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3D 155MM GUN BATTERY (SP)
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1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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Encl: ✓(1) 3rd 155mm GUN BATTERY (SP), Command Chronology

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1968 to 31 May 1968

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

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

Major H. H. HUTTER, JR.
1 May 1968 - 31 May 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1968: Command Post, Da Nang, Grid AT 956 756
1-31 May 1968: "A" Plt, An Hoa, Grid AT 878 472
1-31 May 1968: "B" Plt, Da Nang, Grid AT 920 800

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	1-31 May 1968	Captain V. B. LANHAM
Fire Direction Officer	1-20 May 1968	1stLt J. M. CANARIO
Fire Direction Officer	20-27 May 1968	2ndLt C. A. BRAHMSTADT
Fire Direction Officer	27-31 May 1968	Captain V. B. LANHAM
Asst Fire Direction Off	1-20 May 1968	2ndLt C. A. BRAHMSTADT
Plt. Commander	1-31 May 1968	1stLt J. M. CANARIO
Plt. Commander	1-26 May 1968	1stLt J. W. STEPHENSON
Plt. Commander	20-27 May 1968	2ndLt C. A. BRAHMSTADT
Supply Officer	1-31 May 1968	2ndLt M. L. BARRETT

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>JMFC</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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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the reporting period the 3rd 155mm Bun Battery (SP) was under OPCON and ADCON to the 11th Marine Regiment. The battery fired 822 H&I's, 321 unobserved missions in support of 11th Marines, and 122 observed missions in support of Recon. The battery fired 30 HE, and 2 WP rounds for a Precision Destruction Mission at Grid AT 812 789. The nature of target was a cave (possible rocket storage).

2. MISSIONS FIRED IN SUPPORT OF:

<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>	<u>CALIBER</u>
11th Marines	1143	2590	155mm Gun
Recon	122	746	155mm Gun
TOTAL	1265	3336	

<u>Type and Number of Missions</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>	<u>VT</u>
Observed (122)		550	76	64	56
Unobserved (321)		632	7		11
H&I (822)		1899	33		8
Registrations					
TOTAL (1265)		3081	116	64	75

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Topics.

a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Losses

Administration	2	18	0	0
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (Evac)	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (Non-Evac)	0	0	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-Battle	1	0	0	0
(2) Replacements	0	6	0	0
(3) Net Loss	3	12	0	0
(4) Net Gain	0	0	0	0

b. Intelligence: None

c. Organization and Operations: None

Surveillance:

KIA 38
 Structures (Destroyed) 0
 Structures (Damaged) 1
 Bunkers (Destroyed) 2
 Bunkers (Damaged) 0
 Secondary Explosives 0
 60mm (Destroyed) 1
 800 Machine Gun (Destroyed) 1

d. Training: This battery has accomplished the normal General Military Subjects and MOS training during the month of May 1968.

e. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply: With the receipt of two (2) M-53 guns (SP) this command now has only one (1) major C/E deficiency of Class II, Type 1 items.

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e. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply: (cont)

A requisition is outstanding for One (1) M38A1, Truck Utility. However Since M38A1's will be replaced by M151's, we expect to have this requisition rejected. As we have been directed by Division Supply, we will continue to re-submit this requisition each time it is rejected until such time as we Receive our complete T/E Complete of M151's to replace all M38A1's.

f. Civic Action/Civil Affairs: None

g. Psychological Operations: None

h. Combined Action Company Program: None

i. None

2. Entries: None

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PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF REPORTING COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

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3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SF)

010001 May 1968 to

312400 May 1968

d. STAFF JOURNAL

010001 Journal Opened
 130155 Rec'd fire mission from 11th Marines, rocket site
 Grid AT 839 864 Unobs. 25 HE expended
 171114 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 55 NVA Grid AT 823
 876 Obs. 15 KIA's = 98 HE expended
 1 WP expended
 171250 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 4 VC Grid AT 8173
 8760 Obs. 4 KIA's 15 HE expended
 171320 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 2 VC Grid AT 817
 872 Obs. 5 HE expended
 171320 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 3 VC Grid AT 8242
 8810 Obs. 22 HE expended
 181140 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 2 VC Grid AT 8220
 8750 Obs. 1 KIA 9 HE expended
 230550 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 1 Sampan Grid AT
 8625 8520 Obs. 1 Sampan destroyed 23 HE expended
 281805 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 3 VC in Bunker Grid
 AT 889 362 Obs. 1 Bunker Destroyed
 17 HE expended
 270000 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, VC Co. Grid AT 8822
 3484 Obs. 1 KIA 22 HE expended
 271357 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 5 VC Grid AT 851
 866 Obs. 6 HE expended
 3 WP expended
 280230 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, VC Co. Grid AT 8822
 3484 Obs. 4 KIA's 22 HE expended
 280830 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 44 NVA Grid AT 858
 853 Obs. 6 KIA's 36 HE expended
 7 WP expended
 281025 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, VC Bunker Grid AT
 873 845 Obs. 1 Bunker destroyed 9 HE expended
 4 WP expended
 282145 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, 1 VC Co. CP Grid AT
 828 342 Obs. 7 KIA's 1 81mm mortar destroyed
 1 M60 machine gun destroyed 9 HE expended
 311105 Rec'd fire mission from Recon, VC movement Grid AT
 812 862 Obs. 31 HE expended
 2 WP expended

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(cont)G. References.Attached

(1) 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

✓(2) 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) FDC Journal Appendix

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