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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 Marine Regiment

Subj: Command Chronology for the period of 1 July to 31 July 1970

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2
(d) RegtO 5750.2

Encl: v(1) 3rd 175mm Gun Battery Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a) through (d), enclosure (1) is submitted.


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Appendix A: List of references to 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) Command
Chronology, 1 July to 31 July 1970.

REFERENCES

A. Army Service Map, Serial# 17014, 1:50,000

Sheets: 6640 I, II, III, IV
6641 II, III, IV
6540 I, II
6541 I, II

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

Appendix A to Enclosure (1)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 July 1970 to 31 July 1970

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation

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

COMMANDER

Maj. J. J. WHEELER
01-31 July 1970

SUBORDINATE UNITS
NONE

ATTACHED UNITS
NONE

2. Location

01-18 July 1970 Command Post and Firing Battery, An Hoa, Grid AT 877476
18-31 July 1970 Command Post, Hill 34, Grid AT 985719
15-18 July 1970 "A" Platoon, Hill 34, Grid AT 985719
18-23 July 1970 "A" Platoon, An Hoa, Grid AT 877476
18-23 July 1970 Firing Battery (-), Hill 34, Grid AT 985719
23-31 July 1970 Firing Battery, Hill 34, Grid AT 985719

3. Staff Officers

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Executive Officer | 01-24 July 1970 | Capt. H. A. LUCAS |
| Fire Direction Officer | 01-31 July 1970 | 1stLt W. E. FENNER |
| Assistant Fire Direction Officer | 01-31 July 1970 | 1stLt P. O. SCHAEFER |
| | 01-31 July 1970 | 1stLt J. F. MUNSON |
| | 24-31 July 1970 | 2ndLt R. D. RICKETTS |
| Assistant Executive Officer | 01-31 July 1970 | 1stLt R. L. FLECHTNER |
| Supply Officer | 01-31 July 1970 | 1st Lt R. C. MINICK |
| Motor Transport Officer | 01-31 July 1970 | 1stLt F. W. GRAY |

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC
OFF ENL
9 145

USN
OFF ENL
0 4

OTHER
OFF ENL
0 0

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the reporting period of 01-31 July 1970, the 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) fired 1641 rounds on 477 missions with 7 confirmed KIA's, 11 probable KIA's, 1 boat destroyed, 2 boats probable destroyed and/or sunk, 1 bunker destroyed, 1 hootch destroyed, 1 hootch partially destroyed.

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

| UNIT SUPPORTED | TYPE AND NO. MSNS. | TYPE AND NO. RDS. |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| 11th Marines | OBS 11 | 108 |
| | UNOBS <u>36</u> | <u>112</u> |
| | TOTAL 47 | 220 |
| 11th Marines in Thuong Duc CIDG area | OBS 000 | 000 |
| | UNOBS <u>384</u> | <u>952</u> |
| | TOTAL <u>384</u> | 952 |
| Recon | OBS 36 | 365 |
| | UNOBS <u>2</u> | <u>2</u> |
| | 38 | 367 |
| 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) | OBS 8 | 102 |
| | UNOBS <u>0</u> | <u>000</u> |
| | TOTAL 8 | 102 |

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Topics

a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Losses

| | <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
| Administration | 1 | 19 | 0 | 1 |
| 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 |
| (2) Replacements | 1 | 32 | 0 | 2 |
| (3) Evac returned to duty | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (4) Net Loss | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (5) Net Gain | 0 | 13 | 0 | 1 |

b. Intelligence: None

c. Organizational Operations: None

d. Training: This unit has accomplished the normal in military subjects during the month of July 1970

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e. Logistics, Equipment and Supply

1. Ordnance Equipment

- a. Two M2A1 Aiming Circles, #12309, LTI, Tero# M-1755
#9232, LTI, Tero# M-1756

2. Communications

- a. One PU-346 generator on order, Doc# 9143-2690

3. Motor Transport

- a. One M-37 B1 306467, R&R Wiring Harness, Doc# 0100-0892
- b. One M109 327702, R&R Head Gasket, Doc# 0210-G311
R&R Cylinder Head, Doc# 0210-G313
- c. One M107 A-1 Water Trailer 205913, Code "H", Tero# 0480
- d. One M101 A-1 Trailer 342009, Code "H", Tero# 0403
- e. One M151 A-1 335055, R&R Head Gasket, Doc# 0203-0235

4. Engineer Equipment

- a. One PU-239 230807, Possible Code "H", Tero# H-0192

5. Supply

- a. There are no major problems in this field at this time.

f. through i. are negative

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Appendix B: Documentation to 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) Command
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PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF REPORTING COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

FDC
3rd 175mm Gun Battery
010001 July 1970 to
312400 July 1970

STAFF JOURNAL

OBSERVATION HE EXP

| | | | |
|--------|---|-----|----|
| 010001 | OPENED JOURNAL | | |
| 011930 | Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 038455, 2 VC/NVA, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 6 |
| 012242 | Fired fire mission for Hansworth, Grid ZC 056505, 2 boats and lights, One probable boat, 50%, good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 17 |
| 012338 | Fired fire mission for Hansworth, Grid ZC 055487, 1 boat and lights, One probable boat, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 13 |
| 020920 | Fired registration, Grid ZC 027420 Empire State 68, Invalid, ECM | OBS | 1 |
| 021535 | Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 38, Grid ZC 164277, DCP, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 22 |
| 021711 | Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 38, Grid ZC 160250, DCP, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 10 |
| 021752 | Fired fire mission for Dublin City, Grid ZC 085434, Camp Fires, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 5 |
| 021840 | Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 056502, Boats, Good Coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 9 |
| 022253 | Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 055496, Lights in bushes, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 9 |

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| | OBSERVATION | HE EXP |
|---|-------------|--------|
| 030405 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 055496, Lights on river, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 6 |
| 031055 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 091514, 3 VC/NVA in open, 3 probable KIA, Excellent coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 11 |
| 031130 Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 18, Grid ZC 990408, DCP, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 6 |
| 031430 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 055504, Susp. NVA/VC position, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 11 |
| 031545 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 053485, Boat site, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 8 |
| 031734 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 056507, Harbor site, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 7 |
| 032154 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 056507, 2 boats with lights, 1 secondary explosion and several flashes, Excellent coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 6 |
| 040855 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 048504, Harbor site, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 14 |
| 041220 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 043470, 1 NVA/VC in bush, Negative surveillance, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 16 |
| 041523 Fired fire mission for Hostage ZULU Grid ZC 065407, Heavy DCP reading, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 7 |
| 041620 Fired fire mission for Hostage ZULU Grid ZC 158425, Heavy DCP reading, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 11 |
| 041830 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 048504, Harbor site, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 11 |
| 042043 Fired fire mission for Fudgecake, Grid ZC 056496, Lights on river, Outstanding coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 9 |
| 050400 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 053506, Lights on river, Good coverage of target, ECM | OBS | 6 |

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| 050710 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 038454, 2 NVA/VC, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 12 |
| 051229 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 055489, 2 NVA/ VC, 2 probable KIA, EOM | OBS | 11 |
| 051635 Fired fire mission for Hostage Bum Recon extract, Serviceman, Grid ZC 204341 Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 50 |
| 051720 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 047482, Harbor site, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 8 |
| 061600 Fired fire mission for 11th Marines, DCP, Grid ZC 094268, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 5 |
| 071510 Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 21, Grid ZC 122294, Strong DCP reading, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 13 |
| 071552 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid AT 819262, 2 NVA/VC in open, 3 probable KIA, Excellent coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 15 |
| 071930 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 025517, Boat on river, Excellent coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 7 |
| 080832 Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 4, Grid ZC 113333, Strong DCP, Excellent coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 7 |
| 080855 Fired fire mission for Cowpoke 4, Grid ZC 094330, Strong DCP, Excellent coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 5 |
| 081800 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master Grid AT 802297, 2 VC and 1 Boat, 2 probable KIA 1 boat destroyed, Excellent coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 7 |
| 081900 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 027509, 2 NVA/VC in open, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 9 |
| 081955 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master, Grid AT 803291, Boat crossing river, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 4 |
| 082150 Fired fire mission for Alan Town, Grid ZC 130365 Movement around position, Movement ceased, EOM | OBS | 4 |

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| 090345 Fired fire mission for Alan Town, Grid ZC 130353 Movement around position, Movement ceased, EOM | OBS | 5 |
| 090710 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master, Grid AT 801291, 1 Bunker, Negative surveillance EOM | OBS | 5 |
| 091000 Fired fire mission for Black Ace 13, Grid AT 792309 3 Boats, EOM because of R ¹ P in target area | OBS | 3 |
| 091010 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master Grid AT 792298, 2 Bunkers, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 3 |
| 091823 Fired fire mission for Nail Brush, Grid ZC 038508, 5 NVA/VC, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 20 |
| 091924 Fired fire mission for Hostage Dragon, Grid AT 793219, Enemy position, EOM | OBS | 2 |
| 091948 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master, Grid AT 819267, 11 NVA/VC, 6 KIA and 1 hootch destroyed, Very good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 25 |
| 092116 Fired fire mission for Quiz Master, Grid AT 81712655, Movement around position, Movement ceased, EOM | OBS | 12 |
| 100001 Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets 102400 during this period | | |
| 110845 Fired fire mission for Empire State 69, Grid ZC 080342, Bunker and Hootch, 1 Hootch destroyed, 1 Bridge partially destroyed, Good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 14 |
| 121400 Fired fire mission for Pal Joey, Grid ZC 216344 Hootches and bunkers, Negative surveillance, EOM | OBS | 3 |
| 131140 Fired fire mission for Empire State 69, Grid ZC 203272, Hootches and bunkers, 1 bunker partially destroyed, good coverage of target, EOM | OBS | 8 |
| 140001 Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets 142400 during this period. | | |
| 151300 "A" Platoon displaced from Grid 8747 to Grid 9871 | | |
| 151515 "A" Platoon emplaced, FireCapRep submitted to 11th Marines. | | |

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| 160001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 162400 | during this period. | | |
| 170001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 172400 | during this period. | | |
| 181300 | HQ Section, 3rd 175mm Gun Battery (SP) moved CP from Grid 8747 to Grid 9871. Platoon remaining at Grid 8747 is now designated as "A" Platoon. | | |
| 190001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 192400 | during this period. | | |
| 200835 | Fired two gun registration, Grid ZC 168720 AO Empire State 69, Valid, ECM | OBS | 22 |
| 210001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 212400 | during this period. | | |
| 220001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 222400 | during this period. | | |
| 231300 | "A" Platoon moved from Grid 8747 to Grid 9871, CSMO completed without incident at 231630. | | |
| 240805 | Fired two gun registration, Grid AT 818672 AO Empire State 68, Valid, ECM | OBS | 27 |
| 250001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 252400 | during this period. | | |
| 260001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 262400 | during this period. | | |
| 270900 | Fired registration, Grid ZC 168720 AO Empire State 65, Valid, ECM | OBS | 10 |
| 280800 | Fired registration, Grid ZC 168720 AO Empire State 66, Valid, ECM | OBS | 26 |
| 280800 | Fired registration, Grid AT 818672 AO Empire State 66, Valid, ECM | OBS | 14 |
| 290800 | Fired registration, Grid AT 818672 AO Black ACE 17, Valid, ECM | OBS | 12 |
| 300001 | Routine messages, maintenance and S-2 targets | | |
| 302400 | during this period. | | |
| 310930 | Fired registration, Grid AT 153661 AO Empire State 68, Valid, ECM | OBS | 14 |
| 3124000 | JOURNAL CLOSED | | |

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