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3RD 175MM GUN BATTERY (SP)
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1969

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(b) FMFPACO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2C
(d) RegtO 5750.2E

Encl: J(1) 3rd 175mm 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 July 1969 to 31 July 1969

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the reporting period 1-31 July 1969, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) was OPCON and ADCON to the 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division (Rein) I M F, RVN. "A" PLT., of this battery, was OPCON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment at An Hoa, RVN.

During this period, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) (minus) fired 1,019 rounds on 347 missions. "A" Plt., of this battery, fired 840 rounds on 191 missions. During this period, this unit fired in general support of operation Oklahoma Hills. During this reporting period, this unit recorded no enemy KIA's, WIA's or constructions destroyed.

2. MISSIONS FIRED IN SUPPORT OF:

<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>		<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>
1st Recon	Obs.	1	HE 1
	Unobs.	4	11
	H&I	11	23
	TOTAL	16	35
26th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	117	323
	H&I	18	70
	TOTAL	135	393
11th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	57	226
	H&I	4	7
	TOTAL	61	233
7th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	17	51
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	17	51
3rd 175mm Guns	Obs.	2	25
	Unobs.	1	2
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	3	27

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<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>		<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>
Operation Oklahoma Hills	Obs.	0	HE 0
	Unobs.	83	203
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	83	203
General Support	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	32	77
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	32	77
TOTAL	Obs.	3	26
	Unobs.	311	893
	H&I	33	100
	TOTAL	347	1019
<u>175MM GUNS "A" Plt.</u>			
1st Recon	Obs.	10	42
	Unobs.	52	192
	H&I	22	40
	TOTAL	84	274
2/11	Obs.	1	18
	Unobs.	35	180
	H&I	12	24
	TOTAL	48	222
11th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	19	72
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	19	72
3rd 175mm Guns	Obs.	4	30
	Unobs.	0	0
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	4	30
Operation Oklahoma Hills	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	8	80
	H&I	3	6
	TOTAL	11	86

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<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS HE</u>
Army A. O.	Obs. 15 Unobs. 0 H&I 0 TOTAL 15	156 0 0 156
TOTAL	Obs. 30 Unobs. 114 H&I 47 TOTAL 191	246 524 70 840

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PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. TOPICS

a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Losses	USMC		USN	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Administration	0	14	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	0	0	0	0
(2) Replacements	1	9	0	0
(3) Net Loss	0	5	0	0
(4) Net Gain	1	0	0	0

b. Intelligence: None

c. Organizational Operations: None

d. Training: This battery has accomplished the normal General Military subjects and MOS training during the month of July.

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e. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply

1. Ordnance Equipment

a. On 10 July during a two round mission, the muzzle of gun #12A60768 ruptured. Three large pieces of the tube were recovered, the largest of which was 18 inches long. There were no personnel casualties. The rupture of the muzzle caused the tube to be thrown violently down, smashing against the turret and elevating to about 750 mils. The gun is presently deadlined for third echelon repairs to the tube, turret, and mount assembly.

b. The Recovery Vehicle, Full Tracked, M51 is deadlined for second echelon parts, 2 pilot valve assemblies.

2. Communications

a. One AN/MRC 83 is deadlined for third echelon maintenance awaiting parts.

b. One AN/MRC 109 is still on order, document number 9080-1775.

3. Motor Transport

a. All vehicles are on hand and operationally ready

4. Engineer Equipment

a. All engineer equipment is on hand and operationally ready.

5. Supply

a. There are no major problems at this time.

f. Civic Action/Civil Affairs: Handled as cantonment project.

g. Psychological Operations: None

h. Combined Action Company Program: None

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Appendix A: (List of references) to 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP)
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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, III

b. 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) FDC Journal Appendix B

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PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF REPORTING COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

FDC
3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP)
010001 July 1969 to
312400 July 1969

d. Staff Journal

010001	Open Journal			
010810	Fired Fire Mission for Cowpoke 1, Trail junction, GZ 3083, Grid ZC 109348, negative surveillance	Obs	8 HE	Exp.
020520	Fired TOT for General Support Enemy Base Camp, XY 0251, Grid AT 85789019, negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	"
020530	Fired TOT for General Support Enemy Base Camp, XY 0252, Grid AT 85939093, negative surveillance	Unobs	4 HE	"
030001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
042030	Fired TOT for 7th Marines, Confirmed Base Camp, XY 1352, Grid AT 840910, negative surveillance	Unobs	8 HE	"
051230	Fired Fire Mission for 2/11, Troop Location, GZ 3084, Grid AT 845304 negative surveillance	Unobs	18 HE	"
051645	Fired Fire Mission for Cowpoke 16 Supply route, GZ 3085, Grid ZC 035435, Excellent Target Coverage	Obs	13 HE	"
061415	Fired Fire Mission for Cowpoke 13 Bunkers and houses, GZ 3086, Grid ZC 038455, negative surveillance	Obs	6 HE	"
061425	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Confirmed Enemy Base Camp, XY 1353 Grid ZC 157626, negative surveillance	Unobs	20 HE	"
061530	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 1354, Grid ZC 167617 negative surveillance	Unobs	22 HE	"

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070800	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery, GZ 3087, Grid AT 803300, invalid	Obs	8	HE	Exp.
071350	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery, GZ 1153, Grid ZC 16158510, valid	Obs	13	FE	"
071745	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 1355, Grid ZC 175610 negative surveillance	Unobs	23	HE	"
072200	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 0491, Grid ZC 203630 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
080025	Fired TOT for General Support XY 0400, Grid ZC 790605, negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
080300	Fired TOT for 2/11, SX 0148, Grid BT 011449, negative surveillance	Unobs	2	HE	"
081720	Fired Fire Mission for Cowpoke 16 NVA/VC in bunker with canopy GZ 3088, Grid ZC 042394, negative surveillance	Obs	14	HE	"
081900	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 846800	Unobs	1	HE	"
092100	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 814260	Unobs	1	HE	"
100700	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery, GZ 3089, Grid AT 814260, valid	Obs	10	HE	"
111930	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid 838805	Unobs	1	HE	"
122115	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 836806	Unobs	2	HE	"
132120	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 823795	Unobs	2	HE	"
140740	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery, Grid AT 844723, valid	Obs	12	HE	"

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142230	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 838806	Unobs	12	HE	Exp.
150920	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ 7918, Grid AT 810903 negative surveillance	Unobs	1	HE	"
150934	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ 7920, Grid AT 874708 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
150950	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ 7921, Grid AT 886700 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
151430	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ 7922, Grid ZC 155567 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
151505	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ 7923, Grid ZC 165578 negative surveillance	Unobs	2	HE	"
151730	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, VZ7919, Grid AT 839912 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
151830	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, TT 0034, Grid AT 915642 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
152135	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, TT 0033, Grid AT 873642 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
163400	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Enemy Base Camp, GZ 3093, Grid ZC 165578 negative surveillance	Obs	49	HE	"
170105	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 840807	Unobs	1	HE	"
170130	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, Grid AT 845675, negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"
170505	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 1367, Grid AT 872878 negative surveillance	Unobs	3	HE	"

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171115	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery, Grid ZC 21193305, invalid	Obs	2 HE	Exp.
171200	Fired TOT for Cowpoke 2, Enemy Base Camp, GZ 3093, Grid ZC 064409 negative surveillance	Obs	34 HE	"
181300	Fired Counter-Rocket Demonstration for Recon, Grid AT 834807	Obs	6 HE	"
182130	Fired TOT for 2/11, VC Regiment TT 0034, Grid ZC 161573, negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	"
190012	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 823795	Unobs	1 HE	"
191840	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, TT 0036, Grid AT 839649 negative surveillance	Unobs	12 HE	"
191930	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 0078, Grid AT 838654 negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	"
192030	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, VC Meeting Place, TT 0035, Grid ZC 19356290, negative surveillance	Unobs	8 HE	"
192130	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, VC Meeting Place, TT 0036, Grid AT 839649, negative surveillance	Unobs	12 HE	"
192230	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, VC Meeting Place, XY 0078, Grid AT 838654, negative surveillance	Unobs	12 HE	"
202250	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 846800	Unobs	1 HE	"
211500	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, XY 1372, Grid AT 857866 negative surveillance	Unobs	3 HE	"
212145	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, Enemy Base Camp, TT 7029, Grid AT 957569 negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	"
221530	Fired TOT for 2/11, Enemy Base Camp, GZ 3101, Grid AT 803567 negative surveillance	Unobs	4 HE	"

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230001	Routine messages, maintenance and			
232400	H&I's this period			
240001	Routine messages, maintenance and			
242400	H&I's this period			
250001	Routine messages, maintenance and			
252400	H&I's this period			
261535	Fired Spotter round for Recon, GZ 1167, Grid AT 850652	Obs	1 HE	"
271500	Fired Counter-Rocket demonstration for Recon, Grid AT 855779	Obs	2 HE	"
280001	Routine messages, maintenance and			
282400	H&I's this period			
291105	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Enemy Movement, GZ 3123, Grid AT 80823106 negative surveillance	Obs	4 HE	"
291135	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Enemy Movement, GZ 3123, Grid AT 80823106 negative surveillance	Obs	8 HE	"
291147	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, NVA platoon, GZ 3133, Grid ZC 205336 negative surveillance	Obs	12 HE	"
291235	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Bridge registration, GZ 3134, Grid ZC 04204335, negative surveillance	Obs	10 HE	"
301200	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Heavy Tree-line, possible harbor site, GZ 3135, Grid ZC 04204447, negative surveillance	Obs	8 HE	"
301700	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Heavy Enemy Trail, GZ 3136, Grid ZC 0114444 negative surveillance	Obs	1 HE	"
302200	Fired Counter-Rocket drill for 11th Marines, Grid AT 855779	Unobs	1 HE	"
310001	Routine messages, maintenance and			
312400	H&I's this period			
312400	Close Journal			

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