

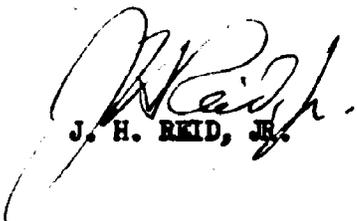
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3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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(b) FMF PacO 5750.8  
Encl: ✓(1) 3d Engineer Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.

  
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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMP

COMMANDER

LtCol J. H. REID, Jr.  
1-31Jul67

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

- 1-31Jul67: Company "A" with detachments of Support Company and H&S Company located at Deng Ha, RVN
- 1-31Jul67: Company "B" with detachments of Support Company and H&S Company located at Camp Evans
- 1-31Jul67: Company "C" with detachments of Support Company located at Deng Ha, RVN
- 1-31Jul67: H&S Company and Support Company minus detachments, located at Phu Bai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj G. B. CORNWALL  
1-31Jul67

Adjutant/S-1

2dLt F. P. BAGA  
1-31Jul67

S-2

1stLt L. E. FORTZ  
1-31Jul67

S-3

Maj W. G. VIERS, Jr.  
1-12Jul67  
Maj G. A. ROOT  
13-20Jul67  
Maj J. W. PERRIN  
21-31Jul67

S-4

Capt E. W. GRAFF  
1-31Jul67

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
31	932

<u>USA</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
02	14

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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## A. INTELLIGENCE

1. Nightly briefings continued to be held during the month of July for the Battalion Commander and Section Heads, the Battalion Intelligence Chief substituting in absence of the Intelligence Officer. The briefings consisted of mine and boobytrap incident reports in the 3d Marine Division TAOR, current tactical situations and VC/NVA order of Battle, and information pertinent to Engineer Operations.

2. During the month of July, a total of 127 mine/boobytrap incidents were recorded. Of that number 61 devices were detonated and 73 were found and destroyed. The most common type explosive device identified during the month was rigged friendly and enemy type grenades. The most significant change in the mine incident locations was the great reduction of incidents reported along Route #1 in Phu Loc District. There were 2 as compared with 13 of last month. The decrease, however, was met with an increase in Northern Thuy Thien Province and Northeastern Quang Tri Province to show a total increase of 11 incidents over last month.

**B. Training**

1. Training during July consisted of GMS Training as outlined in Part IV, section B.

2. No classes were scheduled during July for the 3d Engineer Battalion Generator Operators' School due to non-availability of students for programming into the course of instruction.

3. The 3d Marine Division Land Mine Warfare School, conducted by this battalion, continued to instruct both division and non-division personnel in mines, boobytraps, and demolitions. The instruction was conducted by contact teams and resident courses in the battalion school area at PHU BAI.

**a. PHU BAI LMWS**

3d Engr Bn	45
3d Recon Bn	91
CAC	105
8th BRFS	<u>60</u>
Total	301

4. During the month of July, one tunnel team was employed with 1/3 on Operation BEACON GUIDE. The remaining two teams continued to train.

5. The battalion continued to train on the operation, functioning, and maintenance of the M16A1 rifle.

**C. Operations**

1. General. During the month of July the 3d Engineer Battalion operated in general support of the 3d Marine Division. Employment of the battalion was in the following two categories: Combat Support and Combat Service Support.

**2. General Combat Support**

a. A total of 332 deliberate/visual minesweeps over the following MSR segments were conducted for a daily average of 28,035 meters:

(YD 061549-033563)	(YD 549327-460400)
(YD 033561-033565)	(YD 549327-679307)
(YD 066525-097523)	(XD 843419-914403)
(YD 147614-135674)	(YD 549327-578311)
(YD 114702-135674)	(YD 537318-547327)
(YD 539378-549327)	(YD 547327-558320)
(YD 549327-623304)	(YD 914403-842149)
(YD 828141-824149)	(YD 618093-607079)
(YD 853318-864158)	(YD 130627-132654)
(YD 966525-097523)	(YD 625059-605081)

b. In addition, sweep teams were provided on an on call basis for sand and gravel hauling operations and by-pass sweeps for tracked vehicles as follows:

(YD 143603)  
(YD 507311)  
(YD 511311)

(YD 548281)  
(YD 533319)  
(YD 532345)

(YD 537316)  
(YD 536337)

### 3. Direct Combat Support

(a) Combat support of infantry operations was provided through task organized engineer elements from the battalion. The majority of this support was provided by the three letter companies. The battalion's three letter companies provided a daily average of 274 engineers for close combat support of infantry operations in the QUANG TRI, DONG HA, PHU BAI, and KHE SANH areas of operation. Engineers were primarily used for demolitions, mine sweeping and tunnel destruction during this period.

Operation CUMBERLAND was supported by engineer elements from "B" Company. "B" Company continues to provide daily sweep teams for MSR's and tunnel teams for tunnel destruction.

Operations FREMONT and CHOCTAW were also supported by engineers from "B" Company.

Ordnance and fortifications destroyed by 3d Engineer Battalion elements during this period are listed in Part IV, Section E. Documentation is found in Part IV, Section A.

### 4. Combat Service Support

#### (a) Roads and Bridges

The battalion has commenced the building of a road (Rt #546) from the GIA LE Combat Base to Rt #547 in order to reduce the distance and time currently required to reach the Fire Support Base at CUMBERLAND. The road currently runs from (YD 831140) for about 2600 meters to (YD 810153).

#### (b) Field Fortifications

Continued efforts were made during July to improve upon existing field fortifications, to include defensive wire, timbered bunkers, and fighting holes. Among the more noteworthy projects undertaken by the 3d Engineer Battalion are 20' x 64' Communication Bunker at DONG HA, and one 16' x 20' COC Bunker for 1/3.

#### (c) General Construction

The most significant effort in this area is the work of the Construction Platoon, Support Company, in building the Division CP, CG's Quarters, and the CG's Mess. The CG should move into his quarters and use his mess on about 20 August. Completion of the CP is expected by the end of September.

**(d) Utilities**

The Utilities Platoon of Support Company worked extensively on the wiring and plumbing for the Division CP. An electrical survey of the Fire Support Base was also conducted during July.

Division and non-Division units were provided a continuous supply of raw and potable water. Ten (10) water points were operated in July. Totals for the month are as follows:

Potable	-	7,444,791
Raw	-	<u>4,753,600</u>
Total		12,198,391

**(e) Drafting and Surveying**

The D&S Section continued to support the Division with a survey, layout and drafting capability.

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Communications were maintained with engineer units located at DONG HA and Camp EVANS.
2. Serviced cable left behind upon departure of MCB-62.
3. Re-routed Engineer telephone lines in order to allow space for construction of laundry. Assisted personnel from MCB-3, 3d AntiTank Battalion in re-locating and cabling existing trunk lines.
4. Reconstructed frame at switchboard site in order to provide easier access to lines.
5. Assisted MCB-3 in construction of telephone trunk lines through Battalion Area.
6. Began underground construction of large cables in Battalion Area.
7. Provided site for relay team from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines to retransmit messages between forward and rear elements.
8. Provided high frequency radio equipment to C Company, 11th Engineers for communications between forward and rear elements.
9. Retrieved telephone lines to Guard Posts no longer manned by this battalion.
10. Provided FM equipment to CAC Unit
11. Experimented with automatic retransmission equipment, investigating possibility of employing FM communications between Battalion Headquarters and DONG HA.
12. Relayed transmissions for units attempting to communicate between PHU BAI-GIA LE and CUMBERLAND Operation Area.
13. Provided Message Center Guard for all units located at GIA LE.

**E. LOGISTICS**

1. During July the Battalion continued to direct its logistic, combat, and combat service support from its headquarters at Gia Le. This organization participated in Operations CUMBERLAND, FREMONT, KINGFISHER, CIMARRON, HICKORY II, BUFFALO, CROCKETT, and ARMOHE, covering almost every major and minor operation in QUANG TRI and THUA THIEN provinces. Dispersion of this extent involved real concentration on tactical supply with emphasis on the basic principle of the flow of logistic support from the supporting to the supported unit.
2. The basic tasks undertaken in July, around which logistic support had to be built, included pioneering of roads, logistic support areas, and tactical positions in dense and mountainous jungle terrain, extensive mine sweeping, logging operations, improvised bunker construction, and upgrading of tactical roads for proper drainage and weather surfacing. Chain saws, mine detectors, explosives, asphalt, portland cement, and culvert became the critical items in the execution of these tasks. Much effort was devoted to assuring an adequate flow of materials and optimum equipment availability. Construction of the Division Command Post complex necessitated procurement of specialized materials from Hue and Okinawa in order to meet construction deadlines.
3. In July it was learned that the GAO would conduct a review of the 3d Marine Division, with this organization being one of those selected for scrutiny. This review is being preceded by management inspections by FSAO-4 and FMFPac teams, and coincided with internal action to upgrade supply management and support. Results of the FSAO-4 review were gratifying in that this organization has been adjudged the best reviewed to date. These reviews are also oriented toward total supply support at all echelons, and many basic problems have been brought out with the prospects of immediate benefits. The basic problem still remains that of positioning adequate supplies in the pipeline.
4. The principle logistic lesson learned by this organization in July is that, given sound internal supply management, the primary effort should be directed at developing command action on critical material deficiencies. This is done not only through comprehensive MILSTRIP followup, but also through narrative and statistical documentation for the benefit of higher headquarters to show the impact of deficiencies. Continuing emphasis on a "Critical Items Program" is seen to be the best means of assuring command attention in the highly complex supply field.
5. A more detailed analysis of logistic operations during July is provided in the attached Logistics Summary Report.

## CIVIL AFFAIRS

1. During the month of July the number of MedCaps were increased to three. There was also an increased effort made to combine PsyOps with MedCaps. Toward the end of the month there appeared to be a noted improvement in the attitude of the people, especially the adults. The consistency and increased frequency of the MedCaps were believed to be responsible for the improved attitude.
2. On 5 July 1967 a MedCap was conducted in the Village of Loc Dien in which one hundred and twenty six (126) people were treated. Soap was passed out to all the people treated. The village chief, Mr. Nuygen Chuong, came to welcome the people and meet the Battalion Surgeon and members of the MedCap team. Also, plans were discussed with the village chief for sending students from Loc Dien to school in Hue under the 3d Marine Division Chaplains Fund Program.
3. On 13 July 1967 another MedCap was conducted in which seventy-five (75) people were treated and at which health and comedy type movies were shown. Also Vietnamese music was played on loud speaker and health leaflets were passed out. Again the response was excellent.
4. On 27 July 1967 the final MedCap was conducted for the month of July. Both the Battalion Surgeon and Dentist were employed in the MedCap, with results of having treated ninety-seven (97) medical patients and five (5) dental patients. In addition to the medical treatment, an Army PsyOps team was employed to entertain the people. Vietnamese music was played outside of the MedCap building while movies were shown in an adjacent room. The movies again consisted of health movies and cartoons.

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- 1Jul67: 1stLt Robert P. ARCHBOLD 094512/3502 USMCR and 1stLt Michael J. STEVENS 095091/1302 USMCR were promoted to their present rank. Sgt Jerome V. BRYDERS 1688268/1371, Sgt Sammie L. RHODES Jr. 1927251/1371/8511, Sgt Dale R. CASWELL 1846756/1372/3051, and Sgt Steve C. JORDAN, 1801985/1371 were promoted to Staff Sergeant. A debriefing of all personnel departing RVN during the month of July 1967 was conducted.
- 2Jul67: Joined SSgt Robert J. GREEN 1404700/0141 from CONUS. PFC Herbert L. PEAK 2271670/1371 was MedEvac.
- 3Jul67: WO-1 Sidney H. SCOTT 099327/3010 USMC dropped by Permanent Change of Station to CONUS. Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Gold awarded to LCpl Dale E. COUGHENOUR 2209803/1371 and SSgt Steve C. JORDAN 1801985/1371.
- 4Jul67: PFC Kenneth P. BIRELEY 2220501/1371 was KIA. Pvt James P. JACKSON 2220023/1371, PFC Michael R. LEFORE 2243025/1371 and Cpl Damon R. CUTLIP 2226930/1371 were WIA.
- 5Jul67: PFC Charles J. WELLS 2207319/1371 departed on emergency leave. Joined SSgt Clarence B. RODGERS 835820/1371 from CONUS. PFC Michael R. LEFORE 2243025/1371 was MedEvac. Cpl Damon R. CUTLIP 2226930/1371 was WIA.
- 6Jul67: LCpl William M. WHITE 2208462/1371, PFC Gerald R. DELFER 2310062/1371, and PFC Felton M. CHILLIOUS 2206708/1371 were WIA. 1stLt John E. BISHOP 091907/1302 was presented with the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry.
- 7Jul67: Awarded Purple Heart Medal to Pvt James P. JACKSON 2220723/1371.
- 9Jul67: PFC Charles E. WELTZ 2316476/1371 was MedEvac. PFC Geoffrey A. NICHLEY 2264044/1371 was WIA. Captain Joseph F. MARKANTHONY 091208/1302 accepted appointment to the USMC. Awarded Gold Star in lieu of Second Purple Heart to Pvt James P. JACKSON 2220723/1371.
- 10Jul67: Awarded Purple Heart Medal to Cpl George M. PRATT 2233979/1371. 2dLt Albert L. HARRIS 0100303/3002 USMCR joined from CONUS. LCDR James R. HUTTON 604988/4105 USN(CHC) joined from CONUS. LCpl Harry SOLOW III 2222031/1371 was MedEvac. SPCM LCpl Carlos R. FLORES 2197790/3041, sentenced to forfeit \$60.00 pay per month for four months, to be confined at hard labor for four months and to be reduced to the grade of Private E-1. Approved and ordered executed by the CA this date.
- 12Jul67: Dropped Major Willard G. VIERS Jr. 061185/1302/5715/1305 to CONUS.

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- 14Jul67: **SFCM PFC John W. KING** 2123070/2111, sentenced to forfeit \$60.00 pay per month for four months, to be confined at hard labor for four months and to be reduced to the grade of Private E-1. Approved and ordered executed by the CA this date.
- 16Jul67: **PFC John W. BALL** 2225447/1371 departed on emergency leave to CONUS. **SSgt Dwight H. MILBURN** 1511537/3041 drop transferred to the 3d ReconBn.
- 17Jul67: Awarded Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with silver to **Cpl Richard L. SCHULTZ** 2226890/1371. **LCpl Robert T. DION** 2160451/1371 and **LCpl Daniel E. FRAZIER Jr.** 2203178/1371.
- 18Jul67: Awarded Purple Heart Medal to **PFC Michael R. LEFORE** 2243025/1371. **PFC Roy G. GREENHALGH** 2293481/1371 was WIA. Joined Captain **John P. BURKE** 075623/1302/0430/1305 USMC from CONUS.
- 20Jul67: Awarded Bronze Star Medal to **HM2 Alan ADELMAN** 5840493/8404 USN.
- 21Jul67: Joined Major **Jack W. FERRIN** 061834/1302 USMC from CONUS. Joined **SSGT Willie L. WHITTAKER** 997890/0369/8531 from 3d Bn 26th Mar. Purple Heart Medals awarded to **PFC Felton M. CHILLIOUS Jr.** 2206708/1371 and **PFC Gerald R. BELFER** 2310062/1371.
- 22Jul67: Joined **GySgt Harold A. WILLIAMS** 1153988/2591/3061 from 1st AmphTracBn. Dropped **GySgt Stanley W. WIERZBICKI** 885463/1371 to HqBn 3d MarDiv. **LCpl Frankie L. WALKER** 2228680/1371 was MedEvac.
- 25Jul67: 1stLt **John H. BYRNE** 093876/1302 to emergency leave CONUS.
- 26Jul67: **Cpl James H. ADAMS** 2279396/1141 was WIA.
- 28Jul67: Battalion Promotion Board met for July promotions.
- 29Jul67: **PFC Charles W. HOLLWEDEL** 2322789/2531, **PFC Richard E. TAYLOR** 2228064/1371, and **PFC Jerry G. WRIGHT** 2273993/1371 were KIA. **LCpl Timothy C. MILLER** 2283088/1371, **LCpl Henry P. SAND** 2234579/1371, **PFC Glenn G. GILBERT** 2328780/1371, **PFC Randy G. LANDES** 2226053/1371, **Cpl Burton C. VOGEL** 2224564/1371, **PFC Robert C. MERKLE Jr.** 2243868/1371, **PFC Robert W. COOPER** 2247835/1345, **PFC Raymond E. NELSON** 2293535/1371, and **PFC Walter F. BENNER** 2316704
- 31Jul67: **GySgt P.J. LOONEY** 1093060/1379, **GySgt J. VANCE** 561827/1379, **GySgt O. LAMPKINS** 1151951/1379, **SSgt F.F. SAUCEDA** 1454163/1341, **SSgt R.R. JOHNSON** 1415840/1371, **SSgt S.C. JORDAN** 1801985/1371, **SSgt S.L. RHODES** 1927251/1371, **SSgt C.B. RODGERS** 835820/1371, and **SSgt M.C. FURGASON** 1515537/1371 were transferred to the 1st Marine Division

R&R Quotas utilized for the month of July are as follows:  
 Okinawa - 4; Hong Kong - 13; Bangkok - 12; Taipei - 14  
 Kuala Lumpur - 3; Singapore - 5; Hawaii - 9; Penang - 3  
 Tokyo - 11; Manila - 3;

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Non-Judicial punishments awarded during the month of July are as follows: Violation of UCMJ, Art 86 - 1;

Three Meritorious Masts were awarded during the month of July.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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Battalion S-2 Sequential Listing of Significant Events

- 01 July - S-2 was visited by 1st CIT. Discussed information on enemy activity in the area between 3d Engineer AO and Nam Hoa District Headquarters. Also discussed terrain in that area and trafficability of Route 547.
- 02 July - Went to Operation Cumberland area to check on recent enemy activity and terrain situation.
- 03 July - Check with CAC-A Headquarters, Huong Thuy District Headquarters on recent enemy activity in CAC-A's area of operations. Also conferred 2/26 S-2 on activity in the Phu Bai TAOR.
- 04 July - S-2 Chief attend patrol debriefing. Patrol had just completed 3 day operation in western portion of 3d Engineer AO.
- 05 July - Conferred with CAC-H8 on enemy activity in their area of operations. S-2 Chief took blocking force out for operations in Gia Le village in conjunction with patrols from 2/26 and CAC-A6
- 06 July - S-2 Chief returned to operation Cumberland area to check on recent enemy activity and progress of operations
- 07 July - Conferred with 2/26 COC to check on current activity.
- 09 July - Conferred with 2/26 S-2 & Division G-2 on activity in Phu Bai TAOR and 3d Marine Division TAOR.
- 10 July - Returned to 2/26 COC to check on current activity.
- 11 July - S-2 Chief went to Hue for briefing on by MACV S-2 on current incidents, agent report's and operations conducted by 1st ARVN.
- 13 July - Went to 1st CIT and 2/26 COC to gather information on Route #546 area between 3d Engineer AO and Nam Hoa District Headquarters.
- 15 July - S-2 Chief went to 3d Tank S-2 to discuss document captured by patrol near 3d Engineer Area.
- 16 July - Went to 2/26 COC to pick up intsums and gather information on events in Phu Bai TAOR.
- 17 July - Conducted investigation on report that Vietnamese gate Sentry attempted to sell narcotic cigarettes to Marine Sentry. Results negative.
- 18 July - Went to Dong Ha for 2 days visit of area. Conferred with company commanders on enemy situation and operation in the area.

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- 23 July - Returned to Division CP area, conferred with 2/26 S-2 and Division G-2 on recent enemy initiated incidents and current activity
- 24 July - Attended S-2 briefing by 2/26 S-2 and Chief on recent enemy activity and expected future activity.
- 26 July - Conferred with G-2 on current enemy situation and picked up additional maps and PW cards and 2/26 intsums.
- 27 July - Conferred with CAC-H8 on recent activity in their AO.
- 29 July - Attended briefing in Hue given by S-2 Chief at MACV. Also picked up intsums for previous week.

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C. S-3 SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 July 67 Work continued on Div CP Complex Project. Constructed concrete deck for Regt Mess hall 4th Mar. Continued working on Bulk Fuel Farm GIA LE
- 2 July 67 Constructing Regt Aid Station 4th Mar.
- 3 July 67 Installed triple 40"x18" culvert at (YD 605080). 3d Tank Bn apprehended two VCS (female) and turned over to PMO.
- 4 July 67 Improved bypass at (YD 604310). Coordinated operation north of GIA LE Combat Base with 2/26 and CAC "A".
- 7 July 67 Began relocating sector defense bunker GIA LE Combat Base.
- 8 July 67 Continued improving access road at Camp EVANS. Began construction Helo Pad Div CP area PHU BAI.
- 9 July 67 Constructed seakage pit for Regt Mess hall Camp EVANS.
- 11 July 67 Continued to improve defensive positions. Furnished CAC "A" with demo team for Operation North.
- 13 July 67 Began constructing Route #546 from (YD 828141). Installed defensive wire for Base Coordinator DONG HA.
- 15 July 67 Repaired bridge at (YD 573313). Began clearing drainage ditch Div CP Complex, PHU BAI. Continue working on Route #546.
- 17 July 67 Began constructing 20'x60' Comm Bunker for 1/26.
- 21 July 67 Installed 800' of defensive wire for Base Coordinator DONG HA. Continued work on Route #546.
- 22 July 67 Relocated two tropical huts for Base Coordinator DONG HA. Continued improving access road Camp EVANS.
- 23 July 67 Began construction concrete bunker for Task Force PIKE (US Army).
- 24 July 67 Pre-cut timber for 4'x6' bunker for 175 Gms.
- 25 July 67 Spread 1300 gallons asphalt on access road Camp EVANS.
- 31 July 67 Continued work on Div CP Complex Project. Also construction on Route #546 continued.

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**D. S-4 SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

- 1 Jul 67 One LCU with corrugated sheet metal and portland cement for the Division Command Post construction departed Danang for Hue port. This was the result of a special visit of the Division Supply Officer to Force Logistics Command and Naval Support Activity, Danang.
- 1 Jul 67 New procedures for financial accounting were received, and \$1 million quarterly Operating Budget was issued for this organization.
- 1 Jul 67 The S-4 assumed functions of the Supply Officer in the absence of a designated officer to fill that billet.
- 2 Jul 67 In support of the Bridge Platoon with Company "C", 11th Engineer Battalion, this organization began moving bridging materials from the Hue port to the Nam Hoa ferry site for installation of a Class 60 MAT6 bridge being opened in connection with Operation CUMBERLAND. Bridging had been brought up from Danang by LCU for this purpose.
- 3 Jul 67 S-4 effected liaison with FLSG-A and the Division Ordnance Officer regarding the heavy drawdown of Class V demolition materials experienced during Operation CUMBERLAND. Demolitions are being used for clearing heavy jungle undergrowth and felling large trees. The requirement is greatly in excess of normal day rates.
- 3 Jul 67 Corrugated sheet metal and portland cement arrived from Danang for the Division Command Post. The cement was also put to operational use for installing culvert headwalls as part of the general upgrading of tactical roads prior to the monsoon season.
- 3 Jul 67 MAT6 bridge sections were moved from Hue port to northwest Hue where a temporary floating bridge was installed while the fixed bridge at that site was being re-decked by MCB-3. This bridge repair was necessary to insure the safe passage of convoys northward to Co Bi-Thanh Tan and Dong Ha.
- 7 Jul 67 The temporary MAT6 bridge was completed at northwest Hue.
- 8 Jul 67 Reduction in tempo of Operation CUMBERLAND due to realignment of forces also reduced logistic requirements and halted the flow of engineer materials from the Gia Le Combat Base to the operating area. Engineer Equipment was returned to Gia Le for servicing.
- 11 Jul 67 A new Supply Officer reported to the Battalion for duty. The S-4 briefed him on the supply situation.

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- 14 Jul 67 The Battalion received 16 caliber .38 revolvers against its special allowance. Plans were immediately made to ship them to Danang for the fabrication of silencers. These weapons are to be used by tunnel teams. Silencers are necessary to prevent damage to the ears of tunnel team members who may have to use the weapons in confined areas.
- 14 Jul 67 The Battalion began hauling M4T6 bridge from the temporary bridge site at Hue.
- 15 Jul 67 The S-4 Supply Officer attended an initial meeting with the Division Supply Officer regarding the forthcoming GAO review. This review will be preceded by FSAO supply and FMFPac material management reviews which will terminate with the arrival of the GAO team on about 1 September.
- 18 Jul 67 The Battalion commenced an intensive Critical Items Program to focus command attention on critical supply deficiencies. Most urgent items impeding engineer efforts are 6FN batteries, electrolyte, oxygen, acetylene, tires and tubes.
- 19 Jul 67 Operation CUMBERLAND resumed. The Battalion began phasing engineer personnel and equipment back to operating area, and began moving large quantities of Classes IV and V there for engineer use.
- 22 Jul 67 Personnel and equipment for a Korean contract laundry began arriving at the Gia Le Combat Base where the laundry will be located. This laundry, operating <sup>under</sup> the Army and Air Force Exchange Service will serve all military personnel in the Gia Le - Phu Bai complex.
- 23 Jul 67 A new round was begun in the effort to get lumber into the supply pipeline. Command attention was directed to this problem by a message from the Commanding General, III MAF, authorizing stock levels and replenishment of certain lumber and allied items. The real problem remains that of placing stocks within the Force Logistics Command to support replenishment.
- 27 Jul 67 Representatives of FSAO-4 returned to the Battalion to conduct a followup review in preparation for the visit of the GAO.
- 28 Jul 67 The S-4 and Supply Officer attended a Division-wide meeting with the Division Supply Officer regarding the GAO review and the related FMFPac review. A lively discussion ensued regarding basic supply problems confronting the Division. It was indicated that improved support would be forthcoming from the Force Logistics Command by daily processing of requisitions. Lack of status information remains a chronic problem.

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29 Jul 67

FSA O-4 completed its review of Battalion supply management and rated this organization's accounts among the best in Vietnam.

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3d Marine Division (Rein)  
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Battalion S-3

Subj: After Action Report

1. Date: 27Jul-29Jul67
2. Unit Supported: "Kilo" Co, 3/3
3. Engineer Task Organization:  
A. LCPL. K. W. ANTTILLA    C. PFC. R. PUND  
B. LCPL. J. BERA            D. PFC. R. CAREY
4. Equipment used: Individual Demo kits.
5. Materials Expended: 130½ lbs C-4, approx. 30 blasting caps,  
20' of time fuze and approx. 520' detonating cord.
6. Chronology: (27Jul-29Jul67)  
  
27Jul67 - Blew LZ on Hill #217, LX was approx. 50X50.  
28Jul67 - Hand destroyed 8 bunkers and 6 cooking huts (NVA) on Hill  
#247. Was suppose to blow bunkers but helicopters  
couldn't bring the demolitions up until late afternoon  
and time element involved wouldn't permit waiting, so  
they were hand destroyed.  
29Jul67 - Blew one (1) 90mm tank cannister & round. Position "K"Co  
area, ~~Sal Leu~~. Returned to Area.  
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7. Lessons Learned:  
20 lbs, C-4 per man is to much demo to carry.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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## 3d ENGINEER BATTALION, July 1967

Tab A:

- 1) "A" Co: A/A Report, support of "M", 3/4 during 14 Jun - 1 Jul 1967
- 2) "C" Co: A/A Report, support of 3/9 in QUANG TRI Prov during 27 Jun - 2 Jul 1967
- 3) "B" Co: A/A Report, support of "C", 3d Recon Bn during 26 - 29 JUN 1967
- 4) 3d Engr Bn: A/A Report, GIA LE Combat Base area during 3 - 5 Jun 1967
- 5) "C" Co: A/A Report, Opn BUFFALO during 2 - 9 Jul 1967
- 6) "A" Co: A/A Report, support of 3/4 during 25 Jun - 17 Jul 1967
- 7) Co "B": A/A Report, Operation HICKORY II during 14 - 16 Jul 1967
- 8) Co "B": A/A Report, Operation FREMONT during 16 Jul 1967
- 9) 3d Engr Bn: A/A Report, support of 1st Plt, "F", 2/26 area of Hill 840 during 17 - 20 Jul 1967
- 10) "C" Co: A/A Report, support of "H", 2/9 during 20 - 22 Jul 1967
- 11) "A" Co: A/A Report, support of "M", 3/4 during 28 Jun - 22 Jul 1967
- 12) "A" Co: A/A Report, support of "K", 3/3 during 27 - 29 Jul 1967
- 13) "A" Co: A/A Report, support of 3/3 during 24 - 29 Jul 1967
- 14) Co "B": A/A Report, Opn BEACON GUIDE during 21 - 29 Jul 1967

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"A" COMPANY  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein)  
FPO San Francisco 96602

TJD:rek  
3480  
2July 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Battalion S-3

Subj: After Action Report

1. Date: 14Jun-1Jul67
2. Unit Supported: "M" Co, 3/4
3. Engineer Task Organization:
  - a. Cpl. Thacker, D. W.
  - b. LCpl. Yasinski, G.
  - c. LCpl. Allen, J. W.
  - d. LCpl. Solow, H. W.
4. Equipment used: One individual Demo kit
5. Materials expended:
  - a. 50 lbs, C-4
  - b. 26 Blasting caps
  - c. 60 ft. of Time fuze.
6. Chronology:
  - 14Jun67 - Went on sweep; cleared two areas to allow for the passage of Ontos.
  - 15Jun67 - Went on company sweep, destroyed 1 bunker and 1 175 round. While probing a punji pit, explosion wounded 7 men.
  - 16Jun67 - 17Jun67 - Went on Company sweep.
  - 18Jun67 - 20Jun67 - Continued company sweep, destroyed 1 booby trap, and 1 bunker.
  - 21Jun67 - Went on company sweep, destroyed 1 AT mine and 1 AP mine.
  - 22Jun67 - Continued company sweep
  - 23Jun67 - LCpl Buckner and PFC Palmer arrived as replacements for Allen and Solow.
  - 24Jun67 - 25Jun67 - Went on Platoon sweep, destroyed 1 155 round.
  - 26Jun67 - Continued sweep, destroyed 1 guerilla base camp.
  - 27Jun67 - 28Jun67 - Continued sweep, went on Platoon sweep, destroyed 2 large punji pits.
  - 29Jun67 - 30Jun67 - Continued sweep.
  - 1July67 - Returned to "A"Co, 3dEngrBn.
7. Lessons Learned: In this area, when mines are put out by the enemy, it is usually one AT and one AP mine, usually within 50 feet of each other.

  
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"C" COMPANY  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
APO San Francisco 96602

JAA:dlr  
5215  
3 July 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: S-3

Subj: After Action Report

1. Unit supported: Area of operations and inclusive dates. 3rd Battalion 9th Marines India Company. Quang Tri Providence 27 June 1967 to 2 July 1967.
2. Engineer Task Organization. Four engineers.
3. Composition of engineer element and mission assigned for the operation. Destroy all enemy fortifications bunkers emplacements; defect and destroy mines, boobytraps and duds.
4. Material expended: 100lbs of C-4
5. Chronology:
  - 27 June 1967 - no engineer activity
  - 28 June 1967 - no engineer activity
  - 29 June 1967 - destroyed rocket round at coord 301556. time 1300  
destroyed 105 round coord 281523. time 1430
  - 30 June 1967 - destroyed two punji pits at coord 297537
  - 1 July 1967 - destroyed house which contained two tons of rice, one rocket round and one 105 round at coord 295549, one ton each at coord 294552
  - 2 July 1967 - destroyed three rice bins holding 1½ ton each at coord 294552
6. Observation: None
7. Recommendation: None
8. Lesson Learned: None

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## Completion of CHRONOLOGY

14 July: Destroyed one 60 mm mortar

19 July: Destroyed one 60 mm mortar, Four 6x8  
Ft. Enemy Bunkers + one M-26 Boobytrapped  
GRENADE.

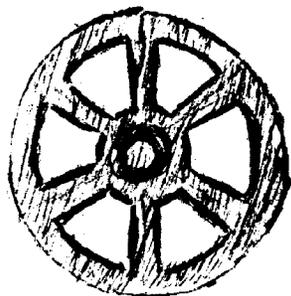
21 July Destroyed one Bomb (250 Lb. HAWKEYE)  
One Boobytrapped M-26 GRENADE, ONE 3.5  
Round, Two Boobytrapped 81 mm + ONE 60  
mm mortar

Lessons Learned: The team learned  
that the enemy has a new Pressure Type  
mine which they have ~~received~~ received from Line-  
men where they have used Telephone  
Wire on Highway No. 1 This A.P. mine is (HAND-  
MADE) from metal canisters. At the bottom  
you will see Diagram:

1. Planted in TRAILS AND ROADS usually.

(A) HAS Wheel Top Pressure PLATE

(B) A Drawing of Pressure Plate



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 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division (Rein)  
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TJD:rch  
 3480  
 27Jul67

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Battalion S-3

Subj: After Action Report

1. Date: 28Jun67-22Jul67
2. Unit Supported: "M" Co 3/4
3. Engineer Task Organization: One 4 man Demo Team
  1. L/Cpl A. L. BOSHELL 2171293
  2. L/Cpl D. L. PIONKOWSKI 2201117
  3. L/Cpl D. N. HAMILTON 2234540
  4. L/Cpl H. W. FERGUSON 2257805
4. Equipment Used:
 

One (1) individual Demo Set
5. Materials Expended:
  - a. 140 lbs C-4
  - b. 71 ft. Time Fuze
  - c. 29 Blasting Caps
  - d. 250 ft. Det Cord
6. Chronology: (Use Additional Sheets if Necessary)
 

28Jun67 Arrived "M" Co 3/4

03Jul67 Des. 1 M-72, Cut bottoms from 14 175mm canisters

05Jul67 Des. 1 6x8 ft. enemy bunker

08Jul67 Des. 1 81mm mortar round

10Jul67 Des. 1 M-26 grenade and 1 Chi Com booby trapped mine

11Jul67 Des. 5 Bunkers and 1 spider trap

12Jul67 Des. 1 500 lb bomb and 2 A.P. mines (see attached sheet)

7. Lessons Learned

(see attached sheet)

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Company "B"  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division, FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

JWG:pkw  
3000  
3 July 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion, 3d Marine Division, FMF  
Subj: After Action Report of 26-29 <sup>June</sup>~~July~~ 67

1. Unit Supported: Co"C", 3d Recon Battalion
2. Mission: Clear Landing Zone for Radio Relay
3. Engineer Task Element: 1st Platoon, Co"B", 3d Engineer Battalion

NCOIC LCPL M. B. WASSON

Usmc Enl 2

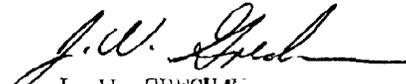
4. Materials Expended:

C-4 - 420 lbs  
Non-electric caps - 100  
Det Cord - 1000ft  
Time Fuze - 500ft  
Fuzelighters - 100

5. Major Equipment - None

6. Chronology:

26-29 June 1967 Cleared one landing zone for radio relay.

  
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HEADQUARTERS  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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8 July 1967

From: Patrol Leader  
To: Commanding Officer

Subj: After Action Report; Blocking Force Patrol

Incl: ✓(1) Patrol Order  
      ✓(2) Patrol Overlay

1. Unit Supported - GIA LE Combat Base  
Area of Operation - Grid Yd 8317 - 8316  
Inclusive Dates - 030730H - 051230H June 1967
2. Task Organization - Reinforced platoon consisting of 39 personnel from 3d Engineer Battalion and 15 personnel from 3d Tank Battalion, one (1) platoon from 2/26, 20 personnel from CAC/A/6 and one (1) Scuba team from 3d Reconnaissance Battalion.
3. Mission - Isolate that portion of Huong Thuy River from Grid Yd 838176 to Yd 837164 and conduct a search for tunnels in that area.
4. Equipment Employed - Normal T/O weapons, (4) M-79 grenade launchers (1) rubber raft with outboard engine, (2) scuba tanks.
5. Chronology
  - 050730H Jun 67 Patrol departed GIA LE Combat Base.
  - 050800H Jun 67 Patrol arrived vicinity Grid Yd 837164 and commenced establishing positions on East Bank of Huong Thuy River.
  - 050820H Jun 67 Blocking position established. Scuba Team entered river and commenced underwater search.
  - 051200H Jun 67 Search completed and patrol moved out for GIA LE Combat Base.
  - 051230H Jun 67 Arrived GIA LE Combat Base.

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6. Observations - Found no evidence of enemy tunnel activities in the area where search was conducted.

7. Recommendations - That this area be watched for any future activity due to its close proximity to GIA LE Combat Base.

8. Lessons Learned - None.

  
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OPERATION ORDER

Ref(a) Map Vietnam 1:50,000 AMS Series L701 IV

Time Zone H

Situation

a. Enemy Forces  
See current INTSUMS

b. Friendly Forces  
Combined Action Company "A" Headquarters is located one kilometer east of the area of operations.  
Gia Le Combat Base is located one kilometer south of the area of operations.

Mission

To isolate a portion of Huong Thuy River and conduct a search for tunnels along the river from Grid YD 838176 to YD 837164.

Execution

On 5 July at ~~0600~~ <sup>0800</sup> one platoon of 2/26, elements of CAC "A", and a SCUBA team from 3d ReconBn will arrive at the bridge across Huong Thuy River on Highway 1 (YD 838176). The SCUBA team will remain at YD 838176 with a four man security unit. Remaining CACA and 2/26 personnel will assume blocking positions from YD 838176 south to YD 837164 along the west side of Huong Thuy River.

At ~~0700~~ <sup>0800</sup> one platoon from 3d EngrBn reinforced by one squad from 3d TankBn will move from Gia Le Combat Base (YD 835155) to YD 837164 arriving at ~~0600~~ <sup>0800</sup>.

At ~~0600~~ <sup>0800</sup> will assume blocking positions on the east bank of Huong Thuy River from YD 837164 to the bridge at YD 838176.

When elements of 3d EngrBn reach YD 838176 and assume blocking positions, 3d ReconBn SCUBA team will commence a tunnel search south.

Following the tunnel search, 2/26, CAC personnel, and 3d ReconBn SCUBA team will withdraw to the bridge at YD 838176 arriving by 1730.

3d EngrBn and 3d TankBn personnel will withdraw at the same time YD 837164 and proceed to Gia Le Combat Base.

Administration

- a. All administration will remain with parent organizations.
- b. Logistics
  1. All blocking force personnel will be equipped with normal arms and equipment, basic allowance of ammunition, helmets and upper body armor, one Combat Meal, Individual.
  2. Ammunition resupply as required will be furnished by 3d EngrBn.
  3. Transportation for 2/26 will be arranged by the parent command.

*Handwritten initials/signature*

"C" COMPANY  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

WLH:dlr  
 5213  
 12 July 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: S-3

Subj: After Action Report; Operation Buffalo

1. Inclusive Dates; From 2 July 1967 to 9 July 1967.
2. Unit Supported: 3/9, A and C Companies 1/9.
3. Engineer Task Organization: CIC Lt. W. L. HOGUE

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PERSONNEL</u>
Command Group 3/9	1-0 3-E
Lima Company 3/9	8-E
India Company 3/9	4-E
Kilo Company 3/9	11-E
Alpha Company 1/9	4-E
Charlie Company 1/9	4-E

4. Mission of Engineer Element:

- A. Primary - Provide close combat engineer support for 3/9 and CFCOMB units.

5. Major Items of Equipment Employed:

None

6. Materials Expended:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Composition C-4	200#

7. Chronology:

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MAP COORD</u>	<u>DEMO</u>
2 July 1967			
Engineer Demo team with 3/9 Kilo	7.82 gear NVA gear Weapon Ammo	YD - 136705	10# C-4

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<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MAP COORD</u>	<u>DEMO</u>
4 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with Alpha 1/9	10 Flak Jackets 12 Helmets 15 Cartridge belts Misc NVA gear 4-A.T. Rockets (RIG) Misc unsurveyed ammo both US and NVA 2 - 60MM Mortars	YD - 133719	45# C-4
5 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with Kilo 3/9	1 - 3.5 Rocket Launcher and rocket	YD - 136715	2 1/2# C-4
6 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with Lima 3/9	61 - 82MM Mortar rounds 21 - A.T. Mines 2 - Claymore Mines 4 - ChiCom Mines 2 - ChiCom Grenades 1 - 250# Bomb 14 - 60MM Mortar Rounds 1 - LAAW 1 - ChiCom Grenade 1 - 105MM Round	YD - 132724	42# C-4
7 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with Lima 3/9	100# Bomb 15 - 60MM Rounds 2 - 82MM Rounds 1 - A.T. Mine 4 - Mortar Rounds 1 - LAAW 3 - ChiCom Grenades 3 - AK-47 Magazines	YD - 133725	14# C-4
8 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with Kilo 3/9	1 - Bunker 6'x8'x6' 1 - Bunker 6'x12'x6' 105MM Round 1 - ChiCom Grenade 1 - Bunker 4'x6'x4' 8 - ChiCom Grenades 1 - 105 Round 1 - 2.75 Rocket 2 - 60MM Mortars VC Pick, VC ammo with 30 Caliber linked 7.62 2 NVA Jackets 3 - 82MM Fuzes	YD - 141733	27 1/2# C-4

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<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MAP COORD</u>	<u>DEMO</u>
	1 - NVA Pack 1 - Carbine Mag. 2 Marine Cartridge 2 Marine Packs, 3 Helmets, 18 M-16 mag 300 rounds, 5.62 ammo, 2 M-16 Rifles	YD-141733	
Engineer Demo team with Charlie 1/9	9 - 82MM Mortar Rds	YD - 122727	5# C-4
Engineer Demo team with India 3/9	3 - Chinese Rockets 3 - Propellant charges 10# TNT 5 Elect Blast Caps 30 Fuse friction lighters 10' Time Fuse 1 - 105MM Round 1 - 8'x3'x6' Bunker 2 - ChiCom Grenades 1 - M-79 Dud 1 - LAAW 1 - 8'x3'x6' bunker 300# Rice 1 - 90MM Round	YD - 125719	20# C-4
9 July 1967 Engineer Demo team with India 3/9	7 - 61MM Mortar Rounds 2 - MDH 10 - Claymores 1 - ChiCom Grenade 2 - Bunkers 10 - ChiCom Grenades 2 - 82MM Mortar 1 - 60MM Mortar	YD - 134708	173/4# C-4

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"A" COMPANY  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division (Rein)  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

TJD:rch  
 3480  
 18Jul67

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Battalion S-3

Subj: After Action Report

1. Date: 25Jun67-17Jul67
  2. Unit Supported: 3/4
  3. Engineer Task Organization:
 

1. L/Cpl K. McLEOD	2140936	3. L/Cpl L. KING	2071639
2. PFC J. SCOTT	2281250	4. PVT J. POTTER	2232146
  4. Equipment Used:  
 One (1) individual demo set
  5. Materials Expended:  
 C-4 130 lbs, Time Fuze 1 Roll (50'), 50 Blasting Caps
  6. Chronology: (Use Additional Sheets if Necessary)
    - 25Jun67-3 60mm rds dest.
    - 26Jun67-3 106mm rds dest.
    - 27Jun67-2 M 72's dest.
    - 28Jun67-1 106 rd dest.
    - 29Jun67-2 106 rds dest.
    - 30Jun67-2 M 26 grenades dest.
    - 01Jul67-3 M 72's dest.
    - 04Jul67-7 60mm rds dest.
    - 08Jul67-1 106mm rds, 66 60mm rds dest.
    - 11Jul67-1 106mm rd, 22 M 72's, 25 M 26's dest. 300 rds M 60 amo dest.
    - 12Jul67-2 106mm rds dest.
    - 13Jul67-1 60mm rd, 3 M 26's dest.
    - 14Jul67-1 155 rd, 2 106 rds, 2 60mm rds, 4 105 rds dest.
    - 15Jul67-1 250 lb bomb, 3 105 rds, 1 3.5 rd, 1 81mm rd, 1 60 mm rd,  
 13 M 79 rds, 1 M 26 dest. Cleared 50m road of large rocks and  
 logs for "W" Battery in BA-LONG Valley.
    - 16Jul67-1 500 lb bomb, 27 M 79 rds, 6 60mm rds, 1 yel sk grenade dest.
- Lessons Learned
- None

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Company "B"  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division, FMF  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

JWG:pkw  
 3000  
 19 July 1967

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

Subj: After Action Report, Operation Hickory II

1. Unit Supported: Companies "B", "C", and "D", 1st Battalion, 4th Marines
2. Engineer Task Organization: 3d Platoon, Co "B", 3d Engineer Battalion

OIC 1stLt K. J. KIRIACOPOULOS

UsmC Enl 2 w/BnCP  
 4 w/Co "B"  
 4 w/Co "C"  
 4 w/Co "D"

3. Mission: Search and destroy sweep. Engineer mission was to destroy all mines and booby traps and NVA bunkers in area of operation.
4. Major Equipment: None
5. Materials Expended:

100lbs	C-4
14ft	Time fuze
40	Non electric caps

6. Chronology:

140925Jul67, YD097682 destroyed three 82mm mortar rounds, 100 rounds of 7.62, 1 WP grenade,  
 141045Jul67, YD095675 destroyed three 60mm mortar duds and one 500 lbs bomb.  
 141055Jul67, YD 108677 destroyed one Th-10, sixty 82mm mortar fuzes eight 82mm mortar rounds, 18 chiCom grenades, 4 NVA reinforced bunkers  
 141200Jul67, YD108678 destroyed 2 dual rigged M-26 grenades w/trip wire  
 150930Jul67, YD098652 destroyed 2 booby trapped chiCom grenades, one M-72 dud, one 105 dud, and two 81mm HE duds.  
 151300Jul67, YD109680 destroyed one 8 inch dud round.  
 160845Jul67, YD085639 destroyed one 2000 lb bomb

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160900Jul67, YD084639 destroyed one 500lb bomb  
161000Jul67, YD085640 destroyed one NVA reinforced bunker  
161300Jul67, YD085640 destroyed one 90mm dud and one ChiCom grenade.

7. Engineer Observation:

a. Infantry personnel supporting tanks should be kept approximately 20 to 30 meters from the tanks. This would reduce casualties in the event tanks being attacked by RPG's or mine detonation.

b. When in doubt of an AP mine in an area, tanks should be used to clear a route of movement for troops due to the thickness of vegetation.

c. Tanks are very effective in crushing bunker complexes. The continued use of this method would save in explosives materials and reduction of casualties by AP booby traps.

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Company "B"  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division, FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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JWG:pkw  
3000  
19 July 1967

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

Subj: After Action Report of 16 July 1967, Operation ~~Choo-Taw~~ *Froment*

1. Unit Supported: 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines
2. Overall Mission: Engineer support for Hill 51.
3. Engineer Task Element: 2nd Platoon, Company "B", 3d Engineer Battalion  
NOIC CPL C. R. FOX and PFC J. R. CARLSON
4. Major Equipment: None
5. Materials Expended:

C-4	40lbs
Det Cord	250ft
Time Fuze	5ft
Non Electric caps	5

6. Chronology:

161100 to 161600 July 1967, Hill 51 destroyed forty-five 81mm mortar rounds, eight 60mm mortar rounds, and two LAWS.

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Headquarters  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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22 July 1967

From: Master Sergeant Orion R. HINGST  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion

Subj: After Action Report, Engineer Assistance Team, Hill #840 (Radio Relay)

1. Unit Supported: 1st Platoon, Foxtrot Company, 2/26
2. Engineer Task Organization: SNCO & 5 men (1371's)
  - a. NCOIC - MSgt. O.R. HINGST
3. Mission: Clear stumps, standing timber & underbrush to improve LZ; clear area for continuation of barbed wire obstacles.
4. Major Equipment:
  - a. 2 - 1-Man Chain Saws
  - b. 1 Pioneer Chest (partial)
5. Materials Expended:
  - a. 170 lbs C-4
  - b. 600 ft Detonating Cord
  - c. 50 ea Non-electric Caps
  - d. 4 ea M2A3 Shape Charges
6. Chronology:
  - a. 171500 July 67 - Arrived hill #840 and set up engineer bunker.
  - b. 180700 July 67 - Cut approximately 200 ft path of dried bamboo, bramble, and generally thick undergrowth to allow movement of wire laying teams. Started flash fire that required control measures throughout the day.
  - c. 181000 July 67 - Commenced stumping operations on timber cut by bombing. Blew approximately 9 stumps; attempted cutting fallen timber with 1-man chain saws.

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d. 181500 July 67 - Commenced notching all trees to be removed for purpose of increasing approach and take-off areas to LZ. Set charges and cut trees.

e. 190700 July 67 - Continued tree cutting operations. Also commenced cutting fallen timber by use of explosives. Chain saws proved ineffective on previous day.

f. 200730 July 67 - Supervised 2 men who had formerly attended basic demolitions instruction in the further calculation and placement of demolition charges for stumping and tree cutting.

g. 201500 July 67 - Returned to GIA LE Combat Base via PHU BAI on chopper re-supply flight.

7. Observation:

a. Initial cutting of timber by bombing on Hill #840 seemed basically effective for initial entry into area and its defense. However, only a small area was burned off, and effective napalm bombing would have greatly increased the effectiveness of clearing operation and allowed free movement of personnel in establishing wire obstacles on the perimeter and defensive positions within. We accomplished burning of areas after personnel were on the hill, manning positions and doing improvement work. The fire was hard to control due to a large amount of fairly dry brush, heavy timber, etc. and compounded by strong up-drafts created by the heat of the fire.

b. The 1 man chain saw presently in use does not seem to be rugged or powerful enough to handle the heavy timber encountered in this area of operation. The 2 specific reasons, I believe, are insufficient hp. and poor quality cutting steel in the chain teeth. Teeth are easily and quickly dulled (as quickly as 30 minutes of use), and loss of power is great enough to warrant immediate blade maintenance (sharpening). This resulted in about 50% cutting use during time available and is a poor standard. Recommend that an attempt be made to replace present cutting teeth with some of a higher quality steel. Failing in that, there are much better chain saws available, of US design and manufacture.

c. Experienced some difficulty in applying C-4 to trees. Heat seemed to be responsible for the charges peeling off before priming and detonating could be accomplished. Application method was changed to notching tree with an axe, approximately 1½" deep and 2" wide over the area charge placement was desired, then molding charge into notch. Work time was not appreciably increased since no time was lost in re-application of the same charge. Further effectiveness was achieved in cutting larger trees by use of a loosely filled sandbag placed over the charge for tamping.

*Orion R. Hingst*  
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"C" COMPANY  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

PRC:twl  
 5213  
 23 July 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: S-3

Subj: After Action Report;

1. Inclusive Dates; From 20 July 1967 to 22 July 1967.

2. Unit Supported: "H" Company, 2/9.

3. Engineer Task Organization:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Personnel</u>
"H" Company	Engineer squad used, 13 men

4. Mission of Engineer Element:  
 Provided combat support

5. Major items of equipment:  
 Two bull dozers from 11th Engineers.

6. Materials Expended:  
 240lbs Composition C-4.

7. Chronology:

20 July 1967 - 0700 proceeded to 130659 on tanks and joined forces with "H" Company 2/9 and a ARVN Company.

Conducted sweep from 130659 to 136673 at this point detailed 3 engineers to destroy Village by burning and explosive, destroyed two bomb shelters 6'x6'x4' burned thirtysstore houses.

Knocked down twelve store houses by bull dozer  
 Sit in for the night.

21 July 1967 - 0730 four engineers sweep team from 147628 to 130659

Three engineers demo team to 135692.

Four engineers at 136673

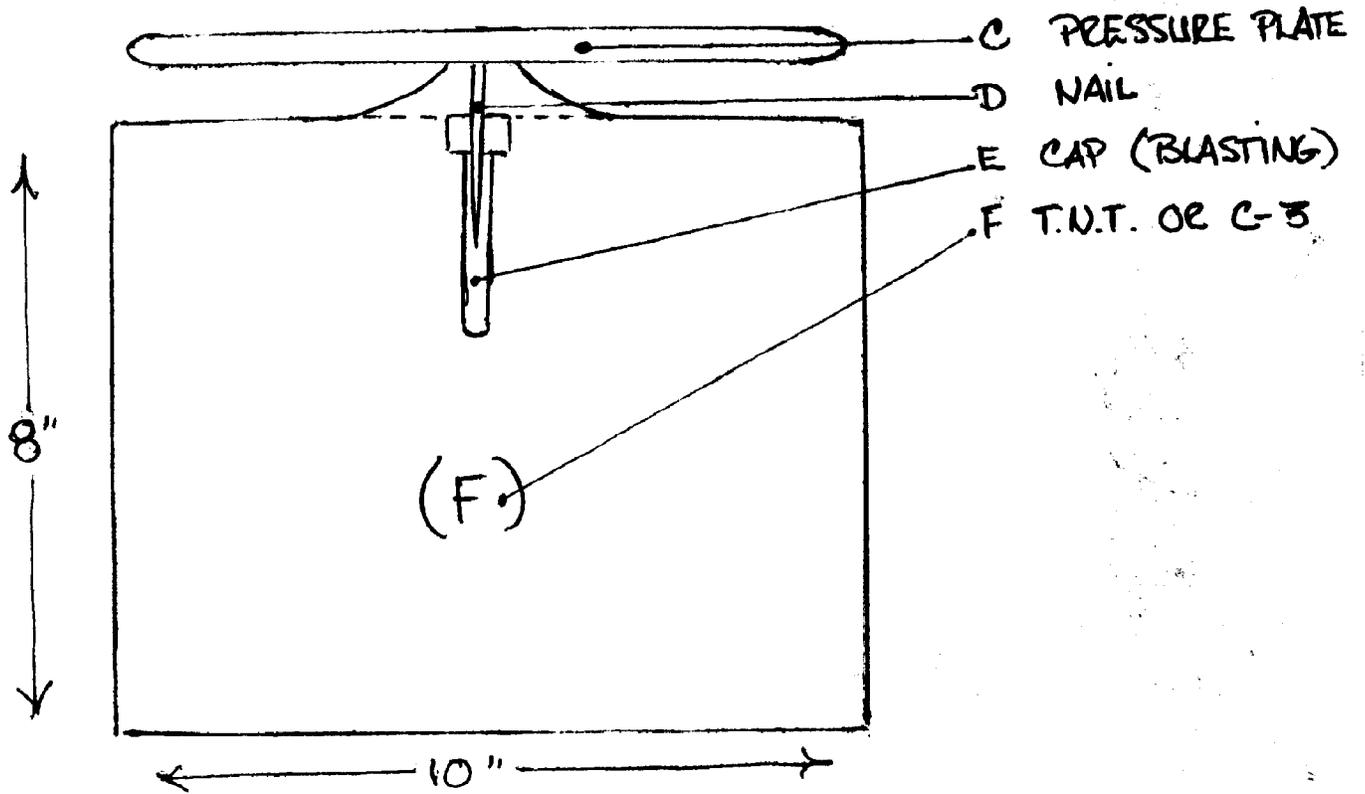
destroyed fortstore houses with bull dozer  
 twenty store houses by fire

Returned by tank to Cam Lo.

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C. DRAWING OF MINE



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3d Engineer Battalion  
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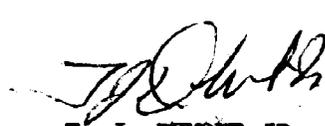
From: Commanding Officer  
To: Battalion S-3  
Subj: After Action Report

1. Dates: 24Jul-29Jul67
2. Unit Supported: 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines
3. Engineer Task Organization:
  - a. Cpl. J. AMBROSIO
  - b. Pfc. R. F. HOULE
  - c. Pfc. R. C. HARVEY
  - d. Pfc. L. G. SCHRECK
4. Equipment Used:
  - a. Two (2) Demo kits.
5. Materials Expended:

Used 607½ lbs C-4 100 blasting caps  
1 Roll of Det. Cord 50 (M-60) fuse lighters
6. Chronology:

24Jul67 - Used 10lbs C-4 used to blow 4 ChiCom grenades; 1- L.A.A.W.; 8-60mm mortars, 9 hand (pinapple) mines; 5 TNT Charges (w/fuses) ½ lb. blocks; 3 M.D.H.-10 (Claymore) mines; 10 caps & fuses.  
25Jul67 - Used 422½ lbs C-4 used to blow, 2 LAAW; 1 60mm Mortar rounds; 2 Caves.  
26Jul67 - Used 5lbs C-4 we blew, 3 - 40mm mortar and 1-60mm mortar.  
27Jul67 - Used 130 lbs C-4 to blow LZ (50'X50').  
28Jul67 - Used 40 lbs C-4 to blow 4 two man bunkers.  
29Jul67 - Returned to Company area, by convoy.
7. Lessons Learned:

The Demo team learned what Russian Det Cord and caps look like.  
(See Enclosure 1)

  
T. J. DUMONT JR.

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COMPANY "B"  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division, FMF  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

JWG:fcg  
 3000  
 31 July 1967

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

Subj: After Action Report, Operation BEACON GUIDE

1. Unit Supported: 1st Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment (BLT 1/3)
2. Engineer Task Element: Tunnel Team, 2d Platoon, Company "B", 3d Engineer Battalion

NCOIC - Cpl L. F. DUNN

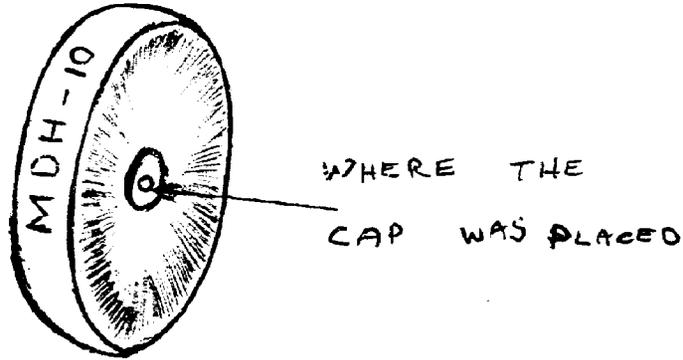
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3. Overall Mission: Search and Destroy tunnel complexes.
4. Materials Expended: None
5. Major Equipment:
  - 1 - Mity-mite blower
  - 2 - Sound powered phones
6. Chronology: 21-29Jul67 nothing accomplished in accordance with the tunnel team mission.
7. Engineer Observation: Not employed in accordance with Battalion Order pertaining to heli-lifting to the site of suspected tunnels. Due to this fact the Mity-mite blower was damaged.
8. Lessons Learned: The tunnel team should not be with a moving element. The tunnel teams have to carry too much gear and will only slow the movement, decreasing the chance of the success of the mission. Units should wait until they find a tunnel before they call for a tunnel team.

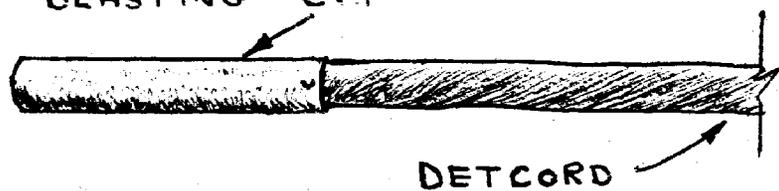
  
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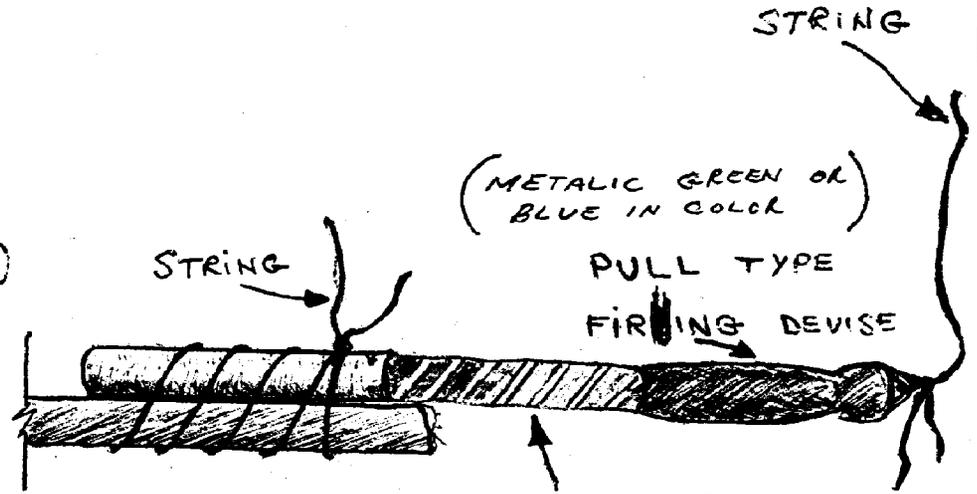
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(SHORTER BUT LARGER THEN OURS)  
BLASTING CAP



RED IN COLOR



(BLACK OR GRAY IN COLOR)

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ENCLOSURE (1) - TABA-13  
 Engr. Room: 1/Chow, Aug 67

Command-Communications

a. Radio, wire, visual

1. The following units will guard the operation net (62.20 MS).

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>
Plt from 2/26-CAC Det	Money_____
3d Engr-3d Tanks (Net Control)	PrimRose 3 Bravo
3d Recon Team	Rainbelt

2. The above units will be responsible for any internal communications.

b. Command

1. The platoon commander, 3d EngrBn, will be the Officer in Charge of the Operation.

ANNEX A Task Organization

One platoon from 3d Engineer Bn reinforced by one squad from 3d TankBn.

One platoon from 2d Bn, 26th Marines reinforced by 20 men from CAC "A".

One SCUBA team from 3d ReconBn.

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IN	OUT	SER #	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
				Dr 3 Enl to CONUS	
				1 Enl (GySgt) ext 2 yrs	
				Dr 4 Enl to SG #4	
				GWIA's	
				LCpl William M. WHITE, 2208462/1371	
				PFC Gerald R. BEIFER, #1 2310062/1371	
				PFC Felton K. CHILLIENS, 22067081/1371	
				Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry to	
				1st Lt John R. BISHOP, 091967/1302 (3/4 float)	
				Sgt R. H. BODGE, 1877817/1371 was rec for Bronze Star Medal	
				Sgt John W. ELLIOTT, 1218779/1371 was rec for Navy Commendation Medal	

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				3 Enl dr to CONUS	
				1 Enl ext o/s tour	
				<del>Rec for Silver Star Medal</del>	
				PFC Glen R. HEAD, 2052841/1371	
				Awd of Purple Heart Medal	
				<del>Pvt James P. JACKSON, 2920723/1371</del>	

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				2 Enl fr Spl Lv	
				Dr 3 Enl to CONUS	
				Dr 1 Enl to Spl Lv	
				Dr to Camp S. D. BUTLER (MedEvac)	
				PFC Charles E. WEITZ, 2316476/1371	
				IWIA	
				PFC Geoffrey A. NICELY, 2264044/1371	
				Capt MARKANTHONY dr HonDis to accept appt to USMC	
				091208/1302	
				Awd Gold Star in lieu of Sec Purple Heart Medal	
				Pvt James P. JACKSON, 2220723/1371	

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				Jd 2 Enl fr Camp S. D. BUTLER for du	
				2 Awarded Purple Heart Medal	
				ESpl Jerry W. ALLEN, 2213664/1371	
				SSgt Jerome V. BRIDGES, 1688268/1371	
				Navy Commendation Medal war recommended	
				WO-1 Sidney H. SCOTT, 099327/3010 fwd this date	
				Received Bronze Star	
				HM2 Alan ADELMAN, RA 5840495/8404 USN (Corpsman)	
				and to HM2 ADELMAN the 20th of July	

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3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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 FROM: 11 July 1967 0000H  
 TO: 11 July 1967 2300H

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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
IN	OUT			
				Awarded Purple Heart Medal Cpl George M. PRATT, 2233979/1371
				2 Enl fr Spl Lv 1 Enl pro to PFC
				Jd fr CONUS MCS QUANT 2dLt ALBERT L. HARRIS, 01003031/3002
				Jd fr CONUS MCAS EL TORO LCDR JAMES R. HUTTON, 604988/1105, USN CHC
				Jd 2 Enl fro CONUS Dr 3 Enl to HQBn 3dMarDiv
				SPCM Pvt Carlos R. FLORES, 2197790/3041 SPCM appr & ordered executed Sent to forf \$60.00 per mo for LMo to be Conf LMo red to Pvt rk fr 11Jul67
				1 Medevac to Camp S. D. Butler LCPL HARRY SOLOW III, 2222031/1371

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FROM: 14 July 1967 0075

TO: 14 July 1967 2800

JOURNAL

TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
IN	OUT			GROUP	
					Jd 1 Enl fr Camp S. D. Butler
					1 Enl ext o/s tour
					Dr 1 Enl to HqBn, 3dMarDiv
					Jd 3 Enl fr " "
					Jd 1 Enl fr CONUS
					SPCM
					PVT JOHN W. KING, 2123070/2111, forf \$60.00 per mo for 4 mo confd 4 mo red to Pvt rk fr 11 Jul67

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 FROM: 15 July 1967  
 TO: 15 July 1967

JOURNAL

TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
IN	OUT			
				Dr 3 Enl to CONUS
				Dr 3 Enl to HqBn, 3dMarDiv
				Jd 2 Enl fr " "
				Awarded Purple Heart Medal to LCPL HARRY SOLOW III, 2222031/1371 fwd to CAMP S. D. BUTLER

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 TO: 21 July 1967 MARK

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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
IN	OUT			
				Jd fr CONUS
				MAJOR JACK W. PERRIN, 061834/1302
				1 Enl fr Sp1 Lv
				Jd SSGT
				Willie L. WHITKER, 997890/0369/8531 fr 3/12
				<i>DHm</i>

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 FROM: 22 July 1967  
 TO: 22 July 1967

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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
IN	OUT			
				Jd 2 Enl fr CONUS
				Dr to HqBn this Div
				GySgt S. W. WIERZBICKI, 885463/1371
				1 MEDEVAC
				FRANKIE L. WALKER, 2228680/1371
				JD FR 1st Amtract Bn this Div
				GySgt Harold A. WILLIAMS, 1153988/2591/3061

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 TO: 29 July 1967 MMCK

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#3 KIA'S

PFC CHARLES W. HOLLWEDEL, 2322789/2531  
 PFC RICHARD H. TAYLOR, 22280646/1371  
 PFC JERRY G. WRIGHT, 2273993/1371

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TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
				Jd 2 Enl 1 fr HqCo 9thMAB 1 fr 3dFSR
				9Enl to SplLv
				1Enl fr Emergency Leave PFC RAY E. ALWINE
				WIA'S
		MILLER, TIMOTHY C.	2283088	
		ICPL 137D/0000/0000	0 2460 1	WERKLE, ROBERT C. JR. MFR 2243868 PFC 1371/0000/0000 0 13400 1
		SAND, HENRY P.	2234579	
		ICPL 1371/0000/0000	0 2400 3	COOPER, ROBERT F. MFR 2247833 PFC 1365/0000/0000 0 13400 1
		GILBERT, GLENN G.	2328780	
		PFC 1371/0000/0000	0 13400 1	
		LANDES, RANDY G.	2226053	
		PFC 1371/0000/0000	0 13800 1	NELSON, RAYMOND E. 0 2293535 PFC 1371/0000/0000 0 13400 1
		VOGEL, BURTON G.	2224564	
		PFC 1371/0000/0000	0 25100 2	BENNER, WALTER F. JR. MFR 2316704 PFC 1371/0000/0000 0 13400 1

010001H Jul67  
012400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0930	Had a visit from 1stCIT
4	0930	S-2 Pay officer
5	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
6	2400	Log Secured

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020001H Jul67  
022400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	S-2 P officer
3	0715	Routed Messages
4	0900	S-2 Chief to 2/26 COC, G-2
5	1150	S-2 Chief returned & S-2 to Operation Cumberland
6	1725	S-2 returned
7	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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030001H Jul67  
032400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0730	Routed messages
3	0800	S-2 to CACA Hq, Dong Da Trng Ctr
4	0950	S-2 returned
5	1315	S-2 to 2/26 COC
6	1510	S-2 returned
7	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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040001H Jul 67  
042400H Jul 67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	1300	S-2 to Demo Range
4	1310	S-2 Chief to Patrol Briefing
5	1430	S-2 & Chief returned
6	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
7	2400	Log Secured

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050001H Jul67

052400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0716	S-2 Chief out on patrol
4	1110	S-2 & Clk to MedCap
5	1130	S-2 Chief back from patrol
6	1745	S-2 & Clk returned
7	1730	S-2 Chief briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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IN	OUT	SER #	DIG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
				12 promoted to Sergeant	
				1 promoted to Staff Sergeant	
				SSgt Jerome V. BRIDGES, 1688268/1371	
				SSgt Sammie L. RHODES Jr., 1927251/1371/8511	
				SSgt Dale R. CASWELL, 1846756/1372/3051	presented on 29 July 1967
				SSgt Steve C. JORDAN, 1801985/1371	
				2 promoted to Cpl (meritorious)	
				1 " " " " " " " " " "	
				13 " " " " " " " " " "	
				36 " " " " " " " " " "	

STEVENS MICHAEL J. 003091  
 1 promoted to temporary 1st Lt 0 13400 C  
 1st Lt R. K. ANCHSOLE, 094512/3502 presented on 20 July 1967  
 CWO 4 (temp) Duncan Rex CWO 4 (perm)  
 promote to 1st Lt

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STEVENS, MICHAEL J. 003091  
 2NDLT 1302/0000/0000 0 13400 C

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TO: 2 July 2000H 1967

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IN	OUT	SER #	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
				1 Enl ext o/s tour (6mos)	
				Jd 1 Enl SSgt fr CONUS	
				SSgt R. J. GREEN, 1404784/0141	
				Dr 1 Enl to Camp S. D. BUTLER (MedEvac)	
				PFC Herbert L. PEAK, 2271670/1371	

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IN	OUT	SER #	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
				Dr 1 Officer to COMUS	
				WO-1 Sidney H. SCOTT, 099327/3010	
				2 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Gold	
				LCpl Dale E. COUGHENOUR, 2209803/1371	
				SSgt Steve C. JORDAN, 1801985/1371	

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IN	OUT	SER #	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
				2 WIA's - Quang Tri	
				Pvt James P. JACKSON, 2220723/1371	
		3		PFC Michael R. LEPORE, 2213025/1371	
				1 KIA	
				PFC Kenneth P. BIRELEY, 2220501/1371	
				Dr 11 Enl to CONUS	
				1 WIA Cpl Danen R. CUTLIP, 2226930/1371	

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				Jd 2 Enl fr CONUS	
				SSgt Clarence B. RODGERS, 835820/1371	
				Dr tr to Camp S. D. BUTLER (MedEvac)	
				PFC Michael R. LEPORE, 22430251/1371	
				IMIA	
				Cpl Danon R. CUTLIP, 2226930/1371	
				Dr 3 Enl to CONUS	
				1 Emer Lv	
				PFC Charles J. WELLS, 2207319/1371 (TAB)	

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250001H Jul67  
252400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	1230	S-2 to Division
4	1555	S-2 returned
5	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
6	2400	Log Secured

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260001H 26Jul67  
262400H Jul67

1	0001	Log opened
2	0715	Routed messages
3	0720	S-2 & clk to Division S&C, 2/26, G-5, G-2
4	0907	S-2 & Clk returned
5	1715	S-2 briefed GO & Staff
6	2400	Log Secured

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270001H Jul67  
272400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Messages routed
3	0750	S-2 Chief to Disbursing
4	1010	S-2 to MedCap
5	1230	S-2 chief returned
6	1635	S-2 returned
7	1730	S-2 Chief briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Sedured

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280001H Jul67  
282400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0710	Messages Routed
3	0900	Class on PR to Staff & Officers by G-5
4	1000	Classsecured
5	1510	S-2 & Chief to CAC A Hdq
6	1545	S-2 & Chief returned
7	1730	S-2 Chief briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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290001H Jul67

292400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Messages Routed
3	0930	S-2 Chief to Hue
4	1120	S-2 Chief returned
5	1315	S-2 to Division
6	1430	S-2 <del>ENCL</del> returned
7	1730	S-2 Briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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300001H Jul 67  
302400H Jul 67

1	0001	log Opened
2	0715	Messages Routed
3	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
4	2400	Log Secured

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310001H Jul67  
312400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Messages Routed
3	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
4	2400	Log Secured

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E. Weapons and fortifications destroyed

NVA bunkers	-	34
NVA Borehouses	-	55
NVA Caves	-	2
Tank - 2,000 lb	-	1
Bomb - 500 lb	-	4
Bomb - 250 lb	-	2
175MM Rds	-	17
155MM Rds	-	2
105MM Rds	-	14
106MM Rds	-	11
90MM Rds	-	3
82MM Rds	-	85
82MM Fuses	-	60
61MM Rds	-	7
60MM Rds	-	379
40MM Rds	-	3
3.5 Rocket Rds	-	2
82 AT Rocket Rds	-	6
Chicom AT Mines	-	27
Claymore Mines	-	13
Chicom Grenades	-	32
M16-10 Claymore Mine	-	4
M16	-	8
2.75 Rocket Rds	-	1
Chicom Rockets	-	3
81MM Rds	-	49
81-79 Rds	-	69
81-26 Grenades	-	33
(Pineapple) Grenades	-	9
Handi Rds	-	4
Spider Trap	-	1
M147 Magazine	-	3

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**ACTION**

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P CONF 041920H  
FM PRIM ROSE (3RD ENGR BN)  
TO SD (CG, 3RD MAR DIV)  
BT

*041046H*  
*J*

*G-3*  
*note*

LANDING CONFERENCE

A. YR 021120Z JULY 67

1. CG WILL REMAIN WITH AND IN GENERAL SUPPORT OF THREE REGIMENTAL  
REGIMENTS (BN, -) WILL REMAIN IN LOCAL COMBAT BASE IN GENERAL  
SUPPORT OF DIVISION.

2. FIRST PRIORITY OF WORK WILL BE CLOSE COMBAT SUPPORT WITH REMAINING  
EFFORT DEVOTED TO REPAIRING LOG AND INSTALLATIONS FOR ONSET OF  
MONSOON INCLUDING CONTINUATION OF WORK AND UPGRADING BOULE 047.

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*BT*  
*AG*  
*04 JUL 1967*

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060001H Jul67  
062400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0740	S-2 Clk to Division S&C
4	0840	S-2 Clk returned
5	1300	S-2 Chief to Operation Cumberland
6	1650	S-2 Chief returned
7	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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080001H Jul67  
082400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0805	S-2 Chief routing OpPlan 2-67
4	0950	S-2 Chief returned
5	1300	S-2 Clk to division S&C
6	1515	S-2 Clk returned & up dated OB
7	1730	s-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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090001H Jul67  
092400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0830	S-2 to Division RPS, 2/26, COC, G-2
4	1000	S-2 returned
5	1001	S-2 to Operation Cumberland
6	1545	S-2 returned
7	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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102400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0905	S-2 & Chief to CIT, 2/26
4	1030	S-2 & Chief returned
5	1300	Up dated OB
6	1730	S-2 Briefed CO & Staff
7	2400	Log Secured

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120001H Jul67  
122400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
4	2400	Log Secured

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130001H Jul67  
132400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0945	S-2 to Division CIT, 2/26 COC
4	1235	S-2 returned
5	1305	S-2 & clk to Med Cap
6	1720	S-2 & clk returned
7	1730	S-2 Chief briefed CO & STAFF
8	2400	Log Secured

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140001H Jul67  
142400H Jul67

1	0 01	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
4	2400	Log Secured

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150001H Jul67  
152400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0730	Routed Messages
3	0945	S-2 Chief to Tank Bn
4	1000	S-2 Chief returned
5	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
6	2400	Log Secured

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160001H Jul67  
162400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed messages
3	1405	Base drill
4	1445	Drill Secured
5	1510	S-2 to Division FPS, 2/26, COC
6	1630	S-2 returned
7	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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170001H Jul 67  
172400H Jul 67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0920	S-2 to IRO investigation on gate sentry
4	0945	S-2 returned
5	1730	S-2 briefed CO & STAFF
6	2400	Log Secured

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180001H Jul67

182400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0800	S-2 to Dong Ha
4	1730	S-2 Chef briefed CO & STAFF
5	2400	Log Secured

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190001H Jul67  
192400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed Messages
3	0815	S-2 clk to Division S&C, COC, G-5
4	0940	S-2 clk returned
5	1730	CO & Staff briefed by S-2
6	2400	Log Secured

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200001H Jul67  
202400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0730	Routed Messages
3	1030	S-2 returned from Dong Ha
4	1245	CO formation for adwards
5	1500	Update OB
6	1600	Tanks reported a patrol found tunnel wanted demo team to blow up.
7	1730	S-2 Briefed CO & Staff
8	2400	Log Secured

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210001H Jul67  
212400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0730	Routed Messages
3	1730	S-2 Briefed CO & Staff
4	2400	Log Secured

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220001H Jul67  
222400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Messages Routed
3	0800	S-2 clk to S&C, G-2 Map Section
4	1000	S-2 clk returned
5.	1300	Put chart up for briefing
6	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
7	2400	Log Secured

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230001H Jul67  
232400H Jul67

1	0001	Log Opened
2	0715	Routed messages
3	1315	S-2 to Division
4	1615	S-2 returned
5	1730	S-2 briefed CO & Staff
6	2400	Log Secured

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