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

3/JSR/rma
5750
6 May 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

(2) Period: 1 April 1966 to 30 April 1966

(3) Average Monthly Strength:

3d SP Bn

Marine Officers	23
Marine Enlisted	404
Navy Officer	1
Navy Enlisted	25

b. Sequential listing of significant events as pertaining to:

(1) Personnel:

(a) Seven (7) Meritorious Mast were awarded by the Battalion Commander.

(b) One (1) Bronze Star and two (2) Purple Heart Medals were awarded to personnel of this Command.

(2) Administration: This Battalion was visited by the Division Chief of Staff, on 24 April 1966.

(3) Intelligence: None

(4) Training: H&S, B, C, - 4 hrs of instruction M-60 Machine Gun.

(5) Special Operations:

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(a) Company A provided support for Operation Virginia at Phu Bai.
Two (2) Platoons operating offloading ramp at Phu Bai.

(b) Company B provided support for Operations Orange and Georgia.

(c) Nightly Security Patrols conducted in Battalions Rear Area Defense Zone.

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

(7) Command Control:

BnCo	Major J.M. DEAN	1 Apr - 30 Apr 1966
BnCo	Major J.O. ELDER	1 Apr - 2 Apr 1966
BnCo	Major T.W. JONES	2 Apr - 30 Apr 1966
Co, H&S	Capt H.V. HOPKINS	1 Apr - 22 Apr 1966
Co, H&S	Capt A.J. D'ARCO	23 Apr - 30 Apr 1966
Co, Co "A"	Major D.E. BENSTEAD	1 Apr - 30 Apr 1966
Co, Co "B"	Capt J.K. GOODYEAR	1 Apr - 30 Apr 1966
Co, Co "C"	Major, L.E. GOODWINE	1 Apr - 30 Apr 1966

(8) Communications/Electronics: None

(9) Close Combat: None

(10) Fire Support and Fire Support Coordination: None

(11) Logistics: This Battalion furnished Engineer Support to the below listed units:

(a) Constructed eleven (11) strongbacks and one (1) Dental Laboratory for 3d Medical Battalion.

(b) Relocated thirteen (13) strongbacks for 2d Bn, 12th Marines.

(c) Constructed twenty-one (21) strongbacks for 12th Marines.

(d) Repaired roads and culverts for 3d Recon Battalion.

(e) Installed ceiling in strongbacks for Headquarters Battalion.

(f) Constructed messhall for 3d MT Battalion.

(g) Relocated nineteen (19) strongbacks and three (3) bunkers for 9thMar.

(12) Air defense: None

(13) Combat Air Support: None

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

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(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 1255 treatments in villages and schools throughout the area.

(b) This Battalion assisted villages and schools by giving food, books, school supplies, and building materials.


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