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HEADQUARTERS  
3rd Dental Company,  
3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FMF San Francisco 96602

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1. Enclosure (1) is submitted as directed by reference (a).

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COMPANY CHRONOLOGY

## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATAa. DESCRIPTIONSTAFF DENTAL OFFICER/COMMANDER

3rd Dental Company  
 3rd Marine Division (1 IX)  
 FMF, FPO, San Francisco 96602  
 Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam

CAPT L. H. CORDONIER, DC, USM

COMPANY DENTAL CLINIC LOCATIONS

- a. 3rd Dental Company Headquarters. The 3rd Dental Company CP was relocated during the month from B-10, Market Rear area in Dong Ha to Contingency Four, 3rd MarDiv Headquarters area in Phu Bai. The Commanding Officer, Administrative Office, Administrative Chief, two office clerks and one driver staff the CP.
- b. 3rd Medical Bn, Phu Bai site. Five dental officers and 11 dental technicians staff this Clinic. Operative, prosthetic, oral surgery, preventive dentistry services are provided. Four Technicians man the prosthetic laboratory and one technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry. The oral surgeon treats the maxillo-facial casualty injuries.
- c. "D" Med, Dong Ha site. Four dental officers and five dental technicians staff this Clinic. One of the technicians is assigned full time to preventive dentistry.
- d. 11th Engineers, Dong Ha site. A Dental/Surgical Van is in this area with one dental officer and one dental technician assigned.
- e. Camp Carroll, Dong Ha site. A Dental/Surgical Van is in this area with one dental officer and one dental technician assigned.
- f. Khe Sanh site. One Dental Officer and a dental technician are assigned to this clinic.
- g. 3rd Engineers, Phu Bai site. One dental officer and two dental technicians staff this clinic. It was established on the 19th of April 1967. One dental technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- h. Headquarters Contingency 4, Phu Bai site. This clinic was established on 21 April 1967. One Dental Officer and three technicians are presently assigned. Two Dental Officers and three technicians will staff this clinic. One of the technicians is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.

Enclosure (1)

- i. 1st Medical Battalion site. Six dental officers and 15 dental technicians are assigned to this Clinic. Operative, prosthetic, endodontic, oral surgery, periodontic, and preventive dentistry services are provided at this Clinic. The oral surgeon treats the maxillo-facial injuries. Two dental technicians are assigned to full-time preventive dentistry. Three technicians are working in the prosthetic laboratory.
- j. 1st FSR/FLC site. Two dental officers and three dental technicians are assigned to this clinic. One technician is a full-time preventive dentistry technician. The Company Supply, Mount-out, and Repair sections are located here also. A pediatric hospital for the Vietnamese has been constructed at FSR. The two dental officers at this Clinic each work one-half day at the hospital dental clinic.
- k. 7th Engineers site. One dental officer and one dental technician are assigned.
- l. 7th Bulk Fuel sites. One dental officer and one dental technician are assigned.
- m. III IAF Headquarters site. One dental officer and two technicians provide the dental support which includes preventive dentistry.
- n. Hill 55 site. This clinic was disestablished on 12 April 1967. This area responsibility was assumed by the 1st Dental Company.
- o. Bei Loc (Hill 37) site. This clinic was disestablished on 15 April 1967. This area responsibility was assumed by the 1st Dental Company.

2. Location

1 - 30 April 1967: RVN

3. Staff Officers

CIR J. F. HARDIN, DC, USM, Executive Officer  
LTG O. E. CUNNINGHAM, MSC, USM, Administrative Officer

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMOFFICERS

26

ENLISTED

61

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 3rd Dental Company furnishes dental support to Marine Corps personnel in the Hue-Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Danang areas of RVN. There are twelve 3rd Dental Company Clinics. The Commanding General has approved the construction of a new seven dental operating room clinic in the 3rd MarDiv CP area at Phu Bai. An additional hard-top clinic in the Dong Ha area has also been approved and is under construction. The 3rd Dental Company personnel assist Medical in Mass Casualty Care and are active in the Civic Action Program.

On 28 April 1967, the berthing area for the dental personnel at the D Med, Dong Ha Clinic was destroyed by rockets and three of the technicians were wounded. Three Dental Officers and five technicians lost all their gear and personal possessions. The wounded were transferred to the USS SANCTUARY for treatment.

PART III1. PERSONNEL

- a. Joined during month: 13
- b. Dropped during month: 8
- c. Total Strength 30 APR 67: 88

2. Administration. The Administrative Officer meets daily with the supervisory personnel to discuss problems and disseminate information. He has made trips to Danang, III MAF, and Dong Ha to confer with the supervisory personnel in those areas.

3. Command and Control. The Commanding Officer maintains liaison with the Clinic Directors by periodic visits and telephone calls. The Commanding Officer and the Administrative Officer confer daily concerning Company operations. The Commanding Officer visited the clinics in the Phu Bai, Danang and Khe Sanh areas this month.

4. Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations.

- a. The 3rd Dental Company has a full time Civil Affairs Coordinating Officer. The Company's Dental Civil Affairs program includes the rendering of emergency dental treatment in the following villages in RVN:

HOA VANG DISTRICT	TRUNG PHUOC	HOA VANG	HOA CINH
XUAM THIEV	USAID HOSPITAL	PHU HOA	1ST MED BN
HOA KHANH	AN HAI	SAO MAI SCHOOL	NHAT'LE SCHOOL
DANANG MISSIONARY	HOA KHANH HOSPITAL		VAN HOA PHU
HOA GUAN	PHOC TRUNG	RED BEACH	HOA GOUNG
ARVON DEPENDENT HOUSING		NAM-O	HOA TIEN

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NAM HOA DISTRICT  
KHE SANHQUANG TRI  
HELO PORTPOLLON'S COFFEE PLANTATION  
JUNKFILET

b. Treatment rendered during the month of April 1967 in the Dental Civil Affairs program:

Examinations. . . . .	1666
Extractions. . . . .	1098
Root Residual Removal. . . . .	272
Oral Hygiene Instruction . . . . .	135
Scalings. . . . .	28
Temporary Fillings. . . . .	107
Post Operative Treatment. . . . .	31
Miscellaneous. . . . .	21
Abcess Incision and Drainage . . . . .	7
Tumors Excision . . . . .	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3367</b>

PATIENTS . . . . . TOTAL . . . . . 1666

5. Maxillo-facial injuries treated in the 3rd Dental Company during March and April 1967:

## Fractures (Reduction and Fixation)

Mandibular. . . . .	12
Maxillary. . . . .	10
Zygoma. . . . .	6

## Soft Tissue Laceration (Debridement and Repair)

Facial. . . . .	<u>17</u>
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TOTAL Treatments 45