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

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 July to 31 July 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.3
(c) DivO 5750.2B

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

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

R. W. Topping
R. W. TOPPING

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 July to 31 July 1967

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. Designation

3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP)
11th Marine Regiment

Commander

Major W. H. BARKER
1 July to 31 July 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. Location

1-31 July 1967: Danang, RVN

3. BATTERY OFFICERS

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>RANK AND NAME</u>
Executive Officer	1-31 July 1967	Captain R. W. TOPPING
Asst. ExecO/PltCmdr	1-31 July 1967	Captain T. D. MAHONEY
Fire Direction Officer	1-31 July 1967	Captain T. D. MAHONEY
Platoon Commander	1-31 July 1967	1stLt S. J. MACK
Platoon Commander	1-31 July 1967	1stLt T. M. GRIFFITH Jr.
Supply Officer	1-31 July 1967	2ndLt R. F. JACOBSEN

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
6	145	0	4	0	0

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP) was under OPCON and ADCON of the 11th Marine Regiment.

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Support provided by this battery included:

<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>	<u>ROUNDS</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>
Observed (44)		580	80	60
Unobserved (41)		488	47	0
H & I (278)		665	15	0
Registrations (0)		0	0	0
TOTAL 363		1733	127	60

Surveillance included:

51 Confirmed KIA
40 Probable KIA
5 Buildings Destroyed
2 SamPam

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Topics

a. Personnel and Administration: During the period 1 July to 31 July 1967 this battery transferred 1 officer and 9 enlisted due to normal rotation. The battery is currently operating at 98% of T/O strength.

Evacuated Casualties were:

0 due to enemy action
0 not due to enemy action

Killed in action:

None

b. Enemy, weather and terrain: On the morning of 4 July 1967, 1st Platoon 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) received approximately # (30) rounds of incoming mortar fire at Grid AT 876 472. No significant damage to material. Two Marines slightly wounded. Combat action was not affected by the weather

c. Organization and Operations: The battery continues to occupy 3 separate firing positions at the following locations:

1st Platoon - - Grid AT 876 473
2nd Platoon - - Grid At 921 799
3rd Platoon -- Grid BT 108 583 (BATTERY C. P.)

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On 16 July 1967, 3rd Platoon displaced to Hill 55, GRID AT 970 621. On 17 July 1967 the platoon displaced to Hill 65 GRID AT 878 577 where it remained until 28 July 1967 firing in support of Operations PECOS and STOCKTON. The Platoon returned to battery command post 29 July 1967.

On 29 July 1967 2nd Platoon displaced from GRID AT 921 799 and is currently occupying a firing position at GRID AT 882 772 as part of a roving gun program initiated this month by 11th Marines (S-3).

On 27 July 1967 the battery assumed OPCON of 2nd Platoon 5th 155 Gun Battery (SP), which is currently occupying a firing position at GRID AT 027340.

OPERATION

DATES

PECOS

20-27 July 1967

STOCKTON

27-29 July 1967

d. Plans. The battery is anticipating future displacements of firing platoons as part of the roving gun program.

e. Training: Individual familiarization and orientation with the M-16 rifle was emphasized during the first half of this reporting period. Due to operational commitments the latter part of this period was devoted to M.O.S. Training on the job in support of Operations PECOS and STOCKTON and implementation of the roving gun program.

f. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply: One M53 Gun, #213213, was hit by a mine on 7182 on its way to An Hoa. It was turned into 1st FSR on 7202. This loss was due to enemy action. On 7206, one M53 Gun, #213207, was received to replace like item lost. This command has one major Class II, type I, T/E deficiency. This is the Truck, Cargo, 2 1/2 Ton, M35, FSN 2320-835-8464. Since "BA" status was received from 1st FSR on 7176, this document was followed up on 7115.

g. Civil Affairs/Civic Action: The battery delivered a 5 Ton Truck load of scrap wood to be used for fire-wood by the BAO THANG BUDDHIST ORPHANAGE in HOI AN on 30 July 1967.

The battery continued to participate in a medcap program with 1st Battalion 1st Marines.

h. Psychological Operations: None

i. Communications: Nothing significant to report.

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Appendix A (List of References) to 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP)
Command Chronology 1 July to 31 July 1967

References

Attached

- a. Army Map Service, Serial L7014 1:50,000
Sheets: 6640 I, II, III, IV
6641, I, II, III, IV
6540, I, II, III, IV
6541 I, II, II
✓b. 3d155mmGunBtry (SP) FDC Journal

Not Attached

Appendix B

Appendix A to
ENCLOSURE (1)

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3d 155 Gun Battery (SP)

010001 July 1967 to

312400 July 1967

010001 Opened Journal
011230 Gun #213213 out of Action, hit mine 7 miles NE of An Hoa
020825 Fired on Tgt TH705 GRID AT 829855 1HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
020830 Fired on Tgt TH706 GRID AT 811879 1HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
020835 Fired on Tgt TH707 GRID AT 818867 , for 2Bn 7thMar
032030 Fired on Tgt FZ437 GRID ZC 214334 18HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
040040 1stPlt An Hoa Rec'd Approx 40 rds mortar fire
040030 Fired on GRID AT814313 45 rounds illum, for 1stMarDiv
040955 Fired on GRID AT 889262 5HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
041050 Fired on GRID AT 889262 2HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
041145 Fired on GRID AT 903258 14WP, for 2Bn 7thMar
041530 Fired on GRID AT 894266 12HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
041730 Fired on GRID AT 898258 30HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
051120 Fired on GRID AT 843333 30HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
051300 Fired on 20VC @ GRID AT 897279 3WP, 34HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
051540 Fired on 8VC GRID AT 887245 2HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
051545 Fired on GRID AT 880239 10HE, 10WP, for 2Bn 7thMar
051630 Fired on GRID AT 880239 10HE, 10WP, 3 Prob KIA's, for Recon
061337 Fired on GRID AT 888245 9HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
060900 Fired on GRID AT 810721 11WP, 9HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
070945 Fired on GRID AT 810721 8HE, 2WP, for 2Bn 7thMar
070850 Fired on GRID AT 810721 11HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
080935 Fired on GRID AT 805325 1HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
082005 Fired on GRID AT 973843 8HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
091300 Fired on GRID AT 817256 24HE, 2WP, for 2Bn 5thMar
101930 Fired on GRID AT 708385 30HE, 2Bn 5th Mar
111720 Fired on GRID AT 919274 7HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
111824 Fired on GRID AT 905255 3HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
120655 Fired on GRID AT 781335 26HE, for 2Bn 5thMar
120810 Fired on GRID AT 912263 12HE, 2 WP, 2Bn 7thMar
120935 Fired on GRID BT 020484 38HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
121107 Fired on GRID BT 020484 4HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
121200 Fired on GRID AT 973269 33HE, 7WP, for 2Bn 7thMar
121950 Fired on GRID AT 781335 6HE, 2WP, for 2Bn 5thMar
131145 Fired on GRID AT 895255 17HE, 2WP, 3 Prob KIA, 1 Structure Destroyed, f/recon
141120 Fired on GRID AT 895255 18HE, 5WP, 6 Prob KIA's, for recon
141715 Fired on GRID AT 701409 6HE, for 2Bn 5thMar
141850 Fired on GRID AT 784331 1WP, for 2Bn 5thMar

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ILLUMS

160930 Displaced for operation ~~Boulder~~ Pecos
160935 Fired on GRID AT 783326 4WP, 6HE, for 2Bn 5thMar
161105 Arrived at Hill #55, GRID AT 970621
161200 Guns laid on Dir 3200
171035 Departed Hill 55, GRID AT 970621
171155 Arrived Hill #65, GRID AT 878577
171349 Fired on GRID AT 840346 2HE, for 2 Bn 7thMar
171400 Guns Laid on AZ 4400 fire CAP TO 11th Marines
181405 Rec'd message from Regt'l 3 to lay on Dir 5300 until "K" Btry is laid
and ready to fire
192015 Fired on GRID AT 797357 18HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
192100 Fired on Grid AT 785367 4HE, for 2Bn 7thMar
200505 Rec'd prep fire from 3/11 GRID AT 804476 9HE
202105 Fired ILL missi n for 3/11 to check maximum range for ILLUM
210045 Fired mission on GRID 792380 Illum, 2Bn 5thMar
211915 Fired mission on GRIDs 962517, 960506, 954412 54 HE, for Recon
212240 Fired mission on GRID 925281 4HE, for Recon
221230 Gun #76 Replaced Gun #07, Gun 76 will depart this position Hill #65
GRID 878577
221125 Fired mission on GRID ZC 215328 6HE, 2WP, for Recon
251230 Fired mission on GRID AT 802395 15HE registration
~~261230~~
261525 Fired mission on GRID AT 712384 12HE, for 2Bn 5thMar
261605 Fired mission on GRID ZC 165375 12HE, for Recon
271500Z Rec'd OPCON 1 Plt 5th 155 Gun Btry
281650 Fired mission on GRID ZC 127397 12HE, for Recon
280845 Guns Displaced to Hoi An
281239 Arrived at Battery C. P.
290700 2d Plt Departed ~~2d C. P.~~ 8" Position GRID AT 921799
290730 2d Plt Arrived in position GRID AT 882772
291415 Fired mission on GRID ZC 133707 3WP, for Recon
312400 Closed Journal

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