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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, First Marine Division (Rein) FMF
Via: Commanding Officer, Eleventh Marine Regiment

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 February to
29 February 1968

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(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2B
(d) RegtO 5750.2D

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

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (d) enclosure (1) is submitted.

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3rd 155mm Gun Battery

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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1. 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) Major H. H. HUTTER, JR.
11th Marine Regiment 1 February - 29 February 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

1-29 February 1968: Da Nang, RVN

3. BATTERY OFFICERS BILLET

Executive Officer	1-29 Feb. 1968	Captain D.F. SORTINO
Ass't Executive Officer	1-22 Feb. 1968	Captain T.H. GRIFFITH JR.
Ass't Executive Officer	22-29 Feb. 1968	1stLt., P.J. ONEIL
Fire Direction Officer	1-29 Feb. 1968	1stLt., J.M. CARARIO
Platoon Commander	1-29 Feb. 1968	1stLt., P.J. ONEIL
Platoon Commander	1-29 Feb. 1968	1stLt., J.W. STEPHENSON JR.
Supply Officer	1-29 Feb. 1968	1stLt., 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>
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During the reporting period the 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) was under OPCON and ADCON of the 11th Marine Regiment.

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 (78)		350	20	74
Unobserved (209)		663	2	2
H&I (776)		1594		
Registrations				
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1063</u>	<u>2607</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>76</u>

SURVEILLANCE INCLUDED:

- 2 Buildings Destroyed
- 6 Buildings Damaged
- 1 Secondary Explosion

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Topics

a. Personnel and Administration: During the period 1-29 February 1968 the Battery transferred 7 enlisted due to normal rotation. Also during this period the Battery joined 9 enlisted men from Commands out of WESTPAC. The Battery is presently operating at 92.2% of T. O. strength.

b. Enemy, weather and terrain: None

c. Organization and Operations: None

d. Plans: None

e. Training: This Battery has accomplished the normal General Military Subjects training and extensive MOS training during the month of February 1968.

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f. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply: Presently, this command has three major Class II, Type 1, T/E deficiencies. Requisitions are not outstanding for the M38A1, Truck, Utility, and M35, Truck, Cargo due to the upcoming phase-in of the M151 and M35A2 vehicles.

The High Pressure Steam Cleaning Unit, Doc#M21248-7331-0016, was designated "RED BALL" on 30 January 1968. An AT1 follow up was submitted to MRL on 29 February 1968.

- g. Civil Affairs/Civic Action: None
 - h. Psychological Operations: None
 - i. Communications: Nothing significant to report
2. Entries: None

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Appendix A (List of references) to 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP)
Command Chronology 1 February to 29 February 1968

ReferencesATTACHED

- a. Army Map Service, Serial L7014 1:50,000 Not Attached
Sheets: 6640 I, II, III, IV
6641 I, II, III, IV
6540 I, II, III, IV
6541 I, II, III
- ✓b. 3d 155mm Gun Battery (SP) FDC Journal Appendix B

Appendix A to
Enclosure (I)

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3D 155MM GUN BATTERY (SP)
010001 February 1968 to
292400

- 010001 Journal Opened
- 010055 Received missions from 11th Marines on Rocket sites and routes of egress GRIDS AT 830 770, 832 764, 834 776 826 763, 826 769, 27 HE expended unobs.
- 010200 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon. GRID ZC 204 705. Suspected V.C. movement. 8 ILL expended obs.
- 010200 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 7927 6948, 6 HE expended obs.
- 011154 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID AT 8567 8667 undetermined number of V. C. 24 HE expended obs. At 838 679, 22 HE expended obs.
- 011555 11th Marines wants 1 gun laid on AZ 4800 GUN 213174 relayed on AZ 4800
- 011835 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon. GRID AT 984 493, 15 V.C. 2 HE expended
- 011910 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon. GRID AT 984 477, Ambush Site, 4 HE expended
- 021422 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 977 464, 3 V. C. 3 HE, expended
- 021615 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRIDS AT 790 350, 790 357, 800 360, V. C. Bn. 9 HE expended.
- 021701 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines A. O. GRID AT 990 590. 26 HE expended obs.
- 021705 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 855 365, 25 V.C. on trail, 5 HE expended.
- 021800 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Target Registration GRID 876 353, 1 HE expended
- 021805 From 11th Marines 3 Guns are to be layed on the following GRIDS AT 832 802, 870 616, BT 060 625
- 021805 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 882 347, Target Registration, 3 HE expended.
- 021855 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 9778 4639, 3 V.C. 4 HE expended
- 021900= Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRIDS AT 884 353, 874 346 Target Registration 4 HE expended
- 022230 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 882 347, Target registration, 1 HE expended
- 030310 From 11th Marines, Fire Missions on Rocket Sites & Routes of egress GRIDS AT 972 672, 2 WP expended 970 678, 2 HE, 2 WP expended, 969 675, 2 HE expended, 972 678, 2 HE expended, 962 672, 3 HE, expended, 972 673, 6 HE expended.

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- 030400 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRIDS AT 9925 4633, V.C. probing, 38 HE expended
- 031300 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 855 365, V.C. on trail, 1 HE, 3 WP, 986 655 2 HE expended, 971 676, 6 HE, expended, 973 672, 6 HE unobs., 26 HE, 2 WP on actual Rocket sites.
- 031350 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID ZC 042 648 043 632, One V.C. Battalion, For ROK Recon, 4 WP obs.
- 031500 Rec'd on calls for Recon.
- 031915 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 997 462 Target Registration, 1 HE expended
- 031926 Rec'd Fire Missions from 11th Marines undetermined no. of V.C. GRID AT 840 629, 5 HE, expended obs.
- 032100 Rec'd ILL. on calls for 11th Marines
- 032225 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines, ILL
- 041745 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 889 359, 40 V.C. 3 HE, expended.
- 042055 From 11th Marines relay all guns on AZ 2900
- 050015 Rec'd Fire Mission from 3/7 GRIDS AT 817 373, 813 373 V.C. attack, 2 ILL expended
- 060052 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines T.O.T.
- 060245 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRIDS BT 001 547 AT 993 560, 998 564, 989 563, counter Rockets, 14 HE expended.
- 060545 Rec'd Fire Mission from Army, GRID BT 029 685 Rocket Site, GRID BT 016 668, Rocket Site, 4 rds HE expended
- 061500 Rec'd on calls for Recon
- 071645 From 11th Marines Relay all guns on AZ 2900
- 081005 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 993 463, 998 461, N. V. A. positions, 12 HE expended
- 080105 Rec'd 10 T.O.T.'s from 11th Marines BT 042 631, 033 616, BT 034 622, 035 692, BT 027 620, 025 690.
- 081220 Rec'd T.O.T. from 11th Marines GRID BT 025 690, 2 V.C. Regiments changed to mass fire 52 HE expended.
- 081300 Rec'd Fire Mission from 3/5 GRID BT 030 615, 400 V.C., 52 HE expended
- 081446 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines, GRID BT 033 616 fortified village, 40 HE expended.
REMARKS 6 Structures damaged
2 Structures destroyed
1 Secondary explosion, with fire
- 081500 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRIDS AT 877 375, 852 368, 30 V.C. 4 HE, 3 WP expended
- 081715 From 11th Marines all guns to be relayed on AZ 2900
- 081730 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID BT 035 692 Large Party of V.C. crossing rice paddy, 12 HE expended
- 082320 Rec'd T.O.T. from 11th Marines, GRID BT 035 688 18 HE

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- 092335 Rec'd T.O.T. 11th Marines
 101820 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines, intelligence report, GRID AT 801 367, 809 365, 810 355, 18 HE expended.
 102100 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 996 480, strange lights, 6 HE expended
 110525 Rec'd fire mission from Recon GRID AT 996 480, lights 2 HE expended
 112000 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRIDS AT 821 357 838 357, G-2 Targets, 4 HE expended.
 121715 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID AT 790 347 G-2 Target, 10 HE expended
 122045 Rec'd Fire mission from Recon GRID BT 0004 4657, Lights 11 HE expended
 122045 Rec'd fire mission from 11th Marines GRID AT 793 364, 796 365, 795 360, PF ambush, receiving fire, 6 HE expended
 132000 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 8861 3628, 130 NVA, 5 ILL expended
 132015 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 888 356, V.C. light, 1 ILL
 150420 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRIDS AT 999 462, 9949 4575, Suspected V.C. movement, 2 ILL, 2 HE
 150750 Began to practice Direct Fire Shoot, GRID AT 890 830 60 HE, expended
 152020 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 998 463, V.C. Attack, 5 ILL.
 152100 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID AT 824 363, 825 377, G-2 target, 3 HE, 2 ILL.
 161250 Gun #213174 has displaced from B.F. 919 801
 161602 Gun #213174 has returned to AT 919 801
 162100 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRIDS AT 809 386, 813 388, V.C. Squads
 162355 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, GRIDS AT 998 463, 990 470 V.C. movement, 4 ILL.
 172013 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 998 463, V.C. movement, 6 ILL.
 181135 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 769 844, Spotter rounds, 2 WP expended.
 182000 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID, AT 990 470, V.C. movement, 1 ILL
 190120 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRIDS AT 9962 4635, 9938 4696, 9976 4670, V.C. Attack, 11 ILL, 4 HE
 190315 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines GRID AT 798 354, 799 359, G-2, 8 HE.
 191000 Rec'd 15 T.O.T's from 11th Marines, GRIDS AT 830 620, 816 620, AT 822 615, 823 612, AT 831 615, 816 620, AT 830 620, 831 615, AT 822 615, 823 612.
 192130 Rec'd Fire Mission from DJC GRIDS AT 817 379, 815 384 AT 818 385, AT 816 388, AT 811 388 G-2
 201025 Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Marines for Army. Blocking Defensive GRID AT 900 914, 4 HE expended
 201600 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 860 364, 30 V.C. 36 HE WZ maxed expended.

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201646 Rec'd on calls for Recon.
 212300 Rec'd fire mission from Recon GRID AT 837 390, V.C.
 Movement, 2 ILL
 220420 Rec'd T.O.T. from 11th Marines, GRID AT 953 890, no
 rounds expended.
 230410 Rec'd on calls for Recon.
 231840 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, GRID'S AT 864 350,
 861 354, V.C. Movement on trail, 2 HE
 231900 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID'S 195 430, V.C.
 position, 6 HE.
 232025 Rec'd Fire Mission From Recon, GRID AT 836 379, V.C.
 movement, 3 ILL
 240200 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRIDS AT 9451 9763,
 9339 8648, 9322 9004, Registration of defensive fires
 9 HE, expended
 241155 Registered on GRID AT 9733 92222
 250138 Rec'd incoming mortar fire 1 WIA (minor)
 251505 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 864 845 registra-
 tion of defensive fires.
 251515 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon. GRID AT 8575 8410, 866
 854, registration defensive fires, 10 HE expended.
 251545 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 866 854, 2 rds.
 expended
 252230 Rec'd T.O.T. from 11th Marines, GRID AT 810 675, 6 HE
 expended
 260450 Rec'd T.O.T from 11th Marines GRID AT 815 680, 8 HE
 expended
 261300 Rec'd on calls from Recon
 261807 Rec'd fire mission from Recon GRID AT 833 855
 270530 Rec'd T.O.T from 11th Marines, GRID AT 844 955, V.C.
 Co., 9 HE expended
 271610 Received on calls for Recon
 272135 Received Fire Mission from Recon, 6 ILL expended GRID
 860 850
 280515 Received Fire Mission from Recon. GRID AT 833 836
 Suspected V.C. movement, 10 HE expended
 292015 Received Fire Mission from Recon GRID AT 783 854, suspected
 V.C. 8 HE expended
 292120 Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon, GRID AT 833 830, V.C.
 probing position 3 HE expended
 292400 Journal closed

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