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3D Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code A03D)  
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 JAN 1969 TO 31 JAN 1969

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COMPANY CHRONOLOGY  
PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. DESIGNATION

3D Dental Company  
3D Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602  
Quang Tri, Republic of Vietnam

Commanding Officer/  
Division Dental Officer  
CAPT T. D. STEPHENSON, DC, USM  
1-31 January 1969

COMPANY DENTAL FACILITIES LOCATIONSa. 3D Dental Company Headquarters, 1-31 January 1969

The 3D Dental Company Headquarters, including Mount-Out, Motor Transport, Repair, and Supply Sections, are located in the Headquarters Battalion CP area, Quang Tri Combat Base. Facilities include two tropical huts and three and a half floored stonc-back tents.

Company Headquarters	- Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer, Administrative Chief, Training Chief, Clerical Petty Officers (2) and (1) Driver.
Supply Section	- Supply Chief and (1) Dental Technician.
Motor Transport	- (2) USMC Drivers (1) USMC Mechanic and Supervisory Petty Officer.
Mount-Out Section	- (6) Dental Technicians.
Repair Section	- (2) Dental Technicians

b. CP Facility - Quang Tri Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969

Two tropical huts manned by (6) dental officers and (12) dental technicians. One of the two prosthetic facilities with the company is here.

c. 3D Medical Battalion Facility - Quang Tri Combat Base,

1-31 January 1969

One tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer, (2) oral surgeons with (2) dental technicians.

d. Battalion Rear Facility - Quang Tri Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969

(1) Tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians.  
(2) Tropical hut manned by (4) dental officers and (6) dental technicians.  
(3) Two Dental Mobile Vans manned by (2) dental technicians and (1) dental officer.

e. Division CP - Dong Ha Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969

Two tropical huts manned by (3) dental officers and (8) dental technicians. Second of company's prosthetic facilities is located here.

f. "D" Medical Company - Dong Ha Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969

Tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer and (1) dental technician.

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g. Battalion Areas - Dong Ha Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969  
 Two tropical huts in separate battalion areas, one manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians and one by (1) dental officer and (1) dental technician.

h. Cua Viet, 1-31 January 1969  
 Tropical hut manned by one dental officer and (2) dental technicians.

i. Vandegrift Combat Base, 1-31 January 1969  
 Reinforced bunker manned by (2) dental officers and (2) dental technicians.

2. STAFF OFFICERS

LTJC E. R. OLEN, MSC, USN - Administrative Officer

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
0	3	26	57

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 3D Dental Company provides dental support throughout the TAOR of the 3D Marine Division to personnel of the Division. In addition, it provides dental prosthetic treatment and dental repair preventive maintenance services to Navy and Marine personnel of NSA, 1st MAW and MCB units in the TAOR. Assistance to Graves Registration is provided in identification of the dead. Company personnel provides support to the Marine Memorial Children's Hospital at "D" Medical facility, Dong Ha. Dental civic action support was provided to several 1st BME of the 1st Mechanized-1st ARVN Regiment "County Fair" cordon-and-search operations during the month. Several significant new programs were initiated during the month. The first consisted of sending a team composed of 1/dental officer and one dental technician by helicopter to active forward Fire Support Bases to examine and treat potential dental medevac casualties. The team remained at each FSB for as much time as was found necessary to render required treatment before moving on to the next FSB. This program has proved to be extremely valuable from a morale standpoint as well as virtually eliminating dental medevacs from FSBs so visited. The second program consisted of sending the dental team on weekly visits to one or more of the 14 Combined Action Platoons of Combined Action Group Four operating in the 3D Division's TAOR. The team brought dental care to the Marine elements of the CAPs as well as the Regional Force and Popular Force troops and their families, a heretofore untreated segment of the military family. An oral surgeon with the Company, with the cooperation of the Navy MILPHAP personnel at Quang Tri Provincial Hospital, established a weekly maxillo-facial tumor clinic at the hospital.

This program shows signs of being very rewarding. Increased emphasis on the Division's cleft lip/cleft palate program through the employment of improved PSYOPS material has resulted in the discovery of many more cases requiring treatment. Two RVN Navy corpsmen of the junk fleet based near Cua Viet have received sufficient training, by company personnel, to enable them to perform DENTCAPS on their own, thereby reaching hamlets heretofore untouched.

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL

a. Joined during the month	1
b. Dropped during the month	4
c. Total strength as of 31 January	83

2. ADMINISTRATION

The Commanding Officer and Administrative Officer confer daily with supervisory personnel. The Commanding Officer made trips during the month to III MAF and facilities at Dong Ha, Quang Tri, Vandegrift Combat Base and Cua Viet.

3. One dental officer and one dental technician attended the Division Personnel Response Course. Emergency resuscitation was presented to the officers during the Company's monthly meeting.

4. ACTIVATIONS/DEACTIVATIONS/REDESIGNATIONS

a. None.

4. CIVIC ACTION

MONTHLY TOTALS - CIVIC ACTION TREATMENTS

Examinations	695
Extractions	710
Root Residual Removal	110
Post Operative Treatment	9
Oral Hygiene Instruction	16
Abscess I & D	7
Cystectomy	4
Scaling	17
Gingivitis or Stomatitis Treatment	3
Prophylaxis	1
Other Maxillofacial appliances	1
Miscellaneous	50
Total Treatments	1623
Total Patients Treated	695

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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV  
TO: CG FMFPAC

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DENTAL EQUIPMENT

1. YOUR MSG 082122Z JAN 69

- A. SUCTION AND PRESSURE APPARATUS (0)
- B. ULTRASONIC PROPHYLAXIS UNIT (2)
- C. X-RAY APPARATUS, PORTABLE (NORELCO) (4) & (1) ON ORDER
- D. PORTABLE AUTOCLAVE (DRICLAVE) (19)
- E. STERILIZER, INSTRUMENT AND SURGICAL DRESSING (STEAM) (3) & (7) ON ORDER

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TAB A

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