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1. The following changes to Operation Order 338-66 are directed.

a. Subpara 3.b of the basic order.

(1) add (5) Maintain Regimental OP at Hill 364 (AT 932760).

b. Para 3.c(2) to basic order change coordinate (AT 9260) to (AT - 9286).

BY COMMAND OF COLONEL HAYES


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1. The following pen changes to Operation Order 338-66 are directed.

a. Under Task Organization

- (1) 3d Marines (Rein). Change COL HAYES to read COL HAMMERBECK.
 - (2) Delete 3d Bn, 3d Marines LTCOL DELONG
 - (3) Add 2d Bn, 26 Marines LTCOL WILSON
- b. Change 3d Bn, 3d Marines to read 2d Bn, 26th Marines where it appears in the order.

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Change No. 3 to Operation Order 338-66

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1. The following changes to Operation Order 338-66 are directed.

a. Sub para 3.d of the basic order.


add "(6) Provide security for AN MY (3) (AT 926608)"

add "(7) Provide security for Bridge No. 3 (AT 919598)"

b. Sub para 3.e of the basic order.

add "(5) Provide security for TUY LOAN Bridge (AT 944709)"

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Ref: (a) Maps: AMS Series L701 1:50,000 Sheets 6658 I, II, IV:
6659 III and 6640 IV

- (b) Div OpnO 343-65
- (c) 12th Marines OpnO 2-66 (Rear Area Defense)
- (d) Regt OpnO 329-66 (SPARROW HAWK)
- (e) RegtO 3000.64 (Rules of Engagement)
- (f) 3d MarDivO 03443.1 (Employment of RCA)
- (g) RegtO 3120.1B (Operational Reports)
- (h) Regt OpnO 326-65

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COL HAMMERDECK

COL RATES

Hq Co. 3d Marines

CAPT BYRNE

1st Bn. 3d Marines

LTCOL DICKEY

2d Bn. 3d Marines

LTCOL OHANESIAN

3d Bn. 3d Marines

LTCOL DELONG

2d BN. 26TH MARINES

LTCOL WILSON

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence).
- (2) Current intelligence estimates and summaries.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) 3d MarDiv defends the DA NANG and HUE-PHU BAI airfields and ancillary facilities from enemy attack; executes offensive operations in assigned TAORs; establishes and maintains a reconnaissance network in assigned TAORs and RZs; conducts vigorous civil affairs programs within TAORs; in coordination with GVN forces, executes operations beyond the TAORs.
- (2) FMAW conducts air operations against NVA and Viet Cong by providing offensive air support, anti-air warfare, service

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support, aerial reconnaissance, and control of assigned missiles and aircraft

- (3) 1st Marines occupies and controls assigned sector of DA NANG TAOR and defends DA NANG vital area in sector.
 - (4) 9th Marines occupies and controls assigned sector of DA NANG TAOR and defends DA NANG vital area in sector.
 - (5) 4th Marines occupies and controls assigned sector of HUE-PUU BAI TAOR and defends vital area in sector.
 - (6) 12th Marines general support, 3d MarDiv.
 - (7) 1st Bn, 12th Marines, direct support 3d Marines.
 - (8) Battery K, 4th Bn, 12th Marines, general support/reinforcing 1st Bn, 12th Marines.
 - (9) Co A, 3d AT Bn, direct support 3d Marines.
 - (10) 3d Engr Bn, general support 3d MarDiv, prepared to provide one company direct support, 3d Marines.
 - (11) Co A, 3d TK Bn, direct support 3d Marines.
 - (12) One plt, Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn, direct support 3d Marines.
 - (13) One plt, 29th Civil Affairs Company, U.S. Army
- c. Attachments.

522d Regional Forces Company, RVN.

2. MISSION

3d Marines occupies and controls assigned sector of DA NANG TAOR, defends DA NANG vital area in sector; conducts unilateral search and destroy operations within assigned sector; conducts combat/reconnaissance patrols throughout assigned sector; prepares to conduct unilateral and/or coordinated operations with GVN Armed Forces within and beyond the periphery of the DA NANG TAOR; prepares to provide one mobile reserve company for deployment as directed; prepares to conduct counterattacks to restore the integrity of assigned sector; conducts a vigorous civil affairs program within assigned sector.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. Annex B (Concept of Operations).
- b. Headquarters Company, 3d Marines.

- (1) Provide security for 3d Marines command post. See reference (c). (Rear area defense).

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(2) Maintain SPARROW HAWK (one reinforced rifle squad) on a continuous daylight alert for employment anywhere in the 3d Marines sector of the TAOR on order. See reference (d) (SPARROW HAWK).

(3) Be prepared to provide one squad size reserve force to be employed in the defense of the regimental command post, or as a contingency force anywhere in the 3d Marines sector of the TAOR. This reserve force will be prepared for operations on a 30 minute notice from 2000 to 0500 and a 2 hour notice from 0500 to 2000.

(4) Conduct civic action program in vicinity of 3d Marines Command Post.

c. 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.

(1) Defend NAM O Bridge (AT 927842) in coordination with RVNAF.

(2) Defend BLACK and WHITE Bridges (AT 9288) in coordination with RVNAF.

(3) Provide external security for ESSO POL terminal (AT 939863).

(4) Provide security for regimental OP (DONG BEN) (AT 837828).

(5) Keep MSR Route #1 open within sector

(6) Accomplish liaison for C.O., 3d Marines with HOA VANG District Headquarters (BT 015723).

(7) Accomplish liaison for C.O., 3d Marines with GVN National Police at HAI VAN Pass.

(8) Maintain river patrols and river blocks along the CA DE River.

d. 2d Battalion, 3d Marines.

(1) Defend DAI LOC Bridge (AT 917577) in coordination with RVNAF.

(2) Accomplish liaison for C.O., 3d Marines with DAI LOC District Headquarters (AT 916851) and with THUONG DUC District Headquarters (ZC 150540).

(3) Keep MSR Routes #4 & #5 open from Hill 65 north to DAI LOC District Boundry (AT 938635).

(4) Maintain river patrols and river blocks along the SONG

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VU GIA and SONG AI NGHIA Rivers in sector.

- (5) Maintain surveillance south of SONG VU GIA.
 (6) ~~PROVIDE SECURITY FOR AM MY (3) (AT 926608)~~
~~PROVIDE SECURITY FOR BRIDGE #3 (AT 919598)~~
 e. 3d Battalion, 3d Marines.
- (1) Defend PONTOON Bridge (AT 946699) in coordination with RVNAF.
 - (2) Accomplish liaison for C.O., 3d Marines with HIEU DUC District Headquarters (AT 931690).
 - (3) Keep MSR, Route #5, open from DAI LOC District Boundary (AT 938635) north to intersections with Route #14 (AT 912743), thence Route #14 east to DEO DA LA Pass (AT 938752).
 - (4) Maintain river patrols and river blocks along the SONG YEN and SONG TUY LOAN in sector.

f. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Infantry battalions.
 - (a) Occupy and control assigned sector of TAOR.
 - (b) Defend the FEBA in assigned sector.
 - (c) Conduct unilateral search and destroy and search and clear operations and combat/reconnaissance patrols throughout assigned sector.
 - (d) Be prepared to conduct unilateral and/or combined and coordinated operations with GVN Armed Forces within and beyond the periphery of assigned sector.
 - (e) Be prepared, on order, to provide one rifle company, and one Battalion Command Group, as Regimental Reserve for deployment as directed.
 - (f) Be prepared, on order, to conduct counterattacks to restore the integrity of assigned sector and regimental sector of TAOR.
 - (g) Establish, train, and maintain Combined Action Companies with Popular Force units in assigned sector.
 - (h) Maintain liaison with Vietnamese civil and military agencies in assigned sector.
 - (i) Conduct civic action program in assigned sector.
- (2) Reserve Company.
 - (a) One rifle company from a battalion reserve will be

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designated the regimental reserve by this headquarters.

- (b) The regimental reserve will be prepared to move by helicopter or surface means for the conduct of offensive or defensive operations in the 3d Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR within two hours of alert.
- (c) The designated company will not be committed without prior approval by this headquarters.
- (3) Essential Elements of Information. Annex A (Intelligence).
- (4) Rules of Engagement. Reference (e) (Rules of Engagement).
- (5) Riot control agents may be employed in accordance with reference (f).
- (6) Operational reports will be submitted in accordance with reference (g).
- (7) Make maximum utilization of Scout-Sniper teams. Report employment to this headquarters daily by Situation Report.
- (8) Patrols, ambushes, and isolated positions will be manned by a minimum of 8 personnel. A positive means of communication will be maintained with parent units at all times. On loss of voice communication with separated element, the parent unit will take positive action to regain contact, by physical reinforcement if necessary. The separated element will indicate radio failure by White Star Parachute ground signal. If contact is not established within 2 hours, the element will return to the last point of contact.
- (9) Personnel outside CPs must be armed and accompanied by at least one other individual.
- (10) Cantonments or bunkers will normally be constructed for living/sleeping spaces, with adjacent fighting positions.
- (11) Counterattack and Immediate Reaction Plans will be prepared that will bring to bear rapidly and in a coordinated manner the capability of every unit that is within supporting distance of a unit or installation under attack, and which will prevent the enemy from escaping after an attack.
- (12) Commanders continually practice and demand tactical dispersion of troops at all times. A minimum of 15 meters between troops is required outside of tactical wire.
- (13) Vehicles travelling in areas forward of the Division Rear Area Defense Zone will contain a minimum of two persons per vehicle at all times. Two vehicles and two persons per vehicle are required during the hours of darkness.

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- (14) Contact is from right to left.
- (15) This order is effective upon receipt.
- (16) Reference (h) is cancelled and may be destroyed.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

Administrative Order 338-66.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Annex H (Communications-Electronics).

b. Command Posts.

- (1) 3d Marines (AT 943762)
- (2) 1st Bn, 3d Marines (AT 938782)
- (3) 2d Bn, 3d Marines (AT 928583)
- (4) 3d Bn, 3d Marines (AT 950721)
- (5) 1st Bn, 12th Marines (AT 958759)
- (6) Co A, 3d Tank Bn (AT 943762)
- (7) Co A, 3d AT Bn (AT 943762)
- (8) 522nd Regional Forces Co, RVN (AT 943762)
- (9) 3d plt, 29th Civil Affairs Co,
U.S. Army (AT 943762)

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c. Alternate Regimental Command Post. 3d Bn, 3d Marines CP.

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ANNEXES:

- A - Intelligence
- B - Concept of Operations
- C - Operations Overlay (to be issued)
- D - Fire Support Coordination
- E - Air Support
- F - Civil Affairs
- G - Psychological Warfare
- H - Communications-Electronics
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Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 338-66

Ref: (a) RegtO 3800.1E (SOP for INTELLIGENCE)
 (b) DivO 3800.1F (SOP for INTELLIGENCE)
 (c) RegtO 03100.1 (Operation of Observation Posts)

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. See current Intelligence Summaries.
- b. See 3d Marines INTSUMS, issued daily.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Will the enemy continue to launch small scale, well coordinated, attacks against selected targets within the regimental sector of the DA NANG TAOR? If so, where, when, how, and in what strength?
- b. Will the Viet Cong defend against USMC operations in VC-held or VC-controlled areas? If so, where, how, in what strength, and with what units?
- c. Will the enemy reinforce units now located within the regimental sector? If so, where, when, how, and in what strength?
- d. Will the enemy employ artillery, heavy mortars to shell or attack positions or installations within the regimental sector?
- e. Will the enemy employ Bacteriological or Chemical attacks against friendly units in the regimental sector? If so, where, when, and in what manner?

3. INTELLIGENCE ACQUISITION TASKS

- a. Order to subordinate units.
 - (1) All units.-- Report, as obtained, information answering Essential Elements of Information listed above, and any and all information pertaining to enemy activity within or adjacent to the regimental sector of the TAOR.
 - (2) All battalions.
 - (a) Conduct ground reconnaissance within sectors.
 - (b) Utilizing OPs established in accordance with reference

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(c) and other available means, maintain surveillance over avenues of approach into 3d Marines' sector; report, as obtained, information on enemy movement along these routes. Major avenues are:

(1) HAI VAN Pass (vic GS AT 9391)

(2) Route #14 (vic GS ZC 1984)

(3) Happy Valley (vic GS ZC 1966)

(4) Coastal Beaches (vic GS AT 9285- AT 9482)

(5) VU GIA Valley (vic GS 8255)

(3) Coordinating Instructions.

(a) Submit information, as obtained, to this headquarters and laterally to units with immediate concern, by most expeditious means.

(b) Submit and disseminate reports in accordance with reference (a), except as modified herein or as directed by this headquarters.

(c) Enemy captives and suspects will be forwarded in accordance with instructions contained in paragraph 5.

(d) Submit by flash message first sighting or indication of:

(1) Enemy artillery, heavy mortars, antiaircraft guns or other heavy caliber weapons within 10 miles of friendly positions.

(2) Enemy company-size or larger units within 5 miles of friendly positions (include location and direction of movement, size, unit, type and color of uniforms, equipment, weapons, and whether or not unit can be kept under observation).

(3) Any unusual activity that represents an immediate or potential threat to any USMC or RVNAF unit, facility or activity in the vicinity.

b. Requests to higher, adjacent, and supporting units.

(1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division.

(a) Provide information as obtained on:

(1) Order of battle information on enemy forces

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located to the north, west and south of the regimental sector.

- (2) Movement of additional enemy forces into the regimental sector.
- (3) Nature and extent of enemy or potential enemy air threat against 3d Marines sector.
- (4) Suitable helicopter landing zones for projected 3d Marines operations as required.
- (5) Enemy ECM capabilities against the 3d Marines.
- (6) Enemy supply and infiltration routes into and within the 3d Marines sector.
- (7) Degree of Viet Cong control of population and resources within the 3d Marines sector.
- (8) Enemy NBC threat against the sector.
- (b) Provide requested aerial photography in support of current or projected operations as required.
- (c) Provide current and predicted weather data in areas of 3d Marines operations.
- (d) Provide interrogator-translator, counterintelligence or other intelligence specialist support as required.
- (2) Commanding Officers, 1st and 9th Marines.— Provide exchange of information of interest, as obtained.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING CAPTURED PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIAL

a. References (a) and (b) provide basic guidance in the handling of captured personnel, documents and material.

b. Captured Personnel.

- (1) The term "prisoner of war" will not be used in connection with captives taken in counter-guerrilla operations against the Viet Cong since the Viet Cong are not foreign nationals, and this is not a declared war. For operations in Vietnam, the term "captive" will be used in reference to all prisoners taken by 3d Marines units.
- (2) Classification of Captives. Due to the nature of counter-guerrilla operations and the environment in which the enemy is found, captives taken in operations will generally fall into one of several possible categories. In referring.

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to captives, they will be classified by the following definitions:

- (a) Viet Cong Captive (VCC)— applies to members of the Viet Cong forces, auxiliaries to those forces, or Viet Cong cadre infiltrated into RVN in any form or by any means; spies, agents or persons who speak a North Vietnamese dialect; all persons from other than North or South Vietnam; and any person taken captive while engaging in combat against any 3d Marines, RVN or allied unit under any circumstances.
- (b) Very important VCC— applies to important captives requiring flagging and special processing depending on intelligence requirements. VCC considered "very important" include VC officers (platoon leaders and above), intelligence agents, communications/crypto personnel, district level or higher political (or finance, recruiting, etc.) commissars or cadre. Very important VCC will be redefined periodically.
- (c) Viet Cong Suspects (VCS)— applies to collaborators, accomplices, or others taken captive who, while not directly or conclusively known to have been engaged in combat against 3d Marine Division, RVN or allied forces, are suspected of being Viet Cong, collaborators or accomplices by virtue of their unexplained presence or actions in or near the scene of action between 3d Marines, RVN or allied forces and Viet Cong forces; or who, although unarmed, are suspected of having taken part in such action and have been captured in subsequent sweep operations; or persons whose unexplained presence, behavior or actions in or near 3d Marines, RVN or allied unit positions or facilities arouses suspicion as to their legal status and intentions.
- (d) Other Indigenous Captives— applies to persons captured by 3d Marines under unusual circumstances. Their status will generally be in question at the time of capture due to lack of identification, their being encountered in area of operations, or such other circumstances that require further investigation in order to clear them. Often this includes aged men, women or children. These latter should not be categorized as VCS unless there is firm evidence of hostile or suspicious activity. They should not be indiscriminately evacuated as VCS. The great majority of captives including suspects are eventually cleared and returned to their villages.

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- (e) "Balliers" applies to those individuals not engaging in combat who voluntarily surrender and rally to the cause of the Government of the Republic of Vietnam under the "Open Arms" or "CHIEU HOI" policy of the Vietnamese Government.

(3) Handling Captives.

- (a) All captives taken by 3d Marines will be accorded firm, just, humane treatment at all times in accordance with the law of land warfare as derived from custom and treaties, such as the Geneva Conventions. While the Viet Cong cannot be termed "prisoners of war" as defined by Article 4, Geneva Convention Relative to Treatment of Prisoners of War, 1949, they will be treated humanely in the manner prescribed therein.
- (b) Normal procedures in processing "prisoners of war" apply to the processing of captives taken in counter-guerrilla operations in Vietnam. Extreme care must be taken to ensure that friendly or potentially friendly civilians taken captive are not subject to any treatment that might engender a hostile attitude on their part toward the 3d Marines.
- (c) Handling of captives will be firm at all times, but will not involve force beyond that necessary to defend against or subdue resisting Viet Cong Captives or Viet Cong Suspects. Captives will be led firmly, but gently when blindfolded. Special care must be exercised in the handling of captives who are blindfolded and tied when being moved or transported to or from aircraft or vehicles. These captives are helpless and must be assisted to prevent injury.
- (d) Viet Cong Captives and Viet Cong Suspects will be bound in such a manner as to ensure they cannot escape or harm either their captors, guards, interrogators or other captives. Bindings will ensure security but will not be such as to cut off blood circulation, cut, injure or otherwise cause pain. Captives will not be tied in any way that is, could be, or may be mistaken to be, tortuous.
- (e) Commanding Officers will ensure that all Marines and other personnel in their command are instructed in the proper manner and procedures in the handling of "prisoners of war", and that these procedures are applied to all insurgent captives.

(4) Processing Captives.

- (a) See references (a) and (b).

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(b) All captives will be searched, segregated, tagged and evacuated through the intelligence chain as expeditiously as possible. Innocent civilians will be separated from VCC/VCS as expeditiously as possible.

(c) Normally, processing at the battalion level will involve screening captives by the S-2, using assigned interpreters, to obtain any information of immediate tactical value and to determine the category of the individual to facilitate and expedite disposition.

(d) Processing at the regimental level will normally be restricted to temporary safekeeping and forwarding of captives for interrogation and disposition depending on the category of the captive.

(5) Disposition of Captives.

(a) Initial screening of captives will normally take place at the battalion level. Here, based on the circumstances of capture and any information obtained by the S-2, captives will be classified into the categories defined above and disposed of as follows:

(1) VCC/VCS and Belliers— All Viet Cong Captives, Suspects and Belliers will be forwarded through the intelligence chain to the Division Collection Point at Da Nang for interrogation.

(2) Other Indiscriminate VC Captives— Civilians who are not VCS, VCC nor Belliers will be turned over to the local District Chief for identification and release. These will generally be local civilians picked up in the area of search and clear sweeps, persons without ID cards, and may include unidentified persons with weapons found in pacified or cleared areas whose status is unknown. This latter category may involve RF or PF soldiers who, by virtue of the fact that they lack uniforms, may appear to be Viet Cong. **SPECIAL ATTENTION MUST BE PAID TO ARMED PERSONNEL IN CLEARED AREAS WHERE RF/PF UNITS ARE STATIONED TO ENSURE THAT FRIENDLY TROOPS ARE NOT HARASSED NOR PREVENTED FROM CARRYING OUT THEIR ASSIGNED DUTIES.**

(b) Wounded captives will be evacuated through medical channels except walking wounded not requiring hospitalization who, after initial treatment, will be processed through normal intelligence channels for

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interrogation and disposition as outlined above.

- (c) Due to the limited holding capacity of the Division Collection Point and the limited interrogation capability, the obviously innocent and non-suspect captives must be screened out to avoid wasting time and unduly harassing the local civilian population.

c. Captured Documents

- (1) All captured documents must be tagged to show time, place and circumstances of capture prior to forwarding through intelligence channels to 3d IFF for timely exploitation. Complete information concerning the documents is necessary to aid in the evaluation of same and to permit return of "friendly" documents which may have been captured during sweep operations.
- (2) RVN ID cards will not be taken from captives, but will remain with them throughout the evacuation process.
- (3) Captured documents relating to communications, including operating instructions, codes, messages, frequency lists and call signs, will be tagged and evacuated to this headquarters without delay. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL PLAIN LANGUAGE TRANSMISSIONS BE MADE TO REPORT THE CAPTURE OF ENEMY COMMUNICATIONS AND SECURITY MATERIAL.
- (4) Documents captured at communications installations will not be separated from the equipment unless recapture is imminent or evacuation of the equipment is impossible. Such documents and equipment will be tagged and evacuated together to the G-2 without delay.

d. Captured Material

- (1) All captured weapons, munitions, uniforms and equipment will be evacuated through the intelligence chain to this headquarters for intelligence evaluation. A system of accountability will be established to prevent the loss of captured weapons and thereby deprive the enemy of them, provide for more positive verification of reported Viet Cong KIAs and insure evacuation and delivery through proper intelligence channels.
- (2) Captured communications - electronic equipment will be reported immediately and evacuated to this headquarters without delay. Any associated documents and/or personnel captured with the equipment should be evacuated with the equipment. Following capture of such equipment, notations should be made of dial settings to ensure that such information is available for technical exploitation. Dial

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setting will not be changed nor will any parts be removed to include identifying labels or manufacturer's plates.

- (3) Captured ordnance will be inspected by a designated representative of the A/C of S, G-2 and upon clearance as being "of no further intelligence value", will be logged out and forwarded to the Commanding Officer, FLSG for disposition.
- (4) Explosive ordnance materials will be inspected by a designated representative of the A/C of S, G-2 and EOD personnel. Those items of intelligence or training value that can be made safe will be rendered inert and turned over to the G-2 for further disposition. All other explosive ordnance materials will be turned over to EOD for disposition.
- (5) Items desired for intelligence and training include all nature of weapons and ordnance items, uniforms, equipment, punji stakes, spike traps, booby traps (photographs where safety dictates destruction of the device), tunnel lids and covers, and any other item or device encountered which would be of value in learning more about the Viet Cong and his techniques.

5. DOCUMENTS AND/OR EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

a. Maps and Charts.

- (1) The current standard tactical map for operations in Vietnam is: Map Vietnam 1:50,000, AMS L701, which is being superseded by AMS L7014. The following sheets are required for the DA NANG TAOR:

AMS L701

6558 I, II
6559 I, II
6658 I, II, III, IV
6758 III, IV
6659 II, III, IV

AMS L7014

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

- (2) Map Allowances-- Subordinate battalions will maintain quantities of the above map sheets in accordance with reference (a).
- (3) Requisition and Distribution-- Replacement map sheets will be requisitioned from this headquarters. Sufficient advance notice is required to allow for procurement in the event the requested maps are not held.
- (4) Map Corrections-- All units will maintain a record of map corrections covering their sector. Corrections will be forwarded to this headquarters when encountered.

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Whenever a unit is relieved of its sector, the record of map corrections and any additional geographical information will be turned over to the relieving unit.

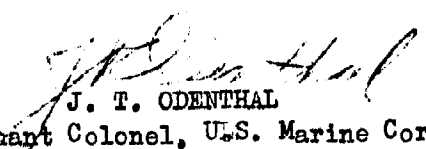
- b. Photographs--- Photographs will be requested from Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, via this headquarters.

6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. See Appendix 1 (Counterintelligence).

7. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION

Submit standard intelligence reports as prescribed in reference (a) except that Intelligence Summaries will not be submitted unless requested by this headquarters.

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APPENDIXES:

1 - Counterintelligence

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Appendix 1 (Counterintelligence) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 338-66

- Ref: (a) OPNAV 5510.1C (Security SOP)
 (b) DivO P5510.9B (Div SOP for Intell)
 (c) DivO P3800.1F (SOP for Intelligence)
 (d) OPNAV INST 5530.6A (Security for Military Information)
 (e) FMFPacO 3800.1F (SOP for Intelligence)
 (f) FMFPacO 3850.1 (Intelligence)

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1. GENERAL

- a. This appendix amplifies references (a) through (f) concerning counterintelligence procedures.
- b. Security is especially important in the counterinsurgency environment in the Republic of Vietnam. The Viet Cong may be expected to continue:
 - (1) To conduct espionage activities to obtain military information.
 - (2) To sabotage vital US or RVN installations.
 - (3) To undertake acts of terrorism against US personnel and the pro-Government civilian population.
 - (4) To propagandize the Vietnamese civilian population to incite anti-US feeling.

2. MILITARY SECURITY

a. Safeguarding Military Information.

- (1) Classified information will be handled and safeguarded in accordance with references (a) and (b).
- (2) Classified material will not be taken forward of battalion command posts except when essential for the conduct of operations. In such cases, only extracts of necessary information from classified documents shall be used.
- (3) Upon displacement, command posts will be thoroughly policed to ensure that nothing of intelligence value is left behind.

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(4) Special Instructions

- (a) While current US Armed Forces security directives do not require that unclassified maps, training manuals and other publications of this nature be treated as classified material, RVNAF require that these items be treated with utmost care. Frequently this difference in policy has caused serious difficulty in adjudicating what are, from the RVNAF standpoint, breaches of security.
- (b) During the period of operational deployment in RVN, unclassified maps, training manuals and other publications of this type will be given sufficient protection to prevent their falling into unauthorized hands. Disposal will be made as if the material were classified.
- (5) Classified material furnished to this command by a foreign government or international organization will retain the same classification as the furnishing government has assigned it. Vietnamese defense information is limited to the following categories of classification:
 - (a) TOI MAT is the Vietnamese equivalent of TOP SECRET
 - (b) MAT is the Vietnamese equivalent of SECRET
 - (c) KIN is the Vietnamese equivalent of CONFIDENTIAL

b. Communications Security.

- (1) Communications security will be in accordance with provisions of Annex H (Communications-Electronics) and other directives issued by higher authority.
- (2) Classified information will not be discussed over telephones or voice radio nets. Shackles and Operational Codes will be used when appropriate to safeguard friendly information.
- (3) Each unit having crypto devices will prepare an Emergency Destruction Plan for Crypto Material.

c. Challenges and Passwords.

- (1) See reference (c).
- (2) Compromise of the challenge and password will be reported to this headquarters immediately.

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SECRETd. Counterespionage.

- (1) Commanders will ensure that all personnel are warned that low level agents (bar girls, vendors, shop keepers, pedicab drivers) have been known to gather information for the Viet Cong.
- (2) The Viet Cong also have the capability of using Caucasian or Negro agents, either in uniform or civilian clothes, to penetrate our installations or units. Any person, regardless of rank or position, who acts suspiciously, expresses undue interest in military routine, location of units, or who is observed in a restricted area, will be approached and identified. If he has improper identification or requires verification, he will be detained and the details will be reported immediately to this headquarters

e. Countersabotage.

- (1) All units will stress countersabotage in security plans. Particular emphasis will be placed on safeguarding Command Posts, supply installations, communications centers and water points.
- (2) Prior to occupying an existing building or structure, a thorough search will be made for hidden explosives or booby traps.

f. Countersubversion.

- (1) Troop information programs will include the official role of the United States in the Republic of VIETNAM in both political and military matters.
- (2) Any propaganda directed at United States policy or US servicemen will be reported immediately to this headquarters with all details possible.

g. Visitor Control.

- (1) All units will provide escorts for and control the movement of all visitors within their areas of responsibility.
- (2) Representatives of the press and photographers will be escorted by members of the III MAF Combat Information Bureau, or 3d MarDiv Combat Information Bureau.

- h. Protection of Ranking Officials. Units being visited by ranking government officials or general/flag officers will provide adequate protective security for such visitors.

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3. CIVIL SECURITY

a. Control of Civilians.

(1) Civilians will not be permitted access to camps or installations unless appropriately cleared and authorized by the commander.

(2) All personnel are discouraged from dealing with itinerant vendors operating on the periphery of camps along MSRs.

b. Employment of Vietnamese Civilians.

(1) Vietnamese civilians will not be employed until a background investigation has been completed on the individual. These investigations are conducted by the ARVN Military Security Service (MSS) and the 3d Counterintelligence Team. Personnel seeking employment will be directed to the nearest Marine Industrial Relations Officer where they will complete the necessary forms required for security clearance and employment.

(2) Upon completion of the security investigation, the employee will be issued a pass. Employees are required to wear these passes at all times when in 3d Marine Regiment areas.

c. Civil Leaders. Friendly civilian community leaders, including village and hamlet officials, will be treated with due respect.d. Civil Unrest. Notify this headquarters immediately of any incident which may indicate a deterioration in relations between the local civilian population and US forces.

4. CENSORSHIP

a. Armed Forces Censorship, if directed by higher authority, will be conducted in accordance with reference (d) and instructions promulgated by this headquarters.

b. Censorship materials will be held at this headquarters for issue when required.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

a. All Marine Corps Counterintelligence personnel attached to

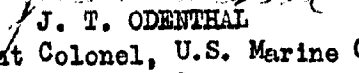
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3d Marine Division are under the operational control of Commanding General, 3d Marine Division. When operational commitments require, counterintelligence sub-teams will be attached to subordinate commands. The Team Commander, 3d CIT, will coordinate the activities of attached sub-teams.

- b. Copies of all counterintelligence reports prepared by attached sub-teams will be forwarded to the Team Commander, 3d CIT.

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1. MISSION

3d Marines occupies and controls assigned sector of DA NANG TAOR, defends vital area in sector; conducts unilateral search and destroy operations within assigned sector; conducts combat/reconnaissance patrols throughout assigned sector; prepares to conduct unilateral and/or coordinated operations with GVN Armed Forces within and beyond the periphery of the DA NANG TAOR; prepares to provide one mobile reserve company for deployment as directed; prepares to conduct counterattacks to restore the integrity of assigned sector; conducts a vigorous civil affairs program within assigned sector.

2. CONCEPT

a. 3d Marines will conduct an area defense within the assigned sector of the DA NANG TAOR in order to defend the DA NANG vital area in the sector. Operations will be conducted to maintain the offensive against the enemy, destroy him, and permit the pacification of the assigned sector.

b. Priority of operations:

- (1) Defend designated sector.
- (2) Conduct offensive operations against the enemy.
- (3) Clear and secure areas designated for pacification.
- (4) Provide mobile reserve forces for relief or reinforcement of friendly units engaged in the foregoing operations.

c. ~~Defense~~. This regiment is required to control an extremely large area containing widely separated critical localities which must be defended in order to accomplish the mission. The defense will be conducted using a system of deliberately prepared strongpoints so dispersed along the FEBA that mutual support can be achieved through fires of supporting weapons located within each battalion area, and through movement by foot march. All around security will be provided by reconnaissance and surveillance within and beyond the assigned sector; by the extensive use of patrols, ambushes, and listening

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posts within the range of supporting weapons; and by a coordinated plan of supporting fires to cover likely avenues of approach, assembly areas, attack positions, weapons sites, and observation posts which may be used by the enemy. Reaction to enemy attack will be preplanned and immediate. Plans will bring to bear rapidly and in a coordinated manner the capability of every unit within supporting distance of the unit or installation under attack. Blocking forces and immediate reaction forces will be employed, in coordination with the fires of supporting weapons, to prevent the withdrawal of the enemy and to destroy him.

- d. Offense. Offensive operations will be conducted on a continuing basis to locate, fix, and destroy the enemy. Unilaterally, and in coordination and/or combination with RVNAF, aggressive combat patrols, search and clear, and search and destroy operations will be employed to establish control in uncleared areas, and to maintain or increase control in semi-cleared areas. Reconnaissance in force operations of reinforced rifle company size will be conducted in areas forward of the FEBA in response to intelligence of enemy activity. Where consistent with the mission, psychological warfare operations will be conducted in support of operations. These operations, in coordination with intensive search and clear operations by Marine and Vietnamese forces will be conducted in hamlets in semi-cleared areas suspected of enemy activity.
- e. Fire Support. Fire support plans will be developed in support of all offensive and defensive operations, to include fires in support of patrols, ambushes, and isolated observation posts. The fire support plan will include provisions for mutual support by long-range fires between suitable supporting weapons located in each battalion area, and for relocation of supporting weapons to permit placing of defensive fires on any part of the sector threatened by enemy action.
- f. Civil Affairs. Civic action programs in support of tactical operations will be planned to pacify the civilian population and strengthen the loyalty of the people toward the GVN.

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- g. Combined Action Companies. Combined Action Companies will be established in each battalion sector under Marine OPCON. These units will be employed for security missions close to their operating bases, and will be exploited as a source of intelligence.

APPENDIXES:

- 1 - Concept of Operations for CORMORANT
- 2 - Concept of Operations for County Fair

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Appendix 1 (Concept of Operations for CORMORANT) to Annex B Concept of Operations) to Operation Order 338-66

Ref: (a) Maps: AMS Series L701 1:50,000 Sheets 6658 I, II, IV;
 6659 III and 6640 IV

Time Zone: H

1. MISSION

Third Marines conducts deep reconnaissance/search/destroy operations in known and suspected VC controlled/frequented areas within assigned sector and areas outside 3d Marines TAOR, on order.

2. CONCEPT

- a. In order to insure a continuous capability to be immediately responsive to intelligence of enemy activity, battalions will be prepared to conduct reconnaissance in force operations titled CORMORANT.
- b. CORMORANT operations are designed to search out and pursue enemy forces and destroy or capture enemy personnel, equipment, and installations. They will be conducted within the assigned sector and in contiguous Reconnaissance Zones in areas where current intelligence indicates the presence of enemy forces.
- c. Forces conducting CORMORANT operations normally will consist of a rifle company, reinforced with reconnaissance elements, scout-sniper teams, scout dogs, engineer units, ARVN, RF, or PF units, psychological warfare teams, and civic action teams, as required to accomplish the mission.
- d. Fire support will be provided by reinforcing the forces involved with supporting arms organic to the battalion, and by the relocation of supporting weapons to permit coverage of the operating area. Air and naval gunfire support will be planned for each operation, when available. The fires of all supporting weapons into the CORMORANT operating area will be under the positive control of the CORMORANT commander.
- e. CORMORANTS must have the capability to conduct sustained operations for periods of up to 7 days in areas remote from logistic bases with minimum logistic support. Normally, the

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primary logistical support means will be aerial resupply.

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Appendix 2 (Concept of Operations for COUNTY FAIR) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Order 338-66

Time Zone: H

Ref: (a) 3d MarDiv OpnO 390-66 (COUNTY FAIR)

1. MISSION

At designated dates and locales mutually agreeable to USMC and GVN military and civilian officials concerned, 3d Marines provides infantry and limited medical and logistical support, in combination and coordination with governmental, civic, and psychological warfare activities, search hamlets/villages to uncover VC and VC installations and caches and to reestablish GVN control over the populace of a given area.

2. CONCEPT

- a. COUNTY FAIR is a tactical search and clear operation with the primary purpose to find VC and installations and caches and to reintroduce GVN influence in the target area. In combination and coordination with governmental, civic, and psychological warfare activities, it is designed to flush the Viet Cong from the community in which he is a member or is a parasite, while at the same time insuring that the populace is not alienated toward the GVN.
- b. The purpose of the civic action and psychological warfare program is to convince the people that the GVN is an effective government, that it is interested in the welfare of the people, and that a GVN victory against the Viet Cong is inevitable.
- c. USMC participation in COUNTY FAIR operations is effected by establishing a cordon around the target area (village, hamlet, etc.) to isolate it for the duration of the operation, normally two days, and by providing limited medical and logistical assistance.
- d. GVN military, police, and civil authorities are primarily responsible for performing the tasks of searching the target areas and handling the populace, assisted by Marine forces as required with the search group, and as dictated by the tactical situation. This essential element of COUNTY FAIR operations restores the populace's confidence in the GVN structure and instills a sense of trust and loyalty toward

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duly appointed officials.

- e. The conduct of a 'COURTY FAIR' operation includes the collection, assembly, search, identification, medical treatment, and entertainment of the populace, and the conduct of a civic action and psychological warfare program. Reference (a) contains detailed instructions for the conduct of these operations.

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Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 338-66

- Ref: (a) Maps AMS Series L701 1:50,000 Sheets 6659 III, 6658 IV
 (b) FMFM 7-1 (Fire Support Coordination)
 (c) FMFM 7-2 (Naval Gunfire Support)
 (d) FMFM 7-3 (Air Support)
 (e) FMFM 7-4 (Field Artillery Support)
 (f) RegtO 3000.6A (Rules of Engagement)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence).
- (2) Current intelligence estimates and INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces.

See Basic Order.

2. MISSION

Regimental FSCC coordinates all supporting arms and pre-planned fires of all weapons within the Regimental sector of DA NANG TAOR and assigned reconnaissance zones.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations.

- (1) The Division FSCC exercises over-all coordination of supporting arms fires within the DA NANG TAOR.
- (2) The Regimental FSCC exercises over-all coordination of supporting fires within the 3d Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR.
- (3) Subordinate infantry battalions control the observed fires of all organic weapons and supporting arms within their sector.
- (4) Fire support coordination measures will be based upon references (b) through (e), and the special instructions

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contained in this Annex. Coordination will be accomplished at the lowest echelon capable of executing all coordination requirements.

b. Infantry Battalions.

- (1) Coordinate and control observed fires of all organic weapons and supporting arms within sector.
- (2) Coordinate all supporting arms within sector.
- (3) Be prepared to coordinate and control all supporting arms when Battalion, or principal elements thereof, is operating independently or remote from the Regimental sector.

c. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) All pre-planned or unobserved fires, or fires observed only by an air observer will be approved by the Regimental FSCC.
- (2) All unobserved supporting arms fire missions, as well as those observed only by an air observer must be approved by the Division FSCC if the target area lies behind the free fire line.
- (3) No fires of any type will be placed within the area East of grid line 95 and North of grid line 72 without approval from Division.
- (4) When a fire coordination line has been established, no fires of any type will be placed across it without authority from the unit located on the other side of the line.
- (5) Battalion FSCCs will clear fire missions of all weapons behind the free fire line with the appropriate District or ARVN headquarters.
- (6) Normal clearance procedures are as follows. All requests for supporting arms will be monitored at the Battalion FSCC. The Battalion FSCC will express positive approval of all requests. In the event a higher level FSCC controls positive approval from that FSCC must also be obtained prior to firing a mission.
- (7) The firing of a Barrage must be personally approved by the Battalion Commander, and when cleared by the FSCC will be passed to the Artillery Battalion FDC by the fastest means. No approval other than that of the Battalion Commander is required regardless of the location of the Barrage relative to other fire coordination lines. As soon as possible, Regiment and Division FSCCs will be notified.

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- (8) Battalion FSCC will coordinate all fires within 500 meters of a boundary or reconnaissance zone with the adjacent unit; Regiment will approve all such missions.
- (9) Written fire plans will be prepared for all operations including patrols. When objectives are assigned, preparatory fires on these objectives will be planned. Other concentrations, such as close-in defensive concentrations, will be planned, and fired-in whenever possible. Fire plans will normally be published as an annex to the basic operation order or may be shown graphically on the operation overlay.

4. TARGET INFORMATION

a. Rules of engagement (Reference (f)) apply. These are quoted below:

- (1) Supporting Arms will not be fired into any populated area except when the infantry commander of the ground personally determines that the area is hostile and that such action is necessary to save Marine lives, and that there is no alternative to such a course of action.
- (2) All Supporting Arms missions, with the exception of barrages, pre-planned and unobserved fires, will be controlled by an airborne or ground FAC, forward observer, NGF spot team, or RVNAF observer. All observed and unobserved fires, except barrages, will be positively approved at the appropriate FSCC level prior to the use of Supporting Arms.
- (3) Hamlets or villages not associated with ground operation will not be attacked without prior warning (by leaflets and/or speaker systems or other appropriate means) even though light fire is received from them.
- (4) Hamlets and villages may be attacked without prior warning if the attack is in conjunction with a ground operation involving the movement of ground forces through the area, and if, in the judgement of the ground commander, his mission would be jeopardized by such warning.
- (5) None of the foregoing is intended to deny the application of force against the source of hostile forces. Enemy forces engaging friendly troops will be destroyed by utilization of any available means.

b. Restricted targets. Every effort will be made to preserve Religious, Cultural, Medical and Public Utility Installations.

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5. AIRCRAFT SAFETY.

a. Air Sentries and Lookouts.

- (1) Air Sentries will be positioned at artillery firing positions, and on Naval Gunfire Support Ships, and will check fire when friendly aircraft are observed approaching danger areas.
- (2) Artillery Forward Observers and Naval Gunfire Spotters will check fire when it appears that the trajectories of artillery or naval gunfire will endanger friendly aircraft.

b. Warning Procedures. Artillery or Naval Gunfire Warnings will be transmitted to aircraft, or air control agencies, in the following format: "Artillery (NGF) Warning; Artillery (NGF) Fire from (Grid Square of Battery or Ship) to (Grid Square of Impact); Maximum Ordinate: _____ Feet".c. Coordinating Procedures.

- (1) Forward Observers, Naval Gunfire Spotters and Forward Air Controllers will coordinate with each other to secure the maximum support from their respective arm without endangering aircraft.
- (2) The coordinating FSOC will insure the safety of aircraft with the least possible interference to other supporting arms.
- (3) Helicopter approach and retirement lanes will be planned to avoid artillery and NGF trajectories, and will be strictly adhered to.

d. Restrictive Fire Plans.

- (1) In the event that massed artillery and Naval Gun Fires endanger a simultaneous air mission, and when none of the procedures set forth in paragraph 4a, b and c above will suffice, a restrictive fire plan may be employed. Under this plan, all fires are prohibited whose trajectories would pass between prescribed minimum and maximum altitudes, within a specific rectangular area, during a specific period of time. The centerline of this area will be specified by two or more points along the axis of movement. The minimum and maximum altitude are given and the width of the area is specified by the distance from either side of the centerline.
- (2) Battalions requesting an air support mission recommend the restrictive fire plan if it is required. Recommendations will state the coordinates of the points delineating

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the centerline, the distance either side of the centerline, the maximum and minimum altitudes, and the time period. Example: "Yankee X (AT 880650) to (AT 895665) 2000 meters X 1000 to 15000 feet X 1035H to 1050H X".

- (3) Restrictive fire plans will not be placed into effect without the approval of this Headquarters.
- e. Flak-Suppression Fires.
 - (1) Flak suppression fires will be planned whenever possible.
 - (2) Unsecured helicopter landing zones will be prepared by supporting arms prior to their use by helicopters performing a tactical lift.

6. SAFETY OF GROUND FORCES

- a. No supporting arms will be fired without prior approval of the ground commander in whose zone the fire is to be delivered.
- b. Ground Commanders will notify FSCCs of location of friendly troops; FSCCs will inform the supporting arms.
- c. Artillery missions classified as "close" (within 600 meters of friendly troops) and Naval Gunfire missions where "danger" exists (within 1500 meters of friendly troops) will be under the positive control of the US observer closest to the target, and capable of observing both the target and the nearest troops.
- d. All close Air Support missions will be under positive control of a TACP, TAC (A), or ASRT. The FAC or TAC (A) will recommend a direction of attack parallel to the front lines whenever possible. Positive identification of front lines is essential. Frontlines will be marked with smoke, WP, or panels prior to conducting an air strike.

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SECRET7. **COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS.**

See appendix 2 (Fire Support Communications - Electronics).

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- 1 - Internal Operation of Regimental FSCC
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- Ref: (a) Maps AMS Series L701 1:50,000 Sheets 6658 IV and 6659 III
 (b) FMFM 7-1 Fire Support Coordination
 (c) 3d MarDiv OpnO 343-65
 (d) CG 3dMarDiv ltr 3120.3 dtd 21Jan66 sermo. 002466
 (e) DivO 3120.6 (SOP - Div Fire Support Coordination Center)

Time Zones: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex A (Intelligence) and Current ISMS.b. Friendly Forces. See Basic Order.

2. MISSION. Regimental FSCC coordinates the use of all Supporting Arms, and pre-planned fires of all weapons within the Regimental portion of TAOR and assigned Reconnaissance Zones.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept.

- (1) Fire Support Coordination in accordance with references (a) through (e) and below instructions.
- (2) Battalion Fire Support Coordination Centers positively approve all fires of supporting arms and Organic Weapons which are being observed by a ground observer, and which are within the battalion sector, EXCEPT when the target is within 500 meters of a boundary or RZ.
- (3) Regimental Fire Support Coordination Center approves all other fires except those listed below which are approved by Divisions:
 - (a) Fires East of Grid Line 95 and North of Grid Line 72
 - (b) All unobserved Supporting Arms Fires behind Free Fire Line as well as those observed only by Air Observer behind Free Fire Line.
- (4) Other Commanders, assigned an operating area remote from their parent headquarters, may be granted full authority to control and coordinate fires of all weapons within their assigned TAOR.
- (5) FSCC will exercise close and continuous liaison with the S-2 and S-3 in order to insure:

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(a) Up to date information on plans and locations of friendly units.

(b) Receipt of latest intelligence information, including possible targets.

b. FSCC Watch Officer (Regt 22).

(1) Insures that a continual watch of representatives from air, NGF, Artillery and other Supporting Arms are present in the FSCC as required.

(2) Insures that all communications are functioning as prescribed in Appendix 2 to this Annex.

(3) Approves all Supporting Arms fire missions and other requests in accordance with this order, and higher headquarters directives.

(4) Coordinates the use of Supporting Arms to insure the most effective attack of targets.

(5) Insures the safety of friendly forces from fire of Supporting Arms under his control.

(6) Insure that appropriate information is entered in FSCC journal, including record of his own telecons.

c. Artillery Assistant (Regt 24).

(1) Maintain the FSCC Journal. Entries will be made in ink and will indicate the DTG of the event; the originator of the information; action taken; and the initials of the person making the journal entry. Entries will be made of all radio messages and telecons of an official nature; fire missions of any kind (except pre-planned missions); Air, Artillery or Naval Gunfire information; or any information which affects the operation of the FSCC. The Air Liaison Section will maintain a separate log of logistic missions.

(2) Insure the correct plot and log entries of all pre-arranged fires. Nighttime fire plans will be plotted by 1230 daily; daytime by 0500.

(3) Request approval from Division of all Air Observer missions and Supporting Arms fires behind the Free Fire Line after obtaining approval of the Watch Officer; obtain approval from the Watch Officer for all pre-arranged fires forward of the Free Fire Line. In addition, request Division Approval of all fires East of Grid Line 95 and North of Grid Line 72.

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- (4) Insure that the appropriate Battalion or Regiment is notified of all requests for fires in or within 500 meters of their Sector which originate from Regiment, Division, or adjacent units. These will not be fired until unit concerned approves.
 - (5) Perform required action in connection with pre-arranged fires, fire missions, Recon operations, and Aircraft Warnings as shown in Par 4 below.
 - (6) Pass all fire missions together with surveillance to Division FSCC for information.
- d. Naval Gunfire Assistant (Regt 26). Perform duties as directed when NGF is employed.
- e. Air Assistant (Regt 14).
- (1) Monitors radio nets as directed:
 - (a) Tactical Air Request Net (TAR) (HF). This net is monitored continuously and is the primary means of passing priority and emergency Air Support requests.
 - (b) Helicopter Direction Net (HD) (FM). When helicopters are operating in the Regimental Sector of the TAOR this net is monitored.
 - (c) Tactical Air Direction Net (TAD) (UHF). Monitored during air strikes, med evacs and when directed.
 - (d) Division Air Observer Net (DAO) (FM). This net is monitored when an Air Observer is operating in the Regimental Sector.
 - (2) Coordinates and Schedules Helicopter Activity.
 - (a) The Air Assistant will be alert to coordinate helicopter commitments so as to obtain the maximum efficiency of utilization of the aircraft.
 - (b) The Air and Artillery Assistants will cooperate closely to insure aircraft safety and to gain maximum use of Supporting Arms.
- f. Other Supporting Arms.
- (1) When active operations employing tanks or ontos are occurring, representatives from these arms will be present in the FSCC, with associated communication facilities and perform duties as directed.
- g. Switchboard Operator/Radio Operators.
- (1) The switchboard/radio operator will stand his watch at the FSCC switchboard and will not leave his post except at the direction

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of the Watch Officer. He will conduct line checks and radio checks in accordance with current instructions. He will monitor artillery and/or NGF nets as directed, being especially alert for Fire Missions. If one of the nets develop heavy traffic, another Radio Operator may be called by the Watch Officer to handle the radio nets. The switchboard operator is responsible for calling members of the oncoming watch during the nighttime hours.

- (2) He will perform required action in connection with fire missions as shown in paragraph 4 below.
- (3) He will immediately report breakdowns or unsatisfactory operation of any communication circuit to the FSC Watch Officer.

4. STANDARD PROCEDURES.

a. Fire Missions. Fire missions come into the FSCC from a variety of sources. Positive clearance must be obtained from the appropriate Infantry Battalion in all cases. The FDC will not give the order to fire without a positive clearance from the FSCC. The controlling FSCC will process Fire Missions as rapidly as possible in accordance with the below procedures.

- (1) An incoming fire mission will immediately be announced by the switchboard operator/communicator. It has priority over all other activities of the artillery assistant and the switchboard operator.
- (2) On receipt of a fire mission, whether by radio or wire, the switchboard operator immediately announces, "FIRE MISSION". At the same time he automatically calls the FDC and announces "FIRE MISSION" and maintains the circuit until ordered to break it. The artillery assistant will constantly monitor the mission until surveillance is received and end of mission is given.
- (3) The Artillery Assistant will plot all observed missions and check for safety of friendly troops.
- (4) The Watch Officer in the controlling FSCC will personally approve all missions. When the mission is not observed by a ground observer and lies behind the Free Fire Line or across a Fire Coordination Line, approval must be obtained from Division FSCC as well. When giving clearance, the Infantry Battalion FSCC will approve or disapprove first followed by other controlling FSCCs as required.

b. Emergency Fire Missions.

- (1) Barrages.

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- (a) Each supported Battalion will have one or more Barrages on call. Identification of each barrage will be the supported Battalion call sign and Barrage number; i.e. "Pretext, #1". The approval of the Battalion Commander is the only approval required. In the interest of common understanding and procedure, FSCCs will employ the following method in requesting that a Barrage be fired;

1 Obtain approval from Battalion Commander.

2 Contact 1/12 FDC on emergency basis by the most expeditious means.

3 State: "EMERGENCY, Fire Barrage #1, Pretext 6 sends."

- (3) An artillery warning will be passed to DASC/DIV FSCC immediately when an emergency mission is fired.

c. Unobserved Fires. (Artillery, mortars, tanks, ontos).

- (1) Unobserved fires may be classified as harassing or interdiction missions; they may be fire for effect missions on known points such as concentrations or barrages; or they be fires for other purposes such as flushing or barrier fires.
- (2) Unobserved missions will normally be fired only by artillery and mortars.
- (3) Requests for unobserved missions may be received from several sources. All requests received from sources other than Infantry Battalions attached to the 3d Marines will be sent to the affected battalion for clearance. No fires of any type will be placed in a Battalion Sector without knowledge of, and approval by, that Commander.
- (4) Unobserved Artillery fires will not normally be fired closer than 1500 meters to friendly troops; mortars may be fired as close as 1000 meters. This policy may be modified by the Commander of the friendly troops involved. Concentrations or barrages which have been fired in are normally fired closer than the above limits at the option of the Ground Commander concerned.
- (5) FSCCs will insure that the reported coordinates and the plot of all unobserved fires have been checked by at least 2 Marines at different times. In addition, a final check of friendly positions will be made at the time of final confirmation of these fires with the FDC. Although it is the responsibility of the Infantry S-3 to keep the FSCC informed of locations of friendly units, FSCCs will make every effort to ensure that the location of friendly units on their map is current at all times.

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- (6) Unobserved missions will not be fired behind the Free Fire Zone except during the hours of 2000 to 0500 and then only on unpopulated areas with the clearances obtained from Division.

a. Specific Operations.

- (1) Whenever possible, units or Reconnaissance Teams, deployed on independent or isolated operations will be granted control of all supporting arms in their sector, Reconnaissance Zone, or Tactical Area of Operations.
- (2) When Recon patrols are operating in the Regimental Sector or adjacent Reconnaissance Zones, the Regimental FSCC will normally coordinate supporting arms for these patrols. The FSCC Watch Officer will review all patrol orders on receipt in the FSCC noting particularly the battery assigned to support the patrol and time of insertion. Copies of the Operation Order will be placed on the outgoing clipboard for timely delivery to 1/12 and 12th Marines. Battalions will be kept informed of the location of patrols in their sectors. On all concentrations requested by the patrol will be listed on the Operation Order and in the FSCC Journal. The patrol overlay will be put on the map board on a timely basis prior to the scheduled departure time of the patrol and will be removed immediately upon notification that the patrol is completed. Completion of the patrol will promptly be reported to 1/12 and 12th Marines and noted in the patrol log by DTG.

5. AIR SAFETY

- a. Coordination will be accomplished in accordance with paragraph 5 of Annex E of the basic order.
- b. In order to accomplish this, the artillery and air Assistants will keep each other mutually informed of the location of aircraft and the firing of artillery. In addition, the artillery assistant will pass artillery warnings to the DAO net operator as necessary.
- c. Cease fire is not a method of fire coordination, and will only be used when an artillery warning will not suffice and the air mission is of overriding importance.
- d. All restrictive fire plans must be approved by the Fire Support Coordinator.

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Appendix 2 (Fire Support Communications-Electronics) to Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 338-66

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1. Artillery and Naval Gunfire Communications. Artillery and naval gunfire communications within the 3d Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR/RZ will be established and maintained by 1st Battalion, 12th Marines. Continuous coordination of communications with supported infantry units is essential and will be accomplished by Artillery and Naval Gunfire Liaison Officers. Although artillery and naval gunfire communications circuits are designed primarily to conduct and coordinate fire support, they may be used to disseminate intelligence or other operational information.

a. Radio.

- (1) Call signs and frequencies. Annex H (Communications - Electronics).
- (2) Artillery Conduct of Fire Nets will be guarded continuously at the Artillery Battalion FDC, Battalion FSCCs, and as required at the Regimental FSCC. Artillery Forward Observers and Liaison Teams will be prepared to act as relay stations. When Forward Observers and Naval Gunfire Spot Teams are co-located, their respective circuits may be used as alternate means of communications for either supporting arm, if required.
- (3) Close coordination between infantry and supporting arms is required to facilitate the common use of communications facilities within infantry command posts.

b. Wire.

- (1) Artillery units will install and operate a switchboard and local phones in the FSCCs of supported units.
- (2) Lines will be laid by Forward Observers and Naval Gunfire Spot Teams to the appropriate Battalion FSCC switchboard when the tactical situation permits.
- (3) Trunk lines will be installed from the Battalion FSCCs to the Artillery Battalion FDC and the Regimental FSCC. The Regimental FSCC will have trunk lines to the Artillery Battalion FDC, the alternate Battalion FDC, and the Division FSCC.

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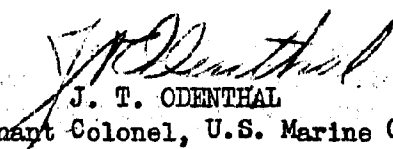
2. Air Support Communications. The Division FSCC exercises overall responsibility for planning and coordinating air support missions within the Da NANG TAOR/RZ.

a. Radio.

- (1) Call signs and frequencies. Annex H (Communications - Electronics).
- (2) Tactical Air Request Net will be guarded continuously at the Regimental FSCC. Requests for on call tactical air support will be passed from the FAC/Bn TACP to the DASC direct, using the standard TAR format.
- (3) Pre-planned Air Support mission requests will be forwarded through the chain of command to the Regimental FSCC. The standard TAR format will be used in requesting tactical missions. Locally reproduced forms are available from this Headquarters for all helicopter and observation missions.
- (4) Tactical Air Direction Nets will be utilized by FAC/TACP to control all fixed wing air support. Battalion and Regimental FSCC will guard the respective TAD net during conduct of all direct air support strikes.
- (5) Helicopter Direction Nets will be utilized by all units in the conduct of helicopter support missions.

b. Wire. All tactical air and helicopter support mission requests other than emergency or priority will be submitted by telephone to this Headquarters.

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Annex E (Air Support) to Operation Order 338-66

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- (b) FMFM 3-3, Helicopterborne Operations
 - (c) FMFM 7-1, Fire Support Coordination
 - (d) FMFM 7-3, Air Support
 - (e) DivO 02000.2D (COI)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Situation. See current INTSUMS.
- b. Friendly Situation. See 3d Marines Operation Order 338-66.

2. MISSION

3d Marines requests, coordinates, and controls air support for offensive and defensive operations within its sector of the DA NANG TAOR.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. 3d Marines requests, coordinates and controls fixed wing and helicopter close air support, and helicopter support for tactical and administrative troop movement, resupply, reconnaissance, and messenger courier service.

- b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Helicopter Landing Zone within sector.

- (a) Eagle (AT 942762) 3d Marines CP
- (b) DAI LOC (AT 916582) 2d Bn, 3d Marines CP
- (c) Coo Coo (AT 949722) 3d Bn, 3d Marines CP
- (d) Turkey (AT 941784) 1st Bn, 3d Marines CP
- (e) Hilltop Pad (AT 954750) 3d Marine Division (CG)
- (f) DONG DEN (AT 837827) 3d Marines CP

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- (g) Woodpecker (AT 937757) 3d Engineers
- (h) Magpie (AT 944783) 7th Engineers
- (i) Finch (AT 958752) 3d Recon Bn
- (j) Beaver (AT 985745) MCB-5
- (k) C-Med Pad (AT 968752) C-Med
- (l) Pheasant (AT 933761) 3d Marines OP (Hill 364)
- (m) Raven (AT 916783) 1st Bn, 3d Marines OP
- (n) Kildeer (AT 929688) India Co 3/3
- (o) Kiwi (AT 958759) 12th Marines CP

(2) Selection of other Helicopter Landing Zones.

- (a) When units change location within the TAOR units will select new helicopter landing zones.
- (b) Select landing zones which provide adequate space for the pilots to maneuver into the wind during landing approaches.
- (c) Landing zones will be in accordance with reference (b) and will be at least 100 feet in diameter. Overhead obstacles such as trees, wires, and antennae will be removed.
- (d) When possible avoid areas containing gravel, loose rock, or dust. Ensure that debris, loose material, ponchos, etc., are removed from the landing zone prior to arrival of the helicopters.
- (e) Landing zones will be marked in accordance with reference (e).

(3) Surface-to-air Communications.

- (a) See Annex E (Communications-Electronics).
- (b) Use helicopter direction net "crimson", W-60 for non-medevac missions.
- (c) Use battalion/company TAC nets for medevac missions where possible. Airborne FM radio equipment has an upper frequency limit of 51.9 mc.

(4) Tactical and Close Air Support. Close air support will

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be used for targets which cannot be attacked effectively by other means.

- (a) Air strikes within the TAOR/RZ must be under positive control of TACP, TAC (A) or ASRT.
- (b) Coordination of supporting fires. See Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- (c) Targets for air strikes will be marked with white phosphorus, white smoke, or red smoke in that order of desirability if possible. See DivO 02000.2D (COI).
- (d) Frontline panels will be displayed prior to calling air strikes if possible. In dense vegetation, smoke may be used to mark friendly positions.
- (e) Preplanned mission requests in support of up to, and including 2 battalion sized operations must be submitted not less than 48 hours in advance.
- (f) Preplanned mission requests other than as outlined in (e) above will be submitted no later than 1000H on the day prior to the day for which requested.
- (g) All preplanned mission requests will be forwarded to Division Air Officer via the chain of command for consolidation and forwarding to the FMAW for allocation of air resources.
- (h) On call tactical air support will be passed directly to the DASC using standard format contained in Appendix 1, under procedures indicated in reference (d), using fire support coordination procedures as contained therein, also as contained in reference (c) and Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- (i) Helicopter support requests will be made in accordance with the format contained in Appendix 2 (Aircraft Mission Request Form). Routine helicopter daily requests may be passed via land line.
- (j) Helicopter medical evacuation requests will be made directly to DASC using format contained in Appendix 3 (Helicopter Medical Evacuation Request Form).
- (k) Sparrow Hawk requests will be made in accordance with the format contained in Appendix 4 (Sparrow Hawk Request Form). Requests will be submitted via land line or TAR net to this Headquarters who will pass the request on to DASC.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

See basic order.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS

See Annex H (Communications - Electronics).

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APPENDIXES:

- 1 - Tactical Air Request Form
- 2 - Aircraft Mission Request Form
- 3 - Helicopter Medical Evacuation Request Form
- 4 - Sparrow Hawk Request Form

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Annex F (Civil Affairs) to Operation Order 338-66

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 (b) DivO P5080.1 (SOP Civil Affairs)
 (c) RegtO 5080.2 (Civil Action Program)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

See Basic Order.

2. MISSION

To conduct a continuous, aggressive Civic Action Program within the assigned TAOR in order to eradicate the Viet Cong influence, impress upon the population that we are here to assist them in their needs by giving them food, clothing, medical assistance as required, assist in obtaining intelligence information from civilian sources and enhance the position of the legally constituted government of the Republic of Vietnam.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. Conduct operations to control refugees and other civilian personnel in the assigned TAOR's and provide essential minimum assistance as may be required to establish and maintain order. Primary concern of Civic Action Teams will be directed toward sociological aspects of activity with secondary concern for problems of reconstruction. Overall goal of the Civic Action program will be pacification of the civilian population and strengthening of the legally constituted government of the Republic of Vietnam.
- b. Tasks. Battalions will conduct continuous, aggressive Civic Action programs in their assigned sector in accordance with reference (b).
- c. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) Develop a specific Civic Action program for each village within battalion sectors.
 - (2) Maintain continuous liaison with local government officials within battalion sectors. It is imperative that all

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activities be coordinated with local government officials to insure efforts are directed toward the most needy people and most necessary projects. By working through the local officials, their position in the eyes of the people will be enhanced, thus strengthening the unity of the village/hamlet.

- (3) All programs and projects initiated during operations will be followed up and continued, to show the people that we are here to stay and will help them help themselves as long as is required.
- (4) Insure that troops are properly indoctrinated in the importance and purposes of the Civic Action program. The success of the program depends largely on complete understanding by all those involved. Proper actions and attitudes of the troops during all contacts with the civilian population will be stressed.
- (5) Units are limited only by their imagination as to just what Civic Action programs can be conducted. Enthusiasm and complete and proper utilization of all the facilities, materials and organizations available can create a highly successful program.
- (6) All daily Civic Action activities will be reported on the Daily Civic Action Situation Report in accordance with reference (c). Additional reports will be submitted as required in reference (c).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Civilian Assistance.

- (1) Unit commanders shall submit requests for Civic Action commodities, available from CARE, USAID and various relief agencies, to this headquarters (Attn: CAO). Building materials for specific projects, light engineering support and transportation requirements may also be requested.
- (2) Daily sick call should be held when possible and practicable using MEDCAP medical supplies available on request.

b. Economic Assistance.

- (1) Units will assist the local population, as required, in methods of improving crops etc. Professional, specialized personnel are available on request.
- (2) Units will assist the local population in the harvesting of crops by providing protection from Viet Cong interference.

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as required, during Golden Fleece operations.

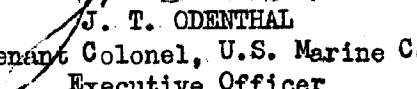
c. Sociological Assistance.

- (1) Public Health. Every effort should be made to improve the general health of the population through medical assistance as required. Programs should also be initiated to improve the overall sanitary conditions in the populated areas.
- (2) Displaced Persons. When the military situation dictates, it may be necessary to permanently relocate the people in a new area. Close coordination must be maintained with the District officials in all such cases. Assistance in establishing new refugee hamlets or relocation of hamlets is available on request.
- (3) Arts, Monuments, Archives and Private Property. Units will insure that troops are careful not to violate or damage the premises of religious establishments and other property which hold particular significance to the people. Troops must refrain from needless damage or wanton destruction of property consistent with the overall military mission.
- (4) Cultural Relations. Within the requirement of the military situation, maximum respect for the customs, traditions and desires of the people should be enforced. Use of churches, temples and other religious institutions for military purposes is prohibited. Troops should be well indoctrinated in the various local customs and traditions of the local population.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS

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Annex G (Psychological Warfare) to Operation Order 338-66

Ref: (a) FM 33-5 (Psychological Operations)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence).
- b. Friendly Forces. JOINT US ARVN Psychological Warfare Operations Center, Detachments of Army Psychological Warfare Teams, Vietnamese Cultural drama teams (as required and as available).

2. MISSION

To create, build and maintain confidence in the government of Vietnam and to establish a climate of national and local unity behind the war effort. Additionally, to expose the true nature of Viet Cong Objectives to induce disaffection among the Viet Cong and their supporters and to insure that the people are aware that we are here at the request of the government and will depart when peace is restored.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept. Employ Psychological Warfare Operations to depress VC morale, reduce VC combat efficiency, and encourage defection. Concomitantly, it can be exploited to encourage friendly Vietnamese, promote U.S.-Vietnamese good will, and also assist the Civil Affairs program.
- b. 3d Marines. Conduct a continuous Psychological Warfare program throughout assigned sector, and fully utilize Psychological Warfare means available in order to develop and produce the following objectives.

(1) Objectives.

- (a) To create, build and maintain confidence in the government of Vietnam by convincing the people that a GVN/ Allied victory is inevitable, and that the government is concerned with the welfare of the people and the best and fastest way to and the war is support of the government of Vietnam.

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- (b) Establish an attitude of unity behind the war effort by convincing the people that all government efforts are directed toward the defeat of the Viet Cong and to accomplish this they must have the effective support of all the population.
 - (c) Expose the true nature of the Viet Cong objectives by convincing the people the Viet Cong are tools of international communism.
 - (d) Induce disaffection among Viet Cong and their supporters by convincing them they are fighting for international communism and not an independent Vietnam. Create distrust and fear of Viet Cong leadership and convince the people that a government of Vietnam victory is inevitable.
 - (e) Insure that the people of Vietnam are aware that we are here at the request of their government and convince the local population that all allied forces will withdraw and peace is restored.
- (2) Tasks and themes are to be originated in the battalion whenever possible. However, the following themes should be avoided.
- (a) No commitment regarding territorial boundaries will be made.
 - (b) Only promises attainable within the purview of stated policies of the government of Vietnam and allied forces will be made.
 - (c) No promises regarding ultimate disposition of Viet Cong Captives.
 - (d) No promises will be made regarding specific time periods for withdrawal of allied forces.
 - (e) No promises will be made to any specific group or groups regarding autonomy or political power structure.
- c. Resources. Psychological Warfare Operation resources available to 3d Marines units consist of printing facilities, loud speakers, movies, aircraft, cultural team, audiovisual team, and leaflets.

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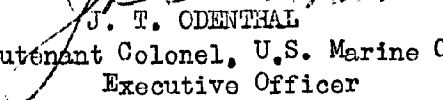
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- d. Coordinating Instructions. Submit requests in writing to 3d Marines (Attn: S-3). For Emergency/Immediate target, submit request by fastest means available.

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 (b) DivO P2000.4B (3d MarDiv CommSOP)
 (c) 3d MarDiv OpnO 343-65
 (d) RegtO P2000.1B (3dMarCommSOP)

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence) and intelligence summaries as issued.
- (2) Enemy is known to capable of imitative deception, interception, jamming and sabotage.
- (3) Enemy is known to utilize discarded dry cell batteries for mine and booby trap construction.
- (4) Wire lines, radio and radio relay sites remote from defended areas are highly susceptible to enemy activities.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) See Basic Order.
- (2) Report changes of command post locations to this headquarters.

2. MISSION

Communication elements of this command install, operate, and maintain continuous communications to support operations in the Republic of Vietnam.

3. EXECUTION

a. Communication Platoon.

- (1) Install, operate and maintain communication facilities in accordance with references (a) through (d) and this order.

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- (2) Establish radio relay link to 3d Battalion, 3d Marines; this link to be maintained on a stand-by basis as back-up for metallic wire lines.
- (3) Establish radio relay link to 2d Battalion, 3d Marines. This link to be maintained until replaced by radio relay facility of Communication Company, 3d Marine Division.
- b. 1st Bn, 3d Marines. Install, operate, and maintain communications in accordance with references (a) through (d) and this order.
- c. 2d Bn, 3d Marines. Install, operate, and maintain communications in accordance with references (a) through (d) and this order.
- d. 3d Bn, 3d Marines. Install, operate, and maintain communications in accordance with references (a) through (d) and this order.
- e. Air Support Communications. Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- f. Artillery Communications. Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- g. NGF Communications. Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- h. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) References (a) through (d).
 - (2) Maintain strict physical security of communications and cryptographic equipment.
 - (3) Communications security regulations will be adhered to at all times.
 - (4) Communications Center.
 - (a) Use GMT (Zulu) time for all message Date-Time Groups. Local time (H) may be used in the text of messages. When other GMT is used, it will be so indicated.
 - (b) CW calls will be used as teletype calls.
 - (5) Messenger Service.
 - (a) Messenger service as required. All messengers will be accompanied by an armed guard consistent with the danger involved. At no time will there be less than one armed guard. Except in the case of an emergency, messenger service will not be employed during the hours of darkness. Delivery of a message by a messenger after dark must be approved by Regimental or Battalion Commanders or Executive Officers.

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(b) Commanders will instruct liaison and visiting staff officers to report to the unit communication center for possible courier service.

(c) Guard Mail is not a message courier service. Unclassified messages will not normally be routed via guard mail. Classified messages will never be routed via guard mail.

(6) Radio.

(a) All units guard assigned nets and only assigned nets. Units wishing to enter an unassigned net must request permission from the net control station.

(b) Radio Frequency Assignment.

(1) Reference (a).

(2) Requests for additional frequencies or changes to assigned frequencies will be submitted to this headquarters.

(c) Radio Call Signs. Reference (a).

(7) Radio and Radio Relay.

(a) References (a) through (d).

(b) Wire will be used as the primary means of communications whenever possible.

(c) Commanding Officers will take steps to provide adequate physical security for wiremen working outside OP areas. The size of the security detail will be consistent with the degree of danger in the working area. Determination of the dangers involved and the security will not rest with the wiremen concerned.

(d) Submit line route maps and traffic diagrams in accordance with reference (d).

(e) Switchboard Code Names. Reference (a).

(8) Cryptographic. Reference (a).

(9) Warning Visual, Sound and Pyrotechnics. Reference (a).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Administrative Order 338-66.

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- b. Maximum effort will be extended to protect communications equipment and batteries from heat, water, dirt and rough handling.
- c. Unserviceable dry cell batteries will be completely destroyed before discarding.

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