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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1968 - 31 May 1968

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION		<u>COMMANDER</u>
Headquarters, 3d Tank Battalion (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FME FPO San Francisco 96602	LtCol K. J. FONTENOT, Jr.	1-31May68

<u>Subordinate Units</u>		
H & S Company	1stLt J. E. GEORGAKLIS	1-31May68
Company "A"	Capt C. L. SALE	1-31May68
Company "B"	Capt C. W. REINKE	1-31May68
Company "C"	Capt W. J. O'BUCH	1-13May68
Company "C"	Capt J. E. LINDSEY	14-31May68
Company "A" 3d ATBn	Capt J. O. LEA	1-31May68

2. LOCATION

H&S Company	1-31May68	Quang Tri
Company "A"	1-31May68	Dong Ha
Company "B"	1-31May68	Camp Carroll
Company "C"	1-31May68	Quang Tri
Company "A" 3d ATBn	1-31May68	Khe Sanh

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Bn Executive Officer	Maj. J. C. DUFF	1-31May68
Battalion S-1/Adj	1stLt W. MCCOURT	1-31May68
Battalion S-2	1stLt T. C. BARRY	1-31May68
Battalion S-3	Maj. C. J. SAMUELSEN	1-31May68
Battalion S-4	Capt J. W. LOVE Jr.	1-31May68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
40	789	0	17

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Administration. The administration within the battalion continues to improve. New casualty reporting procedures have been initiated and no problems have thus far been encountered. An audit of Service Records to insure that all personnel possessed SGLI insurance was completed and appropriate corrective action taken where necessary.

Service Records were also screened to insure that the required entry on the troop indoctrination and orientation was entered on Page 11.

Personnel. The personnel situation during the month has been satisfactory. However, shortages within the Staff NCO grades OF 18 continue to exist. Projected losses in OF 25 and 30 are currently under study and indications are that these fields will be critical by 31 July 1968. Upon completion of the study requirements will be made known to the Division Personnel Officer. The battalion lost a Lieutenant MOS 2010 during the month and a replacement is not available.

OFFICERS JOINED

<u>RANK</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
2ndLt	0301	1
2ndLt	1801	1
1stLt	1802	1
2ndLt	2502	1
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>4</u>

ENLISTED JOINED

<u>MOS</u>	<u>E-9</u>	<u>E-8</u>	<u>E-7</u>	<u>E-6</u>	<u>E-5</u>	<u>E-4</u>	<u>E-3</u>	<u>E-2/1</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1811			1	3	1	2	4	11	22
2531					1				1
2533							1		1
2311						2			2
3516						1		3	4
2141					2	1			3
3371							1	1	2
0141								1	1
0353					1				1
2847					1				1
<u>TOTAL</u>			1	3	6	6	6	16	38

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<u>RANK</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Capt	1802	Rotation
1stLt	1802	Rotation
2ndLt	1802	Tr by SR Camp S. D. BUTLER
1stLt	2010	Rotation

ENLISTED DROPPEDROTATION

<u>MOS</u>	<u>E-9</u>	<u>E-8</u>	<u>E-7</u>	<u>E-6</u>	<u>E-5</u>	<u>E-4</u>	<u>E-3</u>	<u>E-2/1</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1811				1	3	3	3		10
2141					3	5	1		9
3516						2	2		4
2841					1				1
2531					1	1			2
3531						1	1	1	3
6361					1				1
9999	1	1							2
3051						1			1
3371								1	1
1316						1			1
0353					2	1			3
TOTAL	1	1		1	11	15	7	2	38

TRAN BY S/R CAMP S. D. BUTLER

<u>MOS</u>	<u>E-9</u>	<u>E-8</u>	<u>E-7</u>	<u>E-6</u>	<u>E-5</u>	<u>E-4</u>	<u>E-3</u>	<u>E-2/1</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2141					1	1			2
1811				1	1		2		4
3516						1			1
2171						1			1
2143						1			1
3531					1	1			2
0353								1	1
TOTAL				1	3	5	2	1	12

TRAN TO THIS DIV

<u>MOS</u>	<u>E-9</u>	<u>E-8</u>	<u>E-7</u>	<u>E-6</u>	<u>E-5</u>	<u>E-4</u>	<u>E-3</u>	<u>E-2/1</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
3311				1					1
TOTAL				1					1

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PERSONNEL ACCOUNTING. Personnel Accounting is improving and a definite interest in this area is becoming obvious. The battalion's error percentages for April were as follows:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>REPORTABLE ITEMS</u>	<u>ERROR PERCENTAGE</u>
H&SCo	263	0.4
A Co	133	0.0
B Co	194	0.0
C Co	143	0.0
A Co 3d ATBn	99	0.0
Battalion	832	0.1

EXCHANGE FACILITIES. Satisfactory under the circumstances with sufficient quality and quantity on hand.

SPECIAL SERVICE. Movies were shown almost every evening and a beer or soft drink ration was served when available. The Battalion Officer/SNCO Club officially opened on 28 May 1968.

REST AND REHABILITATION. During the month of May the Battalion was allocated the following quotas:

IN COUNTRY - 5
OUT OF COUNTRY - 63

POSTAL AFFAIRS. Satisfactory.

PROMOTIONS. The battalion was again in excess of its authorized M/I on Cpl and there were 5 vacancies for LCpl. Additional quotas received from Division enabled the battalion to promote 30 to Cpl and 49 to LCpl. The following promotions were actually effected:

To PFC - 9
To LCpl - 49
To Cpl - 30
To Sgt - 3 (Meritorious)

AWARDS. During the month the following award recommendations were submitted:

Navy Commendation Medal - 6
Silver Star Medal - 2
Bronze Star Medal - 4
Purple Heart Medal - 131 (96 from previous months)
Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry - 14

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CASUALTIES: The following casualties were reported during the month:

KIA - 5
WIA - 11
WIA (EVAC) - 34
NBC - 16

LAW AND LEGAL. The following actions were completed during the month.

	<u>COMPLETED</u>	<u>PENDING</u>
Special Courts-Martial	4	0
Bn Office Hours (Art 15)	5	0
Company Office Hours (Art 15)	6	0
Investigations	8	5
Summary Courts-Martial	5	0

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Weather. Temperature during May reached a monthly high of 102 and low of 72. Precipitation was 1.11 for the month.

There was very little rainfall in Northern I Corps. The weather was predominantly warm. Tank operations were not curtailed by weather during the reporting period.

Intelligence. During the month of May, contacts by fire were scattered. Most of the heavy fire was concentrated to the north and west of Dong Ha. There were a number of contacts made on the coast mainly because of the rice harvest. Rice was being taken to the coast for storage and NVA/VC troops would attempt to intercept and seize the rice.

Enemy movement during the month of May found most of the enemy in the northern sector regrouping due to the heavy losses taken in the battles north and west of Dong Ha.

A 3d Tank Battalion patrol was ambushed on 5 May resulting in 3 KIA and 4 WIA. No contacts have been made since that date in the Quang Tri Combat Base area.

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PART II OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Company A. During the month this Company supported the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, the 1st and 3rd Battalions, 4th Marines, the 1st and 3rd Battalions, 9th Marines, the 1st and 2nd Battalions, 26th Marines, the 2nd Brigade, 1st Air Cavalry Division and the 2nd Regiment, 1st ARVN Division. The unit participated in Operations Concordia, Leatherneck Square and Kentucky. Support provided included road sweep escort, sweeps and attacks on designated objectives with infantry, destruction of one enemy OP, 90mm fire on enemy troops in open, fire on two suspected tanks, silencing of one artillery and one AA machine gun position and firing several missions against suspected enemy mortar, rocket and artillery positions. The company accounted for 71 KIA (C) during the month.

Company B. Elements of Company B participated in Operations Lancaster and Scotland II in support of Task Force Hotel, the 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines and the 3rd Battalion 9th Marines. The units were supported with H&I fires, suppressive fires for convoys, fires at known and suspected enemy rocket and artillery positions and convoy escort. On 13 May the 1st Platoon completed a move to The Sanh where it replaced the 3rd Platoon which had been at the base since June 1967. On 19 May the 1st Platoon was escorting a convoy from The Sanh. Approximately 300 meters outside the perimeter the convoy was ambushed. During the ensuing fight all five tanks sustained RPG hits. No tank took fewer than three hits. B15 was destroyed in the action. One hundred and sixty five enemy KIA (C) were credited to this action. It is estimated that B-1 tanks accounted for one hundred of these. In other actions Company B accounted for four KIA (C) during the month.

Company C. Company C continued to provide the bulk of the tanks to Task Force Robbie until the organization was deactivated on 29 May. One section continued to operate in the Operation Napoleon/Saline AO in support of the 3d Marines. On 12 May one additional platoon was assigned to the Cua Viet area where it operated in support of D Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry for several days. It now supports the 3d Marines. The 3d Platoon continues to operate with the 1st Marines in the Scotland II AO. These tanks fired H&I fires, fired at and silenced one mortar position, fired at enemy in the open and in bunkers and participated in offensive actions with the infantry. The Company accounted for 74 KIA (C) during the month.

Company A, 3d Anti Tank Battalion. This Company continued under the operational control of Task Force Hotel in Operation Scotland II. The ontos fired at enemy troops and bunkers, provided

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preparation fires for infantry and fired at one active rocket site. Action by this unit during the month showed a marked increase in comparison to previous months.

Task Force Robbie. This unit is not an element of this Battalion but since it is composed of tanks from H&S, A, B, and C Companies it is treated as an entity. The Task Force continued in its mission as the Division Reserve. Throughout the month elements were assigned out from the Task Force to support infantry units throughout the Kentucky AO. The operation in the Cam Vu area described in last month's report continued into the early days of May. Tanks operated with the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines along Route 8B against elements of the 52nd NVA Regiment until 2 May. Tanks were credited with four KIA (C) during the period. On 29 May Task Force Robbie was deactivated and all elements returned to the control of their parent organizations except the onco platoon of B&T 2/4 which was placed under the operational control of this Battalion and now supports the 9th Marines.

The Battalion continued to provide on call tank support. On 26 May a requirement for three tanks to support the 3d Battalion 9th Marines was levied by G-3. To answer this, two Company C tanks and one Company B tank, which were in Dong Ha for maintenance, were organized into a provisional platoon under the command of the Company A, Executive Officer.

On 8 May the two gun tanks of H&S Company returned to the Quang Tri Combat Base where they are employed in base defense.

The Battalion continued to defend its sector of the Quang Tri Combat Base. On 5 May a patrol from the Command Post was ambushed approximately 300 meters from the perimeter. The patrol suffered 3 KIA and 4 WIA including the ARVN interpreter assigned to the Battalion. Enemy casualties were unknown. Rapid and decisive action by the Assistant Patrol Leader prevented further casualties and individual action by patrol members saved the lives of wounded men. Four recommendations for decorations resulted from this action.

Training during the month showed a further increase although continued heavy operational commitments were assigned.

A school was conducted by the Division Legal Section on 11 May. Eight officers of H&S Company received a one hour lecture on the duties of trial and defense consels.

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Three in-country orientations were held during the month with forty two men attending.

The nightly briefing for the Commanding Officer and his Staff continued.

On 31 May the Battalion was assigned the responsibility for commanding the C-3/C-3 Bridge position. As of the termination date of this report the Battalion Commander is at C-3 establishing control.

Total ammunition expenditures for the month were as follows:

TANKS

	<u>HE</u>	<u>HEAT</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>CANNISTER</u>	<u>BEEHIVE</u>
Direct	898	31	25	161	150
Indirect	29		3		
	<u>.30 Cal.</u>			<u>.50 Cal.</u>	
	59,550			1,250	

ONTOS

<u>HEPT</u>	<u>HEAT</u>	<u>AP</u>	<u>BEEHIVE</u>
216	26	44	4

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LOGISTICS

The heavy commitment and necessarily rapid maintenance turn-around time mentioned for the past three months as being the primary factor affecting this battalion's overall maintenance situation has finally seen its rightful result. On 24 May 68 the Third Tank Battalion entered Equipment Readiness Category 3 and remained in such state until 27 May 68. It is felt that the battalion continued and continues to handle its 2d Echelon responsibilities admirably for during the entire C-3 period a total of only 10 vehicles were deadlined at our 2d Echelon facilities. It stands to reason then that the majority of the problem resided with the 3d Echelon maintenance activity at FLSG-B. This proved to be the case, and is pointed out by the figure of 14 vehicles deadlined at 3d Echelon during this same C-3 period.

There appears to be a growing, yet hopefully distant problem concerning the availability of tank 2d Echelon repair parts. While spare repair parts continue to arrive, the quantities received are not sufficient to allow the adequate building-up of spare parts reserve. The aforementioned problem centers around the circumstances of a fairly rapidly diminishing onhand supply of spare parts without needed replacement parts being received.

Concentrating now on both wheeled and tracked vehicles; there were a total of 14 incidents involving damage to battalion vehicles due to enemy action during May. Of these all but two were returned to use and are currently employed. The two not returned to use are combat losses: one M48A3 Tank and one M54 Truck.

As of 31 May 68 there were 7 tanks, 10 Ontos, 33 motor transport vehicles, 1 communication vehicle, and no ordnance items deadlined. Of these 3 tanks, 4 Ontos, 14 motor transport vehicles, 0 communication vehicles, and 0 ordnance items are at 3d Echelon maintenance facilities. The overall deadline rates can be attributed to no single factor, but among the elements affecting it are enemy activity, lack of adequate spare parts (this is especially true in the case of the Ontos), and slow turn-around of vehicles turned in for 3d Echelon repairs. The following list of major ordnance items and the length of time they have been at 3d Echelon should be informative:

<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AS OF 31 MAY</u>	<u>NO. OF DAYS D/L</u> <u>AT 3D ECH.</u>
Truck, Cargo, M37B1		154
Truck, Utility, M38A1		219

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AT 3D ECH.

Truck, Utility, M38A1 (Contd)	182
	136
	296
	184
	202
	194
	15
Truck, Cargo, M54	39
	102
	1
Tank, Combat, M48A3	20
Tank, Flame, M67A2	22
	9
Recovery Vehicle, M51	9
Ontos M50A1	41
	25
	30
	27

Motor transport vehicles this month traveled 9519 miles in moving 3901 passengers and 620 short tons.

A listing of the battalion's major T/E deficiencies includes four M48A3 tanks, one recovery vehicle, five M38A1 utility trucks, two M37B1 trucks, one TD-15 tractor, two M54 trucks, three mixing and transfer units, and two high pressure cleaning units. There were no major end items received during this month. The M422 reported last month as a suspected combat loss remains in that category as no coding authority has been received from FLSG-Bravo. Five M151 trucks were received as replacement vehicles for the organic M422s. An exchange program of one-for-one has been instituted to get those vehicles to the ultimate using units, and should be completed within a short period. The M422s will be turned in to FLSG-Bravo as they are received.

The Ontos spare/repair parts situation remains a problem area. Early this month couriers were dispatched to FLC, Da Nang to acquire any available Ontos parts. The results were disappointing and as a result, the Ontos deadline rate continues in the vicinity of 50%. Permission was requested and received from Division G-4 to engage in selective interchange with regard to Ontos and it is hoped this will improve the situation. This is viewed as a desperation effort to keep what Ontos we have operational in that

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status, and without adequate supply response a continuing increase in the Ontos deadline rate is inevitable. The five Ontos dead-lined at FLSG-Bravo for lack of OEM were picked up by this battalion on 29 May. Shortages still exist but are being filled via the selective interchange route.

The availability of repair parts required for infrared equipment has not improved. Currently this battalion has a deficiency of 25 Xenon searchlights and 13 M18A1 binoculars. Instructions were received from FMFPac that requisitioning procedures for Xenon would follow normal practice, and the deficiencies were placed on order.

The primary supply activity during this period concerned the compilation of back-order reconciliations for each account held. Additional activities included the implementation of M-16A1 rifle exchange program (chrome barrelled rifles for non-chrome ones), and two activities already mentioned: the procurement of critically needed Ontos repair parts, and the exchange of M151 for M122s.

Services are considered satisfactory. Cantonment improvement continues, and construction of individual protective shelters progresses satisfactorily.

Medical facilities within the battalion are considered satisfactory. There were 48 Marines requiring medical evacuation during May.

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MEDICAL AND DENTAL

Five hundred and ninety-nine patients were seen at routine sick call during May. There was a sharp decrease in the number of diarrhea cases and an increase in dermatologic conditions. This increase stems primarily from the heat.

Venereal disease for the period remained minimal with four cases being reported.

Dental care is now available to members of H&S Company at the 3d Engineer Battalion Aid Station.

Hospital Corps strength remains adequate.

Sanitation in the Battalion Command Post area is very good and continual improvement is expected as all sections are cooperating fully. The Preventive Medicine Unit of "B" Med is conducting surveys of the area because of the proximity of mosquito breeding areas.

Training of Hospital Corps and Marine personnel is continuing with emphasis on technical subjects for Corpsman and in-country indoctrinations for Marines.

ModCap activities were initiated during May. The first ModCap since the Battalion moved to Quang Tri was held on the 16th and a second on the 23d. Both received good response with over one hundred and fifty patients being treated.

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COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS

During May the Communications platoon relocated operations, updated management and maintenance procedures, and improved general communications support of this Battalion.

On May 11th the Communications/COC bunker was completed. Communication operations now located in this bunker are, message center, radio, switchboard, and S&C files.

The Communications Officer attended a communications Crypto school for ten days (17-26 May 1968), thus providing the Communications platoon with a second qualified crypto operator.

The electronics repair shop constructed an AN/VRC-73 test bench. The test set is a duplicate of the communications arrangement within our tracked vehicles, less the T-I phone. This system expedites the location of radio equipment failures.

A second echelon quarterly preventive maintenance inspection was performed on every AN/PRC-25 with in H&S Company.

The Communications platoon continues to maintain 24 hour operational communications. All new personnel have demonstrated a high degree of professionalism and accuracy.

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- 1 May 1968 Tanks A51, A41, and F13 moved from C2 Bridge to A4 for a reaction force.
- Tank A14 at Con Thien fired 3 HE at NVA; NVA was firing .50 MG, firing ceased. Results unknown.
- 2 May 1968 Tank C35 located at LZ Hawk fired 11 HE at enemy mortar position. Mortar position silenced.
- Tanks A41, A55, and F13 responded to ambush of sweep. Tanks A41 and A55 fired 5 HE apiece and F13 fired 30 seconds napalm. Results: unknown.
- Tank C14 at C3 fired 3 cannister and 1500 .30 Cal. when it received small arms fire and grenades from force of platoon size. Results unknown.
- 3 May 1968 M48A3 tank, USMC 201922 (B22) damaged by enemy RPG. Refer to S-4 Journal 031900H May 68.
- 4 May 1968 Tanks B13 and B14 fired 7 HE for suppressive fire in cover of two convoys. Results unknown.
- Tank B23 at CP Winn fired 12 Beehive, H&I fire. Enemy coordinates 971535. Results unknown.
- A Co 21 acted as blocking force at coordinates 165611.
- Tank C23 in support of "B" 1st AmtracBn fired 1 Beehive from C4. Results unknown.
- 6 May 1968 M54 truck, USMC 302255 was destroyed by two enemy RPG's. Refer to S-4 Journal 061630H May 68.
- 7 May 1968 Second echelon quarterly preventive maintenance inspection was performed on all AN/PRC-25s within H&S Company.

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A14 fired 14 HE at 82 recoilless rifle position, saw 1 NVA run out and fall. Results unknown.

A41 and A51 held sweep with A/1/4.

8 May 1968 A Co linked up with 2d ARVN at 1235 7 May on operation expected to last 3 to 4 days, area of operation is Route #1 north of Dong Ha.

9 May 1968 Radio section resituated in the Communications/COC bunker. The Message Center began moving into same bunker this date.

10 May 1968 A41 fired 1 WP at enemy OP (building), OP destroyed.

A33 fired 1 WP and 18 HE, A31 fired 1 WP and 15 HE on request of 3/9, at suspected enemy artillery. Results unknown.

A31 fired 5 HE & A33 fired 5 HE at suspected enemy bunkers and troops on request of 3/9. Results unknown.

11 May 1968 Under the direct supervision of the communications chief, the Communications/COC bunker was completed.

Tanks A24, A35 and A41 fired 3 HE, 3 cannister, 1 HEAT, 3 Beehive in support of infantry in the assault. Objective taken.

12 May 1968 M48A3 tanks, USMC 201825 (C11) and 217773 (C15) were hit by enemy RPG's. Refer to S-4 Journal 160800H May 68.

Message Center became fully operational at the new location. Wire section moved into the bunker and also became fully operational.

C Co unit fired at NVA in open. Expended 14 HE and 7 cannister. Results unknown.

13 May 1968 Final Spot Report; A Co in support of 1/26. A41 fired 11 HE, 3 Beehive, 2 HEAT; A35 fired 7 HE, 1 Beehive, 1 HEAT; A52 fired 7 HE, 1 Beehive, 1 HEAT and 8 cannisters. One friendly KIA. All objectives taken.

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Co "C" 1 unit operating with infantry ran into fortified ville. Total expenditure of ammo; 14 HE, 23 cannister, 6,000 .30 Cal. Results unknown at this time.

14 May 1968 Sweep through small ville with B Co, 1st/5th Cavalry. C11 fired 1 HE, engineers blew 10 bunkers.

15 May 1968 M50A1 Ontos, USMC 226920 (ANA22), M543 wrecker, USMC 323858 and M107 water trailer, USMC 237918 received shrapnel damage at Ahe Sanh. Refer to S-4 Journal 160800H May 68.

C42, A42, C41 fired 18 cannister, 13 HE and F22 and F23 fired 120 seconds of diesel at enemy small arms and mortar. Results unknown.

16 May 1968 C Co 2 prep fire on enemy position and fire after air strike expending 13 HE, 2 APERS, 300 .30 Cal. and 200 .50 Cal. by tanks C41, C42 and A42. Results unknown.

In support of B Co 1st Amtrac Bn C25 fired 7 APERS at enemy position.

17 May 1968 H51 fired 24 HE at enemy positions. Results unknown.

At request of 3/9, A31, A33 and A34 fired 6 HE at enemy. Results unknown.

H51 fired 12 HE at enemy mortar position. Results unknown.

19 May 1968 M48A3 tanks, USMC 201861 (B11), 217829 (B12), 202154 (B13), and 202076 (B14) received combat damage. M48A3 tank, USMC 201939 (B15) was destroyed due to combat damage. Refer to S-4 Journal 191520H MAY 68.

20 May 1968 Tanks C32, C34 and C35 on sweep with F/2/1 engaged enemy in complex. They expended 1 HEAT, 50 .50 Cal., 3,000 .30 Cal. Captured 6 RPG-7, 5A150 Machine Guns, 20 AK47, 2 60mm mortars, 1 .50 Cal. machine gun.

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3d AT's fired a total of 18 HEPT when they spotted enemy troops on ridge line.

21 May 1968 C35 fired 8 HE at NVA in open, in support of E/2/3. Results unknown.

22 May 1968 Tanks A31, A33 and A34 on fire mission from 3/1 expended 10 rounds of HE. Results unknown.

Electronics Repair Shop constructed an AN/VRC 73 test bench, duplicating the communication arrangement within our tracked vehicles.

23 May 1968 Tanks A42, A52, A53, A14, A15 and F32 in support of 1/4. A53 fired 2,000 .30 Cal., 9 cannister, 18 HE, 2 WP, 15 BH, destroying 1 mortar and A15 fired 1,250 .30 Cal., 200 .50 Cal, 27 HE, 6 cannister, 14 BH, destroyed 1 RPG-7. 20 KIA by A53 and A15.

Tank A55 fired 12 HE at enemy troops in open, 5 confirmed KIA's.

24 May 1968 Tank B21 fired 10 HE and 2 WP at suspected position in support of D/3/1. Results unknown.

Tank C32 fired 3 HE on suspected bunker position in support of G/2/3. Results unknown.

25 May 1968 A51 fired 18 HE and 1 Beehive on enemy troops in open, 12 enemy KIA (C).

Tanks A14, A53, A52, A41 each fired 3 rounds cannister in support of 1/4. Results unknown.

26 May 1968 Tank A51 fired 6 HE M71A1 at active rocket position. Results unknown.

Tank C25 fired 12 APERS in support of Co B, 1st AmtracBn, results unknown.

3d AT's fired 35 HEPT rounds at possible FO/Active rocket position.

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27 May 1968 Tanks A23 and A24 fired 18 HE and 4 Beehive in support of M/3/9 while on sweep. Results unknown.

Tanks B31 and C15 fired 17 HE, 5 cannister, and 12 Beehive in support of K/3/3 while on sweep. Results unknown.

Tank B23 fired 12 HE H&I fire in support of 3/9. Results unknown.

Co A, 3d AT's fired 25 HEPT and 4 Beehive in support of E/2/1. Results unknown.

Co A, 3d AT's fired 12 HEPT P&EP fires for G/2/1. Results unknown.

28 May 1968 2nd Plt Co A fired 6 cannister, 8 HE, 1 Beehive into known enemy mortar position. Results unknown.

3d Plt Co A received recoillés rifle fire, fired 4 HE. Results unknown.

3d Plt Co A received fire mission from F/2/26, platoon fired total 28 HE at suspected enemy position, results unknown.

2nd Plt Co A assaulted known enemy position and breeched enemy machine gun fire. 5 enemy KIA (C).

Tank B42 fired 28 HE and 6 WP at enemy firing position on Dong Ha Mountain. Results unknown.

Tanks C32 and C34 as reactionary force w/E/2/3. C32 fired 18 HE, 5 APERS; C34 fired 1 HE. 7 enemy KIA (C).

3d AT's fired 12 HEPT at enemy infiltration groups. Results unknown.

3d AT's fired 11 HEPT rounds at suspected enemy positions. Results unknown.

3d AT's fired 12 HEPT at enemy troop movement around bunker, destroyed bunker, unknown enemy casualties.

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3d AT's fired 15 HEPT, 1 AP at enemy bunker complex/PO position. Results unknown.

30 May 1968 3d AT's fired 38 rounds AP indirect fire at enemy troops in open. Results unknown.

31 May 1968 Tanks A34, A31 fired a total of 12 HE at enemy positions. Results unknown.

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Enclosure (1)

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

3/CJS/rlg
3500
31 May 1968

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
Subj: Lessons Learned for the Month of May 1968
Ref: (a) DivO 3480.1B

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

a. Problem. It is common practice for tank drivers to keep their hatches open in close terrain in order to improve their field of vision. Upon contact with the enemy the hatches are buttoned up. Recent encounters between tanks and NVA/VC RPG teams have shown that the enemy has modified his anti-tank tactics. RPG teams now aim their first shots at the front of the tanks in an effort to hit the driver thus stopping the tank and making it vulnerable to further attack.

b. Solution/Recommendation. In view of the above it is necessary for tank drivers to sacrifice the added visibility resulting from driving with an open hatch when operating in close terrain. Additionally this NVA/VC tactic adds greater importance to the providing of close in security, by the infantry, to the tank.

John C. Duff
J. C. DUFF
By direction

TAB A

CONTINUED OF THE DAILY REPORT

01 May to 31 May 1968

IN	OUT	SER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS,	ACT
			011100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN SSgt P. C. CARTER	
			011100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN LCpl F. L. GULLETT	
			011100	WIAE Reported by E Co 3d TkbN Sgt G. R. HENRY	
			011130	NBCE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Pvt C. W. LITTLEFIELD	
			011800	WIAE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN PFC R. E. AUTHY	
			011600	Published BSO 62-68	
			020730	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Sgt J. IRIZARRY	
			021200	WIAE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN Capt W. J. O'BUCH	
			021200	NBCE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Cpl R. N. HASTINGS	
			021500	Published BSO 63-68	
			031100	WIAE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN 1stLt J. T. MERO	
			031500	Published BSO 64-68	
			031700	Published BSO 65-68	
			041700	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN GySgt B. D. THOMASON	
			041700	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN 1stLt J. P. COAN	
			041800	NBCE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN Cpl B. J. VARELA	
			050430	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN LCpl A. G. DUPREE	
			051045	KIA Reported by A Co 3d TkbN LCpl S. LEWIS	
			051045	KIA Reported by A Co 3d TkbN PFC G. E. DAVIS	
			051045	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN LCpl R. R. GOMEZ	
			051045	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Sgt A. N. DIEP	
			051045	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN PFC D. L. RUSSELL	
			051045	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN 2ndLt W. W. CAMPBELL	
			051115	KIA Reported by A Co 3d TkbN PFC D. J. BLOMFELT	
			051200	NBCE Reported by BAS 3d TkbN Sgt E. L. DAILEY	
			061100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Sgt G. W. VANBEEK	
			061100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Cpl R. H. NORRIS	
			061100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN 1stLt W. R. BRIGNON	

TAB B

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COMBINED CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT

IN	OUT	SER	DATA	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACT
			061100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Cpl F. A. MATHEWS	
			061100	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN 1st Lt J. T. GULLEY	
			061100	Published BSO 66-68	
			081115	NBCNE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC J. W. MORTELL	
			091111	WIANE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN PFC R. D. HERZOG	
			091805	KIA Reported by A Co 3d TkbN Cpl R. N. MINETTO	
			101700	NBCNE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN LCpl A. P. HENDON	
			101600	Published BSO 67-68	
			111050	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN Cpl L. P. COCO	
			111600	WIANE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN Cpl G. FLAVIANI	
			111615	WIANE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN 1st Lt S. P. LARSON	
			121700	NBCNE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC C. T. BERG	
			131355	NBCNE Reported by A Co 3d TkbN SSgt A. B. CASEY	
			141115	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC M. A. BROWN	
			141115	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC J. W. MORTELL	
			141500	Published BSO 68-68	
			160730	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN LCpl J. P. IRIZARRY	
			160730	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN Cpl J. V. MONGOLO	
			181800	NBCNE Reported by C Co 3d TkbN Cpl M. C. CERVERA	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC J. C. COX	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN Cpl F. R. KELLOGG	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC A. M. CONKLIN	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN Cpl R. CERDA	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN Cpl R. W. OSWOOD	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN 1st Lt H. D. HIMES	
			191100	WIANE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN LCpl S. CAMARDESE	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC C. A. LARABELL	
			191100	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkbN PFC C. R. LEHMAN	

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IN	OUT	STRT	END	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACT
			191400	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn Cpl P. L. BADDGOR	
			191400	WIAE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn PFC C. TRINIDAD	
			201120	WIANE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn PFC J. D. KOHNKE	
			201120	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn Cpl D. L. MCCARTNEY	
			201300	Published BSO 69-68	
			221600	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn PFC P. E. JONES	
			221600	WIAE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn Cpl R. L. MIMS	
			221230	NBCNE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn Gysgt B. D. THOMASON	
			221500	Published BSO 70-68	
			231310	NBCE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn LCpl S. S. WILLIAMS	
			251300	NBCE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn Sgt C. M. EVANS	
			251600	NBCE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn LCpl C. R. RUBY	
			261700	NBCE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn Sgt C. F. HOWARD	
			261100	WIAE Reported by C Co 3d TkBn PFC C. D. GUNN	
			261100	WIAE Reported by C Co 3d TkBn LCpl J. W. MCKAIN	
			281400	KIA Reported by B Co 3d TkBn PFC R. F. BARDET	
			281600	Published BSO 71-68	
			290400	WIANE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn LCpl T. L. COLSON	
			301540	NBCE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn LCpl W. L. THUNSTROM	
			301900	NBCNE Reported by B Co 3d TkBn LCpl S. CAMARDESE	
			302100	NBCE Reported by A Co 3d TkBn LCpl G. L. DAHLHEIMER	

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Time		Serial Number	Time Dated	Incidents, Intsums, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out				
1200		1	301800Z	300001H to 012400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #121	s-m-f
1200		2	011800Z	020001H to 022400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #122	s-m-f
1200		3	021800Z	030001H to 032400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #123	s-m-f
1200		4	031800Z	040001H to 042400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #124	s-m-f
1200		5	041800Z	050001H to 052400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #125	s-m-f
1200		6	051800Z	060001H to 062400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #126	s-m-f
1200		7	061800Z	070001H to 072400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #127	s-m-f
1200		8	071800Z	080001H to 082400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #128	s-m-f
1200		9	081800Z	090001H to 092400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #129	s-m-f
1200		10	091800Z	100001H to 102400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #130	s-m-f
1200		11	101800Z	110001H to 112400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #131	s-m-f
1200		12	111800Z	120001H to 122400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #132	s-m-f
1200		13	121800Z	130001H to 132400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #133	s-m-f
1200		14	131800Z	140001H to 142400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #134	s-m-f
1200		15	141800Z	150001H to 152400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #135	s-m-f
1200		16	151800Z	160001H to 162400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #136	s-m-f
1200		17	161800Z	170001H to 172400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #137	s-m-f
1200		18	171800Z	180001H to 182400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #138	s-m-f
1200		19	181800Z	190001H to 192400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #139	s-m-f
1200		20	191800Z	200001H to 202400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #140	s-m-f
1200		21	201800Z	210001H to 212400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #141	s-m-f
1200		22	211800Z	220001H to 222400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #142	s-m-f
1200		23	221800Z	230001H to 232400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #143	s-m-f
1200		24	231800Z	240001H to 242400H 3dMarDiv Intsum #144	s-m-f

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 S-3 S-2 Journal
 Viet-Nam
 Fr 020001ZMAY68
 To 022400ZMAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
021235		01	021001	From CE-C C35 fired 11 HE at enemy mortar, mortar position silenced. Results unknown.	
021235		02	021030	From CE-A A41 and A55 fired 5 HE apiece and F13 fired 30 Seconds, on ambush of sweep. Results unknown.	
021315		03	021215	From CE-C C14 fired 3 Can and 1,500 .30 cal at an approximately at platoon of NVA firing small arms and grenades. Note: Found drug markes in area this AM. Results unknown.	
021645		04	021440	From CE-B F21 fired 70 Sec of diesel for K/3/1. Results unknown.	

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 Fr 010000MAY68
 To 012400MAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
011005		01	010845	From CE-A A51 A41 and F13 moved to A4 for a reaction force. Results unknown.	
011215		02	011105	From CE-A A44 fired 3 HE at NVA 50 MG shooting at air strike. 50 MG ceased firing. XXXXXXXX HE Result unknown.	

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 S-3 S-2 Journal
 Viet-Nam
 Fr 030001HAPR68
 To 032400HAPR68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
030900		01	021850	From CE-B Flame fired 30 sec diesel, to clear field of fire. Results unknown.	
031720		02	031430	From CE-B B11 and B12 fired 7 HEAT and 5 HE, for zeroing. Results unknown.	
031910		03	031435	From CE-B F21 fired 30 sec diesel to clear field of fire for K3/1/ Results unknown.	
031910		04	031454	From CE-B F21 fired 70 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for K/3/1. Results unknown.	

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 Fr 040001HMAY68
 To 042400HMAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
041120		01	041130	From CE-B F21 fired 40 sec blast deisle, for K/3/1/ Results unknown.	
041120		02	041030	From CE-B B25 fired H & I fire, expended 35 Beehive. Results unknown.	
041120		03	041135	From CE-B F21 fired 30 sec deisle for K/3/1. Results unknown.	
041830		04	041835	From CE-B B13 and B14 fired 7 HE in cover of convoys. Results unknown.	
041650		05	041425	F21 fired 60 sec deisle for clearing field of fire. Results unknown.	
041445		06	041440	From CE-C C23 fired 1 beehive in support of Badmitton Results unknown.	
041000		07	040845	From CE-A A51 and A41 held mine sweep with 1/4 C2. Results unknown.	
041800		08	041700	From CE-A A Co acted as blocking force. Results unknown.	

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 Fr 050000LHMAY68
 To 052400HLMAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
050900		01	050730	From CE-B B23 fired 12 Beehive, H & I. Results unknown	
051700		02	051200	From CE-B F21 fired 70 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for K/3/1. Results unknown.	
051905		03	051820	From CE-B F21 fired 30 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for K/3/1. Results unknown.	

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 Fr 060001HMAY68
 To 062400HMAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				TASK FORCE ROBBIE	
060900		07	052030	Submitted: Vehicle Report	
				3d AT's	
061114		08	061030	Submitted: Location Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
061500		01	061330	<p>***CE-A***</p> <p>Co. A Maintenance truck #302255, 1100 AM 6 May , between C3 and C2, YD133624, enemy ambush small arms and RPGs. One 5 ton truck destroyed hit with RPG & small arms. Co. A presently retrieving truck now. Will notify when completed. Results unknown.</p>	
061610		02	061500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
061610		03	061435	<p>***CE-B***</p> <p>F21 fired 70 seconds diesel to clear field of fire for M/3/1. Results unknown</p>	
061610		04	061255	F21 fired 30 seconds diesel to clear field of fire for M/3/1. Results unknown	
061940		05	061830	F21 fired 20 seconds diesel to clear field of fire for M/3/1. Results unknown	
061610		06=	061550=	<p>***CE-C***</p> <p>Submitted: Location report</p>	

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 To 072400HMAY68

Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
071705		09	071650	<p>Submitted: Location Report</p> <p>***CE-B***</p>	
071300		10	071100	<p>Submitted: Location Report</p> <p>***3d ATs***</p>	
	071900	11	071635	<p>*****</p> <p>To C#a6, B6, C6, and ANA6. All combat vehicles, tracked and wheeled, will display appropriate air recognition panels on top rear deck area in order to aid friendly air craft in identifying friendly vehicles.</p>	

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In	Out				
				CE-A	
071020		01	061630	A44 fired 14 HE at 82 recoilless rifle position, saw 1 NVA run out and fall. Results unknown	
071035		02	070845	A41 and A51 held sweep with A/1/4. Results unknown	
072000		03	071645	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-B	
071430		04	071057=	B24 fired 6 HE at enemy rocket position. Results unknown	
072000		05	071845	F21 fired 60 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for K/E/1. Results unknown	
071710		06	071230	F21 fired 30 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for K/3/1. Results unknown	
071435		07	071400	Submitted: HE Report, Vehicle Status Report, Location Report	
071700		08	071505	Resubmitted: HE report, Vehicle Status Report, Location Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
081425		08	081125	<p>***CE-B***</p> <p>B11 fired 2 Beehive, 500 .30 cal., 100 .50 cal. and B12 fired 1 Beehive, 600 .30 cal., 50 .50 cal. at suspected enemy movement. Results unknown</p>	
081703		09	081515	Submitted: Vehicle Status Report, Location Report, HE Report	
081700		10	081631	<p>***CE-B***</p> <p>Submitted: Location Report</p>	
081145		11	081020	<p><u>3d Anti-Tank</u></p> <p>Submitted: Location Report</p>	
	082214	12	082155	<p>*****</p> <p>To-ANA6 Info regarding recognition panels required immmed. Request provide earliest possible.</p>	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				SECRET	
081550		01	081015	A23 fired 1 HE and A32 fired 4 HE at NVA in open. Results unknown	
081000		02	080900	A24, A35, A53, A52, and F21 in support of the 9th Mar. 1/26 Mar, in area north of Dong Ha for approximately 4 days, Route 1. Results as of this time negative.	
080000		03	080901	A Co. linked up with 2d ARVN at 1235 7 May on operation expected to last 3 to 4 days, area of operation is Route 1 North of Dong Ha. Results unknown.	
081552		04	081315 080715	A52, A24, A53 each fired 3 HE and 1,000 .30 cal. Results unknown	
081701		05	081615	A34 fired 20 HE and 3 WP in a counter battery roll at enemy guns, enemy ceased fire. Results unknown	
081550		06	081130	A41 fired 3 HE and A35 fired 3 HE also at suspected NVA village. Results unknown	
081830		07	081515	Submitted: Ammo Report, Position Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtn	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
090931		01	081840	<p>***<u>CE-A</u>***</p> <p>At request of 3/9 All fired 2 WP and 8 HE at 2 track vehicles, suspected tanks at above coordinates, 19377807 Results unknown</p> <p>Submitted: Location Report</p>	
091730		03	091600	<p>***<u>CE-B</u>***</p> <p>Propose switch of 1st and 3d platoons at Khe Sanh will be effected 12 May 1968.</p>	
091730		04	091500	Submitted: HE Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
091545		05	091437	<p><u>3d AT's Bn.</u></p> <p>Have 11 recognition panels. Require additional 31 panels. Requirements based on 2 panels for each track and wheeled vehicle.</p> <p><u>Task Force Robbie</u></p>	
090730		06	081825	A25 off Deadline	
090930		07	081647	Submitted: Vehicle Location Report, Ammo Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
101130		09	100810	A52 and A53 fired 8,000 .30 cal., 500 .50 cal., 15 Canisters, 10 HE and 1 Beehive on assault of hill to assist D Co. 1/26. Results none at this time	
101830		10	101500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report ***CE-B***	
101130		11	100730	B11 Fired 1 Beehive, 500 .30 cal., 50 .50 cal. at suspected enemy position. Results unknown	
102000		12	101845	F21 fired 60 seconds of diesel to clear field of fire for M/3/1. Results unknown	
101800		13	101600	Submitted: Ammo Report, Vehicle Status Report, Location Report ***CE-C***	
101800		14	101616	Submitted: Vehicle Location Report <u>3d AT's</u>	
101500		15	101035	Submitted: Location Report <u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
102020		16	101905	Submitted: Location Report, Ammo Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtr	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				<u>***CE-A***</u>	
109000		01	091430	A41 fired 8 HE and A35 fired 4 HE at NVA in open. Results unknown.	
100900		02	091530	All fired 1 WP, 1 HEAT, and 8 HE on request from 3/9 at suspected tank. Results unknown	
102000		03	101501	A41 fired 2 Beehive at NVA in open. Results unknown	
102005		04	101502	A35 fired 1 HE at NVA in open. Results unknown	
102006		05	101505	A41 fired 1 WP at enemy OP (building), OP destroyed. Results unknown	
102007		06	101520	A33 fired 1 WP and 18 HE, A31 fired 1 WP and 15 HE on request of 3/9, at suspected enemy artillery. Results unknown	
102008		07	101805	Recon by fire, expended 1 Beehive, 3 HE and 3,000 .30 cal. Results unknown	
102030		08	102000	A31 fired 5 HE and A33 fired 5 HE at suspected enemy bunkers and troops on request of 3/9. Results unknown	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
111740		01	111400	***CE-A*** A24 fired 1 HE, 3 Canister, A35 fired 1 HE, 1 Beehive A41 fired 1 HEAT, 1 HE, 2 Beehive. Objective taken. Results unknown	
111740		02	111515	At request of 3/9 A33 fired 1 WP and 4 HE and A31 fired 1 WP at active artillery position. Results unknown	
111740		03	111525=	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report ***CE-B***	
111740		04	111530	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report ***CE-C***	
112110		05	111930	Sweep with B/1/5 Cav in (2363) area began at 1600H. 1 routine medivac Cpl F 7606 Results unknown	
111740		06	111723	Submitted: Vehicle Location Report <u>3d AT</u>	
111130		07	091437=	Require additional 31 panels, requirements based on two foreach track/wheeled vehicles.	
111740		08	110935	Submitted: Location Report <u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
112110		09	112000	Submitted: Vehicle Status Report	

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In	Out				
111925		10	111920	***** Request location F22 and F23	

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In	Out				
				*** <u>CE-A</u> ***	
131710		01	131615=	Reactionary, 2 tanks setting between C2 Bridge and Con Thien. Results unknown	
131820		02	131615	At request of 3/9 A31 fired 3 HE at enemy mortar position Results unknown.	
131710		03	131500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				*** <u>CE-B</u> ***	
131000		04	130840	Shift between B3 and B1 completed.	
131710		05	131500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				*** <u>CE-C</u> ***	
131045		06	131020	C25 fired 6 APERS at enemy in support B 1st AMTRAC BN. Results unknown	
				Submitted: Location Report.	
				<u>3AT</u>	
131200		07	131110	Submitted: Location Report	
				F. F. R.	
				Submitted: Location Report	

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In	Out				
121430		07	121400	Co C. unit. Fired at NVA in open. 14 HE, 7 Canister. Results unknown	
121735		08	121705	Submitted; Location Report <u>3d AT</u>	
121258		09	121055	Submitted: Location Report <u>Task Froce Robbie</u>	
121735		10	121610	Submitted: Location Report, Ammo Report, Vehicle Status Report *****	
	121325	11	121225	CE-B vehicle operational. VE-G reported as of 111530H that vehicles were operational. Request clarify, are vehicles deadlined or is it that you feel the difficult run in question would cause bread down.	

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In	Out				
				CE-A	
120835		01	121930	At request from 3/9 A33 fired 5 HE and A34 fired 5 HE at suspected enemy position. Results unknown	
121735		02	121505	A14 fired 4 HE. Results unknown	
121105		03	120915	Final Spot Report. On 8 objective A41 fired 11 HE, 3 Beehive, 2 HEAT: A35 fired 9 HE, 1 Beehive, 1 HEAT, A24 fired 11 HE, 2 Beehive, 1 HEAT, 7 Canisters; A53 fired 7 HE, 1 Beehive, 1 HEAT: A52 7 HE, 1 Beehive, 1 HEAT, and 8 canisters. One KIA, Cpl M 6040. Results unknown.	
121735		04	121500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-B	
121701		05	121600	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-C	
121015		06	120930	Co. C. 1 unit operating with Bright Lightning ran into fortified ville. Total expenditure of ammo. 14 HE, 23 Canister, 6,000 .30 cal. Cpl Medavac 7606, Lt non- ewac 1222. Results unknown at this time.	

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In	Out				
131450		08	131445	<p>*****</p> <p>Prov Narasfrno 2 NCO/SNCO to attend marksmanship instruction training on 7 June. Pers report to CE-3 this positon on 6 June.</p>	
131375		09	121300	Request confirm shift B-3 and B-1.	

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In	Out				
141930		09	141815	B11 fired 4 HE at known enemy position.	
141800		10	141600	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
				<u>3d A.T.s</u>	
141430		11	141040	Submitted: Location Report.	
				<u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
141717		12	141600	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	

141500	141500	13	141540	During the sensitive period of the initiation and conduct of negotiations in Paris, it is imperative that there be a single voice speaking for the government. In view of this, personnel of the armed services should not discuss the activities, conditions, or other matters associated with the deliberations, except on a required, classified and need to know basis. A no commend posture in public and private by the uniformed members of the armed forces is appropriate.	

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In	Out				
141031		01	141000	***CE-G*** Sweep small ville W/Black gld of (General Motors) C11 fired 1 Greatdane, engineers blew 10 bunkers Results unknown	
141715		02	141655	When fired on from Kang Kat Ville C35 fired 12 HE. Results unknown.	
141716		03	141656	Submitted: Location Report	
				CE-A	
141032		04	140815	Personnel to attend marksmanship training. Sgt L 8353 Cpl L 9129	
141620		05	141505	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Status Report	
				CE-B	
141820		06	141445	B14 and B15 fired 14 Can, 5 HE, and 500 .30 cal. when hit by small arms and RPG. Results unknown.	
141930		07	141805	B11 fired 2 WP, 3 HE at known enemy position. Results unknown.	
141930		08	141810	B11 fired 3 WP, 4 HE at known enemy position. Results unknown.	

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In	Out				
				<u>Task Force Rebbie</u> Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, & Vehicle Status Report ***** CG 3d MarDiv: addres obtain refa from supported unit, read and insure subordinates informed in acc/w para. 3 thereof.	
	150820	09	150900		

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In	Out				
				CE-A	
150800		01	142030	SRB on ANH now located in CEY.	
151547		02	151500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-B	
151815		03	151700	BL4 fired 17 HE at suspected enemy FO Results unknown	
151815		04	151745	Change to spot report: 4 NVA KIA confirmed by CO"B".	
151535		05	151500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-C	
151445		06	151428	C42, A42, C41 fired 18 Can, 13 HE, F22 & F33 fired 120 sec of diesel. at enemy small arms and mortars. Results unknown.	
151700		07	151650	Submitted: Location Report	
				3d A.F.s	
151815		08	151615	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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In	Out				
161800		09	161710	Submitted: Location Report <u>3dA.T.</u>	
161545		10	161045	Submitted: Location Report <u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
161130		11	151615	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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In	Out				
160846		01	152040	At request of 3/9 A13 and A34 fired 10 HE and 2 Beehive. at suspected enemy position. Results unknown.	
161632		02	161520	Submitted: Ammo Report Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
161545		03	161500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
160945		04	160903	C Co 2 prep fire on enemy position and sweep fire after air strike expending 13 HE, 2 APers, 300 .30 cal and 200 150 cal. by tanks C41 C42 and A42. Results unknown.	
160847		05	152130	Sweep W/B/1/5, thru fortified ville vicinity 2165. Results unknown	
161800		06	161740	Tanks C34 and C35 fired 50 HE at range 2000 when engaged by unknown force. Results unknown.	
161800		07	161745	B/1/5 on sweep thru ville vicinity 213628. Results unknown unknown.	
161610		08	161557	In support of B Co. 1st Amtrac Bn, C25 fired 7 APERS at enemy position. Results unknown.	

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In	Out				
				Task Force Robbie	
171800		10	171700	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

171525		11	171510	LCpl D 3912 will attend embark school commencing 1 Jun anticipate orders approximately 25 May.	

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In	Out				
				CE-A	
170830		01	162800	H51 fired 24 HE. Results unknown	
170830		02	161915	At request of 3/9 A31, A33, A34 each fired 6 HE at enemy Results unknown	
171100		03	171830	On fire mission from 1/4, A34 fired 14 HE. Results unknown	
171500		04	171230	H51 fired 12 HE at enemy mortar position. Results unknown.	
171815		05	171750	REsubmitted: Location Report	
				CE-B	
171730		06	171525	B23 and B24 5 HE apiece at suspected enemy position. Results unknown	
171730		07	171520	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				CE-C	
171730		08	171620	Submitted: Location Report	
171230		09	171055	Submitted: Location Report 3d F.T.s	

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In	Out				
181610		01	181500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Status Report ***CE-A***	
181730		02	181520	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report ***CE-B***	
181651		03	181620	Submitted: Location Report ***CE-C***	
181340		04	181050	<u>3d A.T.</u> FWFA Fired at suspected enemy position expending 24 HEAT. Results unknown	
181340		05	181100	Received 3 enemy rockets, shrapnel from rocket destroyed elevation mechanism on A22. Results unknown	
181340		06	181105	Submitted: Location Report <u>Task Force Rebbie</u>	
18000		07	181636	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
191545		01	191500	<p>***<u>CE-A</u>***</p> <p>Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report</p> <p>***<u>CE-B</u>***</p>	
190811		02	182030	B21 fired 5 HE at enemy artillery position. Results Unknown	
190010		03	182035	B21 fired 4 HE at enemy artillery position. Results unknown	
192010		04	191625	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
191842		05	191655	<p>***<u>CE-C</u>***</p> <p>Submitted: Location Report</p> <p><u>3d A. T.</u></p>	
191635		06	191535	Submitted: Location Report Task Force Rebbie	
191925		07	191620	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
192030		08	192015	<p>*****</p> <p>Request details todays action as soon as available AM particularly interested in task assigned B-1 by infantry.</p>	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
200845		01	192030	*** <u>CE-A</u> *** A55 fired 7 HE at enemy artillery or rocket position. Results unknown	
201605		02	201500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
201700		03	201710	*** <u>CE-B</u> *** Submitted: Change to vehicle status report.	
201810		04	201700	*** <u>CE-C</u> *** C32, C34, and C35 on sweep with F/2/1 engaged enemy in complex. The expended 1 HEAT, 50 .50 cal., 3,000 .30 cal. 1 Cpl C 3071 burn on left hand, evac to Khe Sanh, 6 RPG-7. 5 AL-50 Mach Guns, 20 AK-47, 2 60mm mortars, 1 .50 cal. mach gun.	
201810		05	201620	C23 fired 10 HE at enemy force in support of H/2/3. Results unknown	
201810		06	201622	Submitted: Location Report	
201306		07	200955	Task 3d A. T. 3d A. T. Fired 18 HEPT when spotted enemy troops on ridge line.	
208000		08	201005	Submitted: Location Report	
201950		09	201735	<u>Task Force Robbie</u> Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				*** <u>CE-A</u> ***	
211806		01	211120	A33 and A34 fired 20 HE and 2 Beehive at suspected enemy position. Results unknown.	
211805		02	211500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
				*** <u>CE-B</u> ***	
211636		03	211530	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
				*** <u>CE-C</u> ***	
211020		04	2109 45	C35 fired 8 HE at NVA in open. In support of E/2/3. Results unknown.	
211637		05	211600	Submitted: Location Report 3d A. T.	
211146		06	211045	Fired 2 106mm AP at enemy troops in two positions. Results Unknown	
211147		07	211040	Submitted: Location Report Task Force Robbie	
211950		08	211730	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
222052		09	221925	<p>*****</p> <p>Recently some difficulties with the accuracy and timeliness of the subject reports have been encountered. These reports are consolidated and submitted to higher HQ where the info contained therein is used in the making of tactical decisions. Excuses for inaccuracies and lateness are not sent to higher HQ nor will they be accepted. Subject reports will be submitted accurately and in accordance with instructions and will arrive at this HQ not later than 1800 daily.</p>	
221012		10	220840	Access obtained, read and comply with reference A	

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In	Out				
				*** <u>CE-A</u> ***	
220120		01	220945	A31, A33, and A34 fired 10 HE on fire mission for 3/3 Results unknown	
222000		02	221900	A44 and A52 received sporadic sniper fire, no direct contact, by tanks. Results unknown	
221650		03	221505	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
				*** <u>CE-B</u> ***	
221630		04	221630	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	
				*** <u>CE-C</u> ***	
221651		05	221540	Submitted: Location Report <u>3d A.T.</u>	
221406		06	221045	Fired 25 HEPT in support of 2/3. Results unknown.	
221405		08	221050	Submitted: Location Report	
				Task Force Robbie	
221912		08	221815	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report.	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				*** <u>CE-A</u> ***	
231245		01	230950	Submitted: Change of location	
231900		02	230930	A41 and A52 held sweep with 1/4 Cl. Results unknown	
231900		03	231730	A55 fired 12 HE, at enemy troops in the open, 5 KIA Results unknown	
231900		04	231500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				*** <u>CE-B</u> ***	
231636		05	231500	Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	
				*** <u>CE-C</u> ***	
231030		06	230955	C31 fired 12 HE in support of E/2/3. Results unknown	
231900		07	231650	2316 Submitted: Location Report 3d A.T.	
231900		08	231650	Fired 12 HEPT and 3 AP at suspected enemy position, Results unknown	
232101		09	231700	Task Force Roobie Submitted: Ammo Report, Location Report, Vehicle Status Report	

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232320		10	231900	<p><u>CE-A</u></p> <p>A42, A52, A53, A14, A15, F32 support of 1/4. A53 A53 fired 2000 130 cal, 9 cannister, 18 HE, 2 WP, 15 beehive, destroyed 1 mortar, A15 fired 1250 .30 cal, 200 .50 Cal, 27 HE, 6 cannister, 14 beehive, destroy- ed 1 RPG-7, 20 KIA by A53 and A15</p> <p>*****</p>	
	231715	11	231715	<p>CE B6: Talked with Barrister 3 AT 1600 today. Agreed to have C6 submit reports on accidental discharge.</p>	

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In	Out				
241645		01	241500	<u>CE-A</u> Submitted: Location/Status report	
251325		02	241955	<u>CE-B</u> B21 fired 10 HE and 2 WP at suspected enemy position in support of 3/1 B, Results unknown	
241840		03	241600	Submitted: Location/Status report <u>CE-C</u>	
241800		04	241655	Submitted: Location report	
241935		05	241905	C32 fired 3 HE on suspected bunker position in support of G/2/3, Results unknown	
241135		06	241035	<u>3d AT</u> Submitted: Location report	
241800		07	241710	<u>Task Force Robbie</u> Submitted: Location/Status report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				<u>3d AT (Contd)</u>	
251630		10	250930	Expended 24 rounds Heat for FAM fire	
				<u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
251900		11	251720	Submitted: Location/Status report	

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Time		Ser	Dtg	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				<u>CE-A</u>	
251630		01	251025	A51 fired 18 HE and 1 Beehive on enemy troops in open, 12 enemy KIA (Confirmed)	
251630		02	251515	Submitted: Location/Status report	
251800		03	251625	A14, A53, A52, A41 each fired 3 rounds cannister in support of 1/4, results unknown	
251800		04	251615	Submitted: Change in location report	
				<u>CE-B</u>	
251820		05	251600	Submitted: Location/Status report	
260830		06	252230	B13 fired 18 HE in support of 2/3 at contemplated enemy movement, results unknown	
				<u>CE-C</u>	
251400		07	251345	C32 fired 16 HE H&I fir for G/2/3, results unknown	
251630		08	251620	Submitted: Location/Status report	
				<u>3d AT</u>	
251305		09	250935	Submitted: Location report	

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In	Out				
				<u>Task Force Robbie (Contd)</u>	
261800		09	261700	Submitted: Location/Status report	
270800		10	262030	Submitted: Change in Location report	

	261720	11	261722	AN: Tell CE-1 to have PFC A report burned hands, have explanation for CE-B for late casualty report. LCpl C is getting Purple Heart.	
	261150	12	261150	ANA6: Requirement for Tank Reaction Force to assist ARVN unit at C1. 3 tanks ordered, one was C33. It is unknown when tanks will be released, C33 will return to your area.	

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In	Out				
				<u>CE-A</u>	
261720		01	261605	A51 fired 6 HE M71A1 at active rocket position, results unknown.	
261720		02	261530	Submitted: Location/Status report	
				<u>CE-B</u>	
261800		03	261520	Submitted: Location/Status report	
				<u>CE-C</u>	
261800		04	261720	C25 fired 12 APERS in support of BCo, 1st AmtracBn results unknown	
261800		05	261730	Submitted: Location/Status report	
261800		06	261721	C34 fired 25 rounds HE on NVA in open, results unknown	
				<u>3d AT</u>	
261300		07	261050	Fired 35 HEPT rounds at possible FO/Active Rocket position	
261300		08	261053	Submitted: Location/Status report	
				<u>Task Force Robbie</u>	

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					<u>3d AT (Contd)</u>	
271300			08	271020	Submitted: Location Report	
271300			09	271005	Fired 25 HEPT, 4 Beehive in Support of E/2/1, results unknown	
271300			10	271000	Fired 12 HEPT PREP fires for G/2/1, results unknown	
					<u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
271820			11	271620	Submitted: Location/Status report	

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In	Out				
				<u>CE-A</u>	
271800		01	271600	Submitted: Location/Status report	
280810		02	271900	A23 fired 8 HE, 3 Beehive and A24 fired 10 HE, 1 Beehive in support of M/3/9 while on sweep, results unknown. B31 and C15 fired 17 HE, 5 cannister, and 12 Beehive in support of K/3/3 while on sweep, results unknown.	
				<u>CE-B</u>	
271633		03	270900	B23 fired 12 HE H&I fire in support of 3/9, results unknown.	
271800		04	271530	Submitted: Location/Status report	
				<u>CE-C</u>	
271800		05	271657	C31 working with H/2/3 protecting B35 had incoming enemy 82MM Mortar hit next to C31. Two friendly WIA's, 1 friendly non-serious WIA.	
271800		06	271655	Submitted: Location report	
				<u>3d AT</u>	
271300		07	271007	Fired 27 HEPT, 2 Heat for FAM purposes.	

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					<u>CE-C</u>	
281810			09	281655	C32 and C34 as reactionary force w/E/2/3. C32 fired 18 HE, 5 APERS C34 fired 1 HE. 7 enemy KIA confirmed.	
281820			10	281650	Submitted: Location report	
					<u>3d AT</u>	
281130			11	281000	Fired 24 HEPT at enemy infiltration groups, results unknown.	
281320			12	281130	Submitted: Location report.	
281820			13	281620	Fired 12 HEPT at enemy troop movement around bunker, destroyed bunker, unknown enemy casualties.	
291025			14	281004	Fired 11 HEPT rounds at suspected enemy positions, results unknown.	
291020			15	281013	Fired 15 HEPT, 1 AP at enemy bunker complex/FO position, results unknown.	
					<u>Task Force Robbie</u>	
281820			16	281715	Submitted: Location/Status report	

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281530			01	281015	<u>CE-A</u> 2nd Plt fired 6 cannister, 8 HE, 1 Beehive into known enemy motar position, results unknown	
281810			02	281535	Submitted: Location/Status report	
281530			03	281020	3d Plt received recoilles rifle fire, fired 4 HE, results unknown	
281530			04	281110	3d Plt received fire mission from F/2/26, Plt fired total 28 HE at suspected enemy position, results unknown	
290830			05	282010	2nd Plt assaulted known enemy position and breeched enemy machine gun fire. 5 enemy KIA (Confirmed), 12 enemy KIA Probable.	
281820			06	281445	<u>CE-B</u> Submitted: Lessons Learned	
281820			07	281500	Submitted: Location/Status report	
281820			08	281445	B42 fired 28 HE and 6 WP at enemy firing position on Dong Ha mountain, results unknown.	

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281820			07	281500	Submitted: Location/Status report	
281820			08	281445	B42 fired 28 HE and 6 WP at enemy firing position on Dong Ha mountain, results unknown.	

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In	Time	Out	Ser	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
291500			07	291400	<u>Task Force Robbie</u> C Co chopped to your OPCON 290800H MAY68, 1st Plt A Co, 5th ATs chopped to our OPCON 290800H MAY68 CITED CG message 290250H MAY 68.	

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In	Time	Out	Ser	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
					<u>CE-A</u>	
291025			01	290600	Washout took incoming. LCpl C 7851 hit in neck by shrapnel, Non-Medivac, Non Serious.	
291820			02	291530	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
					<u>CE-B</u>	
291820			03	291600	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
					<u>CE-C</u>	
291820			04	291716	Continuation of Spot Report 281655. Add 167 confirmed, weapons taken, 1 Satchel charge, 20 chicom grenades, 49 AK47 assault rifles, 7 light assault machine guns, 2000 rounds AK 47 ammo, 4 SKS carbines, 4 RPG launchers, and 7 RPG rounds 40MM.	
291820			05	291715	Submitted: Location report.	
					<u>3d AT</u>	
291230			06	291000	Submitted: Location report.	

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TD 302400HMAY68

Time		Ser	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
In	Out				
				<u>CE-A</u>	
301815		01	301535	Submitted: Location/Status report	
310905		02	301900	A51 fired 1 HE M71A1, 4 HE M71 for sighting and Zero.	
				<u>CE-B</u>	
301800		03	301600	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
				<u>CE-C</u>	
301800		04	301640	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
				<u>3d AT</u>	
301240		05	301120	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
310905		06	302045	Fired 38 rounds AP indirect fire at enemy troops in open, results unknown.	

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FR 310001HMAY68
TO 312400HMAY68

In	Time	Out	Ser	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders Etc.	Action
311530			01	311300	<u>CE-A</u> A34, A31, A11 fired a total of 12 HE at enemy positions, results unknown.	
311755			02	311510	Submitted: Location/Status report.	
311820			03	311530	<u>CE-B</u> Submitted: Location/Status report.	
311755			04	311556	<u>CE-C</u> Submitted: Location/Status report.	
311400			05	311106	<u>3d AT</u> Submitted: Location report	
311530			06	311405	Fired 17 AP and 17 HEPT while serving as blocking force for 5th wing support, results unknown.	
		311015	07	311015	***** Requested 1 Off/SNCO this position 3 June for about 3 days to assist in training for attached AT Plt recently operational.	

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TIME		ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT	
INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		M-MAP S-STAFF T-TRIPS F-FILE
1 May 1968		
1500	Motor Transport Operations Report submitted to SCI-35. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 11240 of 1 May 1968	
1530	Tracked Vehicle Damage Report submitted to SCI-8. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 8000 of 1 May 1968.	
3 May 1968		
0830	Command Chronology submitted to S-3. Ref: S-4 Logistics input for the month of April 1968	
1900	M48A3 tank, USMC 201922 (B22) received RPG penetration to right rear of hull resulting in damage to fuel cell. tank was deadlined. Ref: B Co. msg 031600H May 68.	
1620	M48A3 tank, USMC 201825 (C11) received mine damage. Three sets of road wheels, rollers, three wheel arm housings and three right torsion bars destroyed. Reported last month. Ref: 48 Fwd msg 031500H May 68.	
4 May 1968		
1300	Request for Selection Interchange Authorization submitted to S-4. Ref: Co. "A", 3d AT ltr 64000 of 1 May 68.	
5 May 1968		
1100	Handwritten damage reports submitted to S-4. M48A3 tank, USMC 217802 (C13) had one road wheel arm, one bumper spring, one bumper spring bracket and one set of road wheels destroyed by a mine and had left air cleaner box and hose destroyed by an RPG. M48A3 tank, USMC 202103 (C24) had RPG penetration in cupola, 50 cal. machine gun receiver, compensating idler housing and right front road wheel arm. M48A3 tank, USMC 202143 (B24) had RPG penetration in the right side of the hull, right fuel cell, #3 left road wheel and #4 support roller. These tanks had been reported last month in a capsule report. Ref: 48 Fwd report of 4 May 68.	

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IN	OUT		M-MAIL S-STAFF T-TRIPS F-FILE
6 May 1968			
1100		Resources Report submitted to SCI-50. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 7000 of 6 May 68.	
1330		Class V Report submitted to SCI-8. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 8000 of 6 May 68.	
1500		Request for Selection Interchange of Ontos submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr KJF/tgm, 4000 of 6 May 68.	
1500		Report of Combat Lost Weapons submitted to S-4. Three pistols were lost when a "C" Company tank was ambushed and destroyed. Ref: Co. "C" ltr JHT:tjh, 4000 of 3 May 68.	
1630		154 truck, USMC 302255 ("A" Co.) was hit by two RPG's on road between C2/C3. The truck went out of control and off the road. It was recovered by "A" Co. Truck was totally destroyed. Ref: Telecon between "A" Co. and S-4.	
8 May 1968			
1400		Report of Red Ball Documents over 60 days old submitted to SCI-21. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 4400.7 of 6 May 68.	
1430		Deletion from Red Ball submitted to SCI-21. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 4400.7 of 6 May 68.	
9 May 1968			
1350		116 Rifle Assets submitted to SCI-8. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/ldm, 8000, 0413068 (CONF).	

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TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT		S-STAFF T-TRIPS F-FILE
		10 May 1968	
1000		Report of Missing Vehicle submitted to Provost Marshall, III MAF. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 5830 of 10 May 68.	
		13 May 1968	
0900		Resources Report submitted to SCI-50. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 7000 of 13 May 68.	
1000		Ontos Maintenance Situation Report submitted to CO, Company "A", 3d Anti-Tank Company. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4000 of 13 May 68.	
1300		Report of Turn-in of 1422, Quantity and Code submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4000 of 13 May 68.	
		15 May 1968	
0800		Conex Inventory Report submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4030 of 15 May 68.	
1100		Report of Deadlined Combat Essential Equipment submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4000 of 15 May 68.	
1300		Selective Interchange Authorization submitted to CO, 3d Tank Battalion. Ref: CO, 3d Hq Div ltr 8/ATS/drl, 11240 of 13 May 68.	
1400		143A3 Tank, USMC 201825 (C11) was hit by two RPG's on 12 May 68, but received no damage on penetration. 143A3 tank, USMC 217773 (C15) was hit by one RPG on 12 May 68. There was no penetration but vision block was shattered, 50 cal. interruptor destroyed, and 131 periscope smashed. Ref: "C" Co. msg 120930H May 68.	

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TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN S-STAFF T-TRIPS F-FILE
IN	OUT		
		16 May 1968	
0800		"A" Company, 3d Anti-Tank Company received following damage in CP area on 15 May 68: Extreme shrapnel damage to 3/4 ton trailer, shrapnel hole through water trailer, damaged tires and cracked spring assembly on 154 truck, dented one 106 mm recoilless rifle, and caused extensive damage to boom winch, cable and hydraulic system of 1543 wrecker, and damaged muffler on Ontos 226920. Ref: "A" Co. 3d AT msg 151654H May 68.	
1600		Repair parts for "A" Co, 3d AT Bn vehicles placed on Priority 02 requisitions. Ref: "A" Co, 3d AT msg 161155H May 68.	
		17 May 1968	
0900		Report of Serial Numbers of On Hand Conex Containers submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 4030 of 17 May 68.	
		19 May 1968	
1520		Bravo reported following combat damage to B-1 vehicles: B-11 RPG shrapnel left side of hull no penetration, RPG shrapnel right side no penetration, damage to right sprocket and shock absorber. B-12 1 RPG on right side 5 inches below cupola, range finder gone, 1 RPG 2 inches left of gun on gun shield, possible damage to replenisher. B-13 1 RPG in TC Cupola - 50 cal. damage. B-14 2 RPG's penetration, turret inoperative. B-15 combat loss. Ref: "E" Co msg 191520H May 68.	

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IN	OUT		
		19 May 1968 (Cont'd)	
1600		Embarkation/Displacement Capabilities and Requirements submitted to SCI-39. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4600 of 22 Apr 68.	
		23 May 1968	
1100		Class V Report submitted to SCI-8. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 8000 of 22 May 68.	
		27 May 1968	
0900		Resources Report submitted to SCI-50. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 7000 of 27 May 68.	
1700		Logistics Summary Report submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4000 of 27 May 68.	
		29 May 1968	
0900		Report of Decontaminating Apparatus M8 and M12 submitted to SCI-4. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 4000 of 29 May 68.	
		30 May 1968	
1100		Unit Report Force Data Base submitted to SCI-39. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/lcm, 4600 of 30 May 68.	
		31 May 1968	
1000		M16A1 Rifle Report submitted to SCI-8. Ref: 3d Tk Bn ltr 4/JWL/wpb, 8000 of 30 May 68.	

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26 MAY THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER RETURNED FROM THE CRYPTO
SCHOOL HE ATTENDED.

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3B TANK BN
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22 MAY ELECTRONICS REPAIR SHOP CONSTRUCTED AN AN/VRC 73 TEST
BENCH, DUPLICATING THE COMMUNICATIONS ARRANGEMENT WITH-
IN OUR TRACKED VEHICLES.

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17 MAY THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER DEPARTED THE BATTALION AREA
TO ATTEND A COMMUNICATIONS CRYPTO SCHOOL.

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16 MAY THE RT-524 ON TEMPORARY LOAN TO THIRD RECON BATTALION
WAS RETURNED.

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12 MAY MESSAGE CENTER BECAME FULLY OPERATIONAL AT THEIR
NEW LOCATION.
WIRE SECTION MOVED INTO THE BUNKER AND ALSO BECAME
FULLY OPERATIONAL THE SAME DAY.

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11 MAY UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE COMMUNICATIONS
CHIEF, THE COMMUNICATIONS/GOC BUNKER WAS COMPLETED
INSIDE AND OUT.

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09 MAY RADIO SECTION RESITUATED IN THE COMMUNICATIONS/COMM
BUNKER.
THE MESSAGE CENTER BEGAN MOVING INTO SAID BUNKER.

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07 MAY SECOND ECHELON QUARTERLY PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE
INSPECTION WAS PERFORMED ON EVERY AN/PRC-25 WITHIN
H&S COMPANY.

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05 MAY FOUR AN/PRC-25'S WERE OPERATIONALLY COMMITTED TO SECTOR
INDIA, QTCB. THE THIRD TANK BN. IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
DEFENSE OF THIS SECTOR.

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			16th 1000	MedCap performed in the Quang Tri area treating approximately 85 people.	
			23rd 1000	MedCap performed in the Quang Tri area treating approximately 65-70 people.	

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