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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 January 1975 to 30 June 1975

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HQ, 4th Marines	Colonel A. M. GRAY	1 Jan - 30 Jun
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SUBORDINATE UNITS

HQ, 4th Marines (Rear)	LtCol E. J. GODFREY	16 Apr - 12 May
Hq Co, 4th Marines	Capt R. M. JESSIE	1 Jan - 9 Mar
	Capt S. M. CRITTENDEN	10 Mar - 2 Jun
	Capt S. R. BLAND	3 Jun - 30 Jun
1st Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol W. G. DAVIS	1 Jan - 8 Jan
	LtCol C. E. HESTER	9 Jan - 29 Mar
2nd Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol G. P. SLADE	14 May - 30 Jun
3rd Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol E. J. GODFREY	1 Jan - 3 Jun
	LtCol D. L. MORRIS	4 Jun - 30 Jun

2. (C) LOCATION. 1 Jan 1975 to 17 Apr 1975: CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN
 18 Apr 1975 to 12 May 1975: AFLOAT AS RLT-4
 18 Apr 1975 to 12 May 1975: (REAR) CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN
 13 May 1975 to 30 Jun 1975: CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN

3. (U) STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	LtCol R. D. WHITE	1 Jan - 30 Jun
S-1/Adjutant	Capt M. J. GILDEA	1 Jan - 2 Jun
	1Lt R. E. WILLIS	3 Jun - 30 Jun
S-2	Major R. E. PORTER	1 Jan - 6 Mar
	Capt R. L. CARTER	7 Mar - 18 Apr
	Capt D. C. HOVEN	19 Apr - 31 May
	Capt E. J. BAKER	1 Jun - 30 Jun
S-3	Major J. R. BROWN JR.	1 Jan - 14 Jan
	Major W. M. ESSER	15 Jan - 14 Mar
	Major J. E. LIVINGSTON	15 Mar - 30 Jun
Air Liaison Officer	Major J. F. McCAMMON	1 Jan - 18 Mar
	Major J. MILLER	19 Mar - 30 Jun
S-3A	2Lt D. E. SUMMERS	1 Jan - 14 Jan
	Capt J. F. ADINOLFI	15 Jan - 30 Jun
S-4	Capt H. JENSEN JR	1 Jan - 9 Mar
	Major T. H. SHANNON	10 Mar - 30 Jun
Supply Officer	Capt P. A. MICHEL	1 Jan - 7 May
	Capt W. R. PHILLIPS	3 Jun - 30 Jun
Communications Officer	Major J. B. WHALEN	1 Jan - 30 Jun

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Motor Transport Officer	Capt M. W. DURHAM	1 Jan - 9 May
	MSgt L. E. BALDWIN	19 May - 30 Jun
Headquarters Commandant	Capt R. M. JESSIE	1 Jan - 9 Mar
	Capt S. M. CRITTENDEN	10 Mar - 2 Jun
	Capt S. R. BLAND	3 Jun - 30 Jun
Regimental Chaplain	Cmdr R. G. BROWN	1 Jan - 30 Jun
Sergeant Major	SgtMaj R. S. PEABODY	1 Jan - 30 Jun

4. (U) AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

UNIT		Jan Off/Enl	Feb Off/Enl	Mar Off/Enl	Apr Off/Enl	May Off/Enl	Jun Off/Enl
Hq Co, 4th Marines	USMC	20/147	22/150	25/152	22/150	16/140	17/140
	USN	2/3	2/3	2/3	2/2	2/3	2/3
1st Bn, 4th Marines	USMC	48/1023	45/1032	47/1026			
	USN	1/23	1/22	2/28			
2nd Bn, 4th Marines	USMC					42/907	42/907
	USN					1/30	1/30
3rd Bn, 4th Marines	USMC	44/921	44/930	42/942	48/855	40/814	42/1036
	USN	1/34	1/19	1/17	2/17	1/26	1/33

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. (C) A comprehensive training program was conducted during the first half of 1975 to prepare our battalions to deploy with Amphibious Ready Group "ALPHA" or to assume an Air Contingency Battalion commitment. In addition, we concentrated on preparing our Regimental Staff to deploy as an RLT Headquarters or to augment other headquarters. As a result of this training we were able to meet each one of these requirements during this period with outstanding results. Those successes are detailed in the chronologies of "Eagle Pull", "Frequent Wind", "Amphibious Evacuation RVN Support Group", and "Mayaguez Recovery" and this report details the preparations that made our units and individual Marines ready. We continued to stress Human Relations Training, Essential Military Subjects Training, Physical Fitness, and Weapons Requalification. In addition, this Regiment was totally involved in the Predischarge Education Program and every non-high school graduate was afforded the opportunity to attend formal classes and to receive a diploma.
2. (C) The Fourth Marines Headquarters was activated as RLT-4 from 18 April to 12 May as a part of the 9th MAB. We also provided personnel to augment the 9th MAB staff, the 31st MAU staff, and 33rd MAU staff during various phases of operations afloat.
3. (C) The Fourth Marines provided Battalion Teams (BLTs) for operations throughout the period. BLT 2/4 was deployed from 1 January to 28 May with ARG ALPHA. BLT 1/4 was deployed from 29 March to 30 June with Amphibious Evacuation RVN Support Group, RLT-4, and ARG ALPHA.
4. (C) The Fourth Marines provided Air Contingency BLTs (ACBLT) during this period. BLT 3/4 was assigned as primary ACBLT for Operation "Eagle Pull" from 28 January to 12 April. BLT 3/4 was also assigned as ACBLT for Operation "Frequent Wind" from 19 April to 30 April. BLT 2/4 was assigned as primary ACBLT from 1 June to 30 June.
5. (C) 58 enlisted Marines of Headquarters Company augmented other headquarters in operations afloat and joined with Marines of 3/4 to form detachment "PAPA" of the Amphibious Evacuation RVN Support Group.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. (C) SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

8 Jan	LtCol C. E. HESTER relieved LtCol W. G. DAVIS as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.
15 Jan	Memorial services commemorating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. were held in the Base Chapel.
28 Jan	3d Bn, 4th Marines assumed ACBLT mission for operation "Eagle Pull".
11 Feb	CG, FMFPAC, LtGen WILSON visited the 4th Marines.
17-18 Feb	13 Officers from the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing visited the 4th Marines.
17-19 Feb	The quarterly Marriage Guidance Seminar was held.
22 Feb	The Regimental Human Affairs Council met.
26-28 Feb	Regimental FSCC CPX
4-8 Mar	Division COMEX
10-12 Mar	Division CPX
17-21	Regimental Mortar School
23-24 Mar	Division CPX
26 Mar	9th MAB activated for planning. Col GRAY and 4 others augmented the staff.
27 Mar	33rd MAU activated with Col GRAY as Commanding Officer.
29 Mar	1st Battalion, 4th Marines embarked aboard shipping and aircraft.
30 Mar	Amphibious Evacuation RVN Support Group activated with 1st Battalion, 4th Marines attached.
30 Mar	Easter Sunrise Services
8 Apr	33rd MAU activated

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16 Apr 4th Marines Birthday ceremony conducted at Evening Colors with Brigadier General COFFMAN as guest speaker.

18 Apr Regimental Landing Team 4 activated as part of the 9th MAB.

19 Apr 3d Battalion, 4th Marines becomes ACBLT for Operation "Frequent Wind".

29-30 Apr RLT-4 conducted operation "Frequent Wind".

14 May 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines returned from afloat.

28 May Regimental Human Affairs Council met.

1 June 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines assigned as ACBLT.

2 June 4th Marines Competition Squad begins training.

3 June LtCol D. L. MORRIS relieved LtCol E. J. GODFREY as Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.

4-6 June Oral history interviews of participants in "Eagle Pull", "Frequent Wind" and "Amphibious Evacuation RVN Support Group" conducted by Division PAC.

12 June Brigadier General E. J. MEGARR, the new ADC, visited the Fourth Marines.

25 June Kubasaki High School Graduation Ceremony was held in the Hansen Theatre.

27 June 4th Marines units participated in a camp field meet. 2nd Battalion won the overall competition.

The data provided below is not a compilation of subordinate battalions and is applicable only to the Regimental Headquarters.

2. (U) ADMINISTRATION

a. AWARDS. During this period the following awards were presented;

Certificates of Commendation	7
Letters of Appreciation	2
Meritorious Masts	10

b. Discipline. Disciplinary cases acted upon or pending:

General Courts-Martial Pending	0
General Courts-Martial Complete	0

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Special Courts-Martial Pending	1
Special Courts-Martial Complete	0
Summary Courts-Martial Pending	1
Summary Courts-Martial Complete	0
Administrative Discharges Pending	5
Administrative Discharges Complete	0

Non-Judicial Punishments

CO, 4th Marines	4
CO, Hq Co, 4th Marines	25

c. Rest and Relaxation. 24 Marines made R&R Trips to Korea and Taiwan.

d. Promotions. The following promotions were effected:

<u>TO</u>	<u>REGULAR</u>	<u>MERITORIOUS</u>
Sgt	10	1
Cpl	27	5
LCpl	45	7
PFC	31	0

e. Human Affairs. The Regimental Human Affairs Council met twice during the period and many of the suggestions they forwarded to the CO were acted upon and met with great success. Significant among these were two Camp Wide Field Meets, an Easter Sunrise Service, and upgrading of the intramural special services program.

f. Career Planning. The 4th Marines reinlisted 34 first term Marines which was 155% of our assigned goal. As a result we were given permanent possession of the Commanding General's "Regimental" Career Planning Trophy.

g. Human Relations Training

HR I	25	HR II	18
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h. Alcohol/Drug Education/Rehabilitation. Two Marines participated in the Phase I Special Education Alcohol Program and 3 in the Phase II Alcohol Rehabilitation Program.

i. Education. Ten Marines received high school diplomas through the PREP program. Twelve Marines are currently participating.

3. (U) RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

a. On 15 January memorial services commemorating the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. were held. The following Sunday Bishop Archie BUCHANAN of the Calvary Church of God in Christ and his choir participated in another commemorative service.

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b. Two Marriage Guidance Seminars were conducted with 32 receiving certificates of completion.

c. MajGen HOUGHTON joined us in an Easter Sunrise Service.

d. On 5 May the 4th Marines hosted a picnic for bi-racial children left fatherless. With the help of the Pearl Buck Foundation, 275 Amerasian children and their mothers gathered for the picnic at Kin Blue Beach.

e. The Catholic chaplains sponsored a religious retreat at Mission Beach Retreat Center from 13-15 June.

4. (U) COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. The 4th Marines/Camp Hansen Communications Center processed 15,851 messages of which 2,073 were sent and 13,778 were received.

b. 55 members of the Communications Platoon were afloat during the period.

c. The Communications Platoon provided wire, radio, and multi-channel support to Division units who were embarking/debarking for operations and during LOADEX and JATTEX operations.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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1. (C) 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Command Chronology (1 Jan - 29 Mar)
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 2. (S) 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines Command Chronology (14 May - 30 Jun)
 3. (S) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Command Chronology (1 Jan - 30 Jun)

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