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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

| <u>1. DESIGNATION</u>      | <u>COMMANDER</u>                          | <u>DATE</u>           |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 1st Battalion, 4th Marines | LtCol T.H. GALBRAITH                      | 1-31 Aug              |
| <u>SUBORDINATE UNITS</u>   |   |                       |
| H&S Company                | 1stLt BROULETTE, G.H.                     | 1-31 Aug              |
| Company A                  | Capt RUSSOM, K.S.                         | 1-31 Aug              |
| Company B                  | 1stLt STICK, M.O.<br>Capt PIERPAN, H.E.   | 1-24 Aug<br>25-31 Aug |
| Company C                  | Capt NEGRON, W.P.                         | 1-31 Aug              |
| Company D                  | 1stLt JACKSON, M.E.<br>1stLt DELINO, K.J. | 1-7 Aug<br>8-31 Aug   |

2. Location

|                |           |                       |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Battalion CP   | 1-3 Aug   | LZ PEKING II (936475) |
|                | 4-6 Aug   | Vandegrift CB, RVN    |
|                | 7-17 Aug  | Hill 505 (904476)     |
|                | 18-23 Aug | Vandegrift CB, RVN    |
|                | 24-27 Aug | XD 898347             |
|                | 28-31 Aug | Vandegrift CB, RVN    |
| Battalion Rear | 1-31 Aug  | Dong Ha, RVN          |

3. Staff Officers

|                   |                     |           |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Executive Officer | Major J.E. O'NEILL  | 1 Aug     |
| S-1               | Major C.B. SPERRY   | 2-31 Aug  |
|                   | 1stLt B.D. GREEN    | 1-11 Aug  |
| S-2               | 1stLt J.M. ALLEN    | 12-31 Aug |
| S-3               | 1stLt D.M. KRUSE    | 1-31 Aug  |
|                   | Major C.B. SPERRY   | 1 Aug     |
|                   | Major V.R. GALLERY  | 2-31 Aug  |
| S-4               | Capt O.B. RENFRO    | 1-31 Aug  |
| Supply Officer    | 1stLt R.L. FISHER   | 1-21 Aug  |
|                   | 2ndLt R.A. STOTZ    | 22-31 Aug |
| MT Officer        | 2ndLt J.E. BAUMAN   | 1-31 Aug  |
| Comm Officer      | Capt J.J. THORNTON  | 1-4 Aug   |
|                   | 1stLt T.J. FLANAGAN | 5-31 Aug  |

Bn Chaplain  
Bn Surgeon

Lt W.B. TURNER  
Lt E.G. KELLY

1-31 Aug  
1-31 Aug

4. Average Monthly Strength

|            |             |
|------------|-------------|
|            | <u>USMC</u> |
| <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u>  |
| 37         | 1092        |

|            |            |
|------------|------------|
|            | <u>USN</u> |
| <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
| 2          | 61         |

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## PART II

## NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The Battalion participated in Scotland II during the month of August. The mission of the Battalion was to conduct extensive patrolling at the company level with the specific mission of searching for caches, search and destroy operations and construct landing zones for future helicopter assaults.

On 2 August, in continuation of Action Canton II, Company "C" found 4,000 pounds of rice, one AK-47, 105 bunkers, a field aid station and medical supplies at XD 925480.

On 3 August, Company "C" found a cache of graves, 65 bunkers, 6 Chinese burp guns, 12,000 pounds of rice, plus 782 gear at XD 923483.

On 7 August, Company "A" was helo-lifted to Hill 679 at XD 895458. Battalion CP and Companies "C" and "D" departed Vandegrift Combat Base by helicopter to Hill 505 (XD 904477). The Battalion expanded the landing zone at that position and defended the same until 17 August. During that time, the companies conducted numerous patrols within our designated AO. Company "A" discovered a bunker complex consisting of 53 bunkers at XD 893458, and observed a secondary explosion while firing artillery and 81mm fire missions in the area. Company "C", while conducting a platoon patrol, took 1 NVA under fire at XD 923483, resulting in 1 NVA KIA with no friendly casualties sustained. Company "D" had one WIA (minor) while attempting to disarm a friendly claymore.

On 21 August, while in a defensive posture at Vandegrift Combat Base, Company "B" spotted 5 NVA at 0305H and at same time received incoming mortar fire and s/a. A counter mortar mission was fired as well as s/a. The following night Company "C" challenged a person approaching the lines at 0050H. The individual did not halt and thus was taken under fire. A sweep the following morning resulted in 1 VC/NVA female type KIA.

On 23 August, the Battalion CP, Companies "A", "B" and "C" conducted a helicopter assault on XD 898348. After the LZ was secured, Companies "A" and "C" left the perimeter to conduct search and destroy operations within the Battalion AO. In the initial stages of patrolling, NVA equipment was found by both companies. On 25 August, Company "C" came under s/a and a/w fire as they were assaulting an objective (XD 883358). They returned fire with s/a, M-79, 60mm mortar, artillery and a fixed wing air strike. The action resulted in 2 NVA KIA, 1 USMC KIA and 4 WIA. On 26 August, Company "C" received 80mm mortar rounds followed by RPG's and recoilless rifle fire. Company "C" returned fire with organic weapons plus made excellent use of supporting arms, to include 105mm and 155mm artillery missions, 106mm beehive rounds fired from the Bn CP location, Huey gunships and fixed wing. The resulting damage was 9 NVA KIA with 4 USMC WIA. Company "C" was extracted from that position with outstanding air support provided by UH-1E gunships as OH-46 and OH-53's made the extraction. Company "A" was also extracted by helicopter. Both units returned to Vandegrift Combat Base followed by Company "B" and the Battalion CP the following morning. Company "D" was helo-lifted to Hill 715 (XD 943476) to conduct patrols and establish OP's to observe area to the east of Vandegrift Combat Base.

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On 29 August Company "B" and a small command group were helo-lifted to XD 854473. The landing zone was "hot" as they received .50 Cal fire of 50 rounds as the insertion was being made. A sweep of the area was made after the LZ was secured, however the results were negative. Company "B" had no casualties during the encounter.

On 30 August, Company "D" found and destroyed 20 NVA bunkers at XD 933472. On 31 August, Company "D" discovered 54 NVA bunkers with "A" frame tops at XD 937468. Bunkers revealed negative enemy equipment and were thus destroyed.

Between operations the Battalion had the responsibility for the defense of Vandegrift Combat Base and Ca Lu. It was our mission to plan a new perimeter to include the defensive measures necessary for a static position. A coordinated effort was made with 11th Engineers to clear fields of fire and to enable our Battalion to lay defensive wire, Tanks, Ontos, Dusters and Searchlights were also included in the planning and defense of Vandegrift Combat Base.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat missions assigned

## a. Fourth Marines Frag Order (Operation SCOTLAND II)

## (1) At Vandegrift Combat Base and Ca Lu

- (a) Defend Vandegrift Combat Base and Ca Lu
- (b) Conduct daily road sweeps
- (c) Provide Sparrow Hawk Platoon

## b. Fourth Marines Operation Plan 6-68 of 23 July (Orison II Action)

- (1) Conduct extensive patrolling.
- (2) Locate, fix and destroy enemy forces, supply caches, rocket sites, harbor sites and bunker complexes.
- (3) Maintain surveillance of Vandegrift Combat Base.
- (4) Deny enemy use of OP and FO sites.

2. Operations.

02 August

Co "C" patrol found 75-100 bunkers and 4,000 pounds of rice at XD 923483. Two of the bunkers were apparently for surgical purposes, bunkers being 20'x12'x6' high. Found surgical supplies, weapons and ammo in bunkers. Destroyed 2,000 pounds of rice, destroyed 19 bunkers with demo and 15 by hand. Brought back 1 SKS and 2 RPG's. Medical gear captured as follows: 9 bottles 250cc NPC, 9 bottles human plasma, 5 lbs. salt, 1 lb. Ephedrine, 2 bottles iodine, 1 bottle charcoal, 3 bottles APC, 3 bottles glucose, 6 bottles ether, 80 bottles streptomycin, 100 vials vitamin C, 80 vials penicillin, 10 vials Chloroform, 2 bottles serum albumin, 2 bottles sulphur, 2 bottles novocaine, 2 bottles ASP, 4 rolls tape, 120 rolls bandages, 40 grams morphine, 1 first aid kit, 1 breathing apparatus, 1 tooth brush kit and 30 100 vials of nadranal.

At 1400H, Co "D" chopped OPCON 2/4.

03 August

At 0800H, Co "C" found 5 graves at XD 923483 which were filled, 7 graves which were unfilled. One body had white gloves and two bodies were wearing belts with silver buckles. Brought gear back to S-2.

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At 1530H, Co "C" patrol found 31 bunkers at XD 923480. Also found were 1 chainsaw, 6 Chinese bump guns, 115-110 pound bags of rice. Helo-lifted gear out.

At 1545H, Co "C" patrol found 24 bunkers, 4 cooking areas, 3 heads, 2 food storage areas. Destroyed only 7 bunkers due to lack of time. Stored ammo, picked up next morning. Gear found included 500 lbs of rice, 3 canteen covers, 4 entrenching tools, 1 smoking pipe, 5 pick heads, 1 helmet, 1 tennis shoe, 1 Ho Chi Minh sandal, 1 canteen, 1 US entrenching tool, 1 gas mask, 1 gas mask container, 1 gas mask hose, 3 anti-personnel mines, 30-60mm mortar rds, 843 .50 cal rds, 36-60mm primers, 18-82mm fuzes and 58 AK-47 rds.

- 05 August At 1200H, Co "B", 1/4 chopped to 2/4.
- 06 August At 1300H, Co "D", 1/4 chopped to 1/4.
- 07 August At 1300H, Co "A", "C" and "D" and Cmd Grp departed Vandegrift Combat Base by helo for operations in accordance with 4th Marines order.
- 08 August At 0940H, Co "C", while clearing area for washing point at XD 901479, discovered 1 set of small foot prints which led from the stream up side of hill.
- At 1115H, Co "C" found 2 rocket sites and 3 bunkers at XD 910477. Rocket positions were 10' in diameter and 3' deep with small amount of dirt in middle. Rocket sites and bunkers appeared to have been used recently. Also found 2 boxes of anti-aircraft rounds and 2 shovels. Destroyed bunkers and rocket sites. Brought rounds back to CP.
- At 1540H, Co "A", while firing arty mission in XD 895473 on confirmed bunker site, observed one secondary explosion.
- 09 August At 0915H, Co "A" called air strike and arty missions at 894463 and observed secondary explosion. Co "A" searched area and found 10 bunkers on trail. Bunkers were reinforced with dirt and logs. Bunkers were 3'x3'x3' and were not recently used. Destroyed bunkers.
- 10 August At 0515H, Co "A" while firing prep fire at XD 68858643, observed 2 secondary explosions.
- At 0915H, Co "A" found 3 bunkers at XD 893458. Bunkers were 4'x5'x10' and reinforced with logs and dirt. Also found 2 mess halls, one was 8'x8'x6'. Mess hall could seat 12 and had 2 ovens in it. Other mess hall was 4'x5'x6'. Area had not been recently used. Destroyed bunkers and mess halls. Found 25' of comm wire, 1 poncho, 2

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canteens, 2 entrenching tools w/ covers, 1 breathing device for US gas mask and 1 Chinese claymore. Returned gear to S-2.

At 1330H, Co "A" found 40 bunkers at XD 893458. Bunkers were 6'x4'x5 1/2' on north side of hill. Bunkers were reinforced with logs and dirt. Found apparent BAS bunker with blood-stained stretcher. Found apparent comm bunker with rotten battery (NVA type) and a bamboo antenna with wire wrapped around it. Found 4 mess hall ovens, 1 head, 1 NVA gas mask, 2 entrenching tools and 200 rds .50 cal ammo.

At 2100H, Co "A", while firing arty mission at XD 885469, observed 5 secondary explosions that appeared to be demo or mortar rds.

12 August

At 0715H, Co "D", after disarming friendly claymore and bringing it back to perimeter, an explosive device went off about 6-7 seconds after claymore was picked up. Incident resulted in 1 WIA routine med-evac.

At 0900H, Co "C" found 1 82mm pit with principal direction of 5400 mils. Pit located at XD 925485. Pit was 3'x5 1/2' with connecting ammo and living bunkers. Also found living bunkers 5'x3'x4' constructed with logs and dirt. Found uncompleted bunkers approx 5 days old. Destroyed bunkers by hand.

At 1130H, Co "C" observed 1 NVA at XD 923483. Took NVA under fire, killing him. Captured gear included 1 AK-47, 2 NVA packs, 1 pair field glasses, 2 NVA hammocks, 1 officer belt, 2 chi-com grenades, 2 chi-com smoke, 2 NVA ponchos, 1 pair utilities, 1 pair sandals and 1 pair US crimpers.

16 August

At 0900H, Co "A" commenced helo lift to Vandegrift CB.

At 1000H, Co "C" commenced helo lift to Vandegrift CB.

19 August

At 2045H, recon outfit was being chased by 15-20 NVA contacted at XD 959542. Recon outfit contacted "D" Co, 1/4 and requested 40mm support. When the outfit was in sight of OP BEN, approx 500 meters away, the dusters opened up approx 125 meters behind the friendlies. This pinned down the NVA so that the recon unit could get inside the perimeter. Called in arty mission and fired 60mm mortars and M-79 rds. Two reinforced squads were alerted to help the recon unit if trouble developed. Negative casualties or results.

21 August

At 0305H, Co "B" spotted 5 NVA at XD 986483 and received 15 rds of incoming mortar at same time with 50-70 rds s/a

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... and a/w fire. Returned fire with s/a, 60mm and 81mm mortars, clusters and arty. Negative results or casualties.

22 August At 0050H, Co "C" challenged unknown person inside perimeter in front of lines, person did not answer. 2 rds were fired over his head, still no answer. Fired 10 rds M-16 at person, person was believed to have said "Om Hoi". Threw M-26 grenade at person; person dropped, moaned and laid still. Search of area revealed 1 KIA VC/NVA female type.

At 1030H, Co's "E" and "H", 2/9 chopped to 1/4.

At 2000H, Co "E" and "H", 2/9 chopped from 1/4 to 2/9.

23 August At 0500H, Co "D", 1/4 chopped OPCON to 2/9.  
At 1030H, 1/4 (-) helo-lifted to XD 898347 for operations.  
At 1300H, While searching vicinity of XD 889347, Co "B" found 10 82mm mortar rds with fuzes and 50 rds on ammo belt for AK-47. Destroyed all ammo.

At 1600H, While checking area, Co "B" found US and NVA gear in vicinity of XD 888352. Gear consisted of 1 set US bipods, Ser No. C-59336, 1/4 lb. TNT and 1 assault pack for NVA machine gun.

24 August At 0705H, Co "C" spotted 1 NVA carrying anti-com grease gun in vicinity of XD 891351. Fired s/a and 60mm mortar mission. Results unknown.

At 1420H, Co "C" found trail leading to possible 82mm position. Position was cleared, was 8'x10' and appeared to be 1 month old. In center of clearing, 82mm mortar had been set in 2 principle directions of fire, 130° and 320°. Also found was 1 fighting bunker 2'x2'x3'. Bunker appeared to be approx 3 months old with fresh tracks on trail approx 2 days old. Destroyed positions.

25 August At 1200H, Co "C" received s/a and a/w fire while attempting to check out objective for grid XD 883358. Pulled back squad and called air strike, arty mission, 60mm mortar, s/a and M-79 fire. 1 USMC KIA and 4 WIA. 2 NVA KIA.

At 1420H, At XD 883345, Co "B" found 2 RPG rds, literature, 2 82mm rds, various articles of clothing, 1 SKS rifle and ambush holes. Destroyed holes and returned gear to S-2.

At 1730H, Co "C", after breaking contact, went to check out area at XD 883358 found 5 fighting holes, a trail leading in a 3800 mils direction into the low ground. Found 1 bunker with top blown off and one more trail.

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26 August

At 0700H, Co "C" spotted 1 NVA in open at XD 882352 moving from treeline in tall grass. Fired 60mm and 81mm mortar missions. Sent patrol to check out area with neg. findings.

At 0930H, Co "C" spotted 5 NVA in open at XD 882352. Fired 60mm and 81mm mortar missions with neg. results.

At 1200H, Co "A" found 1 NVA body at XD 881362 with multiple shrapnel wounds on head and body. Also found 2 chi-com grenades, 30 AK-47 rds linked and expended and .50 cal ammo. Buried body and destroyed ammo.

At 1300H, Co "D" was helo-lifted to Hill 715(XD 942476).

At 1630H, Co "C" heard tubing and rds impacted at 400 meters to front. These were followed by 2 RPG's and 2 RR rds from grids 887346, 878348, 888357, 875353, 878356 and 880355. Observed small group of 3-5 NVA and fired counter mortar 60mm, 106 RR beehive rds, 105mm and 155mm arty, Huey gunships and fixed wing strikes.. Also engaged in small arms. Action resulted in 4 USMC WIA and 9 NVA KIA.

At 1830H, Co "A" helo-lifted to Vandegrift CB.

At 1930H, Co "C" helo-lifted to Vandegrift CB.

29 August

At 0028H, spotted 4 white lights size of flashlight type. Lights were stationary at XD 993416 on Hill 400. Called 81mm mortar mission, lights went out.

At 1015H, Co "C" patrol found 10 unfinished bunkers and 15 finished ones constructed with logs and dirt with dimensions of 4'x3'x5'. Appeared to not have been used recently. Destroyed bunkers.

At 1200H, Co "I", 3/9 chopped OPCON to 1/4.

At 1330H, Co "B" and Bravo Cmd Grp helo-lifted to XD 847476.

At 1600H, Co "B" and Cmd Grp upon being helo-lifted into XD 854473, received approx 50 rds e/w fire from XD 853460. Helos returned fire, requested AO to check area. Fired 60mm mortar mission on probable enemy posits. AO directed fixed wing on grid XD 853460, resulting in 1 small secondary explosion. AO also reported 3 NVA KRA.

At 2000H, Co "B", using starlight, spotted 3-2 man teams of NVA at XD 857477, 2 teams were moving in a N-S direction, the 3rd team was moving east to west. Fired M-16 on each team, and observed one NVA from each team fall.

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30 August

At 1530H, Co "D" patrol found 20 bunkers at XD 933472. Bunkers were living and fighting type, enforced with 1' logs and dirt. Bunkers were about 4' deep and could fit about 3 NVA each. Bunkers appeared to be approx 2 months old. Also found were 3 chi-com grenades, claymores. Destroyed all bunkers and gear.

31 August

At 1430H, Co "D" patrol found base camp at XD 937468 which included 54 bunkers with "A" frame tops, 4'-6' deep and 2'-10' space inside. 20 hooches with thatched roofs and 4 mess halls were also found. Last occupation was approx 4 months ago. Searched area and destroyed AK-47 rds, 60mm rds and fuzes, chi-com claymores, 3 chi-com grenades, 3 RPG's, 4500 Chinese and Russian rds (7,62) 1 magazine, 3 medicine vessels, diary and letter dated June '68, possible Opium and hospital drugs and 6-60mm mortar rds with fuzes.

### 3. Training.

a. In August, battalion level training was conducted, along with company level classes, in accordance with the Battalion Training SOP. Classes given but not limited to were:

FO Procedure  
First Aid  
Marksmanship/Squad Tactics  
Code of Conduct  
Map Reading/Compass

b. Company level training was conducted on subjects most needed to meet our present tactical situation and requirements.

c. All replacement personnel received an administrative briefing and each replacement was afforded an opportunity to FAM fire his TO weapon.

### 4. Casualties inflicted on the enemy.

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| NVA/KIA | 13 |
| NVA/POW | 0  |

### 5. Friendly casualties sustained.

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| KIA                | 1   |
| WIA                | 10 (includes 1 WIA from Co "B" when OPCON to 2/4) |
| Non-Hostile Deaths | 0   |
| DOW                | 0   |
| NBC                | 54  |
| MIA                | 0   |

## 6. Logistics.

### a. Supply

(1) Class I. All Class I was drawn at Vandegrift Combat Base in support of operations. The Battalion Mess served "A" rations three times daily at Vandegrift. Sandwiches, ice cream, fruit, Class VI and supplemental rations were delivered by helicopter when tactical situations permitted in the field.

(2) Class II. Battalion Supply remained at Dong Ha with FLSG-B as the source of supply. Class II supply tents remain at Vandegrift to cut the time lost in transfer of cargo from Dong Ha to Vandegrift CB. Shortages in the following items were experienced during this period:

Mask, Protective (Medium)  
Socks (Small and Regular)  
Armorer Parts (M-60 and M-79)  
Nozzles and Covers (Water Buffalo)

Five-gallon water cans and three-gallon plastic water containers were utilized very satisfactorily. During this period there were no significant problems with water supply.

(3) Class III. Class III was adequate at Vandegrift CB.

(4) Class IV. Class IV was adequate at Vandegrift CB.

(5) Class V. Class V was adequate at Vandegrift CB.

### b. Transportation.

(1) Organic. During this month the M151A1 and M274A2 were used for resupply and administrative runs at Vandegrift and Dong Ha. The battalion received two (2) M37B1's of the four (4) rated and this has helped ease the transportation burden of the previous month.

(2) Support. Division Motor Transport arranged transportation of Class II supplies and personnel from Dong Ha to Vandegrift. Transportation at Vandegrift CB was coordinated through 4th Marines. Support was received from 9th Motor Transport Battalion.

c. Engineer Support. Engineer support teams provided the battalion with demolitions capabilities.

## 7. Civil Affairs.

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

8. Psychological Warfare.

All psychological warfare operations were conducted by higher echelon.

9. Personnel and Administration.

a. General. During the reporting period, the Battalion's admin section was located at Dong Ha. At the close of the reporting period, each rifle company was averaging 28 men below manning level and 114 were in a non-effective status. This battalion is presently 6 officers below manning level in the 0302 MOS and still has a critical shortage of 0402.

b. Personnel Losses and Gains.

|                | <u>USMC</u> |            |  | <u>USN</u> |            |
|----------------|-------------|------------|--|------------|------------|
|                | <u>OFF</u>  | <u>ENL</u> |  | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
| LOSSES         |             |            |  |            |            |
| Battle         | 0           | 1          |  | 0          | 0          |
| Non-Battle     | 0           | 0          |  | 0          | 0          |
| Administrative | 5           | 143        |  | 1          | 7          |
| TOTAL          | 5           | 144        |  | 1          | 7          |
| GAINS          | 14          | 155        |  | 1          | 9          |

c. Awards. There were two awards presented during the reporting period. The following type awards were processed recommending approval.

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Bronze Star      | 8  |
| Navy Achievement | 6  |
| Purple Heart     | 11 |

d. Discipline. The number of disciplinary cases acted upon or pending action are as follows.

Courts-Martials/Admin Discharges/Investigations

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Art 32 - Pending          | 1 |
| Spl Court - Pending       | 3 |
| Spl Court - Completed     | 2 |
| Summary Court - Pending   | 1 |
| Summary Court - Completed | 1 |
| Admin Discharge           | 3 |

Non-Judicial Punishments

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Battalion Commander | 9 |
| Company Commander   | 6 |

e. Morale. Morale continued to be high. Out-of-country R&R quotas utilized for the month were: Hawaii-18; Bangkok-16; Hong Kong-11; Taipei-11; Sidney-9; Tokyo-7; Okinawa-4; Kuala Lumpur-2; Singapore-3; Penang-3; Manila-2; For In-Country R&R, a total of 1 quota was used.

During the month 37 Lance Corporals were promoted to Corporal, 65 Privates First Class were promoted to Lance Corporal and 6 Privates were promoted to Private First Class. One Corporal was meritoriously promoted to Sergeant, two Lance Corporals were meritoriously promoted to Corporal and one Sergeant was promoted to Staff Sergeant.

f. Religious Services. Spiritual coverage was provided for the Battalion during the month of August in the field and at Vandegrift CB.

Seven Protestant services were conducted at the 1/4 Chapel by the Bn Chaplain with a total attendance of 270 and 69 taking communion.

Ten Protestant services were conducted in the field and at outposts with a total attendance of 300 and 40 received communion.

Ten Catholic Masses were given by Chaplain Hubble (4th Marines) for a total attendance of 295.

Three Memorial Services were conducted by the Bn Chaplain with 189 attending.

A lecture of the Religions of Viet Nam was taped for the troop indoctrination series.

The Chaplain attended the 3rd Mar Div retreat on 4 August at Quang Tri. Coverage was provided for the Latterday Saints and Jewish personnel.

## 10. Intelligence.

### a. Enemy

(1) The 1st Bn, 4th Marines participated in the Canton II of Operation Scotland during the reporting period. The battalion returned again to the Hill 715 complex (XD 944476) and extensive patrolling was done in the area. The NVA continued to use their delaying tactics by use of command detonated mines. It appeared the delaying action was due to enemy supply caches not yet extracted by the NVA. The largest cache was discovered on the 2nd and 3rd of August for a total of 16,000 lbs. of rice in the vicinity of XD 923487. The patrol also discovered two surgical bunkers with extensive medical gear. The captured caches were evacuated. The Battalion conducted a helicopter assault on Hill 505 in vicinity of XD 904476 with signs of little enemy activity. The Battalion conducted a helicopter assault in the vicinity of XD 898347 with an unopposed landing. The area was extensively patrolled which revealed recent enemy activity. The NVA appeared to have had their women with them as curlers and hairnets were found in the area. Company "C" made contact with approx a squad of NVA in green utilities in the vicinity of XD 878358. The enemy continues to use early morning hours for his assaults.

### b. Weather.

The weather during the month of August was generally clear to partly cloudy with afternoon and evening showers.

c. Terrain.

The terrain in the vicinity of Hill 715 and Hill 505 lends itself to the tactics of the NVA. The slopes are gradual, but movement is often channelized into avenues of approach due to the thick vegetation.

d. Incoming.

The Battalion received approx 25 rds of 82mm mortar rounds during the reporting period.

e. Enemy equipment found or destroyed

300 bunkers destroyed  
14,000 pounds of rice  
2 SKS carbines, 6 Chinese burp guns, 1 AK-47 rifle  
50 RPG rounds  
38 82mm rds  
40 Claymore mines  
1,000 rds of .50 cal ammo

11. Communications.

a. Message Center. Provides the use of shackle, authentication, and brevity code for the command and attachments. In addition, classified and non-classified message handling is exercised.

b. Radio. The radio section continues to supply units attached the usage of batteries and spare parts in support of this command. Relay stations have been utilized for support of the command while in operations.

c. Covered Circuit. The KY-8 circuit has been inoperative for the past month.

d. Wire. The wire section continues to provide telephone use in both the rear and forward areas. In addition, hot lines have been installed to Task Force Hotel, and Base coordinator.

e. Electronics Repair. Provides second echelon repair while operations are in progress and while in a static position.

f. Maintenance Section. No requirement for this section during month of August.

g. Radio Relay. No requirement at present position.



h. Critical Shortage. A shortage of spare parts for AN/PRC-25 radio set still exists. Module 1-10 is most critical of these parts.

i. Equipment repaired. During the month of August the following equipment was repaired.

(First and Second Echelon)

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>AMT</u> |
|-------------|------------|
| RT-505      | 6          |
| EE-8        | 3          |
| TM-312      | 4          |
| TM-1/PT     | 3          |
| H-138       | 2          |
| H-189       | 7          |
| AN/GRA-39   | 1          |

## 12. Air Support.

### a. Fixed Wing Support

(1) Close Air Support. Eight air strikes were run in support of the Battalion. All of the strikes were controlled by air observers. Total BDA resulting from air strikes was the following: four (4) bunkers destroyed, six (6) bunkers damaged, six (6) NVA KBA.

(2) Aerial Observers. In addition to controlling the above air strikes, AO's were utilized on numerous occasions to perform visual reconnaissance for companies on the move.

(3) TPQ's. Thirteen (13) TPQ's were requested, four (4) were hit.

### b. Helicopter Support.

(1) Medevacs. 24 routine (average of 60 min. each)  
16 priority (average of 45 min. each)  
4 emergency (average of 20 min. each)

(2) Troop Lifts. During this month the battalion controlled two Battalion size and six (6) company size troop lifts.

(3) C&C Flights. C&C helicopters were used once for a visual reconnaissance of an area for an upcoming operation.

## 13. Fire Support.

a. The Battalion's FO teams worked from Vandegrift CB and from the company positions while in the field.

b. Defensive fires at Vandegrift CB were set up on a permanent basis. Defensive fires while operating in the field were fired on a temporary basis.

c. Fires were brought to bear on counter mortar/rocket sites, enemy troops, enemy a/w and suspected enemy positions. Firecracker ammunition was utilized quite extensively during the reporting period with excellent results.

d. The missions fired in support of the Battalion during August are as follows.

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| H&I's (Acquired targets)      | 947 |
| TOT's                         | 8   |
| Observed                      | 280 |
| Unobserved                    | 4   |
| Counter battery/rocket/mortar | 10  |
| Illumination                  | 8   |

e. The FO teams had a total of 24 enemy KIA's credited to them in August

#### 14. Medical and Dental.

a. The total number of visits to the Battalion Aid Station during the month of August were 992.

b. Prevalent medical entities encountered were:

|              |    |                           |    |
|--------------|----|---------------------------|----|
| Gonorrhea    | 10 | Rat Bites                 | 0  |
| Diarrhea     | 40 | Fever Unknown Origin      | 26 |
| Malaria      | 37 | Dermatological conditions | 79 |
| URI          | 30 | Heat injuries             | 11 |
| NP Disorders | 2  |                           |    |

c. All suspected and confirmed cases of venereal disease were given a STS in accordance with MAMMED 22-18 and the results entered in the individuals record of health.

d. A total of 65 patients were referred to Delta Medical Battalion, 3rd Mar Div. Of those referred, the following were consults:

|               |    |                   |   |
|---------------|----|-------------------|---|
| Dental        | 0  | Internal medicine | 9 |
| Ophthalmology | 0  | Surgical          | 9 |
| ENT           | 11 |                   |   |
| Urology       | 8  |                   |   |

Patients requiring further consultation were referred from the Medical Battalion to the following medical facilities:

|               |    |           |    |
|---------------|----|-----------|----|
| NSA, Danang   | 22 | Quang Tri | 16 |
| USS SANCTUARY | 13 | 22nd CSF  | 5  |
| USS REPOSE    | 9  |           |    |

e. The following is a breakdown of casualties encountered for August:

|     |    |     |    |
|-----|----|-----|----|
| KIA | 1  | NHD | 0  |
| WIA | 10 | DOW | 0  |
| MIA | 0  | NBC | 55 |

f. Weekly malaria prophylaxis was continued with the use of Chloroquin-Primaquine tablets in the Battalion rear. Daily malaria prophylaxis was continued with the use of Dapsone in conjunction with weekly use of Chloroquin-Primaquine in Battalion Forward Areas.

g. Sanitation inspections were held daily, and weekly in accordance with Art P60000.4D in the Battalion area (Dong Ha, Vandegrift CB). Sanitary facilities at this time are considered adequate.

h. Two Battalion Aid Stations were maintained during August. A forward BAS consisting of a battalion surgeon, eight hospital corpsmen located at Vandegrift CB and a secondary BAS located at Dong Ha, consisting of ten hospital corpsmen. All injuries and maladies encountered were treated by the line company corpsman, and, when required, casualties were transferred for further treatment. No serious delays were encountered in resupply or evacuation of casualties during this period.

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| 0001 |     | 1          |                 | Journal opened.  | S-3               |                    |
| 0530 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #31 DTG 020530H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 3          |                 | Co "A" moving by foot enroute to LZ STUD.  | S-3               |                    |
| 1100 |     | 4          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #32 DTG 021100H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1700 |     | 5          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #33 DTG 021700H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 6          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #34 DTG 022300H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2400 |     | 7          |                 | Journal closed.  | S-3               |                    |
| 1300 |     | 8          |                 | Co "C" patrol found 75-100 bunkers and 4,000 lbs. of rice at above coordinates. Two of the bunkers were apparently for surgical purposes (20'x12'x6') high. Found surgical supplies, weapons and ammo in bunkers. Destroyed 2,000 lbs. of rice, destroyed 19 bunkers with demo and 15 bunkers by hand. Brought back 1 SKS and 2 RUC's. Medical gear captured as follows: 9 bottles 250cc NPC, 9 bottles human plasma, 5 lbs. salt, 1 lb Fepherrhine, 2 bottles iodine; 1 bottle charcoal, 3 bottles APC; 3 bottles glucose, 6 bottles ether, 80 bottles streptomycin, 100 vials vitamin C; 80 vials penicillin, 10 vials Chloroform, 2 bottles serumalbumin, 2 bottles sulphur, 2 bottles novocaine, 2 bottles ASP, 4 rolls tape; 210 rolls bandages, 40 grams morphine, 1 first aid kit, 1 breathing apparatus, 1 tooth brush kit, and 30 one cc vials of nadranal. | S-3, 4th Mar      | S-2                |
| 1400 |     | 9          |                 | Co "D" chopped OPGON to 2/4.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |

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| 0525 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #35 DTG 030525H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0800 |     | 3          |                 | Co "C" found 5 graves at XD 923483 which were filled, 7 graves which were unfilled. 1 body had white gloves and 2 bodies were wearing belts with silver buckles. Brought gear back to S-2.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 4          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #36 DTG 031100H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1530 |     | 5          |                 | Co "C" patrol found 31 bunkers at XD 923480, 1 chainsaw, 6 Chinese burp guns, 115-100lb. bags of rice. Helo-lifted gear out.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1545 |     | 6          |                 | Co "C" patrol found 24 bunkers, 4 cooking areas, 3 heads, 2 food storage areas. Destroyed only 7 bunkers due to loss of time. Stored ammo, will pick up on next morning. Gear found included 500 lbs. of rice, 3 canteen covers, 4 entrenching tools, 1 smoking pipe, 5 pick heads, 1 helmet, 1 tennis shoe, 1 Ho Chi Minh sandal, 1 canteen, 1 US entrenching tool, 1 gas mask, 1 gas mask cannister, 1 gas mask hose, 3 anti-personnel mines, 30-60mm mortar rds, 843 .50 cal rds, 36-60mm mortar primers, 18-B2mm fuzes and 58 AK-47 rds. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1730 |     | 7          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #37 DTG 031730H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 8          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #38 DTG 032300H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0500 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #11 DTG 100500H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0515 |     | 3          |                 | Co "A" while firing prep fire at 68858463, observed 2 secondary explosions.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0900 |     | 4          |                 | Co "C" found trenchline approx 200 meters long and 3'x3' running east to west at 907482.  | S-3, S-2, 4th Mar |                    |
| 0915 |     | 5          |                 | Co "A" found 3 bunkers at 893458. Bunkers were 4'x5'x10' and reinforced with logs and dirt. Also found 2 mess halls, one was 8'x8'x6'. Mess hall could seat 12 and had 2 ovens in it. Other mess hall was 4'x5'x6'. Area had not been recently used. Destroyed bunkers and mess halls. Found 25' of comm wire, 1 poncho, 2 canteens, 2 entrenching tools w/covers, 1 breathing device for US gas mask and 1 Chinese claymore. Returned gear to S-2. | S-3, S-2, 4th Mar |                    |
| 1330 |     | 6          |                 | Co "A" found 40 bunkers at 893458. Bunkers were 6'x4'x5½' on north side of hill. Bunkers were reinforced with logs and dirt. Found apparent BAS bunker with blood-stained stretcher. Found apparent comm bunker with rotten battery (NVA type) and a bamboo antenna with wire wrapped around it. Found 4 mess halls ovens, 1 head, 1 NVA gas mask, 2 entrenching tools and 200 rds .50 cal ammo. Destroyed bunkers and brought gear to CP.          | S-3, S-2, 4th Mar |                    |
| 1420 |     | 7          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #12 DTG 101420H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1800 |     | 8          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #13 DTG 101800H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2100 |     | 9          |                 | Co "A" while firing arty mission at 885469, observed 5 secondary explosions that appeared to be demo or mortar rds.   | S-3, S-2 4th Mar  |                    |
| 2315 |     | 10         |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #14 DTG 102315H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2400 |     | 11         |                 | Journal closed.   | S-3               |                    |

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| 0458 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #19 DTG 120458H.   | S-3, 4th Mar         |                    |
| 0715 |     | 3          |                 | Co "D" after disarming friendly claymore and bringing it back to the perimeter, an explosive device went off about 6-7 seconds after claymore was picked up. Incident resulted in one WIA routine med-evac.  | S-3, 4th Mar         |                    |
| 0900 |     | 4          |                 | Co "C" found 1 82mm pit with principle direction of 5400 mils. Pit located at 925485. Pit was 3'x5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ' with connecting ammo and living bunkers. Also found living bunkers 5'x3'x4' constructed with logs and dirt. Found uncompleted bunkers approx 5 days old. Destroyed bunkers by hand. | S-3, 4th Mar<br>S-2  |                    |
| 1130 |     | 5          |                 | Co "C" observed one NVA at 923483. Took NVA under fire, killing him. Captured gear included one AK-47, two NVA pakks, 1 pair field glasses, 2 NVA hammocks, one officer belt, two chicom smoke, two NVA ponchos, one pair utilities, one pair Ho Chi Linh sandals, and one pair US crimpers.                         | S-3, 4th Mar,<br>S-2 |                    |
| 2125 |     | 6          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #20 DTG 122125H.   | S-3, 4th Mar         |                    |
| 2303 |     | 7          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #21 DTG 122303H.   | S-3, 4th Mar         |                    |
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| 1145 |     | 3          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #9 DTG 191145H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1720 |     | 4          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #10 DTG 191720H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2045 |     | 5          |                 | Recon outfit was being chased by 15-20 NVA contacted at 959542. Recon outfit contacted 1/4 "D" Co and requested 40mm support. When the recon unit was in sight of OP BEN approx 600 meters away, the dusters opened up approx 125 meters behind the friendlies. This pinned down the NVA so that the recon unit could get inside the perimeter. People on OP BEN called in arty mission and fired 60mm mortars and M-79 rds. Two reinforced squads were alerted to help the recon unit if trouble developed. Negative results or casualties. | S-3, S-2, 4th Mar |                    |
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| 0001 |     | 1          |                 | Journal opened.  | S-3               |                    |
| 0050 |     | 2          |                 | KBC unknown person inside perimeter in front of lines, person was challenged but did not answer. 2 rds were fired over his head, still no answer. Fired 10 rds M-16 at person, person was believed to have said "Cho-Hoi". Threw M-26 grenade at person, dropped, moaned and laid still. Checked out area and found 1 KIA female type. | S-3, 4th Mar      | S-2                |
| 0545 |     | 3          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #20 DTG 220545H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1030 |     | 4          |                 | Co's "F" and "H", 2/9 chopped to 1/4.  | S-3, S-1          |                    |
| 1045 |     | 5          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #21 DTG 221045H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1545 |     | 6          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #22 DTG 221545H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2000 |     | 7          |                 | Co "F" and "H", 2/9 chopped from 1/4.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 8          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #23 DTG 222300H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0500 |     | 2          |                 | Co "D", 1/4 chopped OPCON to 2/9.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0545 |     | 3          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #24 DTG 230545H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0950 |     | 4          |                 | Troop lift commenced IAW order.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1030 |     | 5          |                 | Co "C" proceeded to objective "2".   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 6          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #1 DTG 231100H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1130 |     | 7          |                 | Co "A" proceeded to objective "1" grid.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1300 |     | 8          |                 | While searching vicinity grid 889347, Co "B" found 10 82mm mortar rds with fuzes and 50 rds on ammo belt for AK-47. Destroyed all ammo.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1530 |     | 9          |                 | Co "A" and "C" reached obj "1" and "2".  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1600 |     | 10         |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #2 DTG 231600H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1620 |     | 11         |                 | While checking area, Co "C" found US and NVA gear in vicinity of 888352. Gear consisted of 1 set US bipods, Ser No. C-59336, 1 lb. TNT and 1 assault pack for NVA machine gun. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 12         |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #3 DTG 232300H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0500 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #4 DTG 240600H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0705 |     | 3          |                 | Co "C" spotted 1 NVA carrying chi-com grease gun in vicinity of grid 891551. Fired s/a and 60mm mortar mission. Results unknown.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 4          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #5 DTG 241100H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1420 |     | 5          |                 | Co "C" found trail leading to possible 82mm position. Position was cleared, was 8x10' and appeared to be 1 month old. In center of clearing, 82mm mortar had been set in 2 principle directions of fire, 130° and 320°. Also found was 1 fighting bunker 2'x2'x3'. Bunker appeared to be approx 3 months old with fresh tracks on trail approx 2 days old. Destroyed bunker and position. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1600 |     | 6          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #6 DTG 241600H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 7          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #7 DTG 242300H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0500 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #8 DTG 250500H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0800 |     | 3          |                 | Co "A" and "C" moving to obj 3 and 4.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 4          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #9 DTG 251100H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1200 |     | 5          |                 | Co "C" received s/a and a/w fire while attempting to check out objective in grid 883358. Pulled back sprite and called arty mission, air, 60mm mortar, s/a and M-79 fire. 1 USMC KIA and 4 WIA. 2 NVA KIA.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1420 |     | 6          |                 | At 883345, Co "B" found 2 RPG rds, literature, 2 82mm rds, various articles of clothing, 1 SKS rifle and ambush holes. Destroyed holes and returned gear to S-2.   | S-3, 4th Mar      | S-2                |
| 1730 |     | 7          |                 | Co "C", after breaking contact, went to check out area at 883358 found 5 fighting holes, a trail leading in a 3800 mils direction into the low ground. Found 1 bunker with top blown off and one trail. Checked out area thoroughly with negative results. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1700 |     | 8          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #10 DTG 251700H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2300 |     | 9          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #11 DTG 252300H.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0500 |     | 2          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #12 DTG 260500H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0700 |     | 3          |                 | Co "C" spotted 1 NVA in open at 882352 moving from treeline in tall grass. Fired 60mm and 81mm mortar missions. Sent patrol to check out area with negative findings.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0930 |     | 4          |                 | Co "C" spotted 5 NVA in open at 882352. Fired 81mm and 60mm mortar missions with neg. results.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1115 |     | 5          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #13 DTG 261115H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1200 |     | 6          |                 | Co "D" moved out by helo to Hill 715 at grid 943476.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1200 |     | 7          |                 | Co "A" found 1 NVA body at 881362 with multiple shrapnel wounds on head and body. Also found 2 chi-com grenades, 30 AK-47 rds linked and expended and 50 cal ammo. Buried body and destroyed ammo.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1630 |     | 8          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #14 DTG 261630H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1630 |     | 9          |                 | Co "C" heard tubing and rds impacted at 400 meters to front. These were followed by 2 RPG's and 2 recoilless rifle rds from grids 887346, 878348, 888357, 875353, 878356 and 880355. Observed small group of 3-5 NVA and fired counter mortar 60mm, 106 RR beehive rds, 105mm and 155mm arty, Huey gunships. Ran fixed wing air strikes at 880355. Also engaged in small arms. 4 USMC KIA, 9 NVA KIA. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1830 |     | 10         |                 | Co "A" helo lifted to Vandegrift Combat Base.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1930 |     | 11         |                 | Co "C" helo lifted to Vandegrift Combat Base.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2340 |     | 12         |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #15 DTG 262340H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
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| 0028 |     | 2          |                 | Spotted 4 white lights size of flashlight type were stationary at 993416 on Hill 400. Called 81mm mortar mission, lights went out.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 0500 |     | 3          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #24 DTG 290500H.  | S-3               |                    |
| 1015 |     | 4          |                 | Co "C" patrol found 10 unfinished and 15 finished bunkers constructed with logs and dirt. Approx 4'x3'x5' dimensions. Appeared to not have been used recently. Destroyed bunkers.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1100 |     | 5          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #25 DTG 291100H.  | S-3               |                    |
| 1200 |     | 6          |                 | "I" Co, 3/9 chopped OPCON to 1/4.   | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1330 |     | 7          |                 | Co "B" and Bravo Command Group helo lifted to XD 847476.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1600 |     | 8          |                 | Co "B" and Cmd Grp upon being helo lifted in 854473, received approx 50 rds a/w fire from 853460. Helos returned a heavy volume of fire. Requested AO to check area. Fired 60mm mortar mission on probable enemy posit. AO directed fixed wing on grid XD 853460, resulting in one small secondary explosion. AO also reported 3 NVA KBA. | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 1630 |     | 9          |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #26 DTG 291630H.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2000 |     | 10         |                 | Co "B" using NOD, spotted 3-2 man teams of NVA at XD 857477. 2 teams were moving in a N-S direction, the 3rd team was moving east to west. Fired 1-16 on each team, and observed one NVA from each team fall. Checked area at first light with negative results.  | S-3, 4th Mar      |                    |
| 2310 |     | 11         |                 | Submitted Sit Rep #27 DTG 292310H.  | S-3               |                    |
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