

HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF FPO San Francisco, 96602

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To:

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Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 September to 30

September 1967

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Encl: (1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 September to 30 September 1967

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1.	DESIGNATION	COMMANDER
	Headquarters Battalion	Maj. H. L. WEICH (1 to 23 Sep 67)
		Col. G. E. JERUE (24 to 30 Sep 67)
	SUBORDINATE UNITS	
	Headquarters Company	1st Lt. T. C. BAILEY
	Service Company	1st Lt. D. R. SYKES
	Communications Company	Maj. J. M. CUMMINGS
	Military Police Company	Maj. G. W. GEYER
	Sub Unit #4	LtCol. R. J. KELLER
	Sub Unit #2	1st Lt. R. J. CRANDALL
	Sub Unit #5	lst Lt. M. J. HESTER (1 to 19 Sep 67)

2. LOCATION

1-30 September 1967, Phu Bai, Republic of Viet Nam (Less Sub Unit #5, Khe Sanh, Republic of Viet Nam and Sub Unit #2, Dong Ha, Republic of Viet Nam)

1st Lt. R. P. HORNE (20 to 30 Sep 67)

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Adjutant		1st Lt. C. RIGGS
S-1 Officer		1st Lt. W. A. MOORE
S-3/S-4 Officer		Capt. J. R. THOMPSON (1-5 Sep 67)
		Capt. J. W. SCHLIM (6-30 Sep 67)
	ı	ENCLOSURE (1)

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Motor Transport Officer

Supply Officer

Surgeon

Chaplains

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

USN

OFF ENL 222 2103 OFF ENL 11 57 1st Lt. W. R. ARATA

Capt. J. W. SCHLIM (1-5 Sep 67)

2d Lt. B. A. HALL (6-30 Sep 67)

Lt. H. D. JORDAN (USNR)

Lt.Cmdr. E. B. DAVIS (USN) (1-28 Sep 67)

Lt. R. B. BRETT (USNR) (29-30 Sep 67)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Headquarters Battalion continued to have elements positioned throughout the 3d Marine Division TAOR during this period. Location of major elements are as follows:

Phu Bai

Headquarters Company (-)
Service Company (-)

Communications Company (-)
Military Police Company (-)

Sub Unit #4

Dong Ha

Sub Unit #2

Khe Sanh

Sub Unit #5

2. Unit Activities/Events.

- a. During the month of September, the bunkers on "B" Sector of the Phu Bai Vital Area perimeter were completed.
- b. Blocking positions in the rear of the new Division CP were re-established and three of these are manned during the hours of darkness by the Battalion Interior Guard.
- c. During the month two new Battalion orders were published. Battalion Order 5510.3D, Battalion Guard Orders, and Battalion Order 11320.2, Fire Bill and Emergency Evacuation Procedures for the Division Command Post.
- d. Sandbagging of the new Communications and COC bunkers was started and is being run in four, three-hour shifts of 30 men each.
- e. The General and Special staff sections moved into the new Division Command Post.
- f. Relocation of Company Grade officers to a new billeting area was completed on September 15.
 - g. The new Division Chapel was dedicated on 24 September.
- h. Col. George E. JERUE assumed command of Headquarters Battalion on 24 September by relieving Maj. H. L. WELCH.

- i. Headquarters Battalion suffered the following casualties during the reporting period:
 - 5 Officers wounded in action
 - 46 Enlisted wounded in action
 - 7 Enlisted killed in action
 - 3 Naval personnel wounded in action
- j. The Phu Bai Vital Area was attacked by mortars at 0115, 1 September 1967. Headquarters Battalion suffered the following casualties from this attack:
 - 4 Officers wounded in action
 - 11 Enlisted wounded in action
 - 2 Naval personnel wounded in action

Two Field Grade Officers on an FMF Pac inspection team were wounded and not included in above figures.

- k. One award ceremony was held during this reporting period. The Commanding General, Major General B. A. HOCHMUTH, presented one Air Medal and one Purple Heart.
- 1. A total of 429 daylight patrols and 594 night Patrols/Ambushes were conducted during this reporting period by Sub Unit #4. These operations resulted in 15 VC kills confirmed, 48 VC kills probable, 2 VC captured and 11 weapons captured.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. Personnel. None.
- 2. Administration. None.
- 3. Intelligence. None.
- 4. Training.
 - a. Individual.

	Subject	Hours	Attendance
	Leadership Training Self and First Aid Communications Procedures Spot Reports Vietnamese Language Compound Defense Use of Shackle Sheets Sanitation and Hygiene English Language Code of Conduct I.A. Drills Information Program Troop Indoctrination Information on CAC Physical Training	6 10 10 3 16 7 4 3 3 2 6 1 5 1	243 787 (Includes 62 PF's) 199 (Includes 49 PF's) 155 (Includes 27 PF's) 191 (Includes 40 PF's) 260 (Includes 101 PF's) 111 203 (Includes 58 PF's) 11 (Includes 10 PF's) 272 19 (Includes 5 PF's) 89 (Includes 0 PF's) 102 110 264
b∙	Unit Tactical Training		
	Reactionary Alert Drill Naval Gunfire Spotting Forward Air Control Artillery Spotting Map Reading and Compass FO Procedures Patrols and Ambushes Movement to Contact	3 10 12 15 17 8 4	720 8 6 10 264 (Includes 14 PF's) 148 (Includes 15 PF's) 39 (Includes 14 PF's) 20 (Includes 10 PF's)
C•	Technical Training Shop Safety Technical Publications Work Order Procedures MCO & Bulletins	1 1½ 1	26 31 27 18

d. Weapons Training.

Subject	Hours	Attendance
M -1 6 M -6 0	10 ₂ 6 ₂	404 122 (Includes 71 PF's)
.30 Cal Machine Gun M-79	2 52	32 (Includes 20 PF's) 122 (Includes 48 PF's)
.45 Cal Pistol 12 Gauge Shotgun	5 3	99 (Includes 33 PF's) 60 (Includes 23 PF's)
LAAW Mines and Booby Traps	1 3	17 (Includes 5 PF's) 204 (Includes 10 PF's)

e. Weapons Firing.

Weapon	Location	Numbered Fired
M-16	Dong Da	75
M-14	Dong Da	75
•45 Cal Pistol	Dong Da	1 5
M-60 Machine Gun	Dong Da	40

f. Schools Attended.

School	Location	Attendance
NCO Leadership	Okinawa	2
Vietnamese Language	IIIMAF	3
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Personal Response Class	Phu Bai	2
Civic Action Orientation		
Course	IIIMAF	1

- 5. Special Operations. None.
- 6. Command Relations. Considered to be excellent at all echelons within the Command.
- 7. Equipment. None.
- 8. Logistics. None.
- 9. Communications. A total of 43,276 messages were processed by the Division Communications Center.
- 10. Activations/Deactivations/Redesignations. None.