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3RD 175MM GUN BATTERY (SP)  
11th Marine Regiment  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 August to 31 August 1969

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2A  
(b) FMFPAGO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2C  
(d) RegtO 5750.2E

Encl: ✓(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 August 1969 to 31 August 1969

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Appendix A: (List of references) to 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP)  
Command Chronology 1 August to 31 August 1969

REFERENCES

ATTACHED

a. Army Map Service, Serial L7014 1:50,000  
Sheets: 6740 III  
6739 IV  
6640 I, II, III, IV  
6641 I, II, III, IV  
6540 I, II, III, IV  
6541 I, II, III  
6539 I

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

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. DESIGNATION

## COMMANDER

3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP)  
11th Marine Regiment

Maj. B. B. BOMAN  
1 August to 31 August 1969

## SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

## ATTACHED UNITS

None

## 2. LOCATION

01-28 August 1969: Command Post, and Firing Battery (minus), Da Nang,  
Grid AT 920800  
28-31 August 1969: Command Post, and Firing Battery (minus), LZ Ross,  
Grid BT 029341  
01-31 August 1969: "A" Plt., An Hoa, under operational control of  
2/11, Grid AT 878472

## 3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	01-31 August 1969 Capt. H. SAGE
Asst. Executive Officer/S-4	01-31 August 1969 1stLt. C. WALDINGER
Fire Direction Officer	01-19 August 1969 1stLt. H. HELMS
	19-28 August 1969 1stLt. D. RIGSBEE
	28-31 August 1969 1stLt. W. HARDWICK
Asst. Fire Direction Officer	01-19 August 1969 1stLt. D. RIGSBEE
"A" Plt. Commander	01-31 August 1969 1stLt. G. DANUSER
"A" Plt. Fire Direction Officer	01-31 August 1969 1stLt. J. JURACK
Advance Party Commander	10-28 August 1969 Capt. H. SAGE
Supply Officer	01-31 August 1969 1stLt. M. LEBOWITZ

## 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>
8	153	0	4	0	0

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PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the reporting period 1-31 August 1969, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) (minus) was OPCON and ADCON to the 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF, RVN. From 28 August to 31 August, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) (minus) was reinforcing 3/11. "A" Platoon, of this battery, was OPCON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment at An Hoa, RVN. From 25 August to 31 August, "A" Platoon was reinforcing 2/11.

During this period, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) (minus) fired 579 rounds on 179 missions. "A" Platoon, of this battery, fired 517 rounds on 135 missions. During this reporting period, this unit recorded 9 enemy KIA's.

2. MISSIONS FIRED BY 3RD 175MM GUN BATTERY (SP) (minus)

<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>		<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>
			HE
26th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	86	328
	H&I	15	57
	TOTAL	101	385
11th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	43	92
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	43	92
7th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	2	2
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	2	2
1st Marine Division	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	6	36
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	6	36
3/11	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	4	16
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	4	16

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<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>		<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>
			HE
General Support	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	23	46
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	23	46
TOTAL	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	164	522
	H&I	15	57
	TOTAL	179	579

3. MISSIONS FIRED BY 3RD 175MM GUN BATTERY (SP) "A" PLATOON

5th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	54	110
	H&I	12	24
	TOTAL	66	134
7th Marines	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	0	0
	H&I	2	4
	TOTAL	2	4
1st Marine Division	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	2	7
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	2	7
2/11	Obs.	0	0
	Unobs.	17	47
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	17	47
A. O.'s	Obs.	10	53
	Unobs.	0	0
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	10	53

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<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u>		<u>TYPE AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS</u>
Recon	Obs.	9	HE
	Unobs.	15	59
	H&I	0	83
	TOTAL	<u>24</u>	0
			<u>142</u>
3rd 175mm Guns	Obs.	13	128
	Unobs.	0	0
	H&I	0	0
	TOTAL	<u>13</u>	<u>128</u>
TOTAL	Obs.	32	240
	Unobs.	88	247
	H&I	15	30
	TOTAL	<u>135</u>	<u>517</u>



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PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

## 1. TOPICS

## a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Losses	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
Administration	1	19	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	2	0	0
(2) Replacements	1	14	0	1
(3) Net Loss	0	7	0	0
(4) Net Gain	0	0	0	1

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 August.

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- e. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply
  - 1. Ordnance Equipment
    - a. All ordnance equipment is on hand and operationally ready.
  - 2. Communications
    - a. One AN/MRC 83 is deadlined for third echelon maintenance parts.
    - b. One AN/MRC 109 is still on order, document number 9080-1775.
  - 3. Motor Transport
    - a. One M151A1 is deadlined for third echelon maintenance.
    - b. One M37 is deadlined for third echelon maintenance.
  - 4. Engineer Equipment
    - a. All engineer equipment is on hand and operationally ready.
  - 5. Supply
    - a. There are no major problems in this area at this time.
- f. Civic Action/Civil Affairs: Handled as cantonment project.
- g. Psychological Operations: None
- h. Combined Action Company Program: None
- i. None

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PART IV  
CHRONOLOGY OF REPORTING COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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

## d. STAFF JOURNAL

010001	Open Journal		
011630	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3137, Grid ZC 171279, valid	Obs	13 HE Exp.
020001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this 022400 period		
031630	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3140, Grid 15242620, invalid	Obs	9 HE "
031630	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3140, Grid 15242620, valid	Obs	12 HE "
040900	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3152, Grid ZC 152262, valid	Obs	13 HE "
041130	Fired Fire Mission for Aerial Observer, Enemy hootches and bunkers, GZ 3151, Grid ZC 051484 negative surveillance	Obs	6 HE "
051500	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3153, Grid ZC 21553230, valid	Obs	21 HE "
060001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this 062400 period		
071405	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3153, Grid ZC 21553230, invalid	Obs	8 HE "
071235	Fired Fire Mission for Aerial Observer, Susp- ected enemy position, GZ 3154, Grid ZC 011400 negative surveillance	Obs	16 HE "
082300	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, Enemy bunkers and movement, XY 1355, Grid AT 972551, excel- lent coverage	Obs	16 HE "
091445	Fired Fire Mission for Aerial Observer, VC Rallying point, GZ 3155, Grid ZC 001350, negative surveillance	Obs	6 HE "
091750	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, XY 1375, Grid AT 840872, negative surveillance	Unobs	3 HE "

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100030	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, NVA command post, XY 1376, Grid AT 873887, negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	Exp.
100045	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, XY 1377, Grid AT 878888, negative surveillance	Unobs	1 HE	"
100100	Fired TOT for 11th Marines, XY 1378, Grid AT 875883, negative surveillance	Unobs	2 HE	"
110001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
112400				
120245	Rockets! Rockets!	Unobs	3 HE	"
120605	Rockets! Rockets!	Unobs	2 HE	"
120620	Rockets! Rockets!	Unobs	5 HE	"
130405	Rockets! Rockets!	Unobs	4 HE	"
132106	Rockets! Rockets!	Unobs	1 HE	"
141950	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, 10 VC in open GZ 3157, Grid ZC 192582, good coverage	Obs	5 HE	"
142040	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, large camp fire, GZ 3158, Grid ZC 003484, put camp fire out	Obs	8 HE	"
150001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
152400				
161615	Fired Hobo Target for Aerial Observer, GZ 3160, Grid ZC 045449, negative surveillance	Obs	4 HE	"
161650	Fired Hobo Target for Aerial Observer, GZ 3161, Grid ZC 032437, negative surveillance	Obs	1 HE	"
170001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
172400				
180001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
182400				
190001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
192400				
202050	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, 30 VC/NVA, GZ 3173, Grid BT 004484, negative surveillance	Obs	7 HE	"
211300	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3174, Grid ZC 152261, valid	Obs	15 HE	"
211430	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3175, Grid ZC 21553225, valid	Obs	10 HE	"

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212300	Rockets ! Rockets !	Unobs	1 HE	Exp.
220030	Rockets ! Rockets !	Unobs	1 HE	"
222100	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, GZ 3184, Grid BT 011490, negative surveillance	Obs	1 HE	"
232000	Fired Fire Mission for Recon, GZ 3184, Grid BT 011490, negative surveillance	Obs	8 HE	"
242005	Fired Fire Mission for 2/11, 100 NVA, GZ 3186 Grid BT 000481, 9 KIA's and 15 Probables	Obs	12 HE	"
251530	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3187, Grid ZC 21553225, valid	Obs	10 HE	"
252300	Fired TOT for 26th Marines, VC Battalion, XY 1382, Grid AT 846813, negative surveill- ance	Unobs	6 HE	"
260001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
262400				
270930	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3174, Grid ZC 152261, valid	Obs	14 HE	"
280001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
282400				
291400	Fired Registration for 3rd 175mm Gun Battery GZ 3188, Grid AT 985478, invalid	Obs	2 HE	"
300001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
302400				
310001	Routine messages, maintenance and H&I's this period			
312400				
312400	Close Journal			

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