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HEADQUARTERS BATTALION  
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO, San Francisco 96601

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9 Oct 1965

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (SC-3)

Subj: Command Chronology; submission of

Ref: (a) DivO 5750.1

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following report is submitted:

a. Organizational data, including attachments:

(1) Headquarters Battalion, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF;  
Danang, Vietnam.

(2) 1-30 September 1965.

(3) Major John E. WATSON, Commanding Officer; Major W. J.  
HALLISEY, Jr., Executive Officer.

(4) 249 officers; 1987 enlisted.

b. Sequential listing of significant events, especially as they re-  
late to:

(1) Personnel. None.

(2) Administration. None.

(3) Intelligence. None.

(4) Training. Fifty-six men of the battalion completed famil-  
iarization firing with the .50 caliber machine gun at the Hoa Cam Train-  
ing area on 11 and 19 September 1965.

(5) Special operations. None.

(6) Nuclear, biological, chemical, and other special types of  
warfare. None.

(7) Command and control. This organization consists of the fol-  
lowing units:

Headquarters Company  
Service Company

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Communications Company  
 Communications Support Company  
 Communications Company, 7th Communications Battalion  
 Military Police Company  
 1st Force Reconnaissance Company  
 3d Dental Company  
 Sub-Unit #2, Headquarters Company

Administrative control of these widely dispersed units has been both challenging and awkward. Innumerable delays result from inadequate communication facilities. The continuing personnel turnover within the organization requires an inordinate degree of supervision at all levels.

(8) Communications-Electronics. Continued operations of III MAF/3dMarDiv Communications Center. The total number of messages processed during the month was 49,338. Installed Full Duplex, 60 wpm covered, teletype circuit between COMUSMACV and CG, III MAF.

(9) Close combat. None.

(10) Fire support and fire support coordination. None.

(11) Logistics. None.

(12) Air defense. None.

(13) Combat air support. None.

(14) Medical and Dental support. The Battalion Surgeon conducts sick call at An-Khe on Wednesdays and Hua-Phat on Thursdays at 1400 of each week for local villagers. Air turbine high speed dental engines (Encore field units) were used in the field for the first time with very satisfactory results.

(15) Chaplain support. None.

(16) Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations. 3d Dental Company vigorously participated in the People to People Program by sending Dental officers and technicians to the following villages to render dental treatment to the local populations. Numerous letters have been written to Companies in CONUS requesting samples or sample kits related to dental health, for distribution in this program.

Danang Area

Le-My  
 An-Ke  
 Wa-Phat  
 Yen-Bac  
 ARVN Hospital

Hue-Phu Bai Area

Buddhist Orphanage  
 Catholic Orphanage  
 Hue Hospital  
 Hue Medical Building  
 (lectures only)

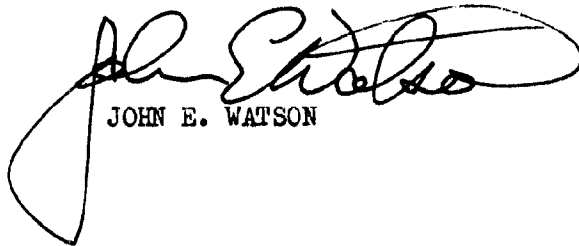
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Hoa-Thinh  
Thauk Pre Danang  
Piev Hac An-Hai (School)

c. Documentation. None.



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