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HEADQUARTERS
3d Motor Transport Battalion (Rein)
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
Subj: Command Chronology
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1. In accordance with reference (a), organizational data, including attachments, designations and locations of units of the 3d Motor Transport Battalion (-) (Rein), is hereby submitted.

a. DANANG ENCLAVE (3dMTBn HQ)

H&SCo, 3dMTBn
Co "A"(-)(Rein), 3dMTBn (1stPlt Co "A", 2dPlt Co "B")

b. CHU LAI ENCLAVE (FLSU #1)

Co "C", 3dMTBn(Rein), w/Plt Co "C", 9thMTBn(OP Control)
Co "C", 1stMTBn

c. PHU BAI ENCLAVE (FLSU #2)

Co "B"(-), 3dMTBn

2. Period Covered:

1 November - 30 November 1965

3. Name/Rank Commanding Officer and Staff:

BAKER, F. J.	Maj	Commanding Officer
NOYES, C. R.	Capt	Executive Officer
WALTERS, W. H.	Capt	S-3
SHOFFNER, M. JR.	CWO-2	S-1/Adj
BALAKER, V. T.	2ndLt	S-4/Supply
MARWITZ, H. R.	1stLt	CO, H&SCo
LAMBERT, C. S.	Capt	CO, Co "A"
KOZUBAL, L. J.	2ndLt	CO, Co "B"
KING, K. W. SR.	Capt	CO, Co "C"
BISSELL, J. C.	1stLt	CO, Co "C", 1stMTBn (Admin control)
PARADIS, L.	SgtMaj	Battalion Sergeant Major

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57204. Average monthly strength:

a. Third Motor Transport Battalion, 17 Officers and 278 Enlisted personnel. 8 U. S. Navy Enlisted. Attached: Company "C", 1st Motor Transport Battalion, 3 Officers and 76 Enlisted. 2 U. S. Navy Enlisted.

5. Personnel:

a. A program of inter battalion transfer has been initiated to obtain a level spread of Rotation Tour Dates for all companies throughout 1966.

6. Administration:

a. The Fleet Marine Force, Pacific Inspection Team inspected the Battalion on 29 November 1965. Personnel/Administration was found to be in excellent condition with no discrepancies noted.

7. Training:

a. Six combat patrols were made by personnel of this Battalion in the area surrounding the immediate defense perimeter. The patrols were conducted to prevent infiltration of the friendly defensive areas, to seek out signs and devices used by the enemy for directing fire at friendly positions, and to kill or capture the enemy.

b. Personnel of this Battalion attended a school for a period of two days (11-12 November 1965) on Viet Cong techniques in employing land mines and booby traps. The school was conducted by personnel of 3d Engineer Battalion.

c. Two hours of instruction on GMST and technical subject is given all personnel of this Battalion each week.

d. An operator training and first echelon maintenance course for the M-76 Otter was conducted during November. Approximately 25% of the Battalion has been licensed to operate this vehicle. Six men from the 1st Marine Air Wing were trained and licensed.

8. Civil Affairs:

a. The Medical contact team dispensed a total of 2167 medical treatments in the Hoa Khanh Dong Phuoc Hamlet complex. Emergency assistance was rendered to 23 Vietnamese nationals, 20 of whom were evacuated to DaNang for more sophisticated treatment. Nine medical cases involving cleft lips, cleft palates, plastic surgery and skin grafts were referred to Doctor Joseph Omalley for corrective surgery. All emergency patients survived with the exception of a three month old infant which succumbed from exposure prior to arrival at the hospital.

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b. A total of 550 pounds of assorted foodstuffs, 175 pounds of clothing, 225 pounds of medical supplies, and 500 bars of soap were distributed to an estimated 1500 contacts in the Hoa Khanh, Dong Phuoc village complex. These items were distributed through the indigenous village chief and local priest to ensure equitable distribution among the needy families of the hamlet. About 50 pounds of assorted candy and personal items were distributed to the patients of the civilian hospital in DaNang. Other items in the way of food and medical supplies were also contributed to the Buddhist and Catholic orphanages in DaNang.

c. This reporting period also witnessed the "Adoption" by this Battalion of a 14 year old girl severely injured during action in the Chu Lai area. She was evacuated from the civilian hospital to the Hamlet of Hoa Khanh where she is being cared for by a refugee family. Our Corpsmen visit her daily to ensure her speedy recovery. We have contacted the girls parents in Tam Ky and her grandmother is already by her side. To date about \$175.00 has been contributed to Truong's get well fund.

d. An extremely personal and favorable relationship has been established between the members of this Command and the residents of Hoa Khanh Hamlet. Catholic members of this command attend religious services in the Hamlet church and about 100 of the Hamlet's children were recently treated to refreshments and cartoons at our enlisted club. For some of the children this was the first movie they had ever seen.

e. Continued emphasis is being placed on the investigation of civilian claims and our troop indoctrination program in local customs and regulations is progressing very favorably. Emphasis is being placed on the importance of courtesy in any Vietnamese American association.

CR Hayes
for F. J. BAKER