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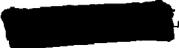
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HEADQUARTERS  
3d Engineer Battalion (Rein)  
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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7 December 1968

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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3d)  
Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
Commanding General, 3d Marine Amphibious Force  
Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

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1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. Upon removal of PART IV Section C, this report is unclassified.

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

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

COMMANDER

Lt. Col Walter L. PERSAC  
1-30 November 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS2. LOCATION

- 1-30 Nov 68: Headquarters, Company "A" (Rein) located at Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN, in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 1st Platoon, Company "A" located at DaNang, RVN, opcon to 1st Marine Division and in direct support of Battalion 3/26
- 1-30 Nov 68: 2nd Platoon, Company "A" located at Calu, RVN, in direct support of Battalion 1/4.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 3d Platoon, Company "A" located at Vandegrift Combat Base RVN, in direct support of Battalion 3/4.
- 1-30 Nov 68: Headquarters, Company "B" (Rein) located at Camp Carroll RVN, direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 1st Platoon, Company "B", located at Cam Lo and Mai Loc RVN, direct support Battalion 2/3.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 2nd Platoon, Company "B" located at Camp Carroll, RVN direct support of Battalion 1/3.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 3d Platoon, Company "B" located at C-2 and Con Thien, RVN, direct support of Battalion 3/3.
- 1-30 Nov 68: Headquarters, Company "C" (Rein), located at Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN, direct support of 9th Marine Regiment.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 1st Platoon, Company "C" located at Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN, direct support Battalion 1/9.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 2nd Platoon, Company "C" located at Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN, direct support of Battalion 2/9.
- 1-30 Nov 68: 3d Platoon, Company "C" located Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN, direct support of Battalion 3/9.

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- 1-30 Nov 68: Headquarters and Service Company (-) located at Quang Tri Combat Base, RVN, general support 3d Marine Division.
- 1-30 Nov 68: Headquarters, Engineer Support Company (-), located Quang Tri Combat Base, RVN, general support 3d Marine Division.

ATTACHED UNITS

None

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer

LtCol W. L. PERSAC  
1-~~30~~ November 1968

Executive Officer

Major R. V. NICOLI  
1-21 November 1968

Major J. J. OMEARA  
22-30 November 1968

Adjutant/S-1

1stLt J. W. MCLELLAN  
1-30 November 1968

S-2

Capt R. J. BELL  
1-10 November 1968

2dLt R. J. BOSS  
16-30 November 1968

S-3

Major R. V. NICOLI  
1-30 November 1968

S-4

1stLt J. D. SWINSON  
1-3 November 1968

1stLt W. P. TICHENOR  
4-15 November 1968

Capt B. M. RANTA  
16-30 November 1968

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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INTELLIGENCE

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## INTELLIGENCE

1. Several Atomic Demolition Munitions program applications were returned with deficiencies on fingerprinting. These individuals have been reprinted at Graves Registration, and the applications are being prepared for reapplications.
2. The light precipitation and generally very good weather conditions permitted the 3d Engineer Battalion to accelerate its construction and repair work orders at QTCB.
3. The number of ambushes in the Northern AO's stressed the need for increased security on patrols and convoys. 3d Engineer personnel were told to be sure they were given proper security when performing their mission when attached to an unit.
4. The tactical situation was highlighted by the bombing halt north of the Ben Hai and simulated checkfire north of the southern DMZ boundary to the Ben Hai. This has led to a heavy increase in enemy action north of the DMZ and an increase in enemy presence in the DMZ. The month was marked by an increase in enemy mine and booby-trap activity centered in the Kentucky AO and Cua Viet River area. It was noted by this command that supported units were at times lax in their respect for the various roadsweeps. In general, except for a few instances, enemy contact was light throughout the month. It is felt here that a psychological hold has been placed on both opposing forces while both sides try to gain an advantage in Paris. The outlook for Engineer units is continued construction of FSB's and LZ's, and the continued upgrading of living and work facilities at the VCB, DHC, and QTCB.

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TRAINING

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B. TRAINING

1. M-151 School was conducted for Officer/Staff NCO's of H&S and Support Companies, 3d Engineer Battalion on 6 November 1968.
2. From 11 November to 13 November 1968, twelve (12) personnel from the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment, attended Land Mine Warfare and Demolitions School.
3. The 3d Engineer Battalion S-3 Training Section, requested the following quotas from the 3d Marine Division:
  - a. Registered Publications (1)
  - b. Basic Ammo Tech. (1)
  - c. Infantry Weapons Repair (2)
  - d. Career Planning (1)
  - e. NCO Leadership (3)
  - f. Embarkation (Off) (1)
  - g. Embarkation (Enl) (1)
  - h. Military Justice (1)
  - i. Comm Sec/Crypto (1)
  - j. Nuclear Safety Officer (1)
4. On 13 November 1968, two separate Officer/Staff NCO schools were conducted. Officer/Staff NCO's from H&S Co and Support Company, attended classes on Bath Units; and Officer/Staff NCO's from "A", "B", and "C" Companies were instructed on the procedures of supply.
5. Fifteen (15) personnel from Comm Section, 3d Engineer Battalion received one (1) hour of MOS Training.
6. From 18 November to 20 November 1968, ten (10) personnel from "A", "B" and "C" Companies; attended Land Mine Warfare and Demolitions School.
7. On 18 November 1968, twenty (20) personnel from 3d Engineer Battalion Fam Fired their T/O weapon.
8. From 20 November to 22 November 1968, eight (8) personnel from "A", "B", and "C" Companies, 3d Engineer Battalion attended Land Mine Warfare and Demolitions School.
9. From 25 November to 27 November 1968 a Generator Contact Team from III MAF, held classes on the operation and care of generators in the 3d Engineer Battalion classroom. The following organizations attended:

3d Engineer Battalion	11 (Host Unit)
3d Shore Party Battalion	3
Motor Transport Battalion	1
MAG-39	1
3d Tank Battalion	2
3d Recon Battalion	2
MATCU-66	2
H&MS 39	1

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OPERATIONS

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C. OPERATIONS

1. General. During the month of November 1968, Company "A" (-) (Rein), Company "B" (Rein), and Company "C" (Rein) remained in direct combat support of the 4th, 3d, and 9th Marine Regiments respectively. The remainder of the Battalion, including Headquarters and Service Company (-) and Engineer Support Company (-) remained in general support of the 3d Marine Division.

2. General Combat Support.

a. A total of 1,377,600 meters of road were covered by 3d Engineer Battalion visual/deliberate route sweeps. The following road segments were covered by regular daily sweeps:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Sweep No.</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Meters</u>
"C"	01	315725	318727	500
"C"	01A	301747	295751	1000
"B"	02	117700	132642	5500
"B"	03	132642	148604	4900
"B"	04	127591	164586	3800
		135592	148604	1800
"B"	05	117582	111552	3250
"B"	06	097526	111552	3200
"B"	07	127591	076571	4800
"B"	08	061549	076571	7000
"A"	09	987555	033561	3700
"A"	10	010462	983544	9000

b. On 2 December the Commanding Officer, Company "B" conducted a route reconnaissance of Route 8B from Route #1 to the C-3 Bridge. The reconnaissance was made to determine the feasibility of utilizing Route 8B as an alternate resupply route for C-2, and Con Thien. Results were submitted directly to the Officer of the 3d Marine Division Engineer.

c. In an effort to acquire construction sand the S-3, 3d Engineer Battalion affected liaison with ARVN Sector Headquarters at Quang Tri City. An almost limitless supply of clean, coarse sand was located adjacent to the Quang Tri Bridge at (YD 328512). When in use the area is swept by 3d Engineer Battalion sweep team and security is provided by the Quang Tri Combat Base, Base Defense. MCB-11 hauled 210 cubic yards in the first 2 days of work.

3. Direct Combat Support.

a. The 3 Engineer Companies of the 3d Engineer Battalion, continued in direct combat support of the 3 Infantry Regiments of the 3d Marine Division as reported in the October Command Chronology.

b. During the month of October, the Battalion participated in all major operations of the 3d Marine Division. The clearing of helicopter landing zones and the construction and development of fire support bases continued. During the past month, 12 landing zones were constructed through the use of demolitions and/or heliliftable tractors by the 3 engineer companies of the Battalion. In addition, the following fire support bases were constructed:

FSB Argonne	XD 677573
FSB Tun Tavern	YD 977433
FSB Russel	XD 909590
FSB Shiolo	YD 105269
FSB Dick	YD 145335

c. Platoons of the engineer companies continued to perform pioneer type work in direct combat support of the various infantry battalions.

#### 4. Combat Service Support

a. Roads and Bridges. During the month of November, the 3d Engineer Battalion dust suppression program increased slightly as a result of unseasonably dry, hot weather.

(1) Company "A" completed stabilization and ditching of the access road into their Company forward area.

(2) Company "C" installed 2-18" x 50' culverts at Vandegrift Combat Base at access road to company area.

(3) Company "B" hauled rock, graded and made ditch improvements to roads at Camp Carroll and Cam Lo and also began repairing certain areas along route 558 from Cam Lo to Maf Loc.

(4) Engineer Support Company installed 1 - 36" x 50" culvert and 1 - 18" x 50' culvert on MSR fronting Battalion area. New ditches were cut along 200 meters of road and existing ditches were "dressed up" along existing roads. Engineer Support Company also commenced work of building a road into the new 9th Marine Regimental rear area at Quang Tri Combat Base. Project will require extensive fill and will be completed during night time hours because of lack of M-51 dump trucks. Engineer Support Company also completed draining, stabilizing, and cutting new ditches along the Headquarters Battalion internal road network.

b. Field Fortifications. The 3d Engineer Battalion continued to assist other Division organizations with materials, manpower, and technical supervision to improve existing field fortifications including defensive wire, trench lines, and bunkers. A bunker was designed for 3d Reconnaissance Battalion and materials have been drawn. Fields of fire are being cleared through the use of demolitions for 3d Tank

Battalion, and assistance id being rendered both 3d Motor Transport Battalion and Quang Tri Combat Base, Base Defense in the installation of tactical wire on the perimeter.

c. General Construction. Major construction projects during the month of November:

- (1) 5 sea huts were moved and rennovated for use of ACofS, ~~and~~ G-5 at Dong Ha Combat Base.
- (2) A generator shed was constructed for 3d Marine Regiment (rear).
- (3) A bunker was installed for staff officers of the 3d Marine Division at Dong Ha.
- (4) A 20' x 8' extension was constructed on the post office building located in the 3d Engineer Battalion area.

d. Utilities. The utilities platoon continued to operate generators at Quang Tri and Cua Viet. Water points were operated at Quang Tri Combat Base, Cua Viet, C-4, FSB Cates, C-3, Camp Carroll, Camp Thon Son Lam, and Vandegrift Combat Base. A total of 8,040,000 gallons of potable water and 740,700 gallons of non-potable water was produced during the month of November. Shower points were operated at: Quang Tri (12), Dong Ha (2), Camp Carroll (1), Camp Thon Son Lam (1), Vandegrift Combat Base (3), FSB Cates (1), C-2 (1), Con Thien (1), Camp Red Devil (1). During this month, the 3d Engineer Battalion took over complete responsibility for the production and distribution of water at Quang Tri Combat Base. MCB units were relieved of this task. At the same time, the 3d Engineer Battalion provided manpower and equipment to assist CEMU-1 in the installation of 8" water main throughout the Quang Tri Combat Base area.

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10. From 27 November 1968, seven (7) personnel from "B" Company, 3d Engineer Battalion, attended Land Mine Warfare and Demolitions School.
11. On 27 November 1968, Officer/Staff NCO's from H&S and Support Companies, 3d Engineer Battalion, received classes on the 550 Grader.
12. On 27 November 1968, eight (8) Officer/Staff & NCO's from "A" and "C" Companies, attended a three (3) hour class on the use and maintenance of the gasoline driven engine chain saw at the Vandegrift Maintenance Facility School.

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COMMUNICATIONS

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D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Continued AM and FM frequency communications with Engineer letter companies. Maintained radio communications within the Battalion in spite of personnel shortage.
2. Painted and improved working area in all the different sections.
3. Painted and tac-marked all radios and other radio equipment.
4. Established communications with platoon from "A" company located at DaNang.
5. Established a storage area for radio batteries inside of the air conditioned COC Bunker to help prolong the life of the batteries.
6. Tech shop repaired and completed preventive maintenance on approximately twenty-five telephones and twenty radios. Also repaired twenty to twenty-five handsets and headsets.
7. Tech shop reformed minor repairs on fifteen switchboard linepacks and spend approximately fifty hours on maintenance and paper work for mine detectors.
8. Assembled new metal workbench for Tech shop and layed rubber sefty matting. Cleaned and inventoried all Tech shop tools, missing tools placed on order.
9. Message Center picked up daily message traffic from Division. Up-dated security records and moved classified material to Crypto vault. Painted and cleaned the cases to the Crypto Material.
10. Wire section painted TA-125/GT, LC-5's and cabinets.
11. Painted and weather-proofed the switchboard table in the COC Bunker. Also placed a small terminal strip above the switchboard to improve the problem of trouble shooting.
12. Installed new 5-pair cables in COC Bunker to the S-shops and the intercom system.
13. Constructed and painted new terminal box located in Support company area.
14. Maintained wire communication within the Battalion and to other units in Division.

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LOGISTICS

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#### 4. Logistics

1. During the month of November, 3d Engineer Battalion conducted logistic and service support operations from Quang Tri, Combat Base. Support was also provided to Companies "A", "B", and "C".

2. The Battalion received, during the month of November 15,960BF of 2x4 and 1,354BF of 2x12. The Battalion presently has no structural lumber on hand. Equipment received this month are (1) MRS-100, (2) M49 Truck Tanker, (10) 5KW Generators, (2) 10KW Generators, (3) M123 10T Truck Tractors, (2) Euclid Front End Loaders, (3) TD-15 Tractors, (8) Remington Chain Saws and (3) 380 GPM Pumps.

3. In November, (29) Mine Detectors were assigned an unserviceable condition code. The subject items were placed on an Ø2 priority requisition.

4. A Supply and Material Expediter (BnO 4400.5) was established in November. The expediter is located in the vicinity of Da Nang City for the purpose of expediting supplies and material assigned to the 3d Engineer Battalion (AFC 15400) which might otherwise be misdirected or pilfered.

5. In November water point of this Battalion produced 6,430.800 gallons of potable water in support of Division units. This Battalion is presently operating 8 water points.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS

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**F. Civil Affairs**

1. Two MEDCAPS were conducted during the month of 23 Nov and 29 Nov. The place was Thong Ha My (YD334572) in the Trieu Phong District.

The 23 Nov MEDCAP treated 24 adults and 38 children. Personnel consisted of 1 officer, 4 corpsman, 1 interpreter, and six enlisted Marines.

The 29 November MEDCAP treated 11 adults and 24 children. A dental team was taken along which treated 3 adults and 2 children. Personnel consisted of 1 officer, 3 Medical Corpsman, 1 Dentist 2 Dental Technicians, 1 interpreter, 1 chaplin, and 5 enlisted Marines.

The inhabitants of Thong Ha My were found to be generally in excellent health. Personal hygiene was the greatest problem area. It was requested of the District Headquarters that they find another village that was in greater need of Medical assistance. This village is located at YD357576.

The Battalion is hopeful that the MEDCAPS will be followed by other projects in the subject area.

2. The Battalion S-3 conducted a bridge construction reconnaissance of the dike road between QTC and Trieu Phong for Division G-5. Discussions with the Province Engineer, Mr. Tri, produced three possible plans for the project. Captain Randolph at Division G-5 said the project was to be undertaken by ARVN Engineers. This project is a necessity, for the rains will prevent any motor traffic from fording the river.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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S-1 SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF EVENTS

- 3 November 1968: 1stLt SWINSON, Jr., J. D. 092911/1302 reassigned to Company C
- 4 November 1968: 1stLt TICHENOR, W. P. 010254/1302 reassigned to Battalion S-4
- 5 November 1968: Captain MILLS, D. C. 080953/1302 reassigned as Commanding Officer, Engineer Support Company
- 6 November 1968: Captain BELL, R. J. 094539/2502 appointed to present rank
- 8 November 1968: Lt ECKER, J. A. 723569/4105 joined this command and assigned as Battalion Chaplain
- Gunnery Sergeant JOHNSON, R. G. 1168567/9999 extended enlistment one year.
- 9 November 1968: Captain FORD, W. R. 092064/1302 transferred to USA Engineer School Fort Belvoir
- CWO-2 CLARK, J. R. 083969/0130 transferred to Force Troops, FMFPac
- Major MILLS, D. C. 080953/1302 appointed to present rank
- Major MILLS, D. C. 080953/1302 reassigned as Commanding Officer, Engineer Support Company
- 1stLt BURKE, P. G. 0100908/1302 reassigned to Company A for duty
- 10 November 1968: Gunnery Sergeant GADONNIEK, I. 1424124/1169 reassigned to Engineer Support Company
- 13 November 1968: Captain JONES, A. S. 093209/1302 terminated TAD to Headquarters Battalion
- 16 November 1968: Captain RANTA, B. M. 089442/1302 reassigned as Battalion S-4
- 2dLt ROSS, R. J. 0105248/3001 assigned additional duty as S-2/S-5
- 17 November 1968: 1stLt TICHENOR, W. P. reassigned as Commanding Officer, Company B

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- 19 November 1968: 2dLt PLECKI, Jr., G 0105229/1301 joined 3d Engineer Battalion assigned to Company A
- 20 November 1968: 1stLt MALONEY, C. P. III 0100456/1302 transferred to 3d Shore Party Battalion this Division
- 2dLt LAWRENCE, D. T. 0105159/1301/0302 joined this Battalion assigned to Company C
- 22 November 1968: 1stSgt BLASKO, J. J. 1136111/9999 joined 3d Engineer Battalion assigned as Company A First Sergeant vice 1stSgt TURNER
- Major ONEARA, J. J. 077199/1302/0302/0202 joined 3d Engineer Battalion assigned as Executive Officer vice Major NICOLI, R. V.
- 30 November 1968: 2dLt BOTELHO, A. J. 0102732/1302 joined 3d Engineer Battalion assigned to Company B

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B. S-2 Sequential Listing of Significant Events

- 10-20 Nov 1968 Route 1 from Dong Ha to Quang Tri was closed from 1900-0500 daily for road repair
- 15 Nov 1968 2nd Lt. Ross assumed the duties as S-2
- 15 Nov 1968 S-2 to G-5 to inquire about MEDCAP programs
- 18 Nov 1968 Went to Trieu Phong District Headquarters to discuss S-5 program
- 18 Nov 1968 Discussed Education program with Div Ed NCO
- 21 Nov 1968 Spoke to interpreter about Public Works Agency in Quang Tri about bridge construction
- 22 Nov 1968 Message concerning new Division AO's came in
- 22 Nov 1968 With with interpreter to Quang Tri to discuss bridge with Mr. Tri.
- 23 Nov 1968 MEDCAP with 12 personnel to Thong Ha My.
- 25 Nov 1968 BN Special Courts Martial at Division
- 25-26 Nov 68 Attended Pacification/Revolutionary Development Training Course at Division
- 25 Nov 1968 QTCB on Condition 1
- 26 Nov 1968 Planned reaction platoon
- 29 Nov 1968 MEDCAP with 14 personnel at Thong Ha My

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C. S-3

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C. Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

- 1 November 1968 - S-3 received message from Division Engineer Office requesting S-3 to go to DEO to discuss mine sweep. Battalion must be prepared to assume new sweeps by 2 November.
- 5 November 1968 - S-3 departed for Vandegrift Combat Base and Camp Carroll to visit companies.
- 6 November 1968 - S-3 spoke with Division Engineer Officer requesting stockpile of ungraded rock each week to be stored in Battalion area. Request was granted. Rock will be hauled by 11th Engineer Battalion.
- S-3 spoke with G-3 concerning boundaries of mine sweeps.
- S-3 spoke with G-3 (Operations) concerning redesignation of 1st Platoon, "A" Company to 26th Marines.
- S-3 called G-3 (Operations) to confirm the Commanding Officer's desire that 1st Platoon, "A" Company, be redesignated to 26th Marines and 3d Engineer Battalion be authorized to form a new 1st Platoon.
- 7 November 1968 - S-3 brought situation way up to date and made overlay of mine sweeps for Companies "A", "B", and "C", also for Division Engineer Officer, G-3 and the Battalion Commanding Officer.
- 8 November 1968 - S-3 delivered mine sweep overlay to Division Engineer Office and G-3. DEO and G-3 approved. G-3 informed that security for the sweeps would be the responsibility of Regiments whose TAOR's fell within the sweep area.
- 11 November 1968 - S-3 accompanied BGen CARNEY, ADC, on orientation tour of the Battalion area.
- Major HAPPI, and Captain VAN ORDEN, 1st Engineer Battalion arrived to discuss construction of fire support bases for pending operations of 1st Engineer Battalion. S-3 provided them with pertinent Division Orders & Battalion Orders & pictures of fire support bases.
- 12 November 1968 - S-3 Chief reconned bridge in Quang Tri to make an estimate for repair.

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- 13 November 1968 - S-3 departed for a visit with the Companies in the field. He consulted with the new Commanding Officer of the 3d Marine Regiment at Camp Carroll. CO, 3d Marine Regiment requested S-3 explore the possibility of constructing a road from Camp Carroll N.E. to Route #9. S-3 assured him that his survey team would begin immediately. S-3 checked out the shower points at Vandegrift Combat Base and at the Rockpile.
- S-3 accompanied Division Engineer Officer to speak with G-3 to re-route sweeps. G-3 agreed with the 3d Engineer Battalion concept & so informed the Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Regiment.
- 14 November 1968- S-3 attended a meeting held for Col. DENORMANDIE, new Division Engineer Officer.
- 16 November 1968 - S-3 spoke to 3d Marine Division Oral History Representative about the history of the Battalion for the last 60 days. Company Commanders also spoke to the same.
- 27 November 1968 - S-3 departed Quang Tri Combat Base to visit letter companies at Camp Carroll and Vandegrift Combat Bases
- 28 November 1968 - S-3A departed to check out new sand pit area with a representative of MCB-11. Liaison must be made again tomorrow with ARVN Sector MACV advisor.
- S-3 called Provost Marshall and received authorization for trucks hauling fill to travel at 25 mph. instead of 15 mph. during night projects.
- 29 November 1968 S-3 drafted the Gasoline Driven Engine Chain saw SOP.
- S-3 drafted letter to DEO requesting relief of certain Camp Carroll support activities in light of 3d Marine Regiment move to Dong Ha Combat Base.
- S-3 drafted a letter to MCB-11 requesting they perform improvements on Quang Tri Combat Base water supply system.
- S-3 departed with XO, and S-4 Officer for Camp Carroll and Vandegrift Combat Base to visit letter companies. S-3 will issue mine detectors as appropriate.
- 30 November 1968 - Base Defense called to request assistance to investigate & destroy a tunnel & bunker complex outside of the Quang Tri Combat Base wire.
- S-3 dispatched a tunnel patrol. Negative findings.

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D. S-4 Sequential Listing of Significant Events

- 1 Nov 68 Submitted lumber usage data to Division Engineer as per their request.
- 2 Nov 68 Received 16 bundles of M8A1 matting.
- 6 Nov 68 Non-potable water run of for a week as prime mover for tanker is being used for DaNang run.
- 7 Nov 68 7th Motors made 5T tractor available for VCB. Dispatched to GySgt STAPLES.
- 11 Nov 68 3d Engr Bn 150 KW generator went deadlined beyond our repair capability.
- 12 Nov 68 CEMU 301 will provide us with a replacement 150 KW generator.
- 15 Nov 68 Lt TICHENOR departed for Camp CARROLL for duty as "B" Company Commander.
- 16 Nov 68 Capt NANTA reported aboard for duty as Battalion S-4 (Logistics) Officer.
- 18 Nov 68 Sent (2) M51 dump trucks to DaNang to pick up water point chemicals.
- 20 Nov 68 Trucks returned from DaNang with water point chemicals.
- 21 Nov 68 Received 4 Cargo trucks from 9th Motors.  
Received (7) Remington chain saws.
- 22 Nov 68 Battalion technical inspection of heavy equipment, results excellent.
- 26 Nov 68 Briefing at Utilities Platoon for S-4 and Support Company CO on 5 KW generator (667).
- 27 Nov 68 Changed from 650 GPM pump to 380 GPM pump at Battalion Water Point.

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AFTER ACTION REPORTS

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COMPANY "A"  
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RLS:hrm  
 30 November 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion (Rein) FMF (Attn: S-3)

Subj: After Action Report; Operation Scotland Trousdale North

Encl: (1) Chronology

1. 2nd Platoon "A" Company, 3d Engineer Battalion supported the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines on operation Scotland Trousdale North which took place in the DMZ during the period from 17 September to 1 October 1968.

2. Members of 2nd Platoon "A" Company, 3d Engineer Battalion in support of the operation were as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERIAL #</u>
SWINSON, JAMES D. JR.	1stLt	092911
DROUIN, MICHAEL E.	Sgt	2209019
HITT, RALPH R.	Cpl	2246738
CHUMBLEY, REX A.	Cpl	2215390
HACKEMAN, DAVID A.	Cpl	2267643
GUILLETTE, LIONEL E.	Cpl	2322488
OHLESBEE, ROBERT B. JR.	Cpl	2178629
BUSH, THEODIS	LCpl	2361863
WITAKER, JONAS N.	LCpl	2353625
DEVERS, ROBERT J.	LCpl	2399378
DEWILDER, MARK O.	LCpl	2375167
WEIGA, JOSEPH S.	LCpl	2291520
WASILEWSKI, JAMES E.	LCpl	2354692
HORLICK, BRUCE A.	LCpl	2337991
DEAS, HENRY JR.	LCpl	2236697
DIMT, GARY C.	LCpl	1902122
TALBERT, TOMIE I.	LCpl	2396359
WILKINSON, JAMES I.	LCpl	2363823
ADKINS, CLIFFORD G.	LCpl	2374273
STEWART, CLARENCE E.	PFC	2397337
CONNELLY, MICHAEL	PFC	2321273
BRUNTY, DONALD J.	PFC	2291140

3. The mission assigned to the engineers in support of 1/4 was twofold:

a. Provide demolition support for the rifle companies of 1/4 and be prepared to destroy enemy fortification, dud munitions, and gear and

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ammunition caches.

- b. Be prepared to clear landing zones for helicopters when required.

To accomplish the assigned mission, four and five man demolition teams were attached to each of the four rifle companies. The engineer platoon commanders and three others traveled with Company "A" throughout the operation.

4. Major items of equipment:

- a. Chainsaws  
b. Demolitions

5. Materials expended:

a. Due to incomplete records taken during the operation, an accurate materials list is not possible.

6. Chronology (See Enclosure)

7. Engineer Observations: The engineers of 2nd Platoon "A" Company, 3d Engineer Battalion contributed much to the success of the operation by destroying enemy munitions and gear as well as providing the LZ clearance capability that this type of operation is so dependent upon.

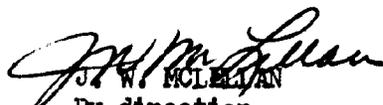
8. Lessons Learned:

a. NVA flaked TNT can be successfully used to supplement our own demolitions. The results are quite satisfactory and compare favorably those of our own demolitions.

b. Small charges of C4 used to detonate enemy AT mines placed upside down on the top of arms caches and munitions have proved to be another successful way of augmenting our own demolition sources.

c. It was found that the electrical firing devices that come with the claymore mine sets could be used as an expedient electrical device for detonating demolition charges. This firing device is limited in that only one electrical blasting cap can be detonated at a time.

9. Recommendations: It is recommended that chainsaws not be carried along on search and destroy type missions. The weight is one obvious handicap, especially when the tactical situation dictates constant movement and patrolling. The weight of the chainsaw isn't the only factor as far as weight goes. One must consider the fuel oil and tools that are necessary. Chainsaws are far from reliable and keeping one operational is next to impossible when on expended operations. Demolitions have proved to be far more satisfactory in the clearance of LZ sand drop zones.

  
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CHRONOLOGY

- 17 September 1968: Companies "A", "B", 81's, Bn CP, "D" and "C" were lifted from Vandegrift Combat Base to XD 947685 which is just south of the Ben Hai River. Negative engineer work accomplished.
- 18 September 1968: The battalion started moving south condition search and destroy operations as they moved. "A" Company 1/4 blew an LZ for an emergency medevac at 947674. The engineer work consisted of blowing 8 trees approximately 2' in diameter using 40lbs of C4 to clear an LZ 20' by 50'. Also blown at the same place was a cache of NVA shovels and picks.
- 19 September 1968: The battalion continued to move south conducting search and destroy operations. Company "C" 1/4 found two FO positions in trees at 943674. The trees were approximately 30' high and were camouflaged with their leaves and naturally growing vines. These positions were destroyed.

Company "B" found 30 bunkers at XD 953669 and a small mess hall 400 pounds of rice, 2 water points, documents, det chord, blasting caps, 1 AK 47 magazine, 3 canteens, 1 sledge hammer, a pick and a pig pen. This was estimated to be a battalion size area. There were also numerous trails with hand rails and steps. The bunkers were built to accomodate 3 to 4 people and were not over two months old. The bunkers and gear were destroyed with C4.

Company "A" discovered a large arms cache at XD 935660 with approximately 320 Masin Dnagent 7.62 rifles, 76 82 mm mortar rounds, 168 81 mm mortar rounds, 300,000 AK 47 rounds, 700 pounds TNT, 64 claymores, 128 cases of .50 calibre ammunition, 1 light machine gun, 2 submachine guns, 250 cans of .30 calibre ammunition. All gear was destroyed except a number of rifles that were taken as souvenirs. Seven engineers got rifles as souvenirs.

- 20 September 1968: Company "A" discovered a bunker complex at XD 940656. Here they found 8 living bunkers approximately 6' x 6' x 4' that were reenforced by logs and dirt. Also found at this point was one cave approximately 4' x 2' x 2' on the banks of a stream with 2 shovels, 1 pick and 550 lb bags of rice. The gear and bunkers were destroyed.

Company "A" again found an ammo cache at XD 934652 that had 150 AT mines, 40 claymore mines, 249 82 mortar rounds, 26 cases of AK 47 rounds with 950 rounds per case, 16 shotgun shells, 4000 .50 calibre rounds. All gear was destroyed.

At XD 932656 Company "A" again found an arms cache. This one contained 12 RPG rounds, 192 81 mm mortar rounds, 10 AT mines, 549 82 mm mortar rounds, 15700 .50 calibre rounds and 300 75 mm recoilless rifle HE rounds. This gear was also destroyed.

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A total of 20 lbs. C4 was used for all demolition work with captured gear.

Company "A" also blew an LZ at 948660 (Hill 387).

21 September 1968: Company "A" continued to work on LZ at 948660. Company "A" also found a suspected enemy base camp and training center at XD 933654. Here they found four AK 47's, 35 KS's, 4000 bandoleers, 400 leather slings, 472 AK 47 rounds, 8 cases of 82 mm mortar rounds and 48 AT mines. All gear was destroyed with 30 lbs of C4.

Company "C" found 2 cans of .50 calibre ammunition along a trail at 923652. These were destroyed.

Company "A" started another LZ at 932656.

22 September 1968: Company "A" continued work on LZ at 932656.

Company "C" found 2 chi com grenades and 1 can of .50 calibre ammunition at XD 921650.

Company "B" found 27 large reinforced bunkers at XD 940665. They also found 100 lbs of rice, 4 30' living quarters, 1 large kitchen, 20 cases of 50 calibre ammunition (300 rounds per case), 3 82 mm mortar rounds. Everything was destroyed except the bunkers.

Company "C" found 7 A frame bunkers approximately 2 weeks old at XD 921651. These bunkers were blown. They were also oriented to the north.

23 September 1968: Company "D" found 95 75 mm recoilless rifle rounds at 933658 in a bunker. All rounds were in individual cannisters and were destroyed.

Company "B" found 1 ammo cache at XD 938654. Included were 67,000 rounds of AK 47 7.62, 25,000 rounds of .50 calibre ammo, 184 AP mines, 126 122 mm rocket war heads, 30 82 mm mortar rounds. All gear found was stored in one bunker and it was destroyed in place.

Company "B" found 1 ammo cache at XD 939658 that had 2 cases of rifle cleaning gear, 75 rounds of 82 mm mortar rounds, 600 new cartridge belts, 800 leather rifle slings, 150 new chi com grenade belts, 1 - 50 calibre barrel, 1 heavy machine gun barrel, 12.7 mm and 2 AT mines. All gear was destroyed in place.

24 September 1968: Company "A" blew an LZ for chow resupply at 951656 using 20 lbs of C4.

25 September 1968: Company "D" destroyed 103 57 mm recoilless rifle rounds with 12½ pounds of C4.

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27 September 1968: Company "A" started work on an LZ at 947674 using 50 pounds of C4.

Company "D" found 3 bunkers along a road at XD 952667 along with the following equipment: 5 picks, 8 shovels, 2 crowbars, 1 saw, 1 sledge hammer, and 20 blocks of TNT. The bunkers and gear were destroyed.

30 September 1968: Company "A" worked on an LZ at 974683 using 80 pounds of C4.

1 October 1968: Company "A" continued work on LZ using 100 more pounds of C4 when finished. The LZ was large enough for 2 CH 46's to land.

Operation terminated with a lift back to Vandegrift Combat Base.

TOTAL DEMOLITION WORK

1.	392,172	AK 47 7.62 rounds
2.	83,000	.50 calibre rounds
3.	4,000	bandoleers
4.	1,200	leather rifle slings
5.	1,006	82 mm mortar rounds
6.	720	pounds of TNT
7.	650	pounds of rice
8.	600	cartridge belts
9.	360	81 mm mortar rounds
10.	320	Mosin Nagent 7.62 rifles (302 taken as souvenirs)
11.	300	75 mm recoilless rifle rounds
12.	210	AT mines
13.	184	AP mines
14.	150	Chi com grenade belts
15.	126	122 mm rocket war heads
16.	103	57 mm recoilless rifle rounds
17.	40	Claymores
18.	38	6x6x4 bunkers (3 to 4 people)
19.	27	Larger reinforced bunkers
20.	12	RPG's
21.	10	shovels
22.	7	picks
23.	7	A frame bunkers
24.	5	AK 44 machine guns
25.	4	30 foot long living bunkers
26.	3	SKS rifles
27.	3	Canteens
28.	2	Waterpoints
29.	2	FO positions in trees
30.	2	Crowbars

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31.	2	Cases of rifle cleaning gear
32.	2	Sub machine guns
33.	1	AK 47 magazine
34.	1	.50 calibre machine gun barrel
35.	1	12.7 mm machine gun barrel
36.	1	kitchen
37.	1	two-man saw
38.	1	peice det chord (undetermined length)
39.	1	cache blasting caps (undetermined amount)
40.	5	recorded landing zones were blown

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COMPANY "B"  
3rd Engineer Battalion (Rein)  
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

WPT: oml  
3000  
28 Nov 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3rd Engineer Battalion (Attn S-3)

Subj: After action report: Operation LANCASTER II

1. Unit supported: "A", "B", "C", and Alpha Commanding group, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines, 23 Nov - 27 Nov 1968
2. Engineer Task Organization: Company "B", 2nd platoon, 3rd Engineer Battalion  
OIC: 2nd LT. Maccartee, T. D.  
USMC enlisted: (21)
3. Engineer Element and Mission: To provide Engineer support for Operation LANCASTER II
4. Major Equipment: (2) P-153 Mine Detectors, #434, #1877
5. Materials expended: None
6. Chronology
  - (01) 23 Nov 1968  
prepared hole for CP/Coc tent
  - (02) 24 Nov 1968  
mine sweep of Rt #1 in C-1 area, negative results  
completion of COC tent, bunker  
team: Sgt. Sampson, Cpl. Turner, Cpl. Washington, L/cpl. Coleman, L/cpl. Davis D.A., L/cpl. Davis D.E., L/cpl. Thornton, L/cpl. Turner, Pfc. Whisner  
all commended for fine effort and results by 1/3 Battalion Commanding Officer
  - (03) 25 Nov 1968  
built trash pits, urinals, and heads
  - (04) 26 Nov 1968  
displacement of team to Camp Carroll to salvage bunker materials for 1/3
7. Engineer Observations: Engineers were used to dig holes and fill sand bags. Since it was limited in scope no effort was made to replace this work area by O311's. Vietnamese civilians were used to fill majority of sand bags at a payment of (1) combat meal per (20) sand bags. This was arranged through 1/3 chain of command.

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8. Lessons Learned: Vietnamese civilians fill sand bags rather quickly, I shall use this labor in future whenever possible.

9. Recommendations: None

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

JDS:ted  
3100  
3 Dec 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion (Attn: S-3)  
Subj: After Action Report; FSB Shiloh  
Ref: (a) 3100.10  
Encl: (1) Chronology

1. In support of 1stBn, 9th Marine Regiment during the period 1 Dec to 2 Dec 1968

2. The engineer Task Organization for 1st Platoon, "C" Co, 3d Engineer Battalion was as follows :

SSgt W. L. OWENS  
Cpl W. A. SCHERTLER  
LCpl P. J. SAUCIER  
LCpl C. DALTON Jr.

LCpl D. L. SCHULTZ  
Cpl B. E. SIFFLE-Equipment Operator  
LCpl T. P. SOUTHWICK- Engineer Operator

3. The mission of engineer of engineer elements was to build 4-155 gun pits, 1FDC pits, 1 ammo berm and 1 external ber.

4. Major Items of Equipment Employed: 1 450 dozer

5. Materials Expended: 450 lbs TNT, 3-15 lb shape charges, 1000 feet det cord, 50 blasting caps, 100 feet time fuse

6. Chronology: See enclosure (1)

7. Engineer Observation: Proper coordination was utilized as the engineers were used for engineer work only. The engineer equipment contributed greatly to the assigned mission.

8. Lessons Learned: None

9. Recommendations: That in the future when a FSB is built, later expansion should be taken into consideration on when planning in order for engineers to put in their gun pits. On this job, engineers had to remove brush previously removed when putting in original FSB.

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If this brush had been pushed off the steep side of the hill then we could have expanded the FSB for 155's with half the time involved.

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CHRONOLOGY

1 December 1968

1500: Arrived at FSB Shiloh. The 450 tractor arrived at 1510. Started to work on 1st gun pit at 1530. From 1530 to 1900 we completed 3 155 gun pits, 55 feet diameter, and the 4th gun pit was 95% complete. 1900: Secured all work for the night.

2 December 1968

0700: Started work, from 0700 to 1400 we completed 1 gun pit, 1 FDC pit, 1 ammo berm and external LZ. 1400: Assigned mission completed and all engineers returned to VCB. Cpl B. E. SIPPLE, the equipment operator, did an outstanding job building the gun pits and clearing brush with the 450 tractor.

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

JDS:ted  
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5 Dec 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion (Attn: S-3)  
Subj: After Action Report, Operation Scotland II Afton (FSB Anne)  
Ref: (a) 3100.1C  
Encl: (1) Chronology

1. In support of 1Bn, 9thMar in the Scotland II AO during the period 1 Nov to 12 Nov 1968.
2. The task organization for 1st Plt, "C" Co, 3dEngrBn was as follows:

PFC BELLO	Cpl LAKE	Cpl SCHREI
LCpl BLACK	PFC MCKEE	Cpl SHEDD
Cpl BURKE	LCpl MCMINN	Sgt SHERROD
PFC CORLEY	LCpl NUNES	LCpl STILLIONS
PFC COTE	PFC PERKINS	PFC SUDETH
LCpl COTTON	LCpl REEVES	LCpl TUCKER
LCpl DALTON	PFC RIVERA	LCpl VEST
LCpl DAVIS	LCpl NELSON	Cpl WELCH
LCpl GARCIA	PFC RODENBAUGH	Lt M. N. HUGHES
LCpl KELLY	LCpl SAUCIER	

3. The mission of engineer elements was to serve in direct support of 1/9.
4. Major items of equipment employed: 1 carpenters tool chest and pioneer tool kit.
5. 5 lbs 8 penny nails, 5 lbs 16 penny nails, 50 lbs TNT, 10 lbs 60 penny nails, 150 lbs C-4, 25 blasting caps, 200' det cord were the materials expended.
6. Chronology: See enclosure (1)
7. Engineers observation: The engineers worked to improve FSB Anne. A COC bunker was provided for the battalion commander, constructed to give him a safe and centralized place to control his battalion from. The engineer team with "C" Co cut an LZ which made it possible for that company to be resupplied in an otherwise inaccessible area.

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## 8. Lessons Learned

Item: Field expedient for drift pins

Discussion: In constructing a COC bunker for 1/9 on FSB Anne, many materials were not available. One of these were drift pins to secure 8x8 stringers to 8x8 studs. It was found that the rods used to hold together certain 105 howitzers ammunition boxes could be used. The rods were cut with a hacksaw to a length of 12 inches. The cut was made to an angle so as to provide a sharp edge at one end of the pin to make it easier to drive. Only the end of the rod with a flat head was used. These field expedient drift pins worked satisfactorily as the framed for the COC proved to be very sturdy.

Recommendation: That cut down rods from 105 howitzer ammunition boxes be considered as field expedient for drift pins.

## 9. Recommendations:

1. Whenever an engineer platoon accompanies an infantry battalion to a semi-permanent position, that it take its carpenters tool chest and a good supply of nails. At a fire support base there is always lumber from the ammunition boxes to work with. If other than a fire support base is being moved into some lumber should be taken if possible.

2. If it becomes apparent that PSP matting is to be used in any kind of job, at least one sledge hammer, one pinch bar and one pry bar should be taken to the job site. The pry bar is needed to drive the pegs into the PSP matting.

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CHRONOLOGY

1 November 1968

5 teams of engineers joined 1/9 to be flown out to the new 1/9 AO. The breakdown was as follows.

"A"Co - LCpl SAUCIER, PFC COTE, PFC SUDDETH, LCpl DALTON to FSB Anne

"D"Co - Cpl BURKE, PFC RIVERA, PFC BELLO and LCpl VEST

"C"Co - Cpl WELCH, LCpl KELLY, PFC PERKINS and PFC RODENBAUGH

"B"Co - Cpl SCHREI, LCpl GARCIA, LCpl STILLIONS and LCpl MCMINN

H&SCo - Lt HUGHES, Sgt SHERROD, LCpl DAVIS, LCpl BLACK, LCpl NELSON,  
PFC MCKEE, LCpl COTTON and LCpl NUNES

The engineers with H&S Co and "A" Co began work on a COC bunker. The structure left by the Army was torn down and the area prepared for new construction.

The engineers with "B", "C" and "D" had no report.

2 November 1968

H&S Co and "A" Co engineers completed digging out pit for COC bunker with the help of the 580 back hoe. Building materials were assembled. The ground was leveled and the floor plan laid out with string. "B", "C" and "D" companies had nothing to report.

3 November 1968

H&S Co and "A" Co erected the frame for the COC and laid the floor. A roof of PSP matting was installed. "A" Co also blew grade III class V: 6-105 howitzers, 4-81 mm mortars, 2-60 mm mortar, 1000 small arms rounds. "B" Co, "C" and "D" had negative reports.

4 November 1968

H&S Co and "A" Co building in the floors and walls of the COC. Working in

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one hour shifts the 12 engineers continued work all through the night of 4 December and the morning of the 5th. "B", "C" and "D" companies had negative reports.

5 November 1968

H&S Co and "A" Co began waterproofing and sandbagging the COC bunker. "C", "B" and "D" companies had negative reports.

6 November 1968

H&S Co continued sandbagging COC. "A" Co began laying in triple concertina around the FSB. "B" Co began work on an LZ at their location using 95 lbs C-4. "C" and "D" companies had negative results.

7 November

H&S Co engineers continued sandbagging COC and did some carpentry work on the mess hall. "A" Co continued to supervise the laying of wire. A class was given for "A" Co on the use of the claymore mine. "B" Co completed its LZ using 85 lbs of C-4.

8 November 1968

H&S Co engineers gave a class to "A" Co squad leaders on general use of demolitions. The use of C-4, TNT and shaped charges was taught as well as how to use det cord. A 30 minute practical application followed the class. Sandbagging of the COC continued. 1 M-72 LAAM was blown with  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs C-4. "A" Co continued to lay triple concertina. "B", "C" and "D" companies had negative results.

9 November 1968

H&S Co engineers gave a class to "A" Co and began work on a new living facility for officers (it was never completed because of an impending

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early departure from FSB Anne). "A" Co continued to lay wire. "B", "C" and "D" companies had negative reports.

10 November 1968

H&S Co engineers blew the following grade III and class V rounds: 3-105 howitzers, 2-81 mm mortars, 39-90 mm recoilless rifles (sic), 1500 small arms rounds, 8-M-26 frag grenades, 5 smoke grenades, 5 electrical blasting caps and 15-M-79 rounds. "A", "B", "C" and "D" companies had negative reports.

11 November 1968

Negative reports from units.

12 November 1968

Negative reports from units.

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

JDS:ted  
3100  
1 Dec 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion (Attn: S-3)  
Subj: After Action Report, Operation Scotland II Afton, Fire Support  
Base Shiloh

Ref: (a) EnO 3100.1C

Encl: (1) Chronology  
(2) Evaluation of "No Matting"

1. In support of 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines in the area southwest of VCB from 16 Nov to 24 Nov 1968. Delta and Whiskey Batteries, 2/12, were supported in the construction of FSB Shiloh.

2. Engineer Task Organization: 2nd Plt, "C" Co, and attachments

1stLt WINTERSTEEN  
SSgt PARRISH  
Cpl FLEMING  
LCpl STONE  
LCpl SPARKS  
LCpl SANBOWERS  
LCpl CARLSEN  
LCpl SELLERS  
LCpl TEPEDINO  
LCpl BRAZEE  
LCpl BLIZZARD  
PFD BURCH  
PFC HONSBERGER  
PFC SANDERS  
PFC ROSS  
PFC O'CONNELL

Support Company

Sgt ANDERSON  
Sgt RUFFIN  
Cpl ANDERSON  
LCpl DOBIEL

3. Engineer elements consisted of combat engineers assigned the mission of building a fire support base for one battery of 105 mm howitzers and four 4.2 mm mortars.

4. Major Items of Equipment Employed: Case 450 tractor, Case 580 tractor, two chain saws.

5. Materials Expended: 1800 lbs C-4, 1000 lbs TNT, 39-15 lb shaped charges, 4-40 lb cratering charges, 9000' det cord, 200' time fuse, 120 fuze lighters, 500 non-electric caps, 100 gal diesel fuel, 15 gal gasoline and 30 gal motor oil.

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6. Chronology: See enclosure (1).

7. Engineer Observations and Recommendations:

a. A lack of coordination in landing of critical materials and equipment set this job back several days. This was not the fault of support of "C" Co, 3d Engr Bn--the problem was setting priorities and getting full cooperation from the higher echelons. The first day, engineer work came to a standstill because of the demolitions, chain saws and hand tools which were called for at 1000 did not arrive until 1530. The tractor was requested for 0900 the second day and did not arrive until shortly before 1700. These delays set completion back one full day. It is recommended that the efforts of the highest echelon of command available be solicited to insure that critical materials and equipment are delivered on time.

b. Four pieces of engineer equipment were requested for this job. Of the two chain saws, one arrived with the bolts to attach the blade stripped of threads and was thus unusable. The other chain saw, a Remington, was used for about 25 minutes and after the first refuelling, could not be restarted due to the fact that the pull rope mechanism would not engage. The 450 tractor arrived missing two bolts on the front radiator shield, which limited the usefulness of the tractor in pushing brush off the planned gun positions. Three of the eight bolts used for attaching the blade were missing and the snap ring holding the blade lift arm pin was in an overexpanded position. There were insufficient tools to effect minor repairs and adjustments. It is recommended that spare bolts, hoses, filters and tools be sent on each job.

c. Two operators from support Company were attached for this job. One, Cpl ANDERSON, was an outstanding operator and extremely cooperative. The operator, for the Case 580, was unable to operate his equipment to the standard required on a job where time is important. It is recommended that only well qualified operators be sent to work on difficult projects such as fire support bases and that the operators be given intensified training until they reach this state of skill.

d. Control of landing zones was a problem that besides holding up the job several times resulted in needless injuries to several Marines. At the outset of the job, a hasty landing zone was constructed for use of all units. This landing zone was improved sufficiently that all types of helicopters could land on it. During work on gun positions, it was intended that all aircraft except those delivering guns or tractors use this LZ. However, work had to be stopped several times a day, and the tractor taken off the job while food, ammunition and passengers were unloaded. While the "no matting" was being placed on the LZ, a CH-53 came onto the hill to drop off ammunition even though the senior engineer present informed the battery commander that the matting would be blown off the hill and possibly injure someone. It is recommended that all helicopters use an LZ out of the main working area and that safety considerations be paramount in other landings. The Case 580 tractor was also put in slings and lifted to another location without the knowledge or consent of the engineer officer. It is recommended that it be made clear to all units involved that no engineer equipment will be moved except on order of the senior engineer present.

e. The nature of the different responsibilities (maximum fire support for the battery commanders, maximum security for the infantry commander and economic use of engineer equipment and personnel for the engineer project officer) caused conflicts during the construction of FSB Shiloh. In one instance, the artillery commander demanded that maximum effort be expended toward clearing at 360° field of fire for the battery before dark, while the infantry commander demanded enough time that blasting early enough for his personnel to build shelters and heat "C" rations before dark. In this case, a meeting of all three officers would have aided in working this out. It is recommended that on future fire support bases the commanding officers meet frequently to iron out differences instead of pressing opposite demands on the engineers.

f. The use of "Daisy Cutter" bombs on heavily forested areas will speed engineers clearing trees. On this particular hill, a heavy entanglement of vines and thick brush around the bases of trees hindered placing charges and then removing trees after they are felled. It is recommended that maximum use of Daisy Cutters be made on all areas with similar foliage.

### 8. Lessons Learned:

a. For blasting areas where much time is lost in clearing personnel out of the danger area, two methods can be used to reduce multiple shots on the trees and stumps, or one tree or stump. Where the final ground level will be the same as the initial ground level but stumps must be removed, use of a strip charge circling the ground around the level of the tree gives acceptable results. Although this requires more demolitions and time for the initial blast, the tree is cut off level with the ground, so that the second shot to remove the stump is not necessary. For trees too large to be handled in this manner, use of two or three shaped charges will make stump removal a one-shot process. Normally it is necessary to use a shaped charge to get a hole to put the charge, then a second well-tamped charge to actually remove the stump. By placing 15-lb shaped charges on their sides 15" to 20" and aimed 15° down along the axis of the largest roots, the stump can be broken up enough for the Case 450 tractor to tear it out.

b. In instances where minimizing the number of shots will speed up the job, a ring main, dual primed, should be used instead of a trunk line. It was found that the use of detonating cord, despite all precautions, had an average of one break in the powder in 500'. When the det cord trunk line on a shot of 50 to 100 trees failed to fire along its entire length, it was necessary to locate the break, string additional det cord and then reprime it. This usually meant that work in the area was curtailed for 15 to 30 minutes and that there was increased danger of personnel entering the blast area without the engineers knowing it. The use of a ring main insures that even though the det cord may cut itself in one place, the blast will set off all charges beyond that point from the other end of the line.

c. Due to the limited supply of C-4, it was necessary to use 1000 lbs of TNT to complete this job. The new TNT cases contain 48 instead of 50 blocks and 10 plastic priming adapters. By making boosters out of non-electric caps and det cord, and using the priming adapters, it was possible to save much time over tying the stiff plastic around the blocks.

d. A platoon of mixed infantry and battery personnel worked for half a day with hadn tools attempting to clear out the brush and trees after a demolition shot and was only able to complete an area not including the stumps, roughly 30' by 60'. The Case 450 tractor with an experienced operator was able to clear all brush and stumps off the same sized area in less than an hour. Having the tractor on the job early enough to assist in clearing brush will speed up construction of a fire support base.

9. Recommendations

a. It is recommended that the experience of officers and staff NCO's who have built fire support bases be called upon to revise and update publications and orders concerning fire support bases.

b. See additional recommendations in Item 7.

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15 November 1968

Lt WINTERSTEEN made a visual reconnaissance of the Hill 347 and surrounding areas with the CO and S-3 of 2/9 from 0945 until 1100. Team leaders from Fox and Golf Companies were requested to send two engineers each to Echo Company to assist in building the FSB. Lt WINTERSTEEN and PFC BURCH left the CP by helicopter and went to the Echo Company position. Echo Company was designated the assault unit for taking the hill and was to provide security for the FSB once built. The assault was to commence at 0900 on 16 November but at 1600 the 2/9 S-3 informed Lt WINTERSTEEN that the assault would be set back one day to allow for additional prep fires.

16 November 1968

1600: SSgt PARRISH and five engineers arrived to supplement the Echo Company team of six engineers. 1800: Engineers met to discuss plans for the FSB.

17 November 1968

0945: First wave of helicopters took infantry and three engineers into an LZ near the crest of the hill. 1000: Radio messages sent to "C" Company forward to send out prestaged external load of demolitions, hand tools and chain saws. 1020: Last of engineers arrived while Lt WINTERSTEEN and Echo Co CO made a recon of the hill. 1030 SSgt PARRISH and engineers blew stumps and brush out of the LZ. When all demolitions were expended, engineers used machettes and entrenching tools to continue improving the LZ. 1530: External of 1000 lbs C-4, 400 lbs TNT, 39 shaped charges, 5 cratering charges, two chain saws and hand tools arrived.

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Engineers worked on cutting a large LZ on top of the hill for the tractor.  
1600: Radio message sent to "C" Co forward that one saw had stripped bolts and requesting a replacement. 1700: Radio message sent to "C" Co forward and S-4 of 2/9 that the tractor was needed and could be received any time after 0900 on 18 November and that it was needed as early as possible.  
1845: Last demolitions shot made, expanding hilltop LZ enough to give a CH-53 ample room to land the tractor. 1900: Second chain saw would not start. Message sent to "C" Co CO for replacements but none available.

18 November 1968

0630: Engineers began placing charges to remove all trees and brush from the western side of the hill. 0930: Both Chain saws sent to "C" Co forward with courier, LCpl BLIZZARD. 1000: Lt WINTERSTEEN contacted the 2/9 S-4 and S-3 and requested the aid in getting the tractor lifted in as soon as possible. 1100: Advance party, including the CO from Delta Battery, 2/12 arrived and began assisting a working party from Echo Company in removing the brush. 1115: Shot cleared all large and brush from western side of hill. 1400: SSgt PARRISH ordered additional demolitions through S-4 of 2/9 and an emergency resupply of det cord. 1630: Case 450 tractor without blade or operator arrived. 1645: Blade and operator arrived. 1700: Tractor operational and digging stumps from area to be used for gun pits. 1800: Larger stumps and all trees on east side of hill blown. 1830: Cpl ANDERSON reported that the lift arm pin had fallen out and been buried. Lt WINTERSTEEN requested a replacement for the pin and snap ring that holds it in when it could not be found.

19 November 1968

0700: Engineers started placing charges on north end of hill. 0730: Lift

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arm pin found by operator but snap ring was broken so message was sent to "C" Co forward and GySgt STAPLES that only ring was needed. 0800: Tractor, with an improvised snap right, began building gun pits. 0915: Tractor deadlined with a broken hydraulic hose. Replacement part ordered by message from GySgt STAPLES. 0945: Replacement lift arm pin and snap ring arrived but hose was too late to be on same helicopter. 1000: Replacement tractor requested but none were available so Case 580 tractor requested to try to make up lost time. 1100: Division engineers, LtCol PERSAC, Maj NICOLI and SgtMaj MASSARO arrived. Division engineer inspected tractor and noted lack of bolts and tools. 1140: LtCol PERSAC and party left with hose. 1300: Engineers ran out of det cord so started placing individual charges on trees. Lt WINTERSTEEN contacted 2/9 S-3 and S-4 about demo and S-3 about demolitions problem and was told that the order had never gotten any further than the 2/9 CP at LZ Senate because the S-4 representative there had no communication with the Vandegrift Combat Base. "C" Co CO informed of demolitions problem and all demo supplies at FSB Dick placed in net to be lifted to FSB Shiloh. 1330: Case 580 tractor arrived and gun pit started. Tractor unable to dig suitable pit so diverted to dig exec pit. 1615: Mechanic, Sgt ANDERSON, arrived and reported that the male-male fitting on the hydraulic hose was missing and must still be on broken hose. Message sent to have fitting returned and hose taken from 580 placed on 450. 1700: Tractor back in operation and two pits and 90% of third completed before dark. 1900: Lt WINTERSTEEN contacted 2/9 S-3 and S-4 notifying him that work had stopped due to lack of demolitions.

20 November 1968

0700: Engineers resumed placing individual charges on trees. Tractor operator finished third pit and started fourth pit. 0800: Two external

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loads of water cans arrived while 2/3 of a water blivet remained on LZ but no demolitions were delivered. 1100: Fifth gun pit finished and demo berm started. 1030: Deadlined Case 580 tractor moved out of ammo berm and stick broke oil filter. Replacement part and oil requested by message. 1045: Engineers used last of demolitions. 1130: LtCol PERSAC, SgtMaj MASSARO, Sgt RUFFIN and civilian arrived with Mo Matting. 1200: Case 450 tractor walked to lower LZ after completing ammo berm. Work begun on the four mortar pits, improving the LZ, two ammo berms and FDC bunker. 1300: Demolitions from FSB Dick arrived and engineers resumed placing charges on trees. 1440: Case 580 tractor lifted to LZ on order of Delta Battery Commander without consulting engineer officer. 1600: Oil and filter for Case 580 arrived and tractor off deadline. 1630: Case 450 tractor returned to top of hill and enlarged ammo berm, dug FDC pit and worked on sixth gun pit. 1733: Final demolition shot blown, clearing all trees from battery field of fire except 20°. 1800: Case 450 tractor secured with sixth gun pit finished.

21 November 1968

0700: Engineers continued placing charges on trees. 0800: Tractor started work on a passenger LZ at south end of hill. 0900: PFC BURCH med-evaced out for cut thumb. 1000: Case 580 tractor lifted out. 1100: Grading of LZ completed and work crew began laying Mo Matting, while tractor began clearing brush from north end of hill. 1140: CH-53 helicopter brought ammo in and blew all matting, which had not yet been staked down, over the hill, injuring personnel who attempted to hold it down. 1200: Work resumed on laying Mo Matting. Tractor operator called from chow break to drive tractor on matting to keep it from blowing away as another CH-53 came in. All stakes along one side of matting pulled out but matting held down at one end by weight of tractor. 1300: Laying of matting completed. Lt WINTERSTEEN

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inspected matting and ordered additional stakes driven to tie it down and sandbags placed on top of the stakes to protect aircraft tires. Matting laid in 4.2" mortar pits. 1500: SSgt PARRISH med-evaced for injuries received during matting mishap. 1515: Engineers informed that additional demo had arrived. 1800: Engineers completed last shot clearing all trees from battery's field of fire.

22 November 1968

0730: Tractor operator continued clearing brush off north end of hill for an external LZ. Engineers blew brush piles away from 4.2" mortar positions so that aiming stakes could be emplaced and blew trash chutes in four locations for 105 mm canisters. Lt WINTERSTEEN received a request from "C" Co, CO to have all additional pieces of Mo Matting sent to Vandegrift. 1100: Sheet of matting 12' x 24' placed in sling but too light to be lifted out without blast. Engineers blew stumps out of LZ area that were too large for tractor to handle easily. Fields of fire for three machine guns blown out of heavy brush. 1300: Case 450 tractor completed all work clearing and grading last LZ and blade removed. Message sent to S-4 to 2/9 and "C" Co CO that tractor was ready to be med-evaced. 1330: Engineers blew two 81 mm mortar pits and all brush surrounding them. 1500: Latrine hole 6' in diameter and 13' deep blown with demolitions.

23 November 1968

0800: Engineers collected all hand tools, gas cans and demolitions. 0900: Trash pit, 6' in diameter and 8' deep, blown with demolitions. 1000: Lt WINTERSTEEN inspected matting on LZ and had stakes driven deeper to tighten matting down. Matting on 4.2" mortar pits had completely collapsed and broken up. 1015: Lt WINTERSTEEN discovered that Delta Battery had taken

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the piece of matting out of the sling and broken it up to use as bunker overheads. Mo Matting placed under 105mm guns.

24 November 1968

1200: Lt WINTERSTEEN asked 2/9 3-3 if he should return to 2/9 CP at LZ Senate and was advised to stay with Echo Co. 1300: Lt WINTERSTEEN inspected holes in Mo Matting caused by recoil of howitzer on high angle fire. 1630: Lt WINTERSTEEN relieved as 2nd Platoon Commander by Lt LAWRENCE.

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EVALUATION OF 'MO MATTING

1. Mo Matting, if proper safety procedures are followed in use of the landing zone before the matting is staked down, is an acceptable substitute for M&A1 matting. This matting, being lighter, will save several helicopter lifts into the fire support base, and also takes less time to lay. Due to the fact that most landing zones will be constructed on combination fill and worked soil, it is recommended that longer and more numerous engineer stakes be used. It is also recommended that sand bags be included with the matting to cover sharp ends of the stakes, thus protecting aircraft tires.

2. Artillery personnel in Delta Battery, 2/12, stated a preference for the increased traction that Mo Matting gives over steel matting. However, during the first few shots of high angle fire before the trails become firmly embedded, it was noted that the recoil caused the gun to rebound into the air. When it came down, usually one or two feet from its original position, the breech punched a flap about 6" x 12" out of the matting. It is recommended that periodic patching of the gun pad matting be provided for and standards of unservicibility be drawn up for periodic replacement.

3. Mo Matting was unsatisfactory in the 4.2" mortar pits. The first 10 rounds did not appreciably damage the matting but then it quit springing back after the recoil. The base plate punched through the matting and the parts around the base plate cracked and folded. Three 6' x 6' sheets would probably alleviate the problem. Battery personnel from Whiskey Battery, 2/12, reported that the problem of the base plate sinking under recoil was so serious that the guns are often unable to fire after the first few rounds on soft ground.

4. Mo Matting, as used by the Delta Battery personnel, was completely satisfactory as overhead cover for FDC and executive officer pits.

5. Due to the light weight of the material and surface area in relation area in relation to surface area, it is recommended that additional supplies and gear be used as ballast at all times when the matting is being helilifted.

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3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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1 Dec 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion (Attn: S-3)  
Subj: After Action Report; Operation Scotland II Afton (FSB Mink)  
Ref (a) BnO 3100.1C  
Encl: (1) Chronology

1. Units Supported: 2nd Bn, 9th Mar and "D" Btry, 1stBn, 12thMar during the period 3 Nov- 5 Nov 1968.
2. The engineer task organization consisted of the following members of the 2nd Plt, "C" Co, 3dEngrBn.

SSgt FARRISH  
Cpl STODDARD  
LCpl CARLSEN  
LCpl TE EDINO

PFC FREUND  
PFC MONTGOMERY  
PFC BURCH

3. The mission of engineer elements was to construct a FSB in a previously selected area.
4. The 450 case dozer was the major equipment.
5. Materials Expended: 20 lbs C-4, 10-15 lbs shape charges and 500 feet det cord.
6. Chronology: See enclosure (1)
7. Engineer Observations: There should only be one arty rep coming to the FSB site during the construction phase. This arty rep should be responsible to show the location of the gun pits. The battery should not arrive until the FSB is completed by the engineers.
8. Lessons Learned: When elephant grass is encountered, most of the work can and should be done the case 450 tractor.
9. Recommendation:
  - a. That the only people to occupy the FSB position be only the infantry and engineers with one arty rep until FSB is completed.

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b. Cpl SIPPLE, the 450 operator, did an outstanding job on construction of this FSB.

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3 November 1968

Received word from CO, 2/9 that we would construct FSB Mink. Ordered demo and had 450 dozer placed on call.

4 November 1968

Moved to location of FSB Mink at 1200. Found area to be 6' deep in elephant grass. Called for delivering of 450 dozer. Dozer arrived at approximately 1300. Started work clearing grass. Set up to shoot demo charges to loosen ground. Was not necessary to do more demo work. Completed 6 gun pits by 1800 and also LZ (40'x40').

5 November 1968

Dug ammo berms and constructed 2nd LZ (40'x40'). 450 cleared fields of fire. LCpl TEPEDINO went to rear for R&R, LCpl CARLSEN became radio operator. Engineers used C-4 to cut matting to put into gun pits. 105 gun arrived. FSB completed.

6 November 1968

450 dozer sent back to VCB

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Place Quang Tri Combat Base

From 0001 10 Nov 1968  
(Date and hour)  
2400 10 Nov 1968  
(Date and hour)

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TIME		NO	NOTE TIME	ACTION
IN	OUT	NO	GROUP	TAKEN
		1		1stLt Phillip G. BURKE 0100908/1302 Joined "A" Company for ddy.
		2		GySgt Mental QUALLS Jr. 1298044/1349 To leave
		3		GySgt Irving GADONNIEK 1424124/1369 Joined Sp4 Co from "B" Co for duty
		4		Pfc Edward M. SZCZEPANIK 2391260/1371 To 3dMed Bn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN
		5		LCpl Bruce G. BATES 2338958/1371 To 3dMedBn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN
		6		LCpl Daniel S. DODD 2354535/1371 To 3dMedBn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN
		7		LCpl Steven J. DURISH 2337873/1371 To 3dMedBn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN
		8		Col Robert W. FREDRICK 2395667/1371 To 3dMedBn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN
		9		Pfc Nathaniel LEACH 2407508/1371 To 3dMedBn WIA Quang Tri Province RVN

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Place Quang Tri Combat Base

From 0001 10 Nov 1968

(Date and hour)

2100 10 Nov 1968

(Date and hour)

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TIME		SER	DATE TIME	ACTION	
IN	OUT	NO	GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TAKEN
		10		Pfc Caleb LUCKY Jr. 2435442/1371 WIA Quang Tri Province RVN	To 3dMedBn
		11		LCpl Pedro E. PACHECO 2410154/1371 WIA Quang Tri Province RVN	To 3dMedBn
		12		Pfc Roy A. TURNAGE 2372608/1371 WIA Quang Tri Province RVN	To 3dMedBn
		13		Cpl John J. DEPASSE 2266592/1371 Hosp WIA Quang Tri Province RVN	To 18th Surg
		14		Pfc JOHN H. COLE 2422034/1371 Tri Province RVN	Drop KIA Quang
		15		HM3 James A. ENGLISH B205334/8404 to H&S Co this Bn for duty	Drop trans
		16		LCpl James E. WINSTON 2417133/1371 USS SANCTUARY for duty with "A" Co	Joined from
		17		Pfc Micheal H. FRIMMEL 2287284/1321 and ordered executed. Sent to be red to Pvt and to forfeit \$40.00 pay per month for one month.	SCM appr

































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Place: Quang Tri Combat Base

From: 0001 27 November 1968  
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To: 2400 27 November 1968  
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TIME		SERIAL	DATE TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT	NO.	GROUP		
		1		Lt L. R. LEWINN returned from R&R	
		2		CWO-2 C. G. KOENIG returned from R&R	
		3		Sgt R. MCKAY, Jr. 1910869/ 3041 joined this command and asn to BnSmp	
		4		1stSgt S. ZOVDNY 803793/ 9999 departed on R&R	





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UNIT: 3d Engineer Bn. S-2  
 FROM: 150001H Nov 68  
 TO: 152400H Nov 68  
 PLACE: Quang Tri, Vietnam

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1				
1	0730	1000	S-2 to Dong HA G-2 to inquire about lack of reception of weekly intelligence briefings. Told we are on the distribution list and that the material should be picked up at S&C in QTCB.	
2	1000	1115	S&C at QTCB said that the mail had not been picked up in several weeks..I was told the division held morning briefings at 0730 in Dong H and at 1400 on Friday in QTCB.	
3	1300	1430	Went to G-5 to inquire about MEDCAP programs. Told to work through the Trieu Phong District Headquarters. Attended weekly intelligence briefing and found it very informative.	
4	1800	1900	Attended Camp Maintenance Platoon training sessions.	
5	2000	2300	Worked on weekly overlay.	
6	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	
			MESSAGES	
1	120001	122400	3d Marine Division Itsum #317	
2	130001	132400	3d Marine Division Itsum #318	
3	140001	142400	3d Marine Division Itsum #319	
4	010001	012400	3d Marine Division Itsum #306	
5	020001	022400	3d Marine Division Itsum #307	
6	030001	032400	3d Marine Division Itsum #308	
7	040001	042400	3d Marine Division Itsum #309	
8	050001	052400	3d Marine Division Itsum #310	

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1	0645	0830	Attended briefing in Dong HA	
2	0900	1130	Reviewed Itsums.	
3	1530	1700	Attended 3d Engineer B <sup>attalion</sup> weekly briefing.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	060001	062400	3d Marine Division Intsum #311
2	070001	072400	3d Marine Division Itsum #312
3	080001	082400	3d Marine Division Intsum #313
4	090001	092400	3d Marine Division Intsum #314
5	100001	102400	3d Marine Division Intsum #315
6	110001	112400	3d Marine Division Intsum #316

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1	1230	1330	Familiarized myself with the office material	
2	1330	1430	Discussed 3d Motot's S-5 program with the S-5 officer	
3	1900	2100	Discussed Education program with L/Cpl Cutler, former S-2 clerk..	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	150001	152400	3d Marine Division Intsum #320
2	160001	162400	3d Marine Division Intsum #321

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOM'S AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0830	1030	Went to Trieu Phong District Headquarters with interpreter to discuss S-5 program. Will call them back at 68.55.	
2	1030	1130	Discussed education program with Div Ed. NCO	
3	1400	1500	Attended daily briefing in Quang Tri.	
4	1600		QTCB on condition 2	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	170001	172400	3d Marine Division Intsum #322
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1	0830	1130	Went to Tong Ha My Hamlet at YD337534 with three personnel. Picked up Arvn Lt. and Army E-7 at Trieu Phong.	
2	1300	1500	Worked on lesson outlines with Sgt Vihn	
3	1830		QTCB on condition 2	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	M1930	170250Z	3d Marine Division Secret Message
2	1937	181420z	3d Marine Division Secret Message

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1	0730	0830	Wrote letters on USAFI Testing and courses	
2	0830	0930	Spoke to Corpsman about Saturday Medcap	
3	1400	1500	Attended dail briefing in Quang Tri.	
4	2000	2015	Called R <sup>4</sup> oble Skates to advise them on Medcap	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal administration	

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1	180001	182400	3d Marine Division Intsum #323
2	190001	192400	3d Marine Division Intsum #324

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOMS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800	0900	Spoke to interpreter about Public Works Agency in Quang Tri about bridge construction. CALLED G-5 and asked them to look into it.	
2	1400	1500	Attended daily meeting in Quang Tri.	
3	2300	2300	INstructed medcap volunteers on procedure.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: normal administration	

MESSAGES

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 1 200001 202400 3d MArine Division Intsum #325

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1	0730	0930	Worked on new AO map.	
2	1000	1100	Went to Dong Ha to check on weapon clearance procedure. G-2	
3	1300	1500	W <sup>nt</sup> to Quang Tri with interpreter and SGT Redden to discuss bridge with Mr. Tri. Attended daily briefing at the Citadel.	
4	1500	1530	Discussed project with S-3 and G-5 upon return.	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal administration	

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1	0830	1600	WEnt on Medcap with 4 corpsmen, 6 enlisted Marines, and interpreter.	
2	1600	1700	Attended weekly briefing at 3d Engineer BN	
3	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

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1            2400                            DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration

MESSAGES

1	210001	212400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 326
2	220001	222400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 327
3	21	& 22 Nov	CO, 1st Inf BDE, 5th Inf Div Intsum
4	21	& 22 Nov	MAG 39 Intsum
5	21	& 22 Nov	Quang Tri Intsum

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOMS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800	2100	Attended Division S-5 meeting	
2	1300	1400	BN Special Courts Martial at Division	
3	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: S-5 meeting very informative	

MESSAGES

1	230001	232400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 328
2	240001	242400	3d Marine Division Intsum #329
3	23	& 24 Nov	1st of the 5th Intsum
4	23	& 24 Nov	MAG 39 Intsum
5	23	& 24 Nov	Quang T_i Intsum

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOMS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800	1630	Attended Division S-5 meeting	
2	1900	1950	Planned reaction platoon	
3	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	250001	252400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 330
2	25 NOV		1st of the 5th Intsum
3	25 Nov		MAG 39 Intsum
4	25 NOV		Quang Tri Intsum

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOMS AND DAILY SUMMARY ACTION
1	1300	1500	Went to Graves Registration to have 7 people fingerprinted.
2	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration

MESSAGES

1	260001	262400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 331
2	26 Nov		1st of the 5th Intsum
3	26 Nov		MAG 39 Intsum
4	26 Nov		Quang Tri Intsum

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F-FILE  
M-MAF

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECO'S AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	morning		Holiday Routine	
2	1300	1700	Prepared map and overlay for XO and overlays for S-3..	
3	1900	2000	Planned Medcap.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration	

MESSAGES

1	270001	272400	3d Marine Division Intsum # 332
2	27 Nov		1st of the 5th Intsum
3	27 Nov		MAG 39 Intsum
4	27 Nov		Quang Tri Intsum

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0730	0830	Attended Inteelligence Briefing in Dong Ha.	
2	0930	1100	Checked new AO's in Donh HA at G-3.	
3	1400	1500	Attended Daily briefing in Quang Tri.	
4	1530	1645	Attended weekly BN briefing.	
5	2130	2200	Had reaction drill.	
6	2400		Normal administration for DAILY Summary	

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1	29 N <sup>v</sup>	1st of the 5th Intsum
2	29 Nov	MAG 39 Intsum
3	29 NOV	Quang Tri Intsum

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**JOURNAL**  
UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Battalion  
OPEN 010001 November 1968  
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LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0800	S-3 commenced work on OPSTAT 016.	
02	0830		S-3 Received message from Division Engineer Office requesting S-3 to go to DEO to discuss Battalion mine sweeps. Battalion must be prepared to assume new sweeps by 2 November.	✓
03		0900	S-3 requested S-4 check on availability of 55 GPM pumps with 11th Engineer Battalion.	
04	1000		Comm reported to 11th Engineer Battalion to pick up 8 mine detectors.	
05		1400	S-3 went to DEO to bring overlay of mine sweeps.	
06	1900		Commanding Officer, Shore Party Battalion requested Engineer Battalion continue on LCU ramp job. Commanding Officer approved.	
07	1915		Commanding Officer, Company "A" informed S-3 by radio message that hill 950 and Fire Support Base Cates will not be abandoned as previously planned.	
08		1930	S-3 notified Division Engineer Officer that water point at C-3 will be moved up to C-2 to support new AO of 3d Marines. DEO informed S-3 that FLSG-B hit hard by enemy artillery, especially comm/elec. personnel will check tomorrow to see how many mine detectors lost and can be written off books and re-ordered.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 020001 November 1968  
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SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		1400	S-3 held meeting of work centers to discuss projects of coming week.	
02		1600	S-3 attended Commanding Officer's meeting.	
03	2400		Journal Closed. Daily summary and normal administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 030001 November 1968  
CLOSED 032400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

SEBNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		1300	S-3 section began work of compiling data for Weekly Summary Report.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily summary and normal administration.	

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JOURNAL  
UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 040001 November 1968  
CLOSED 042400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

SERNO	IN DTG	CUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		1300	S-3 coordinated with Headquarters Battalion S-4 on installation of head and tile in ADC quarters.	
02		1500	S-3 completed Weekly Summary Report.	
03	2400		Journal Closed. Daily summary and normal administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3<sup>d</sup> Engineer Bn  
OPEN 050001 November 1968  
CLOSED 052400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

SEENO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0830	S-3 drafted letter to letter companies explaining ID system and grid coordinates and reporting of mine sweep instructions.	
02	1000		S-3 received call from S-4, 3d Marines requesting TL-16 at Camp Carroll. Informed him we only had one available in the Battalion but had received shipping status on 3 from Danang. As soon as same arrive we will give him one.	
03	1030		S-3 received call from construction office indicating Headquarters Battalion was attempting to make changes to plumbing/electrical design of club/mess. Instructed him to go according to plans.	
04		1030	S-3 instructed S-4 to put asphalt distribution on M-51 so as to be able to dust suppress this afternoon.	
05		1100	S-3 departed for Vandegrift Combat Base and Camp Carroll to visit companies	✓
06		1045	S-3 called S-4 chief of Headquarters Battalion and requested 5 man working party to work on Commanding General's helo - pad and brought him up to date on progress in ADC hut.	
07		1330	S-3 arrived Vandegrift Combat Base discussed mine sweeps, operational problems with company commanders of letters companies.	
08		1830	S-3 returned to Quang Tri Combat Base.	
09	2400		Journal Closed. Daily summary and normal administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engr Bn  
OPEN 060001 November 1968  
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SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0845	S-3 Training Officer drafted a letter to company commanders requesting entries to be made in the SRB's of personnel who underwent repelling training last week.	
02		0820	S-3 drafted letter to G-3 Training notifying them of our inability to comply with ADM school quota for December...due to our lack of personnel with required clearances. S-3 will initiate action to obtain sufficient proper clearances.	
03		1130	S-3 spoke with Division E. O. requesting stockpile of ungraded rock each week to be stored in Battalion area. Request was granted. Rock will be hauled by 11th Engr, Bn.	✓
04		1200	S-3 spoke with G-3 concerning boundaries of mine sweeps.	✓
05		1215	S-3 spoke with G-3 (Operations) concerning redesignation of 1st Platoon "A" Company to 26th Marines. G-3 asked for Battalion Commanders opinion of redesignation.	✓
06	1500		S-3 returned to Quang Tri Combat Base.	
07		1630	S-3 called G-3 Operations to confirm CO desire that 1st Platoon, "A" Co. be redesignated to 26th Marines and 3d Engr Bn be authorized to form new 1st Platoon.	✓
08	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPEN 070001 November 1968  
 CLOSED 072400 November 1968  
 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0730	S-3A went to G-3 to obtain correct overlay of Regimental's TAOR.	
02		0945	S-3 called Shore Party Bn's & arranged (S-3) for (1) SNCO, MOS (1349) to assist in engineer equipment inspection of Engineer Support Co. on 22 November 1968.	
03		1000	S-3 called 3d Motor Transport Bn S-3 and arranged for (2) SNCO, M. T. inspectors to assist in Motor Transport Inspection of Engineer Support Company on 6 December.	
04		2000	S-3 brought situation way up to date and made overlay of mine sweeps for Co's "A", "B", "C", DEO, G-3 and Battalion Commanding Officer.	✓
05	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 080001 November 1968  
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LOCATION Qaung Tri, RVN.

SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0900		S-3 delivered mine sweep overlay to DEO and G-3. DEO & G-3 approved. G-3 informed that security for sweep would be the responsibility of Regiments who TAOR's where sweeps are being conducted.	✓
02		1100	S-3 drafted letter to Letter Companies informing them of the changes in sweeps.	
03		1300	S-3 Section worked on the Command Chronology.	
04	1445		Shr. Party Bn. gave S-3 2 mine detectors on temporary loan. (Detectors went to "C" Company.	
05		1500	S-3A went to visit companies to instruct them on the new mine sweeps.	
06	1730		S-3 received transmission from CO., Co "A" indicating that the Case 450 tractor is badly damaged at FSB Arganne...while being helilifted by CH-53 chopper.	
07	1830-2230		S-3 sectioned work on the Command Chronology.	
08	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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 OPEN 090001 November 1968  
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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0730		S-3 Section worked on Chomand Chronology.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summar; Normal Administration.	

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 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0730		S-3 Section worked on Command Chronology.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary: Normal Administration.	

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 OPEN 110001 November 1968  
 CLOSED 112600 November 1968  
 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0830		S-3 section delivered the Command Chronology to Division,	
02		1100	S-3 accompanied BGen CARNEY, ADC on orientation tour of the Battalion area.	
03	1130		Major HAPPI, and Cpt. VAN ORDEN, 1st Engineer Battalion arrived to discuss construction of FSB's for pending operations of 1st Engineer Battalion. S-3 provided them with pertinent Division Orders & Battalion Orders & pictures of Fire Support Bases & Margo.	
04		1130	S-3 Chief called 558th Comm USA to consult them of our criteria to excavate our MSR. This week 558th representatives said he would stop by S-3 in the afternoon.	
05	1300		S-3 Section worked on the Weekly Engineer Summary.	
06	1630		558th representative never showed up.	
07	1930		S-3 sent a message to CMC requesting Camping Tool from 105 air compressor. GM-C6 answered he would send it in tomorrow.	

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
08	1945		S-3 suggested to "C" Co CO that he send a representative to this position to plan pre-cut materials for strong backs & bunkers for Company Forward areas.	
09	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0830	S-3 Chief reconned bridge in Quang Tri to make estimate for repair.	✓
02	0900		S-3 drafted letter to Commanding General (Attn: G-3 Training) nominating 3 persons for letter to Commanding General (DEO) making recommendation to draft, Specific Operational Requirement (Well Digging Equipment).	
03	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary. Normal Administration.	
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 OPEN 130001 November 1968  
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 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		0900	S-3 departed for a visit with the Companies in the field. He consulted with new Commanding Officer of 3d Marine Regiment at Camp Carroll. CO, 3d Marine Regiment requested we explore possibility of constructing road from Camp Carroll, N.E. to Route #9. S-3 assured his survey team would go to work on project by Monday. S-3 checked out shower points at VCB and at the Rockpile. Discussed mine sweep plan with G-3 Task Force Hotel.	✓
02		1500	S-3 arrived DEO to discuss route sweeps in 3d Marines TAOR.	
03		1630	S-3 accompanied DEO to speak with G-3, 3d Marine Division to re-route sweeps. G-3 agreed with 3d Engr Bn concept & so informed Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Regiment.	✓
04	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary. Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	INDTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01		1300	S-3 attended a meeting held for Col <del>DEWAS</del> the new Division Engineer Officer. <i>DEWAS</i>	✓
02	2000		S-3 informed Commanding Officer, Company "B" that 3d Marine Reg. would have to request permission to destroy bunkers at C-3 and to remove mine fields at C-3, C-2 Bridge & Dong Ha Mt. from CG, 3d Marine Division.	
03	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 150001 November 1968  
CLOSED 152400 November 1968  
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SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0845		S-3 directed each letter company to nominate (1) <del>IXXX</del> 1371, each with not less than 3 months remaining in Vietnam to be trained as M-51 driver no later than 1600 today.	
02	0930		S-3 received call form DEO requesting detailed report about Battalion mine detectors.	
03		1030	S-3 reported to DEO the status of Battalion mine detectors, DEO requested we attach some report to this weeks Summary	
04	1100		DEO contacted S-3 about picking up a generator at Cua Viet. PA-239 #231437.	
05	1300		S-3 received a call from DEO ABOUT WORK to be performed at HQ Bn, parking lot and road. DEO said he had arranged for 11th Engineer Bn to provide us with required suppot.	
06	1330		S-3 requested 3-M5s and 1 pan & scraper from 11th Engineer Bn to work at Headquarters Bn beginning Monday; request granted.	
07	2000		Informed by MSgt JOHNSON that there were no mine field reports on file for C-2, C-3 & Dong Ha Mt; however, there was a suspected minefield at Dong Ha Mout.	
08	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administraton.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 160001 November 1968  
CLOSED 162400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	1130		S-3 consulted with ADC about building of blind & setting up demo at Fire Support Base Alpine to trap tiger in area.	
02	1400		S-3 spoke to 3d Marine Division Oral History Representative about history of the Battalion for the last 60 days. Company Commanders also spoke to the same.	✓
03		1530	S-3 attended CO meeting.	
04		1700	S-3 checked in with ADC with Commanding Officer, Company "A" about tiger hunt. Hold off on use of demo, blinds until you receive further instructions.	
05	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration/	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Battalion  
 OPEN 170001 Nov 68  
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SERNO	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	OFF
01		0730	S-3A observed sweep No. 3-08.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and normal administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPEN 180001 Nov 68  
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 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN.

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SERVO	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	PAGE
01		0900	S-3 met with Spt Co Commander to discuss work orders.	
02	2400		Daily Summary and Normal Administration. Journal Closed.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPN 190001 Nov 68  
 Closed 192400 Nov 68  
 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SERIAL	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	OFF
01		0930	S-3 discussed Recon of road 8B with Division Engineer Officer.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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OPRY 200001 Nov 68  
Closed 202400 Nov 68  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SEQ O	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECOMS, ORDERS, REPORTS
01		0800	S-3 visited letter companies at Vandegrift combat base.
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPN 210001 Nov 68  
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SERVO	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	PAGE
01		0100	S-3 discussed return of 1st Platoon, Company "B" with G-4 Operations.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPEN 220001 Nov 68  
 Closed 222400 Nov 68  
 LOCATIO Quang Tri, RVN

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SERVO	IN DTG	OFF DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	OFF
01		0800	S-3 worked on Weekly Summary.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn.  
 OPEN 230001 Nov 68  
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 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SERIAL	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	PAGE
01		0830	S-3 visited Company "B" at Camp Carroll.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Battalion  
 OPEN 240001 Nov 68  
 Closed 242400 Nov 68  
 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SERIAL	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	OFF
01		0730	S-3 clerk went on special leave.	
02		1030	Worked on Weekly Engineer Summary Report.	
03	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
 OPTN 250001 Nov 68  
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 LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

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SERIAL	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	PAGE
01		0800	Routine Administration.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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SERVO	IN DTG	OBT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	OFF
01		1300	S-3 attended rec-council meeting.	
02	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary and Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 27001 November 1968  
CLOSED 272400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri. RVN

SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0900		S-3 departed Quang Tri Combat Base to visit lettes companies at Camp Carroll and Vandegrift Combat Base.	✓
02	2400		Journal Closed . Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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UNIT S-3 3d Engineer Bn  
OPEN 280001 November 1968  
CLOSED 282400 November 1968  
LOCATION Quang Tri, RVN

SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	1300		S-3A departed to check out new sand pit area with a representative of MCB 11. Area is good. Liaison must be made again tomorrow with ARVN and sector MACV advisor.	✓
02	1930		S-3 called PMO and received authorization for trucks hauling fill to travel at 25 mph. instead of 15 mph during night projects.	✓
03	2000		S-3 called Division Engineer Officer and made spot reports 281045H and 2813304H	
04	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0830		S-3 drafted the Chanin Saw SOP	✓
02	0930		S-3 drafted letter to DEO requesting relief of certain Camp Carroll support activities in light of 3d Mar Reg. move to Dong Ha Combat Base.	✓
03	1030		S-3 drafted a letter to MCB-11 requesting they perform improvements on Quang Tri Combat Base water supply system.	✓
04		1100	S-3 departed w/CO, XO, S-40 for Camp Carroll and Vandegrift Combat Base to visit the letter companies. S-3 will issue the mine detectors in the following manner: 1- "A" Co, 3- "B", and 1- "C" Co.	✓
05	2400		Journal Closed. Daily Summary; Normal Administration.	

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SERNO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, ORDERS, REPORTS	ACTION
01	0900		Base Defense called to request assistance to investigate & destroy a tunnel & bunker complex found outside of the Quang Tri Combat Base wire. Formed team & drew explosives to go at 1000 today.	✓
02	1330		Returned from patrol of tunnel & bunker complex - negative report.	✓
03		1530	S-3 attended the Commanding Officer's meeting.	
04	2400		Journal Closed. Daily ? Summary; Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0900		Received call from Lt GRIFFITH DEO Officer, wants lumber usage reference CG, FLC msg 221702Z Oct 68.	
2	1100		Sent out 6 Infantry Tool Kits to VCB maintenance facility.	
3	1600		Water line at 3d Medical Bn. broken, informed CBMU 301.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	231324Z	Oct 68	CG, III MAF DNG	MALFUNCTION AND ACCIDENT REPORTS AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES
2	260802Z	Oct 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MALFUNCTION AND ACCIDENT REPORTS AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES
3	281714Z	Oct 68	CG, FLC DNG	RECONCILIATION REQUEST FOR BODY ARMOR
4	290223Z	Oct 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SEARCH FOR MISSING GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
5	301200Z	Oct 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SEARCH FOR MISSING GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
6	302346Z	Oct 68	CG, FLC DNG	MILSTRIP PASSING ORDER
7	310131Z	Oct 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SUMMER REQUIREMENTS PROGRAM FOR QY 69
8	312157Z	Oct 68	SECNAV	ISSUES OF PROPERTY FROM SIDPOSAL ACCOUNTS TO NAVY CUSTOMERS

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0900		Received Motor Vehicle Operators identification card of S. T. POLICE due back on 30 November 68.	
2	1000		Capt FORD turned in (1) .45 Cal. pistol which he found in a bunker , serial # 564157.	
3	1105		Received call from DEO about matting for ADC helio pad. It can be picked up today.	
4	1700		S-4 Chief picked up 16 bundles of M8A1 matting.	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	020122Z Nov 68	CG, FLC DNG	PROCESSING REQUISITIONS AT FLC (MC100)
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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	1240		Capt FLAGLES called from S-4 Hq Bn said he would come see the S-3 about tile on ADC floors.	
2	1300		Capt GOODALE from DEO called. Needs wiring estimate for 9th Marines Messhall tomorrow. GySgt BELL can draw it at 11th Engr Bn.	
3	1345		MAGNESON enroute to Hq. Bn. to deliver Bn Facilities report to Base Coord.	
4	1400		Off loaded 16 bundles of M8A1 matting at Construction lot.	
5	1445		Call from FLSG-B for shower water.	
6	1515		Received call from DEO that one of 3d Engr. Bn. generators (20KW) serial # 231237 was being used by them, requested the S-4 take action to record it.	
7	1610		Called 3d Shore Party about working on ramp tonight.	
8	1800		3d Engr. Bn 150KW generator down for weekly PM.	
9	2045		Major GODFREY from 3d Shore Party came to COC bunker to see why he was not getting truck support tonight. Gunny QUALLS was called and the situation straightened out.	
10	2110		150KW generator repaired and went back on line.	
11	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800		CySgt BELL reported that water point was not getting raw water. Pump house called.	
2	0810		Lt HUNT from 3d Shore Party came to COC to coordinate Phase II of LCU Ramp.	
3	0900		Pump house was called again on water situation.	
4	0910		Shore Party has not filled our generator yet, called them again.	
5	0915		MSgt CURTIS headed for Dong Ha to pick up last of M8A1 matting.	
6	1000		Departed for water point to check problem. Found out the pipe was broken from the river, water cut off to everyone except 3d Med. Bn.	
7	2000		Sgt BROWN called saying they were receiving raw water at the water point. Water will be turned on about 2100.	
8	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0810		S-4 departed for Motor T Maintenance, FLSC-B to check on status of M49 diesel tanker and to 11th Engr to check on 2 mules due back from temp loan.	
2	0900		Requested fuel truck drop 3 drums of fuel off at QT water point. Was told that they would be delivered at 1300.	
3	0930		Received call from DEO on status of mine detectors, advised as requested.	
4	0945		Requested M54 from 3d Motors, was advised none on hand at present.	
5	1330		Was advised by Motor T. Maintenance at FLSC-B that our M49 will be fixed tonite.	
6	1400		3d Motors will fill our 150 Kw gen., 9th Marines and water point at 0800 6 Nov.	
7	1430		Water pressure low, minor adjustments needed on pump, back to normal in 15 min.	
8	2030		DEO called for information on lumber useage, were advised as requested.	
9	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	040251Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARINE	AD CARDS
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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0745		Called Major VBER to inform him that our non-potable water tanker would not haul water for a week (DaNang run).	
2	0750		CySgt BORDEN needs dump truck for RUC line. No truck available at present.	
3	0800		Sgt BROWN was called at water point, he reported 32,000 gallons on hand and water pressure very good.	
4	0915		Capt FORD reported 3d Shore Party generator down, reason not known yet.	
5	1000		Requested a M52 tractor from Major GODFREY, 3d Shore Party. His S-3 will return call.	
6	1015		Shore Party called for information on lowbed tractor, they will call back.	
7	1020		Bravo 6 was informed that 1,000 lbs C-4 available at this posit and to come pick it up.	
8	1300		Shore Party 30KW generator down, being checked out.	
9	1630		Shore Party generator has electrical problems, will be down all night. S-4 Shore Party and DEO notified.	
10	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	050034Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SECURITY OF VEHICLES
2	050830Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	NIGHT VISION SIGHT, AN/PVS-2
3	050832Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	FORKLIFT CONTROL
4	050834Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	METAL 5 GALLON WATER CANS

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0815		Called 7th Motors to get help with 5 ton semo tractor.	
2	0840		Called 3d Shore Party S-4 for diesel run. He will call back.	
3	0945		7th Motors has made 5 ton tractor available for VCB. It was dispatched to GySgt STAPLES.	
4	1045		DEO called to offer AN/PRS-4 detectors as substitutes for destroyed detectors. Advised them we already have PRS-4's on hand.	
5	1310		Called DEO for 40 loads of rock to Cam Lo District Hdqtrs. for Capt RANTA.	
6	1600		3d Motors filled tank at our 150 KW generator.	
7	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	061356Z Nov 68	CG, FLC DNG	EVAC GEN STATUS REQUEST
2	070159Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MAR DIV	CHAIN SAWS T/A NR 31220

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800		Broken water line to Headquarters Battalion.	
2	1000		Water line repaired at Headquarters Battalion.	
3	1120		Notified 3d Shore Party that we have a 30KW generator we can give them.	
4	1410		Received call from Maj KENNEDY, Division Ordnance about 3 report due at Div.	
5	1450		Dispatched M51 to deliver water buffalo to GySgt STAPLES at VCB.	
6	1520		Sent radio msg to GySgt STAPLES instructing him to return the XO's M151 to the motor pool.	
7	1800		TL-16 and 2 dump trucks dispatched to haul sand for H&S Company.	

MESSAGES

1	070601Z Nov 68	CG, FLC DNG	FLAG MESSAGES
2	072348Z Nov 68	CG, III MAF	TRUCK, TRACTOR 10 TON M123A1C INFO CONCERNING

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUTDTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0730		Vehicles dispatched as usual.	
2	0900		Received call from 3d Shore Party about 3CKW generator.	
3	1000		Went to Dong Ha to MCB-7 and DEO, found no materials available at MCB-7.	
4	1330		Dispatched diesel tanker to 3d Shore Party.	
5	1500		Secured for cake cutting ceremony.	
6	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	080144Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	M16A1 RIFLE ALLOWANCES
2	081614Z Nov 68	CG, FMFPAC	LIMESTONE, PULVERIZED FOR USE WITH WATER PURIF EQUIP

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SER NO	IN BTG	OUT DFC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1		1000	Dispatched 1 dump truck to C Company to transport personnel to reat for USO show.	
2		1130	Water cut off temporarily.	
3		1300	Water back on.	
4		2400	DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	090228Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	LOGSUM REPORT, ADDITION TO
2	090230Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MISSING CONEX CONTAINER

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0805		Called MCL-11 about the water being shut off, said they were fixing the pump.	
2	1200		Left for Dong Ha to check with FLSG-B on (2) MRS-100 tractors.	
3	1600		Returned from Dong Ha.	
4	1920		150KW generator went down for repairs.	
5	2030		CB's came to check generator, found it too far gone to repair. Will check with 301 in the morning.	
6	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	100557Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SPRAYER DUSTER, PORTABLE, BACK PACK
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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0745		Called CBMU 301 about repairing our 150 KW. Was told they don't have a 150 replacement but they do have a 100 KW gen.	
2	0810		Received call from Motor T Maintenance that M51 is available for pick up.	
3	0815		Water point reports no water for 1½ hours.	
4	0830		Col PERSAC directed me to get a new 5 KW gen into EAS and bring the 60KW in from 1/3.	
5	1220		Left for Dong Ha to check out generator and DEO Offic.	
6	1405		Called CBMU 301 about 100KW generator, was advised that they picked up wrong generator in Dong Ha and had to go back and exchange it. Could not give estimated time we would receive generator.	
7	1700		Received 150 KW generator from CBMU 301.	
8	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	110034Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	ROCK ALLOCATION
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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1		0730	Two cargo trucks from 7th Motors sent to Supply for RUC line runs.	
2		0800	Left for Disbursing to turn in money.	
3		0920	S-4 1/4 called about shower water.	
4		1310	Water not being received at water point.	
5		1500	Left for G-4 at Dong Ha.	
6		1730	Returned from Dong Ha. Still no water from CB's.	
7		2400	DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	
			MESSAGES	
1	122139Z	Nov 68	CMC	MARES SUPPLY STATUS

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SER NO	IN	DTG	OUT	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1		0800			Spoke to Col PERSAC about low water pressure. Will try to work out solution with En. Supply.	
2		0830			Left to attend conference with new DEO.	
3		1300			Left for En. Supply to work out program for an expediter who will be sent to DaNang.	
4		1420			Asked 3d Shore Party for use of lowbed tractor trailer for one hour, they cannot help.	
5		1600			GySgt BELL told me he had begun to rig a pump at the water point which should help our water pressure.	
6		2400			DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	130250Z	Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MAINTENANCE COMPLETIONS
2	130848Z	Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	REVIEW OF UNIT SUPPLY/MOTOR TRANSPORT AREAS
3	131918Z	Nov 68	CG, MCSA PHILA	MARES SUPPLY STATUS

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1	0830		Lt TICHENOR departed for Camp CARROLL for duty as "B" Company Commander.	
2	0945		Received word from Supply that we will be receiving 7 chain saws within the next couple of days	
3	1330		Seabees quit pumping water to water point.	
4	1335		Called MCB-11 to check out why the water was not being pumped to the water point, was advised pump down for minor adjustments, back up in 15 min.	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	140442Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	M16A1 RIFLE RETROFIT PROGRAM
2	141141Z Nov 68	3d ENGR BN	M16A1 RIFLE ALLOWANCES
3	141143Z Nov 68	3d ENGR BN	LOGSUM RPT, ADDITION TO
4	142259Z Nov 68	CG, MESA PHILA	REPLY TO CANCELLATION REQUEST

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1 0900 Capt BANTA reported aboard for duty as Battalion 3-4 (Logistics) Officer.

2 2400 DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.

MESSAGES

1 150535Z Nov 68 THIRD FSR  
 2 150646Z Nov 68 CG, 3d MARDIV  
 3 151123Z Nov 68 CG, 3d MARDIV

GENERATOR STATUS  
 DISPOSITION OF EXCESS M38A1 1/2 TON TRKS  
 IDENTIFICATION CARD SYSTEM TO AUTHORIZE PICKUP OF  
 SUPPLIES

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0800		Two M51 dump trucks departed for DaNang to get water point chemicals.	
2	0930		TD-15 sent to Company "B" at C-2.	
3	1400		Call from base coordinator concerning requests for additional Sea Huts. Action being taken.	
4	1530		Raw water off.	
5	1600		Raw water back on.	
6	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	171422Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MISSING CONEX CONTAINERS
2	171426Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	COMM CENTER READDRESS ADMIN O III MAF 160426Z NOV68

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SER NO	IN	LTG	OUT	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1				0900	Dispatched a truck, M51 for beer and soda run.	
2				1400	Confirmed inspectors from 11th Engr and 3d Shore Party for HE inspection on 22 Nov 68.	
3				2400	DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	180141Z	Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	COMM CENTER READDRESS
2	180607Z	Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MILSTRIP ROLLOVER-UP

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1	1030		Water off.	
2	1045		Water back on.	
3	1500		Two M51 dump trucks returned from DaNang with water supply chemicals.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

## MESSAGES

1	190137Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	INCOMPLETE REQUISITIONS
2	190550Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	GENERATOR SETS, PU-660 SERIES

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1	0730		Received 4 cargo trucks from 9th Motors. Sent 3 dump trucks to 11th Engr to haul rock.	
2	1300		Released one cargo to 9th Motors.	
3	1400		Received 7 Remington chain saws.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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1	0730		Received 4 cargo trucks from 9th Motors. Sent 3 dump trucks to 11th Engr to haul rock.	
2	0830		Battalion technical inspection on heavy equipment. Results excellent.	
3	0900		Received (3) 340 GPM pumps.	
4	1300		Battalion Staff meeting concerning water problem.	
5	1400		Received two 5KW generators and one M51.	
6	1600		Water cut off because of break in the line.	
7	1900		Water restored.	
8	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	211302Z Nov 68	CG, III MAF	STOCKAGE OBJECTIVE FOR DYNAMITE, COMMERCIAL TYPE
2	212109Z Nov 68	ADMIN MCSA PHILA	INSUFFICIENT REQUISITION INFO RESUBMIT

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SER NO IN DTG OUT DTG INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS, AND DAILY SUMMARY ACTION

1	0825		Received forklift from 3d Shore Party to work at construction lot.
2	0830		Sent one M51 to utilities to get generator from Cua Viet.
3	0845		Raw water off.
4	0850		One highbed to supply to pick up lumber at LCU ramp in Dong Ha. Raw water on.
5	1400		150KW generator at Recon went down, replaced it with 30KW generator.
6	1530		Battalion Commanders briefing.
7	1830		Notified DEO of 150 KW generator being down.

MESSAGES

1	220818Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	MEDS IMPLEMENTATION
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SER NO	IN	DTG	OUT	BTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1		2400			DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0700		Raw water off (PM).	
2	0745		Raw water on.	
3	0800		Earth auger went deadlined.	
4	1000		DEO advised of M8A1 matting available.	
5	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	241206Z Nov 68	CMC	MARES EQUIPMENT STATUS REPORTING
2	240217Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	FM M13001 FR 840 CONTRACTING OFFICER

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<u>SER NO</u>	<u>IN DTG</u>	<u>OUT DTG</u>	<u>INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
1	0800		Raw water off for IM.	
2	0815		Raw water on.	
3	1300		Had a briefing at Utilities on the 667 (5KW) generator.	
4	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	250518Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV
2	252216Z Nov 68	3d FSR

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SER NO	IN	LTG	OUT	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1		0930			Changed 650 GPM pump to 380 GPM pump at Bn water point.	
2		1230			Truck dispatched to FX.	
3		1400			Chow hours for Thanksgiving - Holiday routine.	
4		2400			DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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 TO: 282400H Nov 68  
 PLACE: Quang Tri, Vietnam

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 F-FILE  
 M-MAP

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SER NO	IN DTG	OUT DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	0705		Raw water off for IM.	
2	0805		Raw water on.	
3	1615		Raw water off, break in line.	
4	1830		Raw water on.	
5	2115		Raw water off.	
6	2130		Raw water on.	
7	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

MESSAGES

1	270547Z Nov 68	CG, 3d MARDIV	SUPPLY ASSISTANCE REQUEST, 380 GPM PUMP
2	271358Z Nov 68	CG, MCSA PHILA	MARES SUPPLY STATUS

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UNIT: 3d Engr 4  
 FROM: 300001H Nov 68  
 TO: 302400H Nov 68  
 PLACE: Quang Tri, Vietnam

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 M-MAF

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SER NO	IN BTG	OUT BTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, TELECONS AND DAILY SUMMARY	ACTION
1	1000		Raw water off, lost prime.	
2	1010		Raw water on.	
3	1015		Line to 588 broken.	
4	1115		Line repaired.	
5	2200		Water off.	
6	2240		Water on.	
7	2400		DAILY SUMMARY: Normal Administration.	

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MINE INCIDENT SUMMARY AND OVERLAY

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The following is a list of mines and booby-traps detonated or found and destroyed in the Division TAOR. Quang Tri Province (3d MarDiv AO) is included in this report. Incidents are in numerical order as they were reported. This report covers the period 1-30 November 1968.

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LTC</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>INCIDENT REPORTED</u>
1.	K/3/4	031300H	XD830545	1 MBR stepped on, m-14 mine, Fnd 2/20 lb mines, 1 on top of other, in middle of rd. Dest in place.
2.	3/Engr	041100H	YD214728	Fr SFD tripped by 1 man on trl. Contained blasting caps&lever gren. Dest in place.
3.	D-1/9	040800H	YD296439	Kar on comb. opn. w/army & IF ran into comand det. SFD, unk type.
4.	F/2/3	051400H	YD125530	Fnd 105 rnd rigged as SFD w/trip wire. Tm marked rd., cont. mission.
5.	Recon-2/2	061040H	YD263554	Line sweep tm fnd & dest 2 AT mines.
6.	F/2/3	051400H	YD116522	Tripped SFD, mine sweep tm. Antrac hit mine, unk type.
7.	F/2/2	051400H	YD130530	Helo landing in LZ heard m-79 round explo & heard SFD. Fnd two SFD's one deto, other still armed. 1 SFD fwd to S-2.
8.	1/Antr	061815H	YD307682	AT rigged as AP mine w/pressure type release. Will swp area on the 8th and attempt to obtain AT mine.
9.	F/2/4	070830H	XD678572	AFC hit AT mine, res, towed to FSB Tombstone.
10.	L/3/3	670930H	YD132617	Convoy det explo device, unk type, security remains w/disabled vechicle.
11.	C/1/61	071329H	YD413551	M-48 Tk hit AT mine.
12.	2/3	071515H	YD072526	Fnd & des 1 metal mine at side of road.
13.	5/Cav	081735H	YD545405	Fnd and des two homemade pressure type mines. 2 lbs each.
14.	14/Engr	090815H	YD452425	Fnd & des 1 40 lb. mine.
15.	1/3	101115H	YD116686	Sweep tm fnd and des 1 750 lb bomb, rigged for press. rel. Bomb 2-3 months old.
16.	3/5 Cav	101450H	YD544482	RRB recd S/A & RPG rds pre sunk due to either a mine or RPG.
17.	3/5 Cav	101700H	YD538412	IR fnd & des sfd AP mine.
18.	Div/2mb	110045H	YD268629	Man detd. AP mine.
19.	C/1/77	110738H	YD418618	
20.	C/1/77	110805H	YD418618	

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<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>INCIDENT REPORTED</u>
21.	C/1/77	111645H	YD423618	3 SFD AP mines
22.	G/2/9	120925H	YD010334	Fnd t/wire & signal device on fence-des in pl
23.	B/3/5	121215H	YD542423	1 750 lb bomb rigged as mine.
24.	1/Amtr	141530H	YD301681	Recon pers fnd/des 1 rpg
25.	F/2/3	1401800H	YD136515	Fnd 1 SFD, chinese clay-more w/trp wire. Des/pl.
26.	F/2/3	140900H	YD133514	Mar. trp SFD.
27.	F/2/3	141030H	YD122521	Mar. trp SFD.
28.	A/3/5	141221H	YD479405	Fnd SFD-105 mm.
29.	B/3/Engrs.	N/Shown	N/Shown	Fnd Tm-41 AT mine at side of road. Des/place.
30.	K/3/3	150700H	YD133637& YD133636	Fnd 3 Russ. made AT mines & 1 home made box type mine.
31.	11th Engr	151135H	YD195725	Veh hit mine.
32.	3/5 Cav	151200H	YD549281	Fnd & des 1/30 lb AT mine.
33.	D/1/11	161010H	YD333480	Fnd 1 M-26 Booby trapped gren in ground. Des/pla.
34.	1/5	161046H	YD294551	Trk det 105 Rd.
35.	11/Engr	161215H	YD205725	Fnd & des 2 A/T mines on side of road.
36.	1/11	161410H	YD302460	PAT dtnd prob SFD 105Rd.
37.	Riv/Sec	180736H	YD296669	1 PBR hit by under water explo.
38.	2/3 Engr	180815H	YD112547	Front wheel of trk rig/w pres type wire 60 mm rd 60mm rd rigged w/pres rel. Trp wire rigged under driver seat. Path to truck rigged w/60mm and trp wire accross trail. Flack Jacket rig w/2 grens. Des/Place.
39.	B/3Engr	170900H	YD118686	Fnd 3 mines. 1 Clymre. 1/5 lb ATmine, 1 Block TNT in poncho tied w/bamboo. Des/place.
40.	C/1/61	171130H	YD367615	Fnd & des 1 SFD 105Rd w/trp wire.
41.	L/3/3	171605H	YD128512	SFD tripped.
42.	I/3/3	191045H	YD133625	Fnd 1 AP TM-26 mine.
43.	1/Amtr	191830H	YD325697	FF Inf. 1/Amtr fnd loc of AT mine. Fwd S-2.
44.	2/ARVN	181545H	YD249716	Man des VC mine.
45.	B/1/50	190745H	YD089577	Rd swp tm fnd 5 Russ AT mines. VN trk det 1, 4 w/blown in place.

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46.	1/50	190930H	YD196576	Frnd 2 canisters W/pres type device under it buried in road. Des in place.
47.	1/Amtr	200805H	YD304677	Mike boat hit mine.
48.	TFC	200811H	YD304677	LCMS-8 hit mine.
49.	C/1/11	201030H	YD356472	Man det SFD.
50.	L/3/3	201150H	YD115711	PAT tripped SFD 20/60mm mort Rds.
51.	D/1/3	201200H	YD052570	Det mine. Second mine destroyed.
52.	G/2/9	201645H	YD046250	Man det unk SFD.
53.	E/2/4	211110H	XD845455	Man det mine. Another det s/location.
54.	H/2/3	221500H	YD109602	Frnd1 AT mine rigged w/claym. Des/Pl.
55.	I/3/3	231750H	XD803586	Frnd/des 2 metal mines&2 concrete mns.
56.	I/3/3	240740H	YD093615	1 pers, trpd SFD. (60 MM)
57.	K/3/4	241030H	XD770560	1 NVA claymore tripped.
58.	A/1/11	251315H	YD333455	Frnd 105 MM rd rigged as SFD W/trp wire accross trail. Des in pl.
59.	I/3/4	252655H	XD883585	2 mines tripped.
60.	I/3/4	270915H	XD884586	Chicom claymore expl.
61.	3/Rec	280915H	YD235537	Man trpd SFD. C-Ration can type SFD's in the area.
62.	3/Tnks	281015H	YD132623	Tnk hit 50 lb homemade AT mine.
63.	C/1/61	281630H	YD117724	Man det Chicom mine.
64.	C/1/61	291500H	YD115724	Dtntd Dir type wired Chicom grenade.
65.	3/Tnks	291500H	YD102693	Flame tank det misc AT mine.

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MONTHLY TRAINING SCHEDULE

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

BnBul 1500  
3/RVN/djg  
28 November 1968

BATTALION BULLETIN 1500

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Distribution List

Subj: Battalion Monthly Training Schedule

Ref: (a) BnO 1500.4B

Encl: (1) Required Training for all Enlisted Personnel  
(2) Required Training for NCO'S

1. Purpose. To promulgate the monthly training schedule for the month of December 1968.

2. Action.

a. The training indicated in enclosure (1) will be conducted by all units of the 3d Engineer Battalion during the month of December 1968.

b. Company Commanders will conduct MOS and General Military Subjects Training to the maximum extent consistent with the combat support mission of this Battalion.

c. Training conducted will be reported on the Daily Summary Report. The report will include topic, length of instruction, and number of personnel present. All training conducted will also be recorded on individual training records.

d. Training materials provided companies, training aids, manuals, and lesson plans will be returned to the S-3 (Training) Section no later than 31 December 1968.

3. Self Cancellation: 1 January 1969

  
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By Direction

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REQUIRED TRAINING FOR ALL ENLISTED PERSONNEL

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>DURATION</u>
1. Weapons		
a. M-79 Grenade Launcher	FM 23-31	15 min
b. M-72 LAAW	Inst. of weapon	15 min
2. Field Sanitation & First Aid		
a. Cleanliness	LPM Chp #7	15 min
3. V.C. Mines & Boobytraps	NavMC 2614 FM 20-32	60 min
4. Small Unit Tactics		
a. Ambushes	FM 21-75	15 min
b. Scouting & Patrolling	FM 21-75	60 min
5. Theatre Orientation-Vietnam		
a. Cheiu Hoi & Psyops	FMFPacO 1500.8	15 min
b. Personal Response	NavMC 2616	60 min

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REQUIRED TRAINING FOR NCO'S

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>DURATION</u>
1. Map and Aerial Photo- graph Reading	FM 21-26	30 min
2. Rifle Platoon in Offensive and Defensive Combat	LPM Ch 10	60 min

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ORDNANCE AND FORTIFICATIONS DESTROYED

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E. ORDNANCE AND FORTIFICATIONS DESTROYED.

105 mm rounds	61
155 mm rounds	4
107 mm rockets	5
82 mm rounds	15
82 mm fuses	180
81 mm rounds	38
75 mm rounds	2
61 mm rounds	151
60 mm rounds	79
M-72 (LAAWs)	26
ChiCom Grenades	46
Claymore (DH-10)	9
Anti-Tank Mines	10
Anti-Personnel Mines	7
RPG rounds	33
Small arm rounds	2,450
782 Gear	100 lbs.
Rice	100 lbs.
Sak of Rice	15 lbs.

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LOGISTICS SUMMARY

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HEADQUARTERS  
3d Engineer Battalion  
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
APO San Francisco 96402

A/BMR/taq  
4000  
28 November 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (SC-4)

Subj: Logistics Summary as of 28 November 1968

Ref: (a) OC, 3d MarDiv msg 1814028 Nov 68  
(b) DivC 4000.6A

Encl:  (1) Status of Communication/Electronics Equipment  
 (2) Status of Engineer Equipment and Engine Generators  
 (3) Status of Motor Transport Equipment  
 (4) Status of Ordnance Equipment  
 (5) Critical Repair Parts

1. SUPPLY SITUATION

a. There is an adequate supply of jungle utilities on hand in the Battalion. The new camouflage jungle utilities were received in large quantities and are being issued on an as required basis with the letter companies having first priority.

Fifty gas masks were received this month, however, they are still critical in that approximately 50 personnel have no gas mask at present.

b. Due to the shortage of pulverized limestone, this organization has been unable to put into operation its (14) 600 GPM Water Purification Units.

c. During this reporting period this organization received 15,940 SF of 2x4 and 1,354 SF of 2x12. At present this organization's lumber assets consist of 2x4, 2x12, 3x12, and 3/8" plywood. No structural lumber such as 6x6, 8x8, 10x10 and 12x12 is held by this Battalion. The non-availability of this structural lumber hampers the combat support effectiveness of this Battalion.

d. During the month of November this organization established a Supply and Material Expediter (3d Engr. SN0 4400.5) to be located in the vicinity of Da Nang City for the purpose of expediting supplies and material assigned to the 3d Engineer Battalion (RUC 13400) which might otherwise be misdirected or pilfered.

2. NOT APPLICABLE

3. CLASSES II AND IVa. SUMMARY

1. During the month of November (29) Mine Detectors were assigned an unserviceable condition code. This organization has received during the month of November (1) AN/M.C-83, (1) M1S-100, (2) M49 Trunk Loader, (10) 5KW Generators, (2) 10KW Generators, (3) M123 Trunk Tractors, (9) 5,000 Gallon Tanks, (2) Euclid Front End Loaders, (3) TD-15 Tractors, (8) Haddington Chain Saws, and (3) 300 GPM Pumps.

b. NOT APPLICABLEc. Critical Items (Mandatory Items for Reporting)

<u>F&amp;N</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
0000-003-2802	NAVMC 10298-SD (NOTE: Valid requisitions, priority 12 and 17 long outstanding.)	Short Supply
0000-003-9500	NAVMC 10359 (NOTE: Valid priority requisitions (12 and 17) long outstanding.)	Short Supply
0000-005-6602	NAVMC 10529	Non-critical
7530-205-0512	MANIFOLD PAPER	Non-critical
7530-285-3074	AIMCO PAPER	Not Held
1005-017-9701	DAYCRET X7	Non-critical
1005-073-9238	DAYCRET W7	Non-critical
1095-592-6491	HOLSTER HIP 45	Non-critical
1095-973-0521	HOLSTER HIP	Non-critical
7210-266-9736	INSECT BAR	Non-critical
7340-240-7436	KNIFE FIELD ME	Non-critical
7340-243-5390	SPOON FIELD ME	Non-critical
7550-242-5110	PAN MESS KIT	Non-critical
8340-557-4168	SHELLER HALF	Non-critical
8415-255-8579	HELMET STEEL	Non-critical
8465-242-7843	CUP CANTREN	Non-critical
8465-382-7966	FIELD PACK	Non-critical
8465-382-7968	SUSPENDERS	Non-critical
8465-577-4923	SUSPENDERS	Non-critical
8465-577-4924	LEW PISTOL	Non-critical
8465-577-4925	LEW PISTOL	Non-critical
8465-782-2239	POCKET AMMO	Non-critical
8465-823-6936	POCKET AMMO	Non-critical
8465-823-7231	SUSPENDERS	Non-critical
2530-734-6790	PAN BLADE	Non-critical
2930-737-3692	RAIATOR (NOTE: priority #2 requisition outstanding.)	Short Supply

FSN	ITEM	STATUS
2805-353-8135	GASKET, OIL PAN	Not Held
2920-632-4048	PUMP, WATER	Not Held
2990-737-3680	SET, GASKET	Non-critical
2510-737-3771	FRONT, SPRING ASS'Y	Non-critical
4720-235-4119	HOSE	Not Held
2930-142-0144	TRAN MISSION (NOTE: (1) on priority #2 requisition.)	Critical
2805-649-8548	ENGINE	Not Held
2530-734-8992	WAL	Not Held
6665-966-9071	MINE DETECTOR (NOTE: (29) mine detectors recently assigned unserviceable condition code, placed on priority #2 requisition.)	Critical

ITEM	ALLOWANCE	O/H	D/L
55 GPM Pump	51*	74	40
Beacon Unit M12	5	2	1
*(NOTE: Of the total (51) pumps, (44) are components of the (30) Water Distribution Equipment and the (14) 600 GPM Water Purification Unit.)			

4. NOT APPLICABLE

5. NOT APPLICABLE

6. MAINTENANCE SITUATION

DESCRIPTION	ALLOWANCE	O/H	D/L	
			2d Ech.	3d Ech.
Tractor T1-15	15	7	0	4
Tractor M8S-100	7	9	2	5
Tractor TD-18	23	0	0	0
Crane Mobile 150T46	2	1	0	1
Air Compressor 105 CFM	3	4	0	1
Air Compressor 125 CFM	3	0	0	0
Scooploader TL-16	4	1	1	0
Water Purification Unit 1500 GPM	9	9	0	6
Water Purification Unit 3000 GPM	8	9	1	3
Bath Unit	26	38	10	3
Chain Saws	36	52	12	11
Mine Detectors	35	32	0	4
M51A2 Dump Truck	24	26	8	4
M52A2 Truck Tractor	3	3	1	0

a. The largest problem confronting this organization are T/E deficiencies and the high 3d echelon deadline rate.

7. NOT APPLICABLE

8. OTHER MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT

a. See enclosures (1) through (4).

9. SERVICE SITUATION

a. Property Disposal. Letters of unserviceable property were received on 29 major end items.

b. Laundry. Laundry service has not yet been made available at Quang Tri Combat Base. Inquiry at Base Coordinator (QTCB) revealed that units will be notified by MSG-8 when the facility will be available for use.

c. Bath Units. This organization is presently operating 23 Bath Units for organizations of this Division. This Battalion presently holds its authorized allowance of 26 Bath Units with an additional 12 held in excess.

d. Bakery. The Battalion Bakery continues to provide sufficient baked goods to meet the needs of this organization.

e. Ice. During the month of November the quantities of ice received were adequate.

f. Food Services.

1. The performance of the Food Service Section remains outstanding. We are presently feeding an average of 450 men per day.

g. Mortuary Services. This Battalion had one (1) person KIA as of 28 November 1968.

h. Graves Registration. Not Applicable.

i. Potable Water. During the month of November, Battalion Water Points produced 6,430,800 gallons of potable water in support of Division units. This Battalion is presently operating 8 water points.

10. NOT APPLICABLE11. NOT APPLICABLE12. NOT APPLICABLE13. TRANSPORTATION

a. The biggest problem confronting the Motor Transport Section of this organization is the slow receipt of spare parts through normal supply channels and the Direct Exchange Program.

14. NOT APPLICABLE15. MISCELLANEOUSa. Logistics Personnel

<u>LIST</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>KTD</u>
S-4	B. M. HANTA	CAPT	JAN 69
Supply Officer	P. A. MICHEL	1st LT	JUL 69
M. T. Officer	K. E. GRETTON	1st LT	MAR 69
S-4 Chief	K. D. CURTIS	Majt	FEB 69
Supply Chief	M. G. BORDEN	CySgt	MAR 69
M. T. Chief	E. R. DYER	CySgt	APR 69

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COMMUNICATION/ELECTRONICS

<u>T/A</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>T/E</u> <u>QTY</u>	<u>SPECIAL</u> <u>ALLOW</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>Q/H</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>MOB</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>MOB</u>
22040	AR/W-C-83 (5) Administrative deadline awaiting vehicle.	6	0	7	2	0	5
22105	AR/IRC-47	4	0	3	3	0	0

Enclosure (5)

ENGINES/GENERATORS

T/A	ITEM	P/A		QTY		QTY NORM	QTY NORM
		QTY	SPECIAL ALLOW QTY	Q/M	OR		
31700	TD-15 Tractor	15	0	7	3	0	4
	(1) NORM at FLSG-B in JUL 68						
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in MAY 68						
	(1) NORM at FLSG-B in APR 68						
20800	Generator 60HZ 60KW	4	0	10	2	0	8
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in AUG 68						
	(3) NORM at FLSG-B in JUL 68						
	(1) NORM at FLSG-B in MAY 68						
	(1) NORM at FLSG-B in JAN 68						
	(1) NORM at FLSG-B in SEP 68						
20945	Generator 60HZ 30KW	0	0	11	2	1	8
	(1) NORM in NOV 68						
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in SEP 68						
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in AUG 68						
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in JUN 68						
	(2) NORM at FLSG-B in JUL 68						

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## MOTOR TRANSPORT

<u>T/A#</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>T/B</u> <u>QTY</u>	<u>SPECIAL</u> <u>ALLOW QTY</u>	<u>Q/H</u>	<u>JTY</u> <u>OR</u>	<u>JTY</u> <u>HERE</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>HERE</u>
51600	M151A1 Jeep (1) NORM in NOV 68 (1) NORM in NOV 68 (To be turned in as excess.)	13	0	14	12	0	2
51060	M170 Ambulance	0	0	1	1	0	0
22010	M10-83 Radio Jeep (5) NORM in SEP 68	6	0	6	1	5	0
50300	M172A1 Lowbed Trlr. (1) NORM in AUG 68 (1) NORM in NOV 68	3	1	2	0	2	0
51030	M107 water Trlr. (1) NORM in SEP 68	5	2	7	6	1	0
51480	M49/490 Fuel Tanker (1) NORM in NOV 68 (2) NORM at FLSC-B in NOV 68	2	0	4	1	1	2
51670	M543A2 wrecker (1) NORM in NOV 68	1	0	1	1	0	1
51530	M52A2 Trk. tractor (1) NORM at FLSC-B in NOV 68	0	0	3	2	0	1
51230	M51A2 Dump Trk. (3) NORM in SEP 68 (1) NORM in OCT 68 (4) NORM in NOV 68 (3) NORM at FLSC-B in OCT 68 (1) NORM at FLSC-B in NOV 68	24	1	26	14	8	4
51090	M37B1 5/4T Cargo (3) NORM in SEP 68 (3) NORM in OCT 68 (2) NORM at FLSC-B in APR 68 (2) NORM at FLSC-B in MAR 68 (3) NORM at FLSC-B in AUG 68	19	1	20	7	6	7
51180	M54A2 Trk. Cargo (1) NORM at FLSC-B in AUG 68 (1) NORM at FLSC-B in SEP 68 (1) NORM at FLSC-B in OCT 68	6	0	5	2	0	3
51410	M274A2 Trk. Platform (14) NORM in AUG 68 (7) NORM in NOV 68 (2) NORM in AUG 68	27	0	27	4	21	2

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<u>T/W</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>T/E</u> <u>QTY</u>	<u>SPECIAL</u> <u>ALLOW QTY</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>O/H</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>REQ</u>	<u>QTY</u> <u>REQ</u>
50240	LUBER 15 CFM	3	0	2	2	0	0

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ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT

M51 VTR	LOT	RE	PI	OR	FIELD
M67A2	"	"	"	"	"
M48 TANK	"	"	"	"	"
M7E-1	"	"	"	"	"

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CRITICAL REPAIR PARTS

<u>I/A#</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PARTS FSN</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE #</u>	<u>QTY</u>
51230	Truck Dump M51A2	3030-863-7730	Gen. and Fan belts	0
		2920-267-9987	Starter	0
		2940-974-9609	Filter element	0
		2590-017-9779	Control, Stop engine	0
		2910-350-6850	Filter Element, Fuel pressure	0
		2980-051-9450	Tires 1100 I 20	0
		2940-067-7625	Parts kit, fluid pressure filter	0
51530	Truck Tractor M52	Same as above.		
51590	Truck Utility M151A1	No specific problem or parts failure.		
51090	Truck Cargo M37B1	No specific problem or parts failure.		
51410	Truck Platform M274A2	2910-073-2115	Fuel filter	25
		2910-570-3015	Carburetor	5
		2920-810-7003	Spark Plug	30
		2990-996-3820	Starter Cable	15
		2920-871-8366	Ignition Parts	0
		2910-04-4201	Oil filters	10
		2930-570-3057	Starter	2
		2610-569-0815	Tires	10
		2610-569-0817	Tubes	0
20800	Generator Set 60KW	No recurring problem or parts failure.		
20945	Generator Set 30KW	Non-rated item, no recurring problem or parts failure.		
51700	M-15 Tractor	No specific problem or parts failure recurring requiring deadline of vehicle for organization maintenance. Deadlined mostly for 3d echelon maintenance.		

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