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Encl: ✓(1) 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), Enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. This letter of transmittal is declassified upon removal of Enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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Det, Light Sec, 1st Ontos Plat, Co A, 3rd TK Bn
SSgt. R. RODRIGUEZ 27-31 Jan

TENANT UNITS

Det, Service Co, Water Supplies Shop, 11th Engr Bn
LCpl. S. A. BOHLER 1-31 Jan

E Btry, 2nd Bn, 12th Mar
Capt. P. G. CLARK 1-31 Jan

F Btry, 2nd Bn, 12th Mar
Capt. E. L. GODY 1-31 Jan

K Btry, 4th Bn, 13th Mar
Capt. S. A. BENDRICKS 1-31 Jan

B Plat, 1st 8 inch How Btry
Capt. E. A. ROBINSON 1-31 Jan

Det, Radar, Hq Btry, 12th Mar
Sgt. E. B. POWELL 1-31 Jan

Det, 245th Fld Arty Svc Btry, 1st Bn, 40th Arty
SSgt. J. A. HARRIS 1-31 Jan

2. LOCATION

Battalion CP	1-31 Jan	C-2 Forward Operating Base, RVN
Brewo Cmd Group CP	1-31 Jan	C-2 Bridge, RVN
Battalion Rear Supply	1-31 Jan	DONG HA, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major J. I. HOPKINS	1-31 Jan
S-1	1stLt. B. D. GREEN	1-31 Jan
S-2	1stLt. R. B. MORGAN	1-31 Jan.
S-3	Major H. M. NELSON	1-31 Jan.
S-4	Capt. J. A. EDWARDS	1-5 Jan
	Capt. G. C. FAGERSTEN	5-28 Jan
	Capt. R. L. NUNNALLY	28-31 Jan
Supply Officer	1stLt. R. L. FISHER, Jr.	1-31 Jan
MT Officer	1stLt. C. W. SHOBIE	1-31 Jan
Comm Officer	Capt. G. C. FAGERSTEN	1-31 Jan
Battalion Chaplain	LtCmdr. J. R. HUTTON USNR	1-31 Jan
Battalion Surgeon	Lt. J. W. HOFFMAN USNR	1-31 Jan

PART I

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>1. DESIGNATION</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
1st Battalion, 4th Marines	LtCol. E. A. DEPTULA	1-31 Jan

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	Capt. R. G. McNALLY	1-31 Jan
Company A	1stLt. W. F. JONES	1-31 Jan
Company B	Capt. R. F. HARRIS	1-31 Jan
Company C	Capt. O. B. REMFRO	1-31 Jan
Company D	Capt. R. D. WEHDE	1-31 Jan
Company H/2/4	Capt. J. L. WILLIAMS	27-31 Jan

ATTACHED UNITS

Det, Co C, 3rd Engr Bn (Demo Tm)	Cpl. J. P. KABELLER	1-31 Jan
Det, 9th Motor Transport Bn	LCpl. E. FORD	1-31 Jan

DIRECT SUPPORT UNITS

Det, Sec, 5th Plat, Co A, 3rd TK Bn	2ndLt. W. BRIGNON	1-23 Jan
Det, Sec, 1st Plat, Co A, 3rd TK Bn	2ndLt. J. P. COAN	24-31 Jan
Det, 2nd Plat, Co A, 3rd TK Bn	2ndLt. J. BLOCK	1-31 Jan
Det, Sec, Ontos Plat, Co A, 3rd TK Bn	Sgt. D. L. SHIFFLETT	1-31 Jan
Det, D Btry, 2nd Bn, 12th Marines	1stLt. G. D. GARRISON	1-31 Jan
Det, Sub Unit #2, 1st Plat, 1st Scoh Lt Bn	Cpl. M. D. JOHNSON	1-31 Jan

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
43	1163

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
2	83

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The Battalion continued to participate in Operation KENTUCKY during this reporting period. Companies "A" and "B" with the Alfa Command Group defended the C-2 Forward Operating Base, while Companies "C" and "D" and a small Bravo Command Group occupied the C-2 Bridge position.

Numerous squad and platoon size combat patrols, ambushes and security and screening operations were conducted in the AOR out to 1500 meters from Route # 561, C-2 and C-2 Bridge. Also, three company size operations were conducted in the AOR out to a distance of 3000 meters.

Company "A" chopped OPCON to the 9th Marines on 10 January to conduct small unit operations in the vicinity of Cam Lo and along Route # 9. Upon Company "A"'s return to C-2 on 22 January, Company "D" chopped to 9th Marines and assumed Company "A"'s mission. Company "D" remained OPCON to 9th Marines through the end of the month.

On 10 January, C-2 was inspected by the Dyemarker Quality Control Inspection Team. It was determined that none of the bunkers could be considered complete. Maximum effort was directed at bunker completion in keeping with the tactical situation. At the end of the reporting period the Battalion had completed 47 of the 81 bunkers.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Combat missions assigned.

(a) Operation KENTUCKY (1-31 January 1968)

- (1) Defend Forward Operating Base C-2 and C-2' Bridge.
- (2) Continue construction and improvement of C-2 and C-2' Bridge positions in accordance with approved Dymarker Plans.
- (3) Protect LOC (Rt. 561) within AO, denying enemy opportunity to interdict LOC by mines or ambushes.
- (4) Conduct anti-infiltration operations within assigned AO.
- (5) Provide Sparrow Hawk Reaction Force.
- (6) Provide Rough Rider Reaction Force.

2. Operations

02 January

At 0830H, road sweep, progressing towards 1/4's AOR, discovered three separate box type mines at YD 133625, YD 132626 and YD 133628. Each mine was rigged with a pressure type firing device and one had what appeared to be a 40mm round placed under it. NVA placing mines apparently came through draw to west of road. Road was double swept and mines were destroyed in place.

At 2030H, mobile search light unit spotted 7 IV's moving east in brush along MSR about 1500 meters south of this position. Fired 20 rounds 81mm with good coverage of area.

04 January

Co. "C" received 3 rounds 82mm mortar west of perimeter at YD 125675 from approx. 5600 mills. Returned fire with 40 rounds 81mm mortar and 1 WP and 6 HE rounds of arty on suspected enemy location at coord. YD 115685. Results unknown.

C-2 west tower at YD 133646 observed one NVA through NOD at YD 117653. Called in 81mm mission. Rounds impacted on target. Observed NVA being thrown into the air by concussion. Area was checked by Co. "A" patrol at first light with negative results.

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At 2345H, C-2 east tower observed light at YD 147651. 60mm illum revealed 2 NVA moving east. One was carrying a rifle-like object, other carried weapon. Called 81mm mission of 20 rounds with good coverage of target area.

07 January At 0810H, Two unidentified pieces of ordnance impacted approx. 100 meters inside the wire in the eastern portion of C-2. Collected fragments and examined craters. Evidence points to ordnance being U.S. type of radar suppression missile. Requested assistance in identification from 9th Marines. The two rounds resulted in 4 Fr. NBC one of which was ~~recovered~~.

At 1430H, MajGen Metzger, ADC 3rd Mar Div; RAdm Kinney, ComCruDesFlot and party arrived at C-2 and departed one hour later.

12 January At 1030H, Co. "C" platoon patrol found 6 fighting holes overlooking trail at YD 120667. One of the six was filled with dirt. The remains of an NVA shoe, some rope and a green skivvy shirt were strewn around the area. While digging out the hole, a skeleton was uncovered. Holes appeared to be 2 to 3 months old. No foot prints or evidence of recent activity noted. Destroyed remaining holes and continued mission. H&I fires plotted for this area.

13 January At 0145H, Co.'s "C" and "D" at C-2 Bridge received 8 rounds of unknown light caliber artillery from approx 5300 mills. Rounds fell short of the perimeter at YD 128673. Within two minutes, 81's were returning 20 rounds HE at suspected enemy target.

At 1300H, "E" Battery conducted crater analysis. Rounds proved to be 81mm HE medium, Lot # LS-139-57. Rounds came from a direction of 5820 mills. Angle of fall was 1300 mills.

15 January Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol found 2 "U" shaped trenches approx. 60'x12'x3' at YD 115678. One of the trenches contained 4 NVA bodies. Bodies appeared to have been stripped of everything except their tennis shoes. Arty was apparent cause of death as 4 craters were found approximately 5 meters from them. Checked out surrounding area with neg. results. Continued assigned mission.

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MajGen Thompkins, CG 3rd Mar Div, Col Smith, CG 9th Mar and party arrived at C-2 and departed one hour later.

17 January

Co. "C" squad security for bulldozer, spotted 2 NVA in heavy brush approx. 50 meters east of perimeter at YD 132668. Security squad fired 100 rounds S/A and 4 rounds M-79. While checking out area, squad spotted another NVA moving in an easterly direction. Fired 30 rounds S/A at enemy as he fled into brush. Search of area produced neg. results.

18 January

At 1700H, MajGen Murray arrived at C-2 and departed 15 minutes later.

21 January

At 0300H, IP spotted movement on edge of perimeter at YD 141643. Used Starlight Scope and Night Observation Device which verified movement of 2 men. Fired approx. 50 rds. from 50 cal. machine gun. No further movement was observed.

At 0500H, received request from Hq Btry, 2/12 to adjust fires on suspected rocket site at YD 0865. C-2 Bridge adjusted 3 FFE's on above coordinate, resulting in two large and one small secondary explosions.

At 1345H, Co. "B" squad size combat patrol spotted one NVA wearing green utilities and carrying AK-47 at YD 140663 moving in easterly direction. Fired 6 rds. S/A and 4 M-79. Search of area revealed traces of blood.

22 January

At 1205H, C-2 east tower observed 6 NVA moving along edge of the tree line. All were carrying weapons (2 AK-47's and 4 rifles of unknown caliber). Called in 80 rds. 81mm HE and followed up with arty mission of 12 rds. HE and 24 rds. VT. Good target coverage.

At 1300H, Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol was moving through very thick brush when Marine's M-16 caught on a vine resulting in one round being accidentally discharged. Bullet struck another Marine walking in front of him in the hand. Casualty treated by Corpsmen. Med-evac was called in and completed at 1355H.

24 January

While traveling south on the MSR and about 800 meters from the south gate of C-2, an M-109 jeep and trailer carrying 3 Marines, was ambushed by approx. 4 NVA just off the east side of the road. The M-109 was hit on the left front by an RPG. The vehicle overturned and burned resulting in 2 KIA and 1 WIA. A vehicle from 1st 8" How Btry, at C-3, came by a short time later. When the two men in the vehicle stopped to investigate and pick up the WIA, they received approx. 30 rds. S/A fire from an estimated 6 NVA, 180 meters east of the road. The second vehicle departed for C-2 with WIA. A 1/4 platoon reaction

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force with a section of tanks in support left C-2 for the scene. During the sweep of the area 500 meters to the west, the platoon observed three enemy moving east on the east side of the road. The platoon took the fleeing NVA under fire with S/A, 90mm tanks and a twin 40mm duster from C-3. The platoon swept the area with neg. results, but found RPG fragments. A second detail with a bulldozer was dispatched to the ambush site to retrieve the destroyed vehicle and pick up the KIA's.

- 25 January At 1630H, alerted Co. "B" and 1 section of tanks to be prepared to provide assistance to 2/9 reaction force at YD 132626. Two trucks from 2/1 traveling north on MSR were ambushed at that position by approx. 6 NVA firing AK-47's and rifle grenades.
- 27 January C-2 received 5 rds. of arty from YD 075697. Rounds believed to be 105mm. Incident resulted in one Fr. WIA med-evac. Called arty mission of 32 rds. WP and HE on suspected enemy location. Reaction time of 10 min. Med-evac completed at 1405H.
- 28 January Co. "A" OP at YD 132633 observed 4 NVA with slung rifles walking along treeline heading south approx. 200 meters SE of C-2 Bridge. 2/9 road sweep observed the 4 NVA at the same time and took them under fire. NVA disappeared into the treeline. Two squads from "H" 2/4, at C-2 Bridge, were sent to sweep area where NVA were last seen but found nothing.
- 30 January C-2 east tower received 4 rds. sniper fire from a southeasterly direction resulting in one WIA (minor). Returned 20 rds. 81mm HE at suspected enemy location at YD 140641.
- 31 January At 1030H, 2/1 road sweep at YD 128678 received approx. 12 rds. S/A from treeline on west side of road. Sweep returned S/A and continued to move to Con Thien (A-4). Co. "C" (1/4) fired 81mm mission. Co. "G" squad patrol swept area with negative results.

3. Training

a. During January, a revised battalion training SOP was published giving new impetus to the training program with special emphasis on battalion level training. In addition to the normal company level instruction, training in the following subjects was conducted at battalion level:

(1) Marksmanship. Each squad received a two hour lecture and three hours of application in field firing techniques at the C-2 firing range. Reaction to ambushes and controlled, accurate fire were stressed.

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(2) M-16, care and cleaning. A one hour lecture was presented on the proper method of cleaning the M-16 rifle.

(3) Map and compass reading. Each squad received four hours of training in map and compass reading. The greater portion of this training was devoted to practical application.

(4) Helicopter and evacuation procedures. A one hour class was given to squad leaders and above to familiarize them with helicopter medevac request procedures.

(5) FO procedures. A three hour class was given to each Marine on the procedure for calling fire missions and adjusting fires. Whenever possible, the classes observed actual tactical fire support missions.

(6) Chemical warfare counter-measures. Instruction was given to each Marine on the types and effects of the chemical agents the enemy has been known to use. Drills were held to acquaint Marines with the proper procedure for clearing and maintaining the protective mask.

b. The troop indoctrination program for replacement personnel was formalized with the publication of an SOP for replacement training. The battalion's program covers all subjects required by MIV 1510.3B. In addition, FAM firing of T/O weapons is included. The Commanding Officer, each executive and special staff section head, and each company commander has a prepared briefing for presentation to replacement personnel. Until each replacement receives the required indoctrination training, he is not permitted to accompany his assigned unit on combat operations.

4. Casualties Inflicted on the Enemy

NVA/KIA (Conf) 5

5. Friendly Casualties Sustained

KIA	1
WIA	5
Non-Hostile Deaths	0
DOW	0
NBC	98
MIA	4*

*Presumed to have been killed during the 1971 January.

6. New Techniques Employed

a. Technique #1: Mounting .50 caliber machineguns in Observation Towers

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Comment: The Battalion mounted .50 caliber machineguns on platforms in the towers at C-2. This gives the FO's, in the towers, the capability of directing immediate, accurate automatic weapons fire on enemy sightings out to a range of 2000 meters. The fires of the .50 caliber machinegun effectively fill the period between the sighting and the time that a mortar or artillery mission begins to fall on the target area.

7. Equipment. The following is a report of major items of equipment readiness.

a. Major end items previously evacuated to higher echelon that have not been returned.

(1) Motor Transport

11 Mighty Mites

MA22A1

(2) Communications

9 radio sets
2 radio sets
2 radio control groups
2 radar sets

AN/PRC-25
AN/PRC-47
AN/GRA-39
AN/TPS-21

b. Battle losses not replaced

(1) Communications

14 radio sets

AN/PRC-25

8. Logistics. During the reporting period, the Battalion Supply remained at Dong Ha. Supply support was received from FLSU at Dong Ha with an average of 37,000 pounds of supplies being transported daily via truck convoy to the battalion's ISA at C-2. Fifteen days of Class I and Class V were maintained at C-2. Other classes of supplies were ordered as required. "A" rations were drawn from the ration dump at Dong Ha and transported to C-2 where hot meals were prepared daily for breakfast and dinner at a central galley. The food was placed in vacuum cans at the galley and transported to individual company mess halls. Use of company mess halls ensured that there was no unnecessary congestion of personnel. MCI's were distributed for the third daily meal.

Throughout the month, the 9th Motor Transport Battalion provided 4 trucks on a TAD basis. These trucks were utilized for the daily resupply runs between Dong Ha and C-2, water resupply runs between

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0-2 and the 0-3 Bridge water point, and various other "household" runs. Organic motor transport was utilized for shuttling supplies within the battalion positions. Organic motor transport capability, however, was hindered with the shortage in M-422A1 trucks (Two deadlined to 3rd echelon maintenance, 7 evacuated to 3rd FSR and two Code X'd).

9. Civil Affairs

There were no civil affairs activities conducted during this reporting period.

10. Psychological Warfare

The battalion employed a loudspeaker/tape recorder system on the perimeter for a two day period. The tapes used were designed for the Tet season, appealing to the NVA/VC to return to their families. Another loudspeaker/tape recorder system has been requested.

During this reporting period, one leaflet drop was made in the western TAOR. The majority of leaflets were Chieu Hoi passes. A second leaflet drop has been requested.

11. Personnel and Administration. During the reporting period the administrative section was located at Dong Ha. At the close of the reporting period each rifle company was averaging 1 man above manning level and 15 men in a non-effective status. The Battalion is presently 1 Officer over M/L in the 0302 MOS and has a critical shortage in the 0402 MOS.

Personnel losses and gains during the reporting period:

<u>LOSSES</u>	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Battle	0	4 (1 KIA, 3 MIA)	0	1 (MIA)
Non-Battle	0	0	0	0
Administrative	2	64	0	4
TOTAL	2	68	0	5
GAINS	5	97	0	1

The following awards were presented during the reporting period:

- 1. Bronze Star Medal
- 1. Navy Commendation Medal
- 7 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry
- 6 Purple Heart Medals

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The number of disciplinary cases acted upon or pending action are as follows:

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Completed .. NONE

Pending .. NONE

NON-JUDICIAL PUNISHMENT

Battalion Commander - 3

Company Commander - 6

Morale continues to be high. During the month, the Battalion received and utilized the following quotas for out-of-country P&R: Hawaii - 20; Bangkok - 15; Hong Kong - 11; Taipei - 11; Guiney - 9; Tokyo - 6; Okinawa - 4; Manila - 3; Penang - 3; Singapore - 3; and Kuala Lumpur - 2. Twenty Marines went to China Beach Danang for the in-country R&R program. Another major factor contributing to the high morale is the excellent quality of food being served. Hot meals for breakfast and dinner are being served daily to the Marines at both the C-2 and C-2 Bridge sites. PX facilities are adequate and postal services continue to be satisfactory.

Religious services were held in the C-2 position with solemn regularity and the attendance at these services was commendable. It is considered that Roman Catholic and Protestant coverage was complete. Jewish personnel were afforded the opportunity for religious services in Dong Ha.

12. Intelligence

a. Enemy

(1) The enemy avoided making large scale contacts with units in the AOR during the reporting period. Enemy activity consisted mainly of nighttime probes and small scale ambushes along Route # 561. It is known that large NVA units exist in the western AOR, but these units did not attempt to make contact with the Battalion's perimeter. PVA elements in the area are believed to have recently come from the north and are well equipped with weapons, ammunition and equipment.

(2) C-2/C-2 Bridge received very little incoming during the period. At various times, mortars were reported, but none impacted within the perimeter. The C-2 position received 5 rounds of artillery fire on 27 January.

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(3) Many enemy foxholes, bunkers and trench lines have been found throughout the area. Much of the area appeared to be recently used due to the equipment and ammunition found. Five enemy bodies were found in destroyed bunkers in the area.

b. Terrain

(1) Terrain in the operating area consists of low rolling hills covered with waist high brush. Thick canopy is scattered throughout the AOR and often impedes movement. The northwestern portion of the AOR contains uncultivated rice paddies. That section is open with scattered hedgerows. Along Route # 561, numerous gulleys exist that could offer the enemy concealment in approaching the road.

(2) Key terrain in the AOR consists of several hills that afford excellent observation of C-2/C-2 Bridge. On the east, Hills 29 and 42; on the west, Hills 94, 48 and 50 often afford a clear view of positions and of movement throughout the AOR.

c. Weather

(1) Weather during January was excellent with little rain and temperatures ranging in the mid-70's. Visibility was generally excellent and during the full moon phase night observation was good.

d. Enemy Equipment Destroyed or Captured

Bunkers	22
Fighting Holes	9
Anti-Tank Mines	2
RPG Rounds	2
60mm Rounds	9
82mm Rounds	10
ChiCom Grenades	4
Clips AK-47 Ammunition	20
Misc. 762 Gear	

13. Medical and Dental

a. The total number of visits to the Battalion Aid Stations during the month of January was 542.

b. Prevalent medical entities encountered were:

Gonorrhea	9	Tinnitus	11
Diarrhea	17	Dermatological Conditions	163
Malaria	2	Cellulitis	23
Upper Respiratory Inf.	28	Fever of Unknown Origin	4
Tonsillitis	11	Ear Aches	2
Conjunctivitis	20		

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c. All suspected and confirmed cases of VD were given a Serological Test for Syphilis in accordance with NAVMED 22-18 and the results entered in the individual's Health Record.

d. A total of 54 patients were sent to "A" MED at Phu Bai and "D" MED at Dong Ha.

Of those referred to Medical Battalions, the following were consults:

Dental	18	Orthopedic	2
Medical	13	Blood Work	17
Urological	2		

Patients in need of further care were referred from the Medical Battalions to the following medical facilities:

NSA, Danang	3	22nd Casualty Staging Facility	9
USS Repose (AH-16)	1		

e. Weekly Malaria prophylaxis was continued through the use of Chloroquine Primaquine Tablets.

f. Sanitation inspections were held weekly in the Battalion area in accordance with Divo P6000.4D. At the present, sanitary facilities are considered adequate.

g. Three Battalion Aid Stations are presently being maintained. A forward Battalion Aid Station consisting of a Battalion Surgeon and fifteen Hospital Corpsmen is located at C-2, a supplementary Battalion Aid Station consisting of five Hospital Corpsmen is located at the C-2 Bridge position, and a Rear Battalion Aid Station consisting of seven Hospital Corpsmen is located at Dong Ha. All injuries and maladies encountered were treated by the line company corpsmen, and, if needed, sent to one of the Battalion Aid Stations for further treatment and evacuation. No serious delays were encountered in resupply or med-evac during this period.

14. Air Support

a. Fixed Wing

(1) No fixed wing aircraft were controlled by the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. One air strike was run in the AOR at YD 121656. It was AO controlled with a BDA of 1 bunker destroyed and 1 KIA.

b. Med-evacs

4 routine (average of 60 minutes each)
 2 priority (average of 48 minutes each)
 4 emergency (average of 25 minutes each)

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c. Air Observers

(1) On 20 occasions, AO's performed visual reconnaissance in the AOR calling and controlling artillery on targets sighted.

d. Troop Lifts

(1) The Battalion controlled an incoming battalion size troop lift of 2/4 personnel for 3 hours before the 2/4 HST took over. The Battalion also controlled one outgoing troop lift of 45 men, one trailer, 2 81's and a number of .50 caliber machineguns from 3/12. This outgoing troop lift took 1 1/2 hours and a portion of the lift was run at night.

e. Resupply

(1) Resupply by air was unnecessary due to availability of truck resupply.

f. TPQ's

44 Requested

18 Run

g. C&C

(1) C&C helicopters were used once during the month for a visual reconnaissance of 1/4's AOR. In addition, the Battalion Commander and the S-3 conducted an aerial reconnaissance of 1/4's AOR in a Marine OH-6.

h. Due to the Battalion's relatively stationary position, air was not extensively used. No air resupply was necessary and fixed wing were not employed. The Battalion made extensive use of air observers, however, for reconnaissance of the AOR and bunker complexes on which AO's controlled arty and mortars.

15. Fire Support

a. Throughout the month of January, the FO teams of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines manned two FO towers at C-2 and two at C-2 Bridge. Three men from each of the line companies were trained in FO procedures to assist in standing "tower watch".

b. A defensive fire support plan for C-2 and C-2 Bridge was developed by FEOG. It consisted of a number of separate plans, including counter mortar, counter rocket and counter artillery plans; night defensive fire plans for artillery and 81mm mortars and a fire support plan for the counter attack plan.

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c. A number of fires were brought to bear on intelligence targets and counter battery/counter mortar targets. The following missions were fired in support of the Battalion during the reporting period:

H&I'S	504
Observed Fires	151
Unobserved	7
Counter Battery/Mortar	18
Illumination	3

16. Communications.

a. During this reporting period, wire communications were extensively utilized and continually improved. Three pairs of armored cables were buried between C-2 and C-3. However, a problem arose in that moisture seeping into the cable caused excessive cross-talk between two wire pairs in the same cable. This problem was eliminated by limiting usage to one wire pair in each cable.

b. The Battalion had approximately eleven days of down time on the radio relay between C-2 and Dong Ha. Due to lack of back-up receiver/transmitters units, the equipment had to be sent to FLSC-B for repair.

c. The Battalion initiated a Frost-Call system which gives the capability of immediately contacting a specific subscriber or holding a conference with a number of subscribers to coordinate defensive activities during incoming or a ground attack.

d. During the month, the Battalion continued efforts to repair the KY-8's. Utilization of different X-mode cables, frequencies and radios was attempted with negative results. The units were checked by 9th Marines KY-8 technicians who were unable to determine the trouble.

e. A weekly inspection of all communications equipment was made to ensure serviceability, operation and preventive maintenance.

f. Message totals for the month were:

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Incoming	463	473
Outgoing	7	32
Circuit	0	0

Major end items evacuated to higher echelon and returned:

1 radio vehicle
1 radio vehicle
4 radio control groups
5 radio sets
1 radar set
1 radar set

AN/MRC-87
AN/MRC-87
AN/GRA-39
AN/PRC-25
AN/PDS-5
AN/PDS-5

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Major items repaired locally:

11 radio sets	AN/PRC-25
1 handset	H-189
15 handsets	H-138
1 telephone	TA-312
2 telephone	TA-1
11 telephone	EE-8
1 operations pack	PT-990

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IN	OUT				
0615		1		All night time activities have returned to their perimeters.	M, S-3
0800		2		Co.'s "A", "B", "C" and "D" squad size patrols left perimeter. All squad size patrols will be operating within 500 meters of the perimeter. Co. "A" conducting squad size patrol NW of C-2 Position. Co. "B" conducting squad size patrol SE of C-2 Position. Co. "C" conducting squad size patrol N of C-2 Bridge. Co. "D" conducting squad size patrol S of C-2 Bridge. All squad size patrols will be observing the cease fire now in effect.	M, S-3
1030		3		Fr. YD 145644, En. 142 645. Southern Brave 3 squad size patrol spotted an estimated 30 personnel (apparently women) herd cattle between C-2. When patrol approached they turned and moved in a southwesterly direction. Checked immediate area w/neg. results. Observed Vietnamese personnel for about 30 minutes. Continued assigned mission.	9th Mar COG, S-3, M
1320		4		Col. Smith, CO 9th Mar and party arrived at position for conference with CO, 1/4.	S-3
1515		5		Col. Smith and party departed.	S-3
1630		6		All squad size patrols have returned to perimeter.	
1715		7		MajGen Murray, Dep CG III MAF; BGen Cruthers, USA, MACV; BGen Metzger, ADC, 3rd Mar Div; Col Ellis, III MAF, Dye Marker Project Officer; and party arrived at position for inspection and conference with LtCol Deptula CO 1/4.	
1745		8		MajGen Murray, BGen Cruthers, BGen Metzger, Col Ellis and party departed position upon completion of inspection and conference with CO, 1/4.	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal Opened.	
0600		2		Cease fire no longer in effect.	S-3, all units
0700		3		All night time activities returned to perimeter.	
0800		4		Lt. Morgan assumed duties as Watch Officer for the period 020800 to 030800.	S-3, COC
0815		5		Companies "A", "B", "C" and "D" squad size patrols departed perimeter. All squad size patrols will be operating within 500 meters of the perimeter. Co. "A" conducting squad size patrol E of C-2 Position. Co. "B" conducting squad size patrol W of C-2 Position. Co. "C" conducting squad size patrol NE of C-2 Bridge. Co. "D" conducting squad size patrol SW of C-2 Bridge.	M, S-3 M
0830		6		(Southern, YD 133625, YD 132626, YD 133628) Road sweep progressing towards Southern AOR, discovered one box type mine at each coordinate listed above. Each mine was rigged with a pressure type firing device and one had what appeared to be a 40mm round placed under mine. NVA placing mines apparently came through draw to W of road. Road was double swept and mines were blown in place.	9th Mar COC, S-3, S-2
1630		7		All squad size patrols have returned to perimeter.	M, S-3
1930		8		All night time activities are in position.	M, S-3
2030		9		(Southern YD 133642, En. 145640) Mobile search light system spotted 7 NVA moving East in brush along MSR about 1500 meters South of this posit. Fire 20 rounds 81mm with good coverage of area. Will check results at first light	9th Mar COC, S-3, M, S-2
2400		10		Journal Closed	S-3

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0800		2		Lt. Olson assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 030800 to 040800.	S-3
0815		3		Co.'s "A" and "D" conducting platoon size patrols. Co. "A" conducting platoon size patrol W and S of C-2 Position. Co. "D" conducting platoon size patrol SE of C-2 Bridge. Co.'s "B" and "C" conducting squad size patrols. Co. "B" conducting squad size patrol patrol E and S of C-2 position. Co. "C" conducting squad size patrol NW of C-2 Bridge. All platoon size patrols will be operating within 500 meters of their perimeter.	S-3,M
1600		4		All patrols returned to perimeter.	S-3,M
1930		5		All night time activities are in position.	S-3,M
2400		6		Journal Closed.	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M
0800		3		Gy/Sgt Chambers assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 040800 to 050800.	S-3
0815		4		Co. "A" conducting squad size patrol W and within 500 meters of perimeter. Co. "B", "C" and "D" conducting platoon size patrols within 1500 meters of perimeter. Co. "B" conducting platoon size patrol NE of perimeter. Co. "C" conducting platoon size patrol NW of perimeter. Co. "D" conducting platoon size patrol E of perimeter.	S-3,M
1005		5		Elements of Blue Plate, (Eagle Eye) tripped unknown type booby trap on trail at coord. YD 152658. Co. "B" patrol moved to site of incident to assist. (4 WIA Evacs, Recon)	9th Mar, S-3 M, S-2
1100		6		Co. "B" patrol arrived Eagle Eye position at YD 152658.	S-3,M
1115		7		Co. "C" patrol found two bunkers, 5 1/2' x 2 1/2' x 3', facing east and 1-60mm mortar position at coord. YD 115676. Searched bunkers and found 1 RPG round, 3-60mm mortar rds. with increments, 1 bandoleer AK-47 rds., 10 clips AK-47 rds., 1 cartridge belt, 1 canteen, 1 pick, 10 meals C-rations and 1 ChiCom grenade. Destroyed increments and C-rations. Returned remaining items to S-2. Did not have dome capability to blow bunkers. Marked location on Map. Will return and blow same.	9th Mar, S-3, M, S-2
1120		8		Med-evacs completed without further incident. All Eagle Eye personnel were lifted out. Co. "B" patrol returning to assigned patrol route.	S-3,M
1250		9		Co. "C" received 3 rds. 82mm mortar west of perimeter at YD 125675 from approx. 5600 mills. Returned fire with 40 rds. 81mm	9th Mar, S-3,M, S-2

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
		9	Cont.	mortars and 1 WP and 6 HE rds. of arty on suspected enemy location at coord. YD 115685. Results unknown.		
1430		10		Med-evac of 1 NBC from H&S completed. (FUO)	9th Mar, S-3, S-1	
1630		11		All patrols returned to perimeter.		
1730		12		(Southern Fr. YD 135647) One WP round from gun #2 81mm mortar section, firing mission at YD 109665, impacted approx. 30 meters from tube. Ammunition was from Lot # MA 5112. Investigation being conducted. Lot # forwarded to DP4.	9th Mar COC, S-3, S-4	
2030		13		All night time activities are in position.		
2230		14		Southern-61 at YD 133646 observed one NVA through NOD at YD 117653. Called in 81mm mission. Rounds impacted on target. Observed NVA being thrown into the air by concussion. Area will be checked by Co. "A" patrol at first light. (1 NVA KIA (P))	9th Mar, S-3, M, S-2	
2330		15		At YD 133646 Southern-61 observed one NVA wearing coolie hat, moving into clump of bushes. Fired 30 rds. 60mm mortar mission with good coverage. Will check area at 1st light.	9th Mar, S-3, M, S-2	
2345		16		At YD 133646 Southern-62 observed light at YD 147651. 60mm mortar illum revealed 2 NVA moving E. One carrying satchel-like object, other carrying weapon. Called 81mm mission of 20 rds. with good coverage. Will check area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3, M, S-2	
2400		17		Journal closed.		

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0020		2		Southern-62 (YD 133646 tower) received one incoming sniper round from unknown direction. Continuing to search out area with NOD.	9th Mar, S-3 S-2
0300		3		Southern-62 (YD 133646 tower) received one incoming sniper round from YD 145649. Called arty mission of 2 WP and 31 HE rounds on suspected enemy location. Good coverage of target. Will check out area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3 S-2
0640		4		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3, M
0800		5		Lt. Drennan assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 050800 to 060800.	S-3
0805		6		Co. "A" (C-2 Position) conducting platoon size patrol W of perimeter within 1500 meters. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) conducting squad size patrols NE of perimeter within 500 meters. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size patrol W within 500 meters of perimeter. Co. "D" conducting platoon size patrol W of perimeter within 1500 meters.	M
0830		7		(Fr. YD 115673, En. 135665) Co. "D", while on platoon size patrol, spotted 4-5 persons crossing a bomb crater moving NW. Called in 60 and 81mm mission on area and heavy undergrowth surrounding. Good coverage of area. Patrol checking out area.	9th Mar, S-3 M
1245		8		Co. "D" platoon size patrol conducting search of area where 60 and 81mm mission was fired, discovered foot prints of 2-3 persons wearing tennis shoes this A.M. Patrol also found 1 M-26 grenade and 10 cartridge needle unit penicillin injectors (1-cc size) in vicinity of YD 133666. Continuing search.	9th Mar, S-3 M

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0005		2		(Fr. YD 127672, En. YD 135670) Co. "C" lines observed movement at above coordinate. Fired 60mm illum, 6 rds. M-79, called in arty 105 mission of 14 rds. (15 min. reaction time), and 81mm mission of 21 rds. Good target coverage and observed no further movement. Will check area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3	
0700		3		All night activities have returned to perimeter.		
0800		4		Capt. Thompson assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 060800H to 070800H.	S-3	
0815		5		Co. "A" (C-2 Position) departed perimeter on squad size patrol SW of position within 500 meters. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) departed perimeter on platoon size patrol E and NE of position within 1500 meters. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) departed perimeter on platoon size patrol W and NW of position within 1500 meters. Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge) departed perimeter on platoon size patrol W and SW of position within 1500 meters.	M	
1030		6		Col. Smith (CO, 9th Mar) arrived at position for inspection and conference with LtCol Deptula.	S-3	
1330		7		Col. Smith departed.	S-3	
1630		8		All daylight activities returned to perimeter.	M	
1830		9		"Hayride" (Recen) returned to our position.	S-3, M	
1930		10		All night time activities are in position.	S-3, M	
2000		11		(Fr. 127665, En. 126664) Lines using Starlight Scope spotted 1 person. Appeared to be carrying a pack traveling towards lines moving from N to S. Fired 7 to 8 M-79 rds. in area with good coverage. Target disappeared. Will check at first light.	9th Mar, S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0645		2		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3, M
0800		3		Capt. Fagersten assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 070800 to 080800.	
0800		4		All patrols have departed perimeter. Platoon size patrols will be operating within 1500 meters and squad size patrols within 500 of perimeter. Co. "A" conducting platoon size patrol W and SW of C-2 Position. Co. "B" conducting squad size patrol N and E of C-2 Position. Co. "C" conducting platoon size patrol NE of C-2 Bridge Position. Co. "D" conducting squad size patrol S of C-2 Bridge. Co. "E" will provide sparrow hawk platoon.	S-3, M
0810		5		(Fr. YD 135645, En. N/A) Two unidentified pieces ordnance impacted approx. 100 meters inside the wire in the Eastern portion of this perimeter. Collected fragments and examined craters. Evidence points to ordnance being U.S. type of radar suppression missile. Requested assistance in identification from DP. The two rounds resulted in 4 Fr. WIA which required one to be med-evaced.	
1130		6		(Fr. 136644) While conducting Whiskey FO training mission, one short round (WP) dropped 40 meters from tube. Investigation revealed Lot # MA5112. A prior short round originated from this lot #. We are suspending this lot locally except for emergencies.	9th Mar, S-3
1430		7		MajGen Metzger ADC 3rd Mar Div; RAdm Kinney ComDes CruFlet, and party arrived at position for inspection and conference with LtCol. M. A. Deptula.	S-3
1530		8		MajGen Metzger, RAdm Kinney and party departed.	S-3

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3, M
0800		3		Lt. Drummond assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 080800 to 090800.	S-3
0830		4		All daylight activities have departed perimeter. Co. "A" (C-2 Position) conducting company size patrol approx. 2000 meters W of position. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) conducting platoon size patrol approx. 1000 meters SE of position. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size patrol within 500 meters of position. Co. "C" will provide sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "D" will provide company size reaction force.	S-3
1130		5		(Fr. 118675) Co. "C" squad size patrols found 9th Mar, S-3 two bunkers, #1 15' long, 4' wide, 5' deep with opening facing N and S, #2 4' long, 5' wide, 5' deep with opening facing E. Both were empty and both were blown.	S-3
1230		6		(Fr. YD 105647) Smitty A-2 found a platoon size bunker complex. 10 rounds of 82mm and 6 rounds 60mm were found along with aiming stakes and NVA Corations. Bunkers appeared to be 2-4 weeks old. Found several sets of fresh foot prints. Destroyed ammo, aiming stakes and Corations. Marked bunker complex for subsequent destruction. Will call in arty mission.	9th Mar, S-3
1600		7		All daylight activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1700		8		(Fr. YD 128666, En. YD 124665) Co. "D" lines spotted one unidentified person 400 meters West of perimeter. Person moved into tree line. Fired 60mm mortar rounds with excellent coverage. Reaction time- 5 minutes.	S-3, M

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0700		2		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
0800		3		Lt. Morgan assumed duties as Watch Officer for the period covered from 090800 to 100800H.	S-3	
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed position. Co. "A" (C-2 Position) conducting squad size patrol W and N of position within 500 meters. Co. "A" will provide sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) will provide a company size patrol force. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size patrol W of position within 500 meters. Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge) conducting company size patrol E and N of position within 2000 meters.	S-3	
1300		5		(Fr. YD 120667) SC2 found 2 bunkers dim. 6'x4'x4' facing N. Inside one was an RPG rd. and various 782 gear. An E-tool was found with a wire attached leading into ground. When a grenade was tossed in the bunker a secondary explosion resulted, injuring 1 Marine very slightly. Gear brought back to position are as follows: 2 cart, belts, 1 gas mask, 2 M-79 rds., 1 RPG rd., 1 45 cal. holster, 6 E-tools, claymore cord, 1st aid kit and one NVA helmet.	9th Mar COC, S-3	
1315		6		(Fr. YD 131673) Co. "C" security elements for Turf Keeper, spotted one enemy on trail. Unable to determine type of uniform or if he was carrying a weapon or not. Co. "C" security elements fired S/A as enemy ran into brush. Checked out area with neg. results.	9th Mar, S-3	
1530		7		All daylight activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
1930		8		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M	
2400		9		Journal Closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Olsen assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 100800 to 110800.	S-3
0810		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "A" platoon size combat patrol has been cancelled. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) conducting platoon size combat patrol. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting platoon size combat patrol. Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size combat patrol. Co. "D" will provide sparrow hawk platoon.	S-3
0830		5		(Fr. YD 132681) Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol found a possible NVA mortar position consisting of nine holes with gun position and wooden aiming stakes. Position was recorded for further H&I fire program.	9th Mar, S-3, M
0845		6		(Fr. YD 133681) Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol found 1 empty bunker facing E. Dimensions of bunker were 5' long, 2 1/2' wide and 3' deep. Destroyed bunker and continued mission.	9th Mar, S-3, M
1035		7		(Fr. YD 136682) Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol found three empty bunkers set up to cover 360 degrees. Dimensions were 6'x6'x4', 5'x4'x3' and 5'x5'x5'. One bunker contained 20 M-16 rounds. Bunkers were destroyed and continued on with mission.	9th Mar COG, S-3, M
1300		8		Co. "A" chopped OPCON to 9th Marines.	
1430		9		All combat patrols have returned to position.	S-3
1930		10		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M
2400		11		Journal closed.	S-3

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0700		2		All night time activities have ret'd to perimeter.	S-3	
0800		3		Gy/Sgt Chambers assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 110800 to 120800.	S-3	
0830		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting squad size combat patrol NE of position within 500 meters. Co. "B" will be providing sparrow hawk platoon.	S-3	
				Co. "C" conducting squad size combat patrol NE of position within 500 meters.	M	
				Co. "D" maintained present position and improved defensive posit.	S-3	
1017		5		Co. "C", 123668. SC2 one rocket round of undetermined origin stuck in a tree. Round was approx. 1' length, 1 1/2" in diameter and had a cone shaped tail. About 5" of the tail section had not penetrated the tree. Rocket was made of brass with no markings for identification. Blown in place. Will bring back a drawing of the rocket.	9th Mar, S-3	M
1040		6		Co. "C" Fr. 124668, En. 119675 SC2 spotted 1 NVA 500 meters NW of their position. NVA wearing black poncho with light colored helmet. No weapon was observed. Fired M-79, S/A as NVA fled into bush. Called in arty mission of 12 rounds and 81mm mission of 30 rounds. Good target coverage. Results unknown.	9th Mar, S-3	M
1350		7		Co. "C", Fr. 131678. SC2 found one Bouncing Betty type mine sticking about 1 inch above the ground and another mine about 10' away that had been detonated already. Rust beginning to form on mine indicates several weeks old. Mine blown in place and continued mission.	9th Mar, S-3	M

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to position.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Drennan assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 120800 to 130800.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed position. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) conducting platoon size combat patrol 360 degrees around position within 1000 meters. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting platoon size combat patrol W of position within 1500 meters. Co. "D" will provide sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge) working on bunkers and improving position.	S-3
1030		5		Co. "C" (YD 120667) SC-2 found 6 fighting holes overlooking trail. One of the six was filled with dirt. The remains of an NVA shoe, some rope and a green ski shirt were strewn around the area. While digging out the hole, a skeleton was uncovered. It appeared to be 2 to 3 months old. No foot prints or any evidence of any recent activity noted. Destroyed remaining holes and continued mission. H&I fire plotted for this area.	9th Mar, S-3, M
1340		6		Col. Smith, CO 9th Mar, Col. Guenin, G of S 3rd Mar Div, and Col. Stockman, G-3 3rd Mar Div, arrived in area for visit and conference with LtCol. Deptula.	S-3
1355		7		Col. Smith and party departed.	S-3
1400		8		(Fr. YD 196669, En. N/A) SC2 found 2 old Vietnamese documents in a smokehouse type structure behind a house.	
1630		9		All combat patrols have returned to position.	S-3, M
2000		10		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M
2400		11		Journal closed.	S-3

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0145		2		(Fr. YD 128666, Ea. Unknown) Co.'s "C" and "D" at C-2 Bridge Site received 8 rounds of unknown light caliber arty from approx. 5300 mills. Rounds fell short of the perimeter at YD 128673. Within 2 minutes, 81's were returning 20 rounds 81mm HE at suspected enemy target. Crater analysis will be made at first light type and direction fire came from.	9th Mar, S-3
0700		3		All night time activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		4		Capt. Thompson assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 130800 to 140800.	S-3
0815		5		All combat patrols have departed position. Co. "B" (C-2 Position) conducting 2 squad size combat patrols, one working E and one working W of position. Patrols will be working within 500 meters of position. Co. "C" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size combat patrols E and NE within 500 meters of position. Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge) conducting squad size combat patrols W and NW within 500 meters of position.	S-3, M
1300		6		"E" Battery conducted crater analysis. Rounds proved to be 81mm HE medium. Lot # IS-139-57. Rounds came from a direction of 5820 mills. Angle of fall was 1300 mills. Carousel was notified of the incident.	9th Mar, S-3
1500		7		All combat patrols have returned to position.	S-3
1735		8		Rec'd message from Drake Peel advising of Are light on 141330H Jan 68. At grids YD 100660, YD 100670, YD 070660 and YD 070670.	S-3
1930		9		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M
1945		10		Rec'd Intelligence Report from Drake Peel requesting that one of tomorrow's patrols	S-3, S-2

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		10	Cont.	check the following area, YD 146664, for a possible enemy supply/amm bunker.	S-3, S-2	
2200		11		Rec'd message from Drake Pool informing of an intelligence report stating that there is a possibility of this position receiving enemy artillery from the NW around 2400 hours. All units informed.	S-3, all units	
2300		12		(Fr. YD 132300, En. YD 133300) Co. "D" (C-2 Bridge), 1st platoon observed 2 trip flares going off on outer edge of E side of perimeter. First platoon threw 2 grenades and fired 6 M-79 rounds at suspected targets. Results unknown at this time. Starlight moved to that location to observe area.	9th Mar, S-3	
2400		13		Journal closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	
0800		3		Capt. Fegersten assumed the duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 140800 to 150800H.	S-3
0830		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting platoon size combat patrol within a 1000 meter radius of position. Co. "C" conducting squad size combat patrol to the N within 500 meters of the C-2 Bridge Position. Co. "C" also providing sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "D" conducting squad size combat patrol to the W within 500 meters of C-2 Bridge Position.	S-3, M
0930		5		Message concerning last night's info on the possibility of receiving arty incoming has been changed to read: The time for enemy arty incoming is 1200 14 Jan 68.	S-2, S-3 all units
1220		6		Col. Smith, CO 9th Mar, arrived in area for inspection and conference with LtCol Deptula.	S-3
1330		7		Arc light occurred on coordinates YD 100660, YD 100670, YD 070660 and YD 070670.	S-3
1405		8		Co. Smith departed this position.	S-3
1600		9		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
2035		10		(Fr. YD 133646, En YD 144645) Smitty 62 OP reported suspected enemy movement. Called arty mission of 2 rounds WP, 12 rounds HE with good coverage of target. Unknown results at this time. Will check out area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2
2035		11		(Fr. 133646, En. N/A) Co. "B" lines rec'd 4 rds. arty of unknown size from unknown direction. Rds. impacted outside perimeter at coord. YD 137644. Will check area at first light for crater analysis.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2
2400		12		Journal closed.	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to normal.	S-3
0800		3		1st Lt. Zueg assumed the duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 150800 to 160800.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed position. Co. "B" conducting squad size combat patrol around C-2 Position within 500 meter limit. Co. "B" will provide sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "C" conducting platoon size combat patrol N and W of C-2 Bridge within 1000 meter limit. Co. "D" conducting squad size combat patrol E of C-2 Bridge Position within 800 meter limit.	S-3, M
0945		5		(Fr. 115678, En. Same) Co. "C" platoon size combat patrol found 2 "U" shaped trenches approx. 60'x15'x3'. One of the trenches contained 4 NVA bodies. Bodies appeared to have been dead 2 months. All of the bodies had been stripped of everything except their tennis shoes. Old arty craters, 25 meters away, are believed to have been the cause of their death. Checked out surrounding area with neg. results and continued assigned mission.	9th Mar, S-3
1030		6		MajGen Thompson, CG 3rd Mar Div, Col. Smith, CG 9th Mar, and party arrived at position for inspection and conference with LtCol. Deptula. Co. "B" with supporting weapons conducted a live fire demonstration.	
1130		7		MajGen. Thompson, Col. Smith and party departed.	S-3
1220		8		Message from Drake Pool states "Be prepared for enemy interdiction of MSR in your area, especially C-3. Enemy armed with 82mm and mines."	S-3, S-2

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Mergen assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 160800 to 170800.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting platoon size combat patrol south of C-2 position within 1000 meters. Co. "C" conducting platoon size combat patrol N of C-2 Bridge within 1000 meters. Co. "D" conducting squad size combat patrol S of C-2 Bridge within 500 meters. Co. "D" providing sparrow hawk platoon.	S-3,M
1630		5		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1915		6		All night activities are in position.	S-3
2400		7		Journal Closed.	S-3

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Gy/Sgt Chambers assumed the duties of Watch Officer for the period from 170800 to 180800.	S-3
0830		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting squad size combat patrol around C-2 position, within 500 meters of perimeter. Co. "B" providing sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "C" conducting platoon size combat patrol E and N of C-2 Bridge within 1000 meters of perimeter. Co. "D" conducting squad size combat patrol N of C-2 Bridge within 500 meters of perimeter.	S-3, M
1300		5		(Fr. YD 132668, En. Same) Co. "C" squad security for bulldozer, spotted 2 NVA in heavy M brush approx. 50 meters E of perimeter. Security squad fired 100 rds. S/A and 4 rds. M-79. While checking out area, squad spotted another NVA moving in an Easterly direction. Fired 30 rds. S/A at enemy as he fled into brush. Search of area produced neg. results.	9th Mar, S-3,
1600		6		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1915		7		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M
2015		8		(Fr. YD 126667, En. YD 125669, YD 125673) Co. "C" reported movement to the N and W of their position. Movement was observed through the NOD, CID and PPS-6. Fired 10 rds. 81 illum, 7 rds. 90mm tank HE, and 2 rds. 81mm WP. Movement ceased. Will check out area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3
2400		9		Journal Closed.	S-3

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0730		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Drennan assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 180800 to 190800.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting squad size combat patrol around C-2 position within 500 meters and providing sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "C" conducting platoon size combat patrol W of C-2 Bridge within 1000 meters. Co. "D" conducting squad size combat patrol E of C-2 Bridge within 500 meters.	S-3, M
1100		5		(Fr. YD 135676, En. Same) SD-2 found 3 old uncovered fighting holes along well used trail. Fresh bare foot prints in bottom of of holes indicated recent use by about 3 NVA. Destroyed holes and plotted H&I fire program on above coordinates.	9th Mar, S-3, M
1430		6		(Fr. YD 137646, En. YD 141642) S-62 (Tower) received approx. 6 incoming sniper rounds from a southeasterly direction. Fired 48 rds. 81mm HE, 2 WP and 42 HE 105mm at enemy location. Sniper fire ceased. Good target coverage. Results unknown.	9th Mar, S-3
1500		7		Co. "D" put on standby alert to move to the aid of Darting Star.	S-3
1700		8		Co. "D" was relieved from standby.	S-3
1700		9		Maj. Gen. Murray and party arrived in area for conference with LtCol Deptula.	S-3
1715		10		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1940		11		All night activities are in position.	
2215		12		(Fr. YD 128668, En. YD 125672, YD 123677) At 2015, trip flare went off by C-1's lines. Tank checked area with infra red and spotted	9th Mar, S-3

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0730		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
0800		3		Capt. Hutteball assumed duties as Watch Officer for the period covered from 190800 to 200800.	S-3	
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting platoon size combat patrol S and W of C-2 Position. Co. "C" conducting squad size combat patrol E of C-2 Bridge. Co. "C" providing sparrow hawk platoon. Co. "D" conducting 2 squad size combat patrols, one working west of C-2 Bridge and the other working NW of C-2 Bridge.	S-3,M	
0940		5		(Fr. YD 136674, En. Same) Co. "C" squad size combat patrol while moving on trail in very thick terrain, heard movement approx. 15 meters due west at above coord. At same instant, patrol received approx. 20 rds. S/A fire. Returned S/A, pulled back and called 81mm mission with 40 rds. HE. Good coverage of target area. Checked out area upon completion of 81mm mission with neg. results. Patrol continued mission.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2	
1200		6		Received message from 9th Marines giving us grid coordinates of 3/4's temporary AO effective 210600 to 300600, are as follows: North boundary, water trace fr. coordinate YD 150690 to 190692; South on GL 19 to 190590; West following trace of water to 160609; north to 160630 West to 150630, North to 150695.	S-3,M	
1200		7		Received message from 9th Marines of the following AO adjustments, effective 210600: 2/1-change East boundary to GL 15; 3/3 West boundary to GL 15. Both units execute extensive patrols to GL 15.	S-3,M	

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0645		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Campbell assumed the duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 200800 to 210800.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Each company will have 2 squad size patrols, one in the morning and the other will be in the afternoon. All squad size combat patrols will be working within 500 meters of perimeter.	S-3,M
1615		5		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	
		6		Received priority Dye marker message from 9th Marines, DTG 191600H Jan 68.	S-3
1930		7		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M
2055		8		(Fr. YD 135646, En. approx. 2800 mills) Tower observed 12 incoming rounds of unknown caliber. All rounds landed 200 meters outside of perimeter to the SE. Requested check fire of H&I fires nearest perimeter.	9th Mar,S-3
2400		9		Journal closed.	S-3

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0210		2		(Fr. YD 132670) Co. "G" received 6 rds. of arty, est. 105mm, outside perimeter at YD 132670. Rounds came from 2400 mills. Called 2/12 for check fire of H&I fires in vicinity.	9th Mar, S-3, S-24
0245		3		(Fr. YD 132670) Co. "G" received 1 incoming arty round, est. 105mm, outside perimeter at YD 131674 from a 1200 to 1400 mills direction. Requested check fire of H&I fires in vicinity. Last two incidents are believed to be from friendly arty positions.	9th Mar, S-3, S-24
0300		4		(Fr. YD 134645, En. YD 141643) Listening post spotted movement on perimeter. Used Starlight Scope and NOD which verified movement of 2 men. Fired approx. 50 rds. with 50 cal. machine gun. Checked area with Starlight scope and NOD. No further movement was observed. Will check out area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3
0500		5		(Fr. YD 127667, En. YD 0865) Received request from HQ Btry, 2/12 to adjust fires on suspected rocket site to the East. OP tower adjusted 3 FFE's on above coordinate, resulting in 2 large and one small secondary explosions.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2, S-24
0600		6		At 0600H a temporary AO for 3/4 went into effect until 0600H 30 Jan 68.	
0700		7		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		8		Capt. Thompson assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 210800H to 220800H.	
0830		9		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting a squad size OP with sniper team 1000 meters to west of C-2 position. Co. "G" conducting squad size combat patrol N of C-2 Bridge within 500 meters of perimeter. Co. "D" conducting platoon size combat patrol S of C-2 Bridge within 1000	S-3, M

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
		9 cont.		meters of perimeter. Co. "B" will provide sparrow hawk platoon.		
1015		10		Col. Smith, CO 9th Marines, arrived in area for conference with LtCol. Deptula.	S-3	
1030		11		Received 'Immediate' message from 9th Marines, DTG 210800H Jan 68. Informing us of enemy Recon activity around OAM LO Bridge area. Recon elements from 27th Indep. Bn. Rated B-2.	S-3, S-2	
1035		12		Col. Smith departed C-2.	S-3	
1345		13		(Fr. YD 140663, En. Same) Co. "B" squad size combat patrol spotted one NVA wearing green utilities and carrying AK-47, moving in Easterly direction. Fired 6 rds. S/A and 4 M-79. Search of area revealed traces of blood, but no NVA. Continued mission.	9th Mar, S-3	
1650		14		Received message from 9th Marines advising that 120 engineers will arrive at C-2 on 28 Jan or 29 Jan.	S-3, S-4	
1700		15		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
1930		16		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M	
2255		17		Received message from 9th Marines that 3/4 is to remain at present position until further notice. New AO's were cancelled.		
2400		18		Journal closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Capt. Fagersten assumed duties of Watch Officer for the period covered from 220800 to 230800.	S-3
0900		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting two squad size combat patrols, one in the morning, and one in the afternoon. Morning patrol working SE area. Afternoon patrol working NW area. Both squad patrols will be conducting patrols within 500 meters of C-2 position. Co. "G" conducting platoon size patrols N-NE of C-2 Bridge within 1000 meters.	S-3, M
1205		5		(Fr. YD 137646, En. YD 154643) S-62 (Tower) observed 6 NVA moving along the edge of treeline. All were seen carrying weapons, 2 AK-47's and 4 rifles of unknown caliber. Called in 80 rds. HE 81mm mission and followed up with arty mission of 12 rds. HE and 24 rds. VT. Good target coverage. Results unknown.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2
1300		6		(Fr. YD 135675) Co. "G" platoon size combat patrol moving through very thick brush, when Marine's M-16 was caught on a vine resulting in one round being accidentally discharged. Bullet struck another Marine, walking in front of him in the hand. Casualty treated by Corpsman. Med-evac was called in and completed at 1355H.	9th Mar, S-3
1630		7		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1800		8		(En. YD 124635) Truck going north on MSR reported to South gate convey control point that truck received 5 rounds recoilless rifle fire from above coordinates. Tank at South gate also reported seeing the incident. Fired 81mm and arty mission on reported position. Results unknown.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0701		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
0730		3		Received priority message from 9th Mar informing us to change 3/4 area. 3/4 to defend vicinity of YD 155695.	S-3	
0800		4		Lt. Morgan assumed duties as COO Watch Officer for the period 230800H to 240800H.	S-3	
0938		5		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "A" will have two squad size combat patrols, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Co. "B" will conduct one squad size patrol. Co. "C" will conduct one platoon size patrol extending 1000 meters from perimeter. Squad size patrols will work within 500 meters of perimeter.	S-3,M	
1030		6		Co. "C" squad patrol at YD 136676 found one 2'x3'x5' bunker with approx. 1 1/2' dirt and log overhead cover. Bunker was facing east and did not appear to have been used recently. Destroyed bunker and continued mission.	S-3, 9th Mar, M, S-2	
1130		7		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
2000		8		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M	
2400		9		Journal closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0725		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Gunnery Sgt. Chambers assumed duties as 000 Watch Officer for the period 240800H to 250800H.	S-3
0930		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "A" and Co. "C" will have squad size combat patrols. Co. "B" will have two squad size patrols, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. A sniper OP will be established during daylight hours. All activities will be conducted within 1000 meters of perimeter.	S-3,M
1425		5		While traveling south on the MSR and about 800 meters from south gate of C-2, a M-109 jeep and trailer carrying 3 Marines, was ambushed by approx 4 NVA just off the east side of road. The M-109 was hit on the left front by an RPG. The vehicle overturned and burned resulting in two KIA and one WIA. A vehicle from 1st 8" How Batry, at C-3, came by a short time later. When the two men in the vehicle stopped to investigate and pick up WIA, they received approx. 30 rds. S/A fire from an estimated 6 NVA, 180 meters east of the road. The second vehicle departed for C-2 with WIA. A 1/4 platoon reaction force with a section of tanks in support left C-2 for the scene. During the sweep of the area 500 meters to the west, the platoon observed three enemy moving east on the east side of the road. The platoon took the fleeing NVA under fire with S/A, 90mm tanks and twin 40mm duster from C-3. The platoon swept the area with neg. results, but found RPG fragments. A second detail with a bulldozer was dispatched to the ambush site to retrieve the destroyed vehicle and pick up the KIA's.	S-3, 9th Mar, M, S-2
1845		6		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M
2012		7		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M
2400		8		Journal closed.	S-3

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0800		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
0800		3		Lt. Olsen assumed duties as Watch Officer for the period 250800H to 260800H.	S-3	
1030		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter.	S-3,M	
1145		5		OP tower, west, reported approx. 20 rds. 82mm impacting 300 meters west of perimeter. A check of friendly units in area showed that there was no friendly firing at this time. Called arty counter mortar mission on suspected mortar position at YD 105645. Fired 12 rds. 105mm HM. Results unknown. Reaction time-30 minutes.	9th Mar,S-3, N,S-2	
1525		6		(En. YD 115635) C-2 received 3 rds. 60mm approx. 200 meters outside perimeter to the west. Called in arty mission on suspected enemy position.	9th Mar,S-3 S-2,M	
1550		7		All daylight activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
1650		8		Alerted Co. "B" and 1 section of tanks to be to be prepared to provide assistance to 2/9 reaction force at YD 132626. Two trucks from 2/1 traveling north on MSR were ambushed at that position by approx. 6 NVA firing AK-47's and rifle grenades.	S-3,9th Mar, S-2	
1940		9		Rec'd message from 9th Mar advising of AOR change.	S-3,M	
1955		10		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M	
2400		11		Journal Closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0800		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
0800		3		Lt. Drennan assumed duties as COC Watch Officer for the period 260800H to 270800H.	S-3	
0930		4		All combat patrols and OP's have departed perimeter.	S-3,M	
1035		5		GO 9th Mar (Col. Smith) arrived C-2 position and departed at approx. 1130.	S-3	
1841		6		All daylight activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
1950		7		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M	
2030		8		Received message ref. helo lift of 2/4 into LZ north of C-2 commencing 270800H.	S-3	
2040		9		Two trip flares at YD 125666 near Co. "A" perimeter went off. Rec'd 4 rds. S/A. Returned M-16, 25 rds. M-79 and 40 rds 60mm illum. Will check out at first light.	S-3,M,S-2	
2400		10		Journal closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0702		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M
0800		3		Capt. Hutteball assumed duties as COC watch officer for the period 270800H to 280800H.	S-3
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter.	S-3,M
15		5		Received verbal message from 9th Marines via land line advising two platoons of Co. "A" and "A" Co. Command Group to stand by for sparrow hawk commitment.	S-3
0830		6		Co. "B" committed 1 reaction platoon to aid road sweep personnel at ambush site vic. YD 133629.	S-3
0915		7		First elements of 2/4 touched down north of C-2.	S-3, 9th Mar
1215		8		(Fr. YD 141651) Co. Bravo squad patrol found 500 lb. bomb that appeared to be booby trapped. Patrol marked location on map to blow at later date.	S-3, 9th Mar, S-2,M
1245		9		Received message from 9th Marines advising that upon completion of 2/4 lift, one Co. to chop OPCON to 1/4 and assigning missions as frag No. 1 states, 271225H Jan 68.	S-3
1310		10		C-2 position received 5 rds. arty from YD 075697 believed to be 105mm inside perimeter resulting in one fr. WIA med-evac. Called arty mission of 32 rds. WP and HE on suspected enemy location. Reaction time of 10 min. Med-evac completed at 1405H.	S-3, 9th Mar, S-2,M
1600		11		2/4 assumed responsibility of NE corner (approx. 7 grid squares) of 1/4 AO.	S-3,M
1600		12		Co. "H" chopped OPCON to 1/4.	S-3, 9th Mar
1630		13		Final elements of 2/4 arrived LZ.	S-3, 9th Mar

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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3
0800		3		Lt. Campbell assumed duties of COC Watch Officer for the period 280800 to 290800.	S-3
0810		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter and are conducting assigned missions. Co. "A" will provide company size reaction force.	S-3, M
1030		5		(Fr. YN 124649, En. Same) Co. "B" squad size combat patrol found 3 bunkers, 4'x4'x3' with 1' dirt and logs on top. Appeared to have been recently used. Demolished bunkers and continued mission.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2
1045		6		Co. "A" OP at 132633 observed 4 NVA with sling rifles walking along treeline heading south approx. 200 meters SE of C-2 Bridge. Q/9 road sweep observed the 4 NVA at the same time and took them under fire. NVA disappeared into treeline. Two squads of H 2/4, at C-2 Bridge, were sent to sweep area where NVA were last seen. Neg. results.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2
1630		7		All daylight combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3
1930		8		All night activities are in position.	S-3, M
2118		9		Received message from 9th Mar stating that TET cease fire is to run from 291800 to 310600.	S-3, All Units
2400		10		Journal closed.	S-3

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0730		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
0800		3		Lt. Drummond assumed duties as COC Watch Officer for the period 290800H to 300800H.	S-3	
0810		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter and are conducting their assigned missions.	S-3, M	
1020		5		Co. "B" squad size combat patrol at YD 134638 spotted one NVA with weapon in vic. of YD 142634. Called in Blmm mission. Swept area with neg. results.	9th Mar, S-3 S-2	
1630		6		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3	
1800		7		Co. "B" squad OP at YD 135635 spotted 1 NVA moving south across rice paddy 800 meters SE of their position. Fired Blmm mission of 10 rds. Excellent coverage of target. No further movement was observed.	9th Mar, S-3 S-2	
1800		8		Received message from 9th Marines DTG 291800H Jan 68 stating that there will be no cease fire and to continue normal combat operations.	S-3	
2400		9		Journal closed.	S-3	

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0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0700		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
0800		3		Capt. Thompson assumed duties as COC Watch Officer for the period 300800H to 310800H.	S-3	
0815		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter and are conducting assigned mission.	S-3,M	
1630		5		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
1930		6		All night activities are in position.	S-3,M	
2005		7		S-62 (east tower), at C-2, received 4 rds. sniper fire from a southeasterly direction. Returned 20 rds. 81mm HE at suspected enemy location at YD 140641. Results unknown.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2	
2105		8		Co. "H" at C-2 Bridge observed 1 NVA through starlight scope moving parallel to lines approx 200 meters west of the perimeter. Fired 4 M-79's, 3 60mm HE with good coverage of target. Observed no further movement. Will check area at first light.	9th Mar, S-3, S-2	
2400		9		Journal closed.	S-3	

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal opened.	S-3	
0715		2		All night activities have returned to perimeter.	S-3,M	
0800		3		Lt. Morgan assumed duties as COC Watch Officer for the period 310800 to 010800.	S-3	
0830		4		All combat patrols have departed perimeter. Co. "B" conducting 36 hour patrol SE of C-2. A patrol base will be established at YD 156645.	S-3,M	
1030		5		While sweeping road from C-2 Bridge at YD 128678, 2/1 received approx 12 rds. S/A from treeline on west side of road. Sweep returned S/A and continued move to Con Thien (A-4). Co. "C" (1/4) fired 81mm mission. Co. "C" squad patrol swept area with neg. results.	9th Mar, S-3 S-2	
1730		6		All combat patrols have returned to perimeter. Co. "B", has set in for night and will conduct 3 squad ambushes.	S-3,M	
1830		7		1 plt. of "H" 2/4 dispatched to augment defenses at CAP-3.	S-3	
945		8		"H" 2/4 arrived at this position and will man lines for Co. "B" 1/4, currently on patrol.	S-3	
2400		9		Journal closed.	S-3	

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