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3d 155mm GUN BATTERY (SP)  
11th Marine Regiment  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
c/o FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
Via: Commanding Officer, 11th Marine Regiment

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 January to 31 January 1967.

Ref: (a) MDO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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3d 155mm Gun BTRY

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APPENDIX (2) TO  
ENCLOSURE (1)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 January 1967 to 31 January 1967

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP)  
11th Marine RegimentCOMMANDERCaptain JACK D. MCNAMARA  
1-31 January 1967SUBORDINATE UNITS

NONE

ATTACHED UNITS

NONE

2. LOCATION

1-31 January 1967 Chu Lai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERSBILLETExecutive Officer  
Asst. Executive Officer  
Fire Direction Officer  
Plt. Commander/Asst. FDO  
Plt. Commander/LiasonO  
Supply Officer  
Plt Commander/Asst FDODATES1-31Jan67  
1-31Jan67  
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1-31Jan67  
14-31Jan67RANK AND NAMECapt J. A. H. RESSMEYER  
1stLt T. D. MAHONEY  
1stLt M. W. HOWE  
1stLt J. W. RHODES  
1stLt W. E. WRIGHT  
2dLt B. L. ELLIS  
1stLt D. P. COTELLESSE4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	ENL	OFF
7	134	0	3	0	0

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP) was under Opcon 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and under Adcon 11th Marines.

Support provided by this battery during January included:

<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS:</u>	<u>ROUNDS:</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>
Observed (30)		352	39	0
Unobserved (35)		262	66	0
H&I (5)		8	0	9
Registration (9) (7 valid)		80	2	0
TOTALS (66)		702	107	9

Surveillances for January included:

62 KIA (Conf) 53 KIA (Prob), 4 WIA (Prob), 73 Bldgs Destroyed, 3 VC Captured with 2 tons rice resulting from fire mission.

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. TOPICS

a. Personnel and administration: During the month of January this battery transferred 9 enlisted of which 7 were due to expiration of tour. 1 Officer was transferred of which 1 was due to expiration of tour. 1 Officer and 13 enlisted were joined. The battery is currently operating at 93% of T/O strength.

Evacuated casualties were:

- 1 Due to enemy action
- 2 Not due to enemy action

Killed in action:

None

b. Enemy, weather and terrain: No significant enemy action against this unit. Combat operations were not significantly affected by the weather.

c. Organization and Operations: The battery is currently operating under the platoon concept with platoons occupying three separate positions. As of 31 January 1967, the 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP) CP is located at grid BT438098 with 2 guns laid on direction 4200. Platoon "A" is located at BT395145 with 2 guns laid on 4900 and 4600. Platoon "B" is located at BS541944 with 2 guns laid on 3550.

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d. Plans: None significant at this time.

e. Training: Operational commitments have been such that training has been somewhat limited. Operational training has been maintained at a satisfactory level by incorporation with operational tasks.

f. Logistics, Equipment and Supply: During the last month, a breech-block and a cannon assembly were exchanged with an 8" R&E FY67 vehicle. Cannon assemblies will be critical in the near future.

h. Civil Affairs/Civic Action: This area has had limited success due to reticence on the part of the populace. Steps are being taken to overcome this by increased contact through the civic action program.

i. Psychological Operations: None

j. Communications: Nothing significant in this area.

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 3D 155 GUN BTRY.  
 0001 JAN. 1967  
 TO: 1850 30 JAN. 1967

DATE	TIME	MESSAGE
7 JAN. 67	1745	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "C" PLT GUN#84 IS NOW SAID ON DIR. 4200.
10 JAN. 67	0800	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "C" PLT GUN#41 FOR QUARTERLY MAINTENANCE.
12 JAN. 67	1539	GUN#46 OF 155 GUNS "B" PLT DOWN ON WAY TO FLSC-B.
13 JAN. 67	1120	GUN#46 OF 155 GUNS "B" PLT BACK IN ACTION.
15 JAN. 67	2250	RECEIVED FROM FAG RELAY 155 GUNS "B" PLT ON DIR. WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM TO REACH GRID 477808 TO 480 810. WILL RELAY DIR. 4000.
16 JAN. 67	1449	RECEIVED FROM FAG TO RELAY 155 GUNS "B" PLT TO DIR. 3500.
" "	2230	RECEIVED SPOT. REP FROM 155 "C" PLT.
17 JAN. 67	1033	RECEIVED GUN#40 OF 155 "C" PLT BACK IN ACTION. CHECK ROUNDS FIRED, EOM SAVE-A-PLANE "G".
" "	1630	RECEIVED TGT, ZZ116, ZZ117, ZZ118, FIRED BY 155 GUNS "B" PLT. HAD 56 KIAS, 70 BUILDINGS DESTROYED.
24 JAN. 67	0240	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "B" PLT. RECEIVED(1) ONE IN-COMING GRENADE AND SOME SMALL ARMS FIRE. (1) ONE PERSON RUNNING ACROSS ROAD HEADED NORTHEAST. SEND PATROL OUT AT FIRST LIGHT.
26 JAN. 67	1015	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "A" PLT GUN#48 IS DOWN. TUBE LIFE EXPENDED.
27 JAN. 67	1045	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "C" PLT GUN #40 OUT OF ACTION FOR AN HOUR AND A HALF FOR EXERCISE.
28 JAN. 67	1010	GUN#41 155 GUNS "B" PLT DOWN FOR HYDRAULIC SEALS.
30 JAN. 67	1505	RECEIVED FIRE REPS FROM 155 GUNS "B" PLT BS 534765.
" "	1720	FROM 155 GUNS "A" FIRE REPS ON ADJ. NIGHT DEF. FIRES.
" "	1850	FROM 1ST RECON, 234 148 UNDER ATTACK NOTIFIED 155 GUNS "A" PLT TO FIRE ON ENEMY. NOTIFIED 1ST FAG 155 "A" PLT FIRING FOR EFFECT.

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 30 155 GUN BTRY.  
 1855 30 JAN. 1967  
 TO: 31 JAN. 1967

DATE	TIME	MESSAGE
30 JAN. 67	1855	NOTIFIED 155 GUNS "C" PLT TO FIRE ON TGT UL449.
" "	1930	1ST RECON REPORTS 6 CONFIRMED KIAS, AND 8 POSSIBLE KIAS.
" "	2010	FROM 1ST RECON EOM & A WELL DONE!
31 JAN. 67	0650	RECEIVED FROM 155 GUNS "C" PLT BOTH GUNS SAID ON BER. 4200.
" "	0856	155 GUNS "B" PLT OUT OF ACTION 2 HOURS FOR MAINTENANCE.
" "	1050	155 GUNS "B" GUN#46 BACK IN ACTION AND GUN#41 OUT OF ACTION 3 HOURS FOR HYDRAULIC SEAL.

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201330	1stPlt Gun # 57 down for broken wobble stick; can shoot but can't move.	FS
211020	2dPlt fired FLAK suppression missions, 6 HE 2 WP at grids 476856,476823	F
211300	1stPlt Gun #57 repaired and back in action.	FS
221845	2dPlt fired 9 HE, VT, for "Blackcoat" air observer at grid 465775 on 40 to 50 VC in trenches. Surveillance: Good effect on target.	F
241645	2dPlt fired 4 HE, 2 WP, Q for "M" Btry FO at grid 441776 on 4 VC in tree line. Surveillance: Good coverage on target, one good secondary explosion.	F
261400	2dPlt Gun #46 down with tube life expended. Going to FLSG -B.	FS
261600	2dPlt Gun #46 back in "M" position, bridge is out North of Nuoc Mam and gun could not get to FLSG-B.	FS
280943	Gun# 46 departed for FLSG-B.	FS
291300	Gun# 46 tube replaced and back in position, laid on direction 5000.	FS
291330	3dPlt displaced from Btry base camp to an alternate position at 1stFAG for 2 days.	FS
291500	3dPlt in position at grid 51150413. Plt is laid direction 4000 refer deflection 3200.	FS
291500	Journal closed.	F

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