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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 Officer, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division  
(Rein) FMF

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 June to 30 June 1968

Ref: (a) MOO 5750.2A  
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2B  
(d) RegtO 5750.2E

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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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 June 1968 to 30 June 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 June - 7 June 1968 Captain V. B. LANHAM 8 June - 30 June 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS  
None

ATTACHED UNITS  
None

## 2. LOCATION

1-30 June 1968; Command Post, Da Nang, Grid AT956 756  
1-30 June 1968; Firing Battery, minus, Da Nang, Grid AT920800  
1-30 June 1968; "A" Plt., An Hoa, Grid AT878472

## 3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	1-7 June 1968 Captain V. B. LANHAM
Executive Officer	8-30 June 1968 Captain T. P. HOWE
Fire Direction Officer	1-30 June 1968 2ndLt W. S. JONES
Plt. Commander	1-30 June 1968 1stLt J. M. CANARIO
Supply Officer	1-30 June 1968 2ndLt M. L. BARRETTI

## 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>
5	130	0	3	0	0

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PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the reporting period the 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) was under OPCON and ADCON to the 11th Marine Regiment. The battery fired 338 H&I's, 547 unobserved missions in support of 11th Marines, and 59 observed missions in support of Recon.

## 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	885	1993	155mm Gun
Recon	59	469	155mm Gun
TOTAL	944	2462	

<u>Type and Number of Missions</u>	<u>Rounds: HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>	<u>VT</u>	
Observed	59	220	32	161	0
Unobserved	547	870	0	0	0
H&I	338	1151	0	28	0
TOTAL	944	2241	32	189	0

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PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Topics.

## a. Personnel and Administration

## (1) Losses

Administration	2	19	0	2
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA(Evac)	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA(Non-Evac)	0	2	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-Battle	0	0	0	0
(2) Replacements	2	1	0	2
(3) Net Loss	0	19	0	0
(4) Net Gain	0	0	0	0

b. Intelligence: None

c. Organization and Operations: None

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

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- e. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply:
  - a. With the receipt of one (1) M422A1 Truck, Utility, the last remaining major T/E deficiency has been eliminated. This vehicle is being used as a replacement for the M38A1 Truck, Utility, that this battery was deficient.
  - b. In the near future we expect to receive seven (7) M151 multifuel 1/4 ton trucks to replace six (6) gasoline M38A's and the one (1) M422A1. This will provide this battery with all multifuel vehicles in the 1/4 ton class, in addition to those multifuels in the 2 1/2 ton and 5 ton class already in our possession.
  - c. The excess M-54 Truck, 6x6, at An Hoa has been turned in.
- 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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CHRONOLOGY OF REPORTING COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTFDC  
3d 155mm Gun Btry (SP)  
010001 June 1968 to  
302400 June 1968d. STAFF JOURNAL

010001	Journal Opened	
012400	Maintenance, routine messages and C/R Drills	
020840	Rec'd Fire Mission, Grid AT810872 Obs. 29 HE Exp.	
021435	Recon requests Spotter Round Obs. 2 HE Exp. Grid AT838756 1 WP Exp.	
030001		
032400	Maintenance, routine messages, C/R Drills and H&I's	
041620	Gun #48 Down, equilibrator	
042030	Gun #48 Up	
051255	Rec'd Fire Mission From Recon NDF Grid AT878352	Obs. 1 HE Exp. 3 WP Exp.
051355	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT885346	Obs. 4 HE Exp.
061545	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT889365	Obs. 13 HE Exp.
062315	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon	Obs. 92 ILL Exp.
071751	Rec'd Prep Fires from 11th Mar Grid AT813862	Unob.
080330	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT793530	Obs. 3 HE Exp.
080400	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT811787	Obs. 2 ILL Exp.
081424	Gun #48 surveyed, Gun #62 replacement	
090830	Rec'd Prep Fires Grid AT723843	Unob 5 HE Exp.
091930	Rec'd Fire Missions from Recon Grid AT786705	Obs. 2 HE Exp.
100900	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid ZC202541	Obs. 10 HE Exp.
111040	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid ZC202541	Obs. 17 HE Exp. 3 WP Exp.
111235	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid ZC215354	Obs. 8 HE Exp. 4 WP Exp.
111840	1 CH Helicopter crashed at Grid AT91908015(approximate)	
121910	Rec'd Targets in support of Oper. Swift Saber	Unob. 81 HE Exp.

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122130	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT794344	Obs. 9 HE Exp.
122215	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT804350	Obs. 9 HE Exp.
122300	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT 791342	Obs. 7 HE Exp.
131805	Rec'd Fire Missions from Recon Grids ZC214331 & AT807344	Obs. 17 HE Exp. 2 WP Exp.
141945	Rec'd Rockets, Rockets, Rockets Grids AT845859, 831806, 837800, 831802	Unobs. 89 HE Exp.
142055	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT845384	Obs. 9 ILL Exp.
150534	Rec'd Rockets, Rockets, Rockets Grids AT845859, 842799, 850903, 850805, 853799	Unobs. 63 HE Exp.
160630	Gun #63 & #83 departed Grid AT919800 for Grid AT878472	
171530	Gun #63 & #83 arrived Grid AT878472	
171600	Gun #66 & #84 departed Grid AT878472 for Grid AT919800	
181519	Gun #66 & #84 arrived Grid AT919800 both Guns are down	
182045	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid (unk) FZ286 Con#	Obs. 11 HE Exp.
190815	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Conc. # FZ287	Obs. 9 HE Exp.
190925	Rec'd Fire Mission From AO Conc. # FZ287	Obs. 26 HE Exp. 1 KIA
191415	Rec'd Fire Mission from AO Conc # FZ288	Obs. 27 HE Exp. 3 Sampan Des. 1 Bunker Des. 1 Tunnel Des.
191615	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Conc # FZ288	Obs. 35 HE Exp. 1 Bunker Des.
192345	Rec'd Incoming mortars, No Damage "A" Plt.	
201745	Rec'd Fire Mission for Recon Conc # 294, NDF	Obs. 11 HE Exp.
211930	Rec'd Incoming mortars, "A" Plt. 1 vehicle damaged	
221140	Rec'd Fire Mission, from Recon Grid AT822827	Obs. 4 HE Exp. 3 WP Exp.
232245	Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Mar Regt Grid AT853775, TOT	Obs. 6 HE Exp.
240045	Fired TOT Grid AT853775	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
240150	"A" Plt. receiving incoming mortars Two (2) friendly WIA's	
240158	Fired TOT Grid AT853775	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
242220	Fired TOT Grid AT853775	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
250040	Fired TOT Grid AT853775	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
250200	Fired TOT Grid AT853775	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
261230	Rec'd Fire Mission from 11thMarRegt Grid AT856896 TOT	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
261450	Rec'd Fire Mission from 11thMarRegt Grid AT856896 TOT	Unobs. 8 HE Exp.

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270050	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Conc # FZ296Z	Obs. 11 ILL Exp.
270120	Rec'd Rockets, Rockets, Rockets	Unobs. 7 HE Exp.
271155	FO Shoot for Tea Time 34	Obs. 42 HE Exp. (105mm)
282057	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Conc # FZ296Z	Obs. 17 ILL Exp.
282321	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid AT820873	Obs. 2 ILL Exp.
291430	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid ZC181444	Obs. 3 ILL Exp.
300000	Fired TOT for Hireling Grid ZC15554750	Unobs. 6 HE Exp.
300900	Rec'd Fire Mission from Recon Grid ZC144497	Obs. 5 HE Exp.
301830	Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Mar Regt	Unob. 8 HE Exp.
	Grid AT862736, TOT	
301940	Rec'd Fire Mission from 11th Mar Regt	Unob. 8 HE Exp.
	Grid AT851741	
302215	Rec'd TOT from Seaside 22	Unob. 4 HE Exp.
	Grid ZC201431	
302230	Fired Prep Fire for Seaside Bailey in support of Mamluke Thrust "A" Plt. Grid AT774439	Unob. 30 HE Exp.

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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