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

3/JSR/gls
5750
5 April 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-3)
Subj: Command Chronology
Ref: (a) DivO 5750.1

1. In accordance with provisions of reference (a), the following report is submitted.

a. Organization Data:

(1) Designation/Location

- (a) 3d Shore Party Battalion, DaNang, RVN
- (b) Shore Party Detachment, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines Phu-Bai joined under ADCON this Battalion on 28 March 1966.
- (c) 1st Shore Party Battalion changed operation to 1st Marine Division on 29 March 1966.

(2) Period: 1 March 1966 to 31 March 1966

(3) Average Monthly Strength:

	<u>3d SP Bn</u>	<u>3d Bn, 4th Mar, Det</u>
Marine Officers	21	1
Marine Enlisted	392	40
Navy Officers	1	0
Navy Enlisted	25	2

b. Sequential listing of significant events as pertaining to:

- (1) Personnel: Awarded 1 Bronze Star and 1 Navy Commendation Medal.
- (2) Administration: This Battalion was inspected by the Division Inspector, 28th thru 31st March 1966.
- (3) Intelligence: None
- (4) Training: Companies A, B, & C FAM fired T/O weapons

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(5) Special Operations:

(a) Company A provided one (1) platoon for construction of ten (10) strong back tents and one (1) reinforced Dental Ward for 3d Med Bn.

(b) Company B provided two (2) platoons for construction of twenty one (21) strongback tents for 12th Marines.

(c) Nightly Security Patrols conducted in Battalion's Rear Area Defense Zone.

(6) Nuclear, Biological, Chemical, and other special types of warfare: None

(7) Command and Control:

Bn CO.	Major J.M. DEAN	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966
Bn XO	Major J.O. ELDER	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966
CO H&S	Captain H.V. HOPKINS	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966
CO CoA	Major D.E. BENSTEAD	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966
CO CoB	Captain J.K. GOODYEAR	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966
CO CoC	Major L.E. GOODWINE	1 Mar - 31 Mar 1966

(8) Communications/Electronics: None

(9) Close Combat: None

(10) Fire Support and Fire Support Coordination: None

(11) Logistics: Carried out responsibility for Tien Sha Beach Off-loading and backloading operations 1-11 March 1966. During this period 4879 tons of general cargo and vehicles were offloaded. During same period 1285 tons of general cargo and vehicles were backloaded on LSTs. As of 1200, 11 March 1966 this Battalion was relieved of Tien-Sha Beach operations.

(12) Air defense: None

(13) Combat Air Support: None

(14) Medical and Dental Support: Subparagraph 1.b (16) (a)

(15) Chaplain Support: Protestant and Catholic Services were held each Sunday in the Battalion Area.

(16) Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations

(a) The Battalion MEDCAP Team administered 1843 treatments in Villages and Schools throughout the area.

(b) The Civil Action Team continues to conduct English Language and Athletic classes at schools in the area.

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(c) This Battalion assisted Villages and Schools by giving food, books, school supplies, building materials and clothing.

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