ANTITANK BNAT987711"A" CO (-) (WEIN)AT942761

1ST FLT

AT942761

2ND FLT

AT934719

1ST FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

AT944782"C" CO (WEIN)AT998723

1ST FLT

AT990678

2ND FLT

BT074657

3RD FLT

AT990678HUE PHU BAI TAOR"B" CO (WEIN)YD894143

2ND FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

YD894143

3RD FLT CO "A"

YD894143

3RD FLT CO "B" 3RD ATBN

YD894143

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SER# 011-66

FM CG, 3D AMTITANK BN (-) (RCHN)  
TO CG, THIRD MANDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 241 AS OF 272400H/282400H APR66

1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

A. AT 281130H APR66 MEMBERS AT THE BATTALION'S PERMANENT PATROL BASE HAUT OF YON PAC (AT965706) INTERVIEWED ONE VIETNAMESE MALE, IDENTIFIED AS HONG LAM, TEMPORARY I.D. NUMBER 448, ISSUED BY BINH DUC DISTRICT. HE HAD A LARGE SUPPLY OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES IN HIS POSSESSION. WHEN QUESTIONED HE SAID HE WAS A MAJOR, HOWEVER HIS I.D. CARD INDICATED THAT HE WAS A PARASIT BY PROFESSION, IN ADDITION TO THIS HE HAD A CARD OF HIS NAME FROM HQ 3D BN, 7TH ARVN REGIMENT SAYING THAT HE WAS A FORMER MEDIC. THE SUSPECT WAS TAKEN TO BINH DUC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, WHERE IT WAS DETERMINED THAT HE WAS FROM BINH DUC DISTRICT AND A RESIDENT OF BO BAN (AT968698). INASMUCH AS HOA VANG DISTRICT HAD NO JURISDICTION OVER HIM, HE WAS THEN TAKEN TO THE 3D ITT, WHERE HE WAS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION AND ASSIGNED NUMBER 307-4-66 TO Awaiting FURTHER PROCESSING.

E. H. GRAHAM JR  
By direction

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H&S COMPANY  
 3d Antitank Battalion  
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

JTM/wmr  
 5750  
 1 May 1966

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Bn, (Attn: S-3)  
 Subj: Summary of Monthly Events  
 Ref: (a) BnO 5750.1

1. Physical Security of Bn Command Post

a. An additional bunker is being manned in the Hamlet of Yen Bac operating as a regular guard post consisting of six (6) sentries, as of the 21st of April.

b. The six (6) regular bunkers were increased one man as of the 20th of April.

c. As of 252400H the guard was decreased from 30 to 22 men.

2. Employment of Reaction Force

a. The Provisional Platoon was alerted due to Civil disturbances in Danang on 042100H April 1966. The Platoon was on 15 minute stand-by from 081414H till 092130H April 1966.

3. Training

a. H&S Company had two (2) hours of troop orientation and civil affairs.

b. Four (4) hours of riot control was conducted.

c. Normal on the job training was conducted.

d. Familiarization conducted on the following weapons

<u>Date</u>	<u># of men</u>	<u>Weapon</u>
3 April 1966	28	M-14
	29	M-60
	4	.45 cal pistol
17 April 1966	29	M-14
	29	M-60
	8	.45 cal pistol

A-56, 3d AT Bn

Apr 1966

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#### E. Problem Area

New tactical wire should be constructed forward of old wire and a mine field should be layed in between the two barriers. This would strengthen the Bn perimeter defense considerably.

Bunkers need to be remodled and strengthen. Bunker #6 under present construction.

A practice alert should be set up monthly to prepare individual Marines to move quick ly and orderly to assigned areas if the Command Post should come under attack.

#### 4. Note-worthy achievements

a. A total of 7 awards and 9 promotions were given out at the Company formation. This is good for morale plus giving the man greater pride in his achievement.

*J. T. Mathews*  
J. T. MATHEWS

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COMPANY "A"  
3d Antitank Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
c/o FPG, San Francisco, California, 96602

SRS prr  
3100.2  
10 Apr 1966

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion  
Subj: Periodic Operations Summary 310001H Mar66 to 092400H Apr 1966  
Ref: (a) BnO 3100.2

PERIODIC OPERATIONS REPORT

Company "A"

Captain S. R. STEWART, Commanding

	<u>PLT. CMDR</u>	<u>NO. OFF</u>	<u>NO. ENL</u>	<u>NO. NAVY</u>	<u>GRID COORD</u>
CoHdqs		1	31	2	942761
1stPlt	2/Lt MCALEER	1	24	0	942761
2ndPlt	1/Lt KINGSTON	1	21	0	954719
1stPlt, CoA, 1stATBn	2/Lt BERNARD	1	21	0	944782

1. OPERATIONS.

a. Company "A" continues in direct support of 3d Marines with two platoons in direct support of infantry battalions and one platoon in reserve. Highlights for the reporting period include continued H&I fire in the 1/3 TAOR and standby for armored column into DaNang for U. S. citizen evacuation.

b. Company Headquarters. Continues to provide logistical, technical and administrative support to gun platoons. 2ndLt BERNARD assigned Platoon Commander of 1stPlt "A" Co 1stATBn. Company promotion board met for recommendations to L/Cpl and Cpl. Set up 2 hour weekly school on safe handling of ordinance.

1stPlatoon, Co "A", 3dATBn Fired 112 rounds 106mm HEP-T and 290 rounds Cal..50 spotter, practice at LyMy. Gun #6 on A-15 and gun #5 on A-14 malfunctioned during shoot. Guns sent to Bn for repair. 5 April platoon put on frost call standby. Two ONTOS held at Company CP for Battalion recall. A-14 quarterly held during reporting period. All ONTOS operational.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Fired 21 rounds 106mm HEP-T and 20 Cal..50 spotter at G/2-3, practice. ONTOS A-24 and Lt KINGSTON to Battalion for armored column standby on 8 April. Lt KINGSTON acting as provisional ONTOS Commander. Standby secured on 10 April. All ONTOS operational.

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1st Platoon, Co "A", 1st ATBn. 2nd Lt BERNARD assumed command of Platoon on 2 April. Fired 117 rounds 106mm HEP-T during reporting period. H&I firing point 931885 (Hill 358). Fired into grid squares 8988, 9087, 9088 and 9089. Complete change of track effected on A-11, A-13 and A-14. 8 April, A-11 and A-14 sent to Battalion for armored column standby. A-15 sent to Namu Bridge defensive position in place of "A" Co Tank. Tank required on armored column. Improved defensive position on hill 358 with concertina. TD-18 cut defilade firing positions. All ONTOS operational.

c. Statistics.

(1) - (5) None

(6) HEP-T 250; Cal..50 Spot. 310.

2. TRAINING.

a. OJT for all personnel in respective MOS.

(1) one hour class on heat stroke and exhaustion

(2) two hour class on safe handling of ordinance.

b. No problem areas encountered.

*S. R. Stewart*  
S. R. STEWART

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COMPANY "A"  
3d Antitank Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein), ~~RAF~~  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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3100.2  
21Apr66

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion

Subj: Periodic Operations Summary 100001H to 202400H Apr 1966

Ref: (a) BnO 3100.2

PERIODIC OPERATIONS REPORT

Company "A"

Captain S. R. STEWART, Commanding

	<u>PLT.CMDR</u>	<u>NO.OFF</u>	<u>NO.ENL</u>	<u>NO.NAVY</u>	<u>GRID COORD</u>
CoHdqs		1	23	2	942761
1stPlt	SSgt WEBB	0	22	0	942761
2ndPlt	1stLt KINGSTON	1	23	0	954719
1stPlt, CoA, 1stATBn	2/Lt BERNARD	1	21	0	944782

1. OPERATIONS.

a. Company "A" continues in direct support of 3d Marines with two platoons in direct support of infantry battalions and one platoon in reserve. Highlights for the reporting period include continued H&I fire in the 1/3 TAOR. TI team from Battalion checked all 106 recoilless rifles for worn parts.

b. Company Headquarters. Continues to provide logistical, technical and administrative support to gun platoons. 2/Lt MCALEER transferred to Ninth Marines, SSgt WEBB assumed command of 1stPlt.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn Normal routine during reporting period. FAM fired Plt with T/O weapons and Cal..30 Machine Gun. Expanded 1500 rounds of cal..30 linked, 700 rounds cal..45 and 200 rounds cal..7.62. 2/Lt MCALEER transferred to Ninth Marines on 15Apr66. SSgt WEBB assumed command of platoon. All ONTOS operational.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Continues in direct support of 2nd Battalion 3rd Marines. Normal routine during reporting period. ONTOS A-24 and A-23 received quarterly P. M. at Battalion Maintenance. Work completed on defilade firing positions at G2/3 and H2/3. Work continues on living bunkers at G2/3 and H2/3. All ONTOS operational.

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Co "A", 3d ATBn

10-20 Apr 1966

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1st Platoon, Co"A", 1st ATBn. Continues in direct support of 1st Battalion 3d Marines. H&I fires continued nightly from hill 358, during reporting period. 166 rounds HEP-T expended on H&I fires. Primary and alternate firing positions completed on hill 358. Bunker for living quarters near completion. ONTOS A-15 deadlined due to firing panel failure. All other ONTOS operational.

c. Statistics.

(1) - (5) None

(6) HEP-T 166; Cal..30 1500; Cal.7.62 200; Cal..45 700.

2. TRAINING.

## a. OJT for all personnel in respective MOS.

(1) FAM fired 1st Platoon, Co"A", 3d ATBn.

## b. No problem areas encountered.

SR Stewart  
S. R. STEWART

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COMPANY "A"  
3d Antitank Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

SRS/rwb  
5750  
2 May 1966

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion  
Subj: Command Chronology  
Ref: (a) BnO 5750.1

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Period covered: 210001 April to 022400 May 1966

Company "A"

Commanding Officer	Capt S. R. STEWART
Executive Officer	Unassigned
1st Plt Cmdr	SSgt C. E. WEBB
2nd Plt Cmdr	2nd Lt R. W. BERNARD
3rd Plt Cmdr	1st Lt M. P. KINGSTON

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>GRID LOC</u>	<u>MISSION</u>	<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>
Co. "A"	942761	D/S	3d Marines
1st Plt	942761	D/S	3d Marines
2nd Plt	944782	D/S	1/3
3rd Plt	954719	D/S	2/3

1. Operations

a. Continued H&I fires with C 1/3 (2nd Plt.). One direct fire mission fired with D 1/3 (2nd Plt.). Three ONTOS were sent to Battalion for quarterly service. Headquarters Section, 1st, and 2nd Platoons FAM fired with TO weapons, cal..30 and M-60 machine guns. First Platoon conducted a 40 mile road march for driver training.

b. Statistics

(1) None  
(2) Fire Team from Headquarters Section participated in a squad sized patrol for rear area security at 3d Marine Regt. area. Negative contact.  
(3) - (6) None  
(7) H&I fired nightly in support of C 1/3. 238 rounds 106mm HEP-T. One direct fire mission on 28 April in support of D 1/3. 8 rounds 106mm HEP-T.

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c. The ONTOS is limited in its effectiveness to support infantry troops due to the mountainous terrain within the 3d Marines TAOR.

d. During the direct fire mission, called by D 1/3, Sgt BOTELLO was complimented by D 1/3 CO for the rapid reaction of employment. Sgt BOTELLO scored first round hit on target area and had 4 rounds on target before an "A" Company TANK could get in action.

## 2. Training

a. OJT was conducted continuously during reporting period.

b. Informal training

- (1) Troop orientation - ½ hr. daily, Monday and Saturday.
- (2) NBC - Riot control - None
- (3) Mines, booby traps and demolitions - None
- (4) Counterinsurgency operations - None
- (5) Driver training - 12 hrs. (1st Plt)
- (6) Bore sighting - 4 hrs. (1st Plt)
- (7) Safe handling of ordnance - 2 hrs.
- (8) First Aid - 1 hr.

c. FAM firing - 61 men fired TO weapons, M-60 and cal..30 machine guns during reporting period.

d. Problem areas - Company has experienced difficulties in braking systems with wheeled vehicles. Contacted Battalion Motor Transport Officer to resolve problem area.

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Operational Summary  
010001H to 102400H April 1966

CoB(-)Rein 3dABn, 3dMarDiv(Rein) FMF

Capt R. F. LANPHER, Commanding

	<u>PltCmdrs</u>	<u>MC Off</u>	<u>MC Enl</u>	<u>Navy Enl</u>	<u>Grid Coord</u>
CoHqs	GySgt VALUNAS	1	44	2	YD894143
2ndPlt	1stLt NOONAN	1	20	0	"
3dPlt	SSgt RODRIQUEZ	0	19	0	"

1. Operations

a. The company remains in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. On 10 April from 1200 to 1600 the company participated in a firing exercise. The 2nd and 3d Platoons remain in the company area conducting preventive maintenance. The 2nd Platoon continues to man two to three gun positions on the MLR during the night in support of 2ndBn, 1st Marines. An OEM inspection was conducted on the 5th and 6th of April of the 2nd and 3d Platoons.

b. At 052000H a light section from the 2nd Platoon was dispatched to reinforce a road block at (YD875148) in support of 2ndBn, 1st Marines. The section returned at 060600H.

2. Statistics

a - f None

3. Training

a. Training was conducted on the company level. Five hours of instruction on General Military subjects were conducted and 20 hours on the M50A1. A Firing exercise was conducted on 10 April at the Dong Da training center. Weapons fired were the M50A1, 50 caliber M.G., M-14 rifles for battlesights and .45 caliber pistols.

## b. Ammunition expended

106 Hep-T	159 Rnds
50 cal spt.	200 Rnds
30 cal-linked	1320 Rnds
50 cal-linked	200 Rnds
7.62 link	1000 Rnds
7.62 ball	1020 Rnds
.45 cal	545 Rnds

c. No problems encountered in training.

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CoB(-) 3d ABn

1-10 Apr 1966

## Operational Summary

110001H to 202400H April 1966

CoB(-)Rein 3dATBn, 3dMarDiv(Rein) FMF

Capt R. F. IANPHIER, Commanding

	<u>PltCmdrs</u>	<u>MC Off</u>	<u>MC Enl</u>	<u>Navy Enl</u>	<u>Grid Coord</u>
CoHqs	GySgt VALUNAS	1	42	2	YD894143
2ndPlt	1stLt NOONAN	1	19	0	"
3dPlt	2ndLt PONDER	1	16	0	"

1. Operations

a. The company remains in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. The Second Platoon continues to man three defensive positions around the MIA in support of the 2nd Battalion 1st Marines. The 3d Platoon departed the company area at 161500H to support the 1st Battalion 4th Marines. The platoon provided convoy security and halted at (YD633251) for the night. At 170630 the convoy departed and moved to (YD52230) which was designated as the Battalion C.P. area. During the morning hours of 18th, 19th and 20th the Battalion area received 60mm, 81mm and 82mm mortar fire. The platoon received no casualties and no damage was incurred by the M-50A1. During the mortar attack on the 20th the O.C. of B-31 and B-34 observed the muzzle flash of the mortars. They directed 19 rounds of 106mm at the position (YD524290). A morning patrol investigated with negative results. At 0730 vehicles B-31 and B-35 supported an infantry patrol of a village at (YD474276). No contact was made with the V.C.

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b. Statistics

1. 3d Platoon - convoy security 16 & 17 April  
infantry sweep 20 April  
1 fire mission

- (2) negative
- (3) negative
- (4) negative
- (5) negative
- (6) 19 rounds 106 Hep-T

2. Training

a. Training was conducted on the company level. 12 hours of instruction on General Military subjects and 35 hours on the M50A1. A firing exercise was conducted on 15 April at the Dong Da Training Center. Weapons fired were the M50A1 and the M-60 machine guns. The crews practiced individual fire and maneuver using three separate positions. A total of 60 rounds 106 Hep-T were fired. The 3d Platoon fired 18 rounds for weapons zeroing on the 17th of April.

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b. No problems were encountered during training. However the firing of the 3d Platoon at the V.C. mortar positions showed the Ontos is at a deficit when attempting to engage point targets during hours of darkness. If the vehicles had been equipped with a night observation device it would have scored direct hits on the V.C. mortar position. The mortars were approximately 800-1000 meters from the Ontos.

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Period Covered: (210001 to 302400 April 1966)

Company ("B")

Commanding Officer	(Capt R. F. IANPHIER)
Executive Officer (24-30Apr66)	(Capt D. C. SATCHER)
1stPlt Cmdr (24-30Apr66)	(2ndLt T. J. MEEHAN)
2ndPlt Cmdr	(1stLt D. J. NOONAN)
3dPlt Cmdr	(2ndLt M. H. PONDER)

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>GRID LOC</u>	<u>MISSION</u>	<u>UNIT SPTD</u>
Co"B"	YD894143	(D/S)	(4th Marines)
1stPlt	YD894143	(D/S)	(4th Marines)
2ndPlt	YD894143	(D/S)	(2dBn, 1stMar)
3dPlt	YD52230	(D/S)	(1stBn, 4thMar)

## 1. Operations

a. The company remains in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. The 2ndPlt continues to man three defensive positions within the TAOR in support of the 2dBn, 1stMar. The 1stPlt was joined from Co"C", 3dATBn on 24Apr66. They accompanied a "Rough Rider" convoy from AT988720 to YD894143 with no encounters or damage to the M-50A1's. At present the 1stPlt is working in conjunction with the 2ndPlt manning three defensive positions within the TAOR. The 3dPlt remains in direct support of the 1stBn, 4thMar. On 21Apr66, one ONTOS (#3-1) accompanied an Engineer Unit on a mine sweep. Location unknown. On 22Apr66, 3dPltSgt with light section in support of Co"M", 1stBn, 4thMar set up blocking position at YD4827. On 28Apr66 PltCmdr accompanied Co"A", 1stBn, 4thMar on recon patrol to Don 00 YD 5226. Patrol swept north through village. Received 60mm mortar, sniper and automatic small arms fire. PltCmdr fired 10 rds .45 caliber at enemy. Results unknown. On 30Apr66, detached 3 ONTOS to Co"A", 1stBn, 4thMar with mission of setting up a blocking force at YD521288. Fired 8 rds 106mm and 20 rds 50 cal. at enemy troops in open area, Vic. Don 00. Rounds landed in vicinity of target, but results were unknown.

b. Statistics

- (1) 1stPlt - convoy security 23Apr66  
 2dPlt - Recon patrol from CP to YD825245  
 3dPlt - mine sweep 21Apr66; infantry sweep 28Apr66; 22 & 30Apr66 blocking force
- (2) negative
- (3) negative
- (4) negative
- (5) negative
- (6) negative
- (7) 8 rds 106 Hep<sup>T</sup>, 20 rds 50 cal spotting and 10 rds .45 caliber

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c. N/A

d. N/A

## 2. Training

Training was conducted on the company level. 17 hours were applied for OJT; 1 hour on Troop orientation; 1 hour on NBC riot control; 1 hour on Mines, Booby Traps and demolitions; 2 hours on Counterinsurgency operations and 31 personnel attended class on the M-50A1 ONTOS. The 1st and 2nd Platoons conducted FAM firing of 106 Recoilless Rifles at DONG DA Training Center. Expended 86 rds of 106 HepT. Experienced 4 misfires during exercise. Lot nomenclature of defective ammo reported to Bn S-4.

  
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## OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1-10 Apr 1966

Company "C", 3dATBn (Rein)

Captain F. FIRING, Commanding

	PltComdr	No Off	No Enl	No Navy	Grid Coord
CoHqs	N/A	2	30	1	998723
1stPlt	SSgt ABRAMOWICZ	0	21	0	990687678
2ndPlt	2ndLt HOOF	1	21	0	074657657
3rdPlt	2ndLt CASWELL	1	19	0	990687678
4thPlt	2ndLt MEEHAN	1	19	0	998723

1. OPERATIONS

a. There were no major changes in the disposition of the platoons; 1st platoon with 2/9; 2nd platoon with 3/9; 4th platoon with 3/3; and 3rd platoon augmenting the other three platoons.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 1-1 and 1-4 with Company F, 1-3 and 1-5 with Company G, and 1-2 at the platoon CP. On the 1st, 1-1 and 1-4 accompanied Company F, on a sweep in vicinity of 015615 with no contact but on returning to the CP came under small arms fire. The Ontos returned fire with 500 rounds of .30 caliber linked with no determined results. On the 2nd 1-5 and 1-3 accompanied a platoon patrol from Company G. No contact was made and they established a perimeter defense for the night. They continued the patrol on the 3rd and received sniper fire from a railroad car (995616). They returned fire with 8 caliber .50 spotting rounds and 3 rounds of 106 mm HEP-T. The sniper fire ceased and there was no further contact. There was no further action until the 8th when 1-1 and 1-4 accompanied a platoon patrol from Company F. No contact was made. On the 9th, they accompanied a reinforced platoon from Company F and established a roadblock at the Thant Quit bridge (042621). There was no contact and they returned to the CP at 1800. On the 10th, 1-1 was replaced with 1-2. 1-2 and 1-4 participated in a platoon sweep in the vicinity of Phong Luc (3) and received sniper fire from 017623. The enemy broke contact before fire could be returned. There was no further action reported.

(2) 2nd platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 2-4 and 2-5 at Battalion Maintenance, 2-1, 2-2, 2-3 and 3-1 at the platoon CP. On the 2nd, 2-1 and 2-3 provided support for Company K in Golden Fleece vicinity Khai Tay (2) (045677). No contact reported. On the 4th, 2-2 and 3-1 accompanied that same company and

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again no contact was reported. On the 6th, 2-2 and 2-3, in support of Company M, provided a blocking force between coordinated 068677-071698 with no action reported. On the 7th, 2-2 and 2-3 remained at Company K CP and the remainder at the platoon CP. On the 8th and 9th, all vehicles were at the platoon CP. On the 10th, 2-2 and 3-1 were at Company K CP, and the remainder at the platoon CP. There was no action reported for the day.

(3) 3rd platoon. This platoon is still augmenting the remaining three and commenced the reporting period with 3-2 and 3-3 in the support of 3/3 on Hill 55, 3-4 and 3-5 at the platoon CP and 3-1 with the 2nd platoon. On the 1st, 3-4 replaced 3-3 and 3-5 was sent to Ha Dong bridge with Company G but there was no action and on the 2nd both 3-3 and 3-5 returned to the platoon CP. On the 7th, and 8th, 3-2 and 3-5 provided road security with no action reported and 3-3 and 3-4 were put on standby alert with 2/9 command group and from the period 091400 to 101000 they established a blocking force at 033646. There was no further action. Disposition is now as follows: 3-4 and 3-5 on Hill 55; 3-1 at the 2nd platoon CP and 3-2 and 3-3 at the platoon CP.

(4) 4th platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 3-2 and 3-3 on Hill 55; 4-1 and 4-3 with Company M, 3/3 4-4 and 4-5 with Company K, 3/3 and 4-2 at the platoon CP (3/3 rear). 4-4 and 4-5 participated in an extended operation with Company K until the 3rd. There was no report of action. On the 3rd, 4-4 and 4-5 escorted a convoy from 1/9 area to Hill 22. There was no further action and the disposition is now as follows: 3-4 and 3-5 on Hill 55; 4-1 and 4-3 with Company M, 3/3 (973663) 4-2 and 4-4 with Company K, 3/3 (953667) and 4-5 in Battalion Maintenance. On the 9th, this platoon CP relocated in the Company CP.

c. STATISTICS

(1) OPERATIONS. 1st platoon 4 3rd platoon 2  
2nd platoon 3 4th platoon 2

(2) PATROLS. None

(3) CASUALTIES. a. Friendly - One (1) death from accidental injury, Two (2) accidental injuries when a man of the 2nd platoon was cleaning a 106 mm RR and slammed the breech shut and the weapon fired accidentally. One man was killed by the backblast; one was wounded by backblast and evacuated and one man wounded by shrapnel when the round impacted and has been returned to duty.

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b. Enemy - None

(4) WEAPONS CAPTURED. None

(5) WEAPONS LOST. None

(6) ONTOS. Fired 500 rounds of caliber .30 linked with no determined results and fired 8 caliber .50 spotting rounds and 3 106 mm HEP-T rounds at a railroad car from which small arms fire had been received. The fire ceased.

2. TRAINING

a. On the job training only

b. N/A

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## OPERATIONS SUMMARY 11-20 Apr 1966

Company "C", 3dATBn (Rein)

Captain F.FIRING, Commanding

	PltComdr	No Off	No Enl	No Navy	Grid Coord
CoHqs	N/A	2	32	2	998723
1stPlt	SSgt ABRAMOWICZ	0	21	0	990678
2ndPlt	2ndLt HOOF	1	20	0	074657
3rdPlt	2ndLt CASWELL	1	19	0	990678
4thPlt	2ndLt MEEHAN	1	19	0	998723

1. OPERATIONS

a. There were no major changes in the disposition of the platoons; 1st platoon with 2/9; 2nd platoon with 3/9; 4th platoon with 3/3; and 3rd platoon augmenting the other three platoons.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon started the reporting period with 1-1 at the platoon CP; 1-2 and 1-4 with Company F (015633) and 1-3 and 1-5 on a sweep with platoon from Company G in the area of Quang Dong (3)(993617). At about 0100 on the morning of the 11th this perimeter was hit with heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire. The enemy also employed hand illumination which set a cane field afire, thereby silouetting vehicle 1-5 which received a direct hit (weapon or caliber unknown) causing a secondary explosion by detonating the 106mm HEP-T round in the number one gun. There were two WIA'S, one of which has since returned to duty. Neither vehicle had returned fire and the enemy broke contact at about 0200 and the vehicles returned to Company G CP. On the 12th 1-5 was turned in to FLSG. On the 13th 1-4 was withdrawn to Company CP due to mechanical trouble. On the 14th a replacement vehicle designated 1-5 arrived at the platoon CP. The same day 1-1 and 1-2 accompanied a platoon from Company F to the vicinity of Phong Luc(3) and came under sniper fire vicinity 020626. The vehicles returned fire with 500 rounds of caliber .30 linked in support of advancing infantry and fired three(3) 106mm HEP-T rounds at a house from which it was believed the fire had emanated. The sniper fire ceased. Enemy contact was made at 014608 but the vehicles did not fire. On the 15th 1-2 and 3-3 accompanied two squads from Company F in setting up a blocking position at Thanh Quit(1)(028625). There was no contact reported and they returned to Company F CP. There was no further action until the 17th when 1-2 and 1-4 accompanied a patrol from Company F. The patrol came under fire from 025512 and observed approximately 30 to 40 armed VC moving

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along river bank. They also received fire from 021605. 1-2 and 1-4 returned fire with 1000 rounds of caliber .30 linked, 80 caliber .50 spotting rounds and 21 rounds of 106mm HEP-t with an estimated 15 VC KIA(possible) and the patrol returned to Company F CP. The same vehicles went out again on the 18th to the vicinity of Dong Tien(1) and received sniper fire but could not locate the source therefore did not fire. There was no further action reported. On the 20th Company E replaced G and the disposition is now as follows: 1-1 and 1-5 with Company E; 1-2 and 1-4 with Company F; and 1-3 at platoon CP.

(2) 2nd platoon. There was no action for this platoon until the 13th when the Battalion CP(3/9) received small arms fire from the east side of the perimeter. 2-2 and 2-3 were placed on line and returned fire with caliber .30 machine guns only as proximity of friendly troops precluded the use of major caliber. There were no casualties reported for either side. On the 14th 2-1 and 2-3 accompanied Company M platoon sweep. There was no contact reported. There was no further action until the 19th when 2-2 and 2-3 accompanied a Company M patrol between coordinates 063642-092588. One VCS was observed at 081613 and 2-2 fired 5 rounds of caliber .30 linked in his direction and apprehended him. The patrol returned to the Company CP with the suspect and went out again, this time moving northwest toward 038666. The patrol came under fire at 056654 which action resulted in the capture of two (2) VCS(one of which was wounded) and (1) VC KIA. The patrol returned to the Company CP and 2-2 and 2-3 escorted two fire teams with the two VCS to 3/9 CP. Vehicle 3-1 was returned to the 3rd platoon on the 19th. There was no further action reported.

(3) 3rd platoon. The platoon started the reporting period with 3-1 with the 2nd platoon, 3-2 and 2-3 at 1st platoon CP and 3-4 and 3-5 under 4th platoon and located on Hill 55 with 3/3. There was no action for the platoon. 3-2 and 3-3 remained at 2/9 CP as a reaction section until the 19th when 3-3 was sent to An Trach(1) to replace a 4th platoon vehicle and was replaced on the reaction section by 3-1 (withdrawn from 2nd platoon). Vehicle 3-5(attached to 4th platoon) had a fire mission on the 11th from its position on Hill 55 when a Company L patrol received automatic weapons fire from Chau Son(1)(9461). The vehicle fired six (6) 106mm HEP-T rounds and the fire ceased. Later a group of villagers approached the perimeter of Hill 55 requesting a casket to bury one man (1VC KWA?). There was no other action reported for this platoon.

(4) 4th platoon. The platoon started the reporting period with 3-4 and 3-5 on Hill 55(Reported in 1.b.(3)above), 4-1 and 4-3 with Company M at An Trach(1) and 4-2 and 4-4 on Hill 22 with Company K 3/3(H-2/4 took responsibility for the hill on the 15th). There was no further action until the 19th when 4-1 and 4-3 went out with

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Company L, 3/3. There was no contact reported and 4-1 was replaced with 3-3 because of maintenance work. There was no further action reported.

c. STATISTICS

(1) OPERATIONS. 1st platoon 5 2nd platoon 3  
3rd platoon 0 4th platoon 1

(2) PATROLS. None

(3) CASUALTIES. a. Friendly-Two(2)WIA; One returned to duty, one evacuated to CONUS.

b. Enemy-16 VC KIA(possible); 1VCS.

(4) WEAPONS CAPTURED. None

(5) Weapons Lost. None

(6) ONTOS. Three missions with major caliber, 30 rounds 106 mm HEP-T; 80 caliber .50 spotting rounds, and 1,755 rounds of .30 caliber linked, all with good results.

2. TRAINING

a. Hqtrs receiving training on the LAW rocket. On the job training only for gun platoons.

b. N/A

*F. Firing*  
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## COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Period covered: 21001 to 302400 April 1966

Company "C" 3dATBn

Commanding Officer	Captain F. FIRING
Executive Officer	1st Lt. WOOD
1st Plt Cmdr	SSgt ABRAMOWICZ
2nd Plt Cmdr	2nd Lt. HOOF
3rd Plt Cmdr	2nd Lt. CASWELL

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>GRID LOC</u>	<u>MISSION</u>	<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>
Co"C"	(998723)	D/S	9th Marines
1st Plt	(990678)	D/S	2/9
2nd Plt	(074657)	D/S	3/9
3rd Plt	(990678)	D/S	3/3

1. OPERATIONS

a. There were no major changes in the disposition of the 1st or 2nd platoons, but the 3rd platoon which had been used to augment the others has now been shifted to direct support of 3/3 replacing the 4th platoon which reverted to parent unit(Company "B" 3dATBn) on 21 April.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon started the reporting period with 1-1 and 1-5 with Company E, 1-2 and 1-4 with Company F, and 1-3 at the platoon CP. 1-3 was sent to An Trach(1) for the day as a temporary fill in as the 4th platoon was being withdrawn, and Company H replaced Company F. There was no further change and no action until the 25th when 1-2 and 1-4 accompanied Company H on a patrol. The point received small arms fire from approximately 9 VC from vicinity 033621 and the Ontos fired 125 rounds of caliber .30 linked and five(5) rounds of 106mm HEP-T. When the area was searched they found expended cartridges casings (U.S. Rifle, Caliber .30 M-1) and blood trails but no casualties. On the 27th and 28th 1-2 and 1-4 went out with Company H but no contact was reported. They went out again on the 30th and were still out at the end of the reporting period with no contact reported at that time.

(2) 2nd platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 2-2 and 2-3 at the platoon CP, 2-4 and 2-5 with Company M, and 2-1 at Battalion Maintenance. On the 21st, while embarking troops at the 3/9 LZ, six helicopters received .50 caliber machine gun fire from both the northeast and northwest sides of the perimeter. Upon hearing

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the fire, 2-2 proceeded to the area and, with the helicopters, neutralized the fire with automatic small arms fire. There was one(1) friendly casualty; enemy casualties could not be determined. No major caliber fired. There was no further action and the disposition remained unchanged until the 26th when 2-4 and 2-5 returned to the platoon CP and 2-2 and 2-3 replaced them at Company M. On the 27th Company M received fire from vicinity 062648. The Ontos returned fire with automatic small arms and 2-2 fired one(1) 106 mm HEP-T. The VC withdrew under fire. There were no friendly casualties; enemy casualties could not be determined. On the 30th, these two vehicles supported Company M in a search and destroy operation(grid squares 0662 and 0661). There was no contact reported. The disposition is now as follows: 2-2 and 2-3 with Company M; 2-4 and 2-5 at platoon CP; and 2-1 at Battalion Maintenance.

(3) 3rd platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period (replacing 4th platoon) with 3-1 on Hill 55, 3-2 and 3-4 on Hill 22, and 3-3 and 3-5 at An Trach(1). There was no action until the 25th when 3-3 and 3-5 accompanied elements of 3/3 on a sweep in vicinity of 969649. No contact was reported. No further action was reported for this platoon.

c. STATISTICS

(1) OPERATIONS: 1st platoon-3      2nd platoon-1  
3rd platoon-1

(2) PATROLS. None

(3) FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. None

(4) ENEMY CASUALTIES. None

(5) Weapons or equipment lost or evacuated. None

(6) Captured or destroyed enemy material. None

(7) ONTOS. Three missions fired. Six(6) 106 mm HEP-T, five (5) caliber .50 spotting rounds and 155 rounds of caliber .30 linked. No determined results.

d. No difficulty with terrain was encountered during this period. Effectiveness of the Ontos is somewhat lessened by supported units forbidding the firing of major caliber(para 1.b(2) on 21Apr)

2. TRAINING

a. On-the job training only.

b. n/a.

*M. Wood*

M. WOOD  
By direction.

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