

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion, 4th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco 96602

3d MARDIV S&C FILE
BT# 621168

HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion 4th Marines
003230-68

3/VRO/dor
5750
1 November 1968

From: Commanding Officer COPY 1 OF 9 COPIES
To : Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (G-3) 3

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 October to 31 October 1968

Ref : (a) MCO P5750.1A
(b) FMF PACO 5750.B
(c) DivO 5750.2A

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).

T. H. Galbraith
T. H. GALBRAITH

Copy to: 4th Marines

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion, 4th Marines
3rd Marine Division (Rein), FPO
FPO San Francisco 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October to 31 October 1968

INDEX

PART I.	3	.ORGANIZATIONAL DATA
PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY
PART III.SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS
PART IVSUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER TWELVE YEARS

ENCLOSURE (1)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>1. DESIGNATION</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
1st Battalion, 4th Marines	LtCol T.H. GALBRAITH	1-31 Oct

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	1stLt G.H. BROUILLETTE	1-31 Oct
Company A	Capt K.S. RUSSOM	1-31 Oct
Company B	Capt H.E. PIERPAN	1-31 Oct
Company C	Capt W.P. NEGRON	1-31 Oct
Company D	1stLt K.J. DELINO	1-31 Oct

2. Location

Battalion CP	1-5 Oct	Vandegrift CB, RVN
	6-7 Oct	XD 849353
	8-28 Oct	XD 868353
	17 Oct	Vandegrift CB, RVN
	18-31 Oct	LG Cates, RVN
	1-31 Oct	
Battalion Rear	1-31 Oct	Quang Tri, RVN

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer	Major K. HYSLOP	1-31 Oct
S-1	1stLt J.M. ALLEN	1-31 Oct
S-2	1stLt D.P. RYAN	1-5 Oct
	1stLt J.L. MCINTIRE	6-20 Oct
	2ndLt G.W. JACOBSEN	21-31 Oct
S-3	Major V.R. GALLERY	1-31 Oct
S-4	Capt O.B. RENTRO	1-31 Oct
MT Officer	2ndLt J.E. BAUMAN	1-31 Oct
Comm Officer	1stLt T.J. FLANAGAN	1-31 Oct
Battalion Chaplain	Lt W.B. TURNER, USNR	1-31 Oct
Battalion Surgeon	Lt E.G. KELLY, USNR	1-31 Oct

4. Direct Support Units

"C" Btry, 1st Bn, 44th Arty.	1stLt COWLEY	1-5 Oct
"W" Btry(-), 3rd Bn, 12th Marines	1stLt LEWIS	6-16 Oct
Co "A", 3rd Anti-tank, 3rd Tank Bn	1stLt SMITH	1-5 Oct
Co "B", 3rd Tank Bn	1stLt GYPIN	1-3 Oct
3rd Plt, 3rd Searchlight Btry	2ndLt SELIN	1-5 Oct

5. Attached Units

Det, 3rd MP Bn (Scout Dogs)		1-31 Oct
Det, 3rd SP Bn (HST Team)		5-31 Oct
Det, 4th Marines, Scout/Sniper Platoon		5-16 Oct
1st Plt, Co "A", 3rd Engr Bn	2ndLt ENGERBRETZEN	5-16 Oct
Det, 11th Interrogator Translator Team		5-16 Oct

6. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	
OFF	ENL
36	1221

USN	
OFF	ENL
2	48

PART II

UNCLASSIFIED

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the initial five days of the month of October, the battalion was located at the Vandegrift Combat Base assigned the mission of providing base security and improving the perimeter defense of that installation. To accomplish that end, three rifle companies were assigned sectors of the outlying perimeter. One of three companies also provided security for the Signal Hill complex located to the west of the Combat Base. The remaining rifle company acted as a mobile reaction force and provided the augmentation required in the construction of the defensive barrier as well as provided squad size elements to conduct close-in patrolling in our assigned area of operation. On 4 October the same company provided the security forces required at the CaLu-OP Texas complex. It returned to Vandegrift on 5 October.

On 5 October elements of the 4th Marine Regiment conducted a heliborne assault into the area west of the former Khe Sanh Combat Base. The operation was code named Scotland Nanking. On D+1, 6 October, the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines was helo-lifted into an area in the vicinity of Hill 503 (XD 849353) located on the Southern flank of the two assault battalions. The battalion's mission was to locate, fix and destroy enemy forces, installations and supply caches and to locate and capture enemy equipment and artillery in the assigned AO. An implied task within the basic mission was for the battalion to act as a blocking force to interdict enemy movement along North-South routes leading into and out of the Khe Sanh area.

Enemy contact throughout the eleven day operation was limited to three separate engagements. A platoon from Company "B", while in a right defensive posture at XD 851339, was attacked by an estimated squad size NVA force in the early morning hours of 8 October. In addition to the platoon's organic weapons, 81mm and 4.2" mortar missions were fired plus an Air Force AC-47 Dragonship was called to reduce the enemy's offensive action. A search of the battle area at first light revealed numerous blood trails, extremities of human bodies and assorted weapons, ammunition and items of individual equipment. Friendly casualties were 3 KIA and 2 WIA.

The second engagement occurred on 10 October when a platoon from Company "C", while conducting a routine search and destroy mission in a draw just south of the Bn CP, encountered an NVA force of approximately squad-size strength. Air, artillery, 106 recoilless rifle and organic company weapons were utilized to destroy the enemy. The action resulted in 7 NVA confirmed kills while friendly casualties were 1 WIA.

UNCLASSIFIED

EXHIBIT (1)

DECLASSIFIED

The following day another platoon-size patrol from Company "C" operating in the same general area detected movement and received sniper fire from two separate locations. Again, artillery, mortar and recoilless rifle missions were called to reduce the enemy's action. Results were 6 NVA confirmed kills.

Numerous unoccupied bunker-trench complexes were discovered by all companies of the battalion during the conduct of the operation. Grave sites, encompassing a total of 44 bodies, were uncovered during the operation. In addition, numerous small arms, medium caliber ammunitions, weapons and items of individual equipment were found by units patrolling in the assigned AO.

On October 16, elements of the battalion were helo-lifted to various fire support bases in the 4th Marines AO. Company "A" was lifted to FSB [redacted] and Company "B" was lifted to FSB Cates where it was joined by elements of H&S Company and the Battalion Command Group on the following day. Company "C" moved to FSB Shepherd and Company "D" was helo-lifted to Camp Carroll. Upon arrival at Camp Carroll, Company "D" was chopped [redacted] to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines. Company "D" moved back to Vandegrift on 20 October, returned to control of 1/4 the following day, and was subsequently lifted to Hill 691 located at grid XD 927442. The mission of all units at the fire support bases was to provide security for the artillery units located there and to conduct extensive patrolling in the assigned AO.

Security measures taken to enhance the normal perimeter defensive posture at the fire bases included ambush patrols, listening posts, observation posts, reconnaissance patrols and a Killer Team of specialists operating in remote areas from the bases themselves. The Killer Teams were composed of artillery and 81mm FO's, a FAC, M-60 machine gun team, grenadier, radioman, corpsman, team leader and sufficient riflemen necessary to accomplish the specific mission assigned. These teams generally ranged in size from 14 to 22 men and operated outside of the fire bases for a 3 to 5 day period.

On 25 October, Mike Support Base Quantico was closed. Company "A", which had been providing the security at that installation, was helo-lifted to FSB Gurkha and assumed a similar mission there. The company was chopped to the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines at 1700H that day and remained under its control through the end of the reporting period.

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat missions assigned

A. Fourth Marines Reg Order (Operation SCOTLAND II)

(1) At Vandegrift Combat Base and Calu

- (a) Defend Vandegrift Combat Base and Calu
- (b) Conduct engineer Road Sweep along Route #9 in AO
- (c) Conduct extensive patrolling

B. Conduct assigned mission in accordance with Fourth Marines Operation Order 8-63 of 05 October 1968 (Operation SCOTLAND NANKING).

C. Provide defense security for Fire Support Bases Gates, Shephard, Quantico, Turkha and Hills 691 and 950 in designated AO.

2. Operations.

- 01 October At 1000H, 1/4 helo-lifted to Vandegrift Combat Base from XD 953659. At 1200H, helo-lift completed. 1/4 chopped to 4th Marines from 3rd Marines and assumed responsibility for defense of Vandegrift Combat Base.
- 04 October At 1800H, Company "B" was relieved as reaction force of Vandegrift and moved to Calu to provide security for the Calu-OP Texas complex.
- 05 October At 1500H, 1/4 relieved of responsibility of defense of Vandegrift Combat Base and the Calu-OP Texas complex.
- 06 October At 0945H, Co "D", Co "C", Co "A", Bn CP, 81mm plt(-), 106mm Section and Co "B" helo-lifted to XD 849353 to conduct offensive operations. The lift was completed at 1250H.
- 07 October At 0840H, Co "B" found six bunkers and trench line complex vicinity XD 858342. Co "C" found similar complex at XD 856342. Destroyed same by hand.
- At 0935H, Co "A" patrol found enemy base camp at XD 855355. Checked area and found 1 MK-44, 1 81mm mount, 64 82mm rounds, 5 fuzes for 82mm mortar ammunition,

DECLASSIFIED
ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET

DECLASSIFIED

AT mines, 81mm mortar sights, 27 81mm rounds, 2 AK-47 magazines, 1 Auto Clave plate, and 2 82mm mortar mounts plus 1 mass grave site with 33 bodies (remains appeared to be 1-3 months old).

At 1250H, Co "A" patrol found 1000 sniper rounds unknown caliber, 1000 AK-47 rounds, 1112mm rocket, 15 60mm charges, 50 50 cal. rds, 4 chi-oom blasting caps and 9 RPG's at XD 855352.

At 1840H, Co "A" patrol uncovered 60 cases (80 rounds per case), .50 caliber ammunition, 100 rounds 82mm ammunition and 25 AT mines at XB 862353.

03 Oct

At 0105H, a platoon from Co "B" in a night defensive position at XD 851339, was attacked by an estimated squad size unit. Small arms, 81mm and 4.2" mortars, and an AC-47 was called in to destroy the enemy. Results unknown. Friendly casualties were 3 KIA and 2 WIA.

At 0710H, Co "B" platoon size patrol swept above area and found 1 AK-47, 10 AK-47 magazines, 1 pack, 1 helmet, 2 RPG rounds, 1 NVA flak jacket, 1 human hand and numerous blood trails.

At 1000H, the Bn CP, 81mm plt(-) and the 106mm Section were helo-lifted to XD 868353. Co "B" and "D" were helo-lifted to XD 885362. The lift was completed at 1200H.

At 1050H, Co "A" patrol discovered base camp at XD 862353. A grave site was uncovered, disclosing 7 bodies that had been buried for a period of 1-3 months.

At 1130H, 1 NVA body was found in fighting hole at XD 878362 by a patrol from Co "B". Body remains were approximately 3 weeks old.

At 1200H, Co "C" patrol found messing area, bunker complex and grave site in vicinity XD 862348. Graves were dug up and 2 bodies were uncovered.

09 Oct

At 1230H, a patrol from Co "B" found 10 60mm rounds, 4 chi-oom grenades, 2 entrenching tools, 40 AK .50 caliber rounds, 2 rockets, 10 rice bowls, 3 cartridge belts, 4 AK magazine pouches, 13 living bunkers, cooking

ENCLOSURE (1)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

areas and 1 grave with 1 body, appeared buried approximately 1 month earlier in vicinity XD 878357.

At 1300H, a patrol from Co "B" found bunker complex at XD 893354. The following ammunition and equipment was found: 210 AK-47 rounds, 2 cartons (200 rounds per carton), 7.62mm rounds, 1 AK bayonet, 1 NVA gas mask, 1 entrenching tool and 1 chi-com pouch.

At 1300H, Co "C" platoon at XD 874359 found 1 AK-47, 8 60mm rounds, 69 82mm rounds, 26 RPG rounds, 100 AK rounds, 800 .50 caliber rounds, 400 .30 caliber rounds, 4 chi-com grenades, 1 gas mask, 13 filters and items of individual equipment plus 1 dog harness (non U.S. make).

At 1440H, Co "C" patrol found NVA equipment and ammunition at XD 877346. Items found were 50 NVA gas masks, wire cutters, 4 AK-47 magazines plus 600 rounds of AK-47 ammunition, 1 can .50 caliber ammunition, 57 82mm rounds, 2 RPG rounds and 148 chi-com grenades.

At 1715H, Co "D" in the vicinity of XD 862373 spotted an estimated 4 to 6 NVA moving up the hillside. 81mm mortar and artillery missions were fired. Excellent coverage resulted with unknown results.

10 Oct

At 1040H, Co "C" made contact with estimated 10 NVA in vicinity of XD 871345. 81mm mortars, 106mm Recoilless Rifle, artillery and Fixed Wing air strikes were called in. Action resulted in 7 NVA KIA. U.S. casualties were 1 WIA (minor injuries).

11 Oct

At 0950H, Co "C" platoon patrol detected movement and received sniper fire from vicinity of XD 86734. Patrol returned small arms, 60mm, 81mm and 4.2" mortar, 106 Recoilless Rifle and artillery missions. Results were 6 NVA KIA.

12 Oct

At 1300H, Co "B" enroute to new position, sighted approximately 10 NVA moving through dense grove in the vicinity of XD 875347. Mortar and artillery missions were called in. Good target coverage was received. Results unknown.

DECLASSIFIED

SECRET (1)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

12 Oct

At 1515H, Co "D" patrol found bunker complex vicinity of XD 699353. Search of area uncovered 1 EKS rifle, 1 AK-44, 100 AK rounds, 13 60mm mortar rounds, 8 RPG's, 18 magazines for a AK and 18 fuzes for 82mm rounds.

16 Oct

At 1330H, lift of 1/4 units to the various base support bases commenced. Co "D" was lifted to Camp Carroll, Co "B" to FSB Gates, Co "C" to FSB Shepherd, the Bn CP to Vandegrift, and Co "A" to FSB Quantico at 1715H.

At 1930H, Co "D" was chopped to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines.

At 1930H, Co's "A", "B", and "C" were chopped OPCON to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

17 Oct

At 1430H, the Battalion Command Group plus 81mm pl(-), helo-lifted to FSB Gates at 171500H. New CP opened at FSB Gates at 171505H.

At 1530H, Co's "A", "B" and "C" of 1/4 and 1st pl(-), Co "F", 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines chopped OPCON to 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

23 Oct

At 1315H, 1st pl(-), Co "D" was helo-lifted to Hill 950 (XD 841457) replacing 1st pl(-), Co "F", 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines. The latter returned to Vandegrift.

At 1350H, Co "D" (-) was helo-lifted from Vandegrift to Hill 693 (XD 927442). Lift was completed at 1430H.

At 1415H, Co "D" chopped back to 1st Battalion, 4th Marines and 1st pl(-), Co "F", 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines, chopped back to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

25 Oct

At 1600H, Co "A" was helo-lifted to FSB Gurkha. Lift was completed at 1650H.

At 1700H, Co "A" was chopped OPCON to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

28 Oct

At 1815H, three Co "D" personnel were injured from an accidental detonation of an M-26 grenade in their perimeter. All three personnel were evacuated. Investigation pending.

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

30 Oct

At 1315H, Co "A" patrol spotted 2 NVA vicinity of XD 806471. Fired small arms, 60mm and 81mm mortar mission. Good target coverage, results unknown.

At 1500H, Co "A" patrol found 1 dead NVA at XD 824497. Body estimated to have been dead approximately 2 days.

At 1915H, 1st plt, Co "A" patrol sighted 1 NVA moving in vicinity of grid XD 798477. Artillery and 81mm mortar missions were fired plus UH1E Gun Ships worked over the area. Results were unknown.

3. Casualties inflicted on the enemy.

	NVA
KIA	POW
58	0

4. Friendly casualties sustained.

KIA	3
WIA	4
Non-hostile deaths	0
DOW	0
NBC	155
MIA	0

5. Civil Affairs.

Donations continue to be collected by the Battalion Chaplain for the Vietnamese Children's Hospital in Dong Ha.

6. Logistics.

A. Supply

(1) Class I. All Class I was drawn at Vandegrift in support of operations. The Battalion Mess Hall served "R" rations three times daily at Vandegrift. At LZ's Shepherd and Gates, battalion field messes served at least one hot meal per day.

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

DECLASSIFIED

utilities, jungle
nozzles, covers (water trailer)

(3) Class III. Adequate at Vandegrift.

(4) Class IV. Adequate at Vandegrift.

(5) Class V. Adequate at Vandegrift.

B. Transportation.

(1) Organic. During this month the M-151A1, M-274A2, and the M-37B1 were used for resupply and administrative runs at Vandegrift and Quang Tri. M-274A2 also was used at FERS Cates and Shepherd.

(2) Support. Division Motor Transport arranged transportation of Class II supplies and personnel from Quang Tri to Vandegrift. Division Embarkation coordinated several lifts of troops and supplies from Quang Tri to outlying bases. 3rd and 9th Transport Battalions supported the Battalion on a daily basis.

C. Engineer Support. Engineer Support Teams provided the Battalion with demolition capabilities.

7. Psychological Operations.

All psychological operations were conducted by higher echelon.

8. Personnel and Administration.

A. General. There were no major administrative problems encountered during the month of October.

B. Personnel Losses and Gains.

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
LOSSES				
Battle	0	9	0	0
Non-Battle	0	33	0	0
Admin.	4	34	0	5
TOTAL	4	76	0	5
GAINS	4	23	0	3

C. Awards. During the reporting period 30 Purple Heart Medals, 6 Bronze Star Medals, and 7 Navy Commendation Medals were presented. The following type awards were processed recommending approval:

Bronze Star	2
Navy Commendation	4
Navy Achievement	28
Purple Heart	4

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

COURT-MARTIAL / ADMIN DISCHARGES / INVESTIGATIONS

Article 32 - pending	4
Special Court - pending	2
Special Court - completed	1
Summary Court - pending	0
Summary Court - completed	0
Admin Discharge	3

NON-JUDICIAL PUNISHMENTS

Battalion Commander	5
Company Commander	12

E. Morale continued to be high. This Battalion utilized 24 quotas for In-Country R&R. Out-of-country R&R quotas utilized for the month were: Bangkok-15; Hawaii-19; Hong Kong-13; Kuala Lumpur-2; Manila-2; Penang-3; Singapore-3; Okinawa-4; Sydney-12; Taipei-12; Tokyo-7. During the month 44 Lance Corporals were promoted to Corporal, 5 Privates First Class were promoted to Lance Corporal and 9 Privates were promoted to Private First Class. Four Corporals were meritoriously promoted to Sergeant, two Privates First Class were meritoriously promoted to Lance Corporal during the reporting period. One Staff Non-Commissioned Officer was selected for the Commission Program and was promoted to the rank of Second Lieutenant on 30 October.

9. Intelligence.

During the month the Battalion participated in two operations, OPERATION SCOTLAND NANKING (6-16 Oct) and the continuation of Operation SCOTLAND II during the periods 1-6 Oct and 16-31 Oct.

A. Enemy.

The entire month has been characterized by very few contacts and sightings. What contacts there were occurred as the result of our patrolling into certain areas, and they involved no large enemy forces.

Of particular interest to us prior to Operation SCOTLAND NANKING were the possibilities of encountering elements of the 246th Regiment of the 338th Division, as well as elements of the 83rd Engineer Regiment. All these units had been operating in the area south of Lang Vei to the Iaction border during the summer. However, at the beginning of the month their presence in this area could not be confirmed. During the operation we found no evidence that they had been or were in our area of operations.

At no time did we receive incoming from either heavy or indirect weapons. However, on three occasions our units did come in contact with enemy troops. On 8 October, in the only enemy-initiated attack, a platoon of Company "B" in a night defensive position was probed by an estimated squad of EVA at XD 894327. On 10 and 11 October, Company "C" made contact with small numbers of enemy ground troops in the same general vicinity, a draw leading south between Hill 843 (XD 894327) and Hill 672 (XD 878355). These contacts and the few sightings reported followed an east-west progression from Hill 843 to Hill 678 (XD 866334), immediately to the north of Lang Hole (XD 871308). These contacts and sightings also appeared to indicate that the enemy possibly wanted to deny us entry into the area south of the aforementioned terrain features.

Numerous bunker complexes were found during the operation. They were located primarily along two trails. One trail ran in an east-west direction from XD 844359 to XD 864351. The other ran in a north-south direction from XD 880357 to the Lang Hole area. None of these complexes appeared to have been used recently. Five graves were found along the trails totaling forty-four bodies.

Since assuming security for Fire Support Bases Cates and Shepherd and Hills 691 and 950 there have not been any enemy activity or sightings within our area of operations.

B. Weather.

The month of October began with generally clear weather characterized by high temperatures and humidity and slight winds. However, during Operation SCOTLAND NANKING there was considerable rainfall with high winds. For the remainder of the month the weather has been generally clear with intermittent rainfall.

C. Terrain.

The terrain in the area from XD 8436 to XD 8834 is characterized by gradual sloping hills with thick elephant grass ranging from three to ten feet in height. In the intermediate draws there is thick foliage and heavy canopy with intermittent streams.

In our present area of operations the terrain in the vicinity of FSB Gates and Hills 691 and 950 is mountainous with sharply rising slopes, heavy canopy, and many fast flowing streams. At FSB Shepherd the terrain is characterized by gradual slopes with thick elephant grass with thick canopy in the intermediate draws.

D- Enemy equipment captured or destroyed.

(1) Small arms ammunition

Ghi-com type 56, 7.62mm, rimless cartridge	2,455
Ghi-com 7.62mm, long-rimmed cartridges	1,000
Ghi-com 12.7mm cartridge	5,730
US .30 caliber cartridges	400

(2) Weapons

Ghi-com 7.62mm assault type 56 (AK-47)	2
Ghi-com 7.62mm carbine type 56 (AK-44)	2
Soviet 7.62mm semi-automatic carbine SKS	1
Bipod, Ghi-com 82mm mortar, type 53	2
Bipod, US type 81mm mortar	1

(3) Mortar, Recoilless Rifle, and Rocket ammunition

60mm mortar rounds	223
81mm mortar rounds	27
82mm mortar rounds	290
Ghi-com 75mm Recoilless Rifle rounds (HE and HEAT)	1 each
122mm Rocket	1
Motor and Stabilizing Units, 122mm Rocket	4
Ghi-com AT grenade launcher, type 56 (IDG-2) rounds	47
Soviet RPG-7 rounds	2

(4) Mines, Demolitions, and Explosives

Ghi-com No. 4 dual-purpose mines	30
INA SG-10 directional fragmentation mines	4
Blasting Caps	20
Ghi-com stick hand grenades	158

(5) Equipment

Entrenching tools	4
Machetes	2
Rice bowls	10
Cartridge belts	20

Gas masks	53
Helmets	8
Canteens	3
Shovels	1
Dog harness (Non-US type)	1
Magazines, Chi-com 7.62mm assault type 56 (AK-47)	20

10. Communications.

A. Message Center. This section provides the shackle sheets and Brevity Codes for the command and attachments. Classified and non-classified message handling is exercised. A forward message center has been established at Vandegrift Combat Base.

B. Radio. The radio section continued its mission of maintaining communications with all elements through the use of radio relay sites where required. The section continues to support attached elements with batteries and spare parts when required.

C. Covered Circuit. The KY-8 circuit was not in use during the month of October. The KY-38/AN/PRO-77 has been used and proved ineffective due to technical problems during the last operation.

D. Wire. The wire section has completed the installation of the switchboard at Quang Tri with two direct lines with Quang Tri Switchboard. Two temporary switchboards have been set up at FSB Cates and FSB Shepherd.

E. Electronics Repair. The electronics repair section continues to provide second echelon repair in support of the command and attached elements while in a static or semi-permanent position.

F. Radio Relay. Since the Battalion CP moved to FSB Cates, radio relay has been provided and is operating in a satisfactory manner.

G. Critical Shortage. A shortage of spare parts for radio set AN/PRC-25 still exists. Most critical at this time is the module A-9.

H. Equipment Repairs. During the month of October the following equipment was repaired.

(First and Second Echelon)

ITEM	AMT
RT-505	12
TA-312	4
EE-8	6
SB-22	1
TA-221	1
TA-222	2

11. Air Support.A. Fixed Wing Support

(1) Close Air Support. Six flights were controlled by Aerial Observers in support of Operation SCOTLAND NANKING.

(2) Aerial Observers. In addition to controlling close air support missions, Aerial Observers were utilized on twelve occasions for area surveillance missions.

(3) TPQ's. Eighteen TPQ's were requested during the month and four were hit.

B. Helicopter Support.

(1) Troop lifts. During the month there were three battalion-size lifts and five separate company-size lifts.

(2) Medevacs. Five emergency for a 30 min. average
Eleven priority for a 50 min. average
Twenty-two routine for a 1 hour average

(3) C&C Flights. Seven helicopter flights were used for visual reconnaissance missions before and during Operation SCOTLAND NANKING. In addition, C&C helicopters were used on nine command liaison movements.

12. Fire Support.

A. The Battalion FO teams operated from Vandegrift Combat Base for the first five days of the month. From 6-16 October they participated in Operation SCOTLAND NANKING in an area south of the former Khe Sanh Combat Base. During that period individual teams operated with the companies in the field. Following that, the teams operated with the companies at Fire Support Bases Oates and Shepherd, Hills 691 and 950 for the remainder of the month. The FO team assigned to Company "D" worked with that unit at Camp Carroll during the period 16-23 October when Company "D" was under the operational control of the 3rd Marines.

B. Missions fired during the month of October are as follows:

H&I's	585
Observed Fires	193
Unobserved Fires	27
Illumination	25

The observed fire missions fell into the following categories: confirmed and suspected enemy positions, night defensive fires, and prep fires.

Due to heavy and dense foliage, surveillance was limited. However, four NVA KIA confirmed and five secondary explosions were reported.

13. Medical and Dental Affairs.

A. The total number of visits to the Battalion Aid Stations (BAS) during the month of October was 1692.

B. Prevalent medical entities encountered were:

Gonorrhea	4	Rat Bites	2
Diarrhea	59	FUO	80
Malaria	33	Dermatological	198
URI	7	conditions	
NP Disorders	7		
		Heat casualties	37

C. All suspected and confirmed cases of venereal disease were given an STS in accordance with MAMMED 22-18 and the results entered in the individual's health record.

D. A total of 98 patients were referred to 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF. Of those referred, the following were consults:

Dental	21	Internal medicine	40
Ophthalmology	3	Surgical	1
Eyes, nose, throat	17	Proctology	4
Urology	12		

Patients requiring further consultations were referred from the 3rd Medical Battalion to the following medical facilities:

NSA, Danang	22	6th Con Cen	15
USS SANCTUARY	15	22nd Casualty Staging	9
USS REPOSE	21	Facility	

E. The following is a breakdown of casualties encountered for the month:

KIA	0	Non-hostile deaths	0
WIA	4	DOW	0
MIA	0	MBO	155

F. Weekly malaria prophylaxis was continued with the use of Chloroquine-Primaquine tablets in the Battalion rear. Daily malaria prophylaxis Chloroquine-Primaquine in Battalion forward areas.

G. Sanitation inspections were held daily and weekly in accordance with Article 6000.4D, NAVMEDMAN, in the Battalion areas at Vandegrift, Quang Tri, and FSB Cates. Sanitary facilities at the present time are considered adequate.

H. Two Battalion Aid Stations (BAS) were maintained during the first half of the month of October. One was at the Vandegrift Combat Base and another at Quang Tri. On 16 October, a third BAS consisting of the battalion surgeon and three hospital corpsmen was opened at FSB Cates. 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 during this period.

DECLASSIFIED

SECRET

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

TAB

CONTENTS

A

Journal Entries

B

Operation Order # 8-68 (SCOTLAND NANKING)

-18-

ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Mar	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0100001H	012400H OCT 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

TAB A

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION

1st Bn, 4th Marines

PLACE

QUANG TRI, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

020001H

022400H

Ext 68

(Classification)

SECRET

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0300001H	032400H 68

[illegible]

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
040000LH	042400LH Sent 68

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION

1st Bn, 4th Marines

PLACE

QUANG TRI, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

050001H

052400H ~~052400H~~ 68

(Classification)

SECRET

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0600001H	062400H 060196Z

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3	
0600		2		Submitted Sit Rep #18 DTG 060600H	S-3, 4th Mar	
0945		3		Helo-lift commencing off 1/4 to grid XD 849356	S-3, 4th Mar	
1215		4		Co, C Moving toward grid XD 873356	S-3, 4th Mar	
1245		5		Co, A Moving toward grid XD 866356	S-3, 4th Mar	
1250		6		Helo-Lift completed	S-3, 4th Mar	
1300		7		Submitted Sit Rep #1 DTG 061300H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1445		8		Co B Spotted 4 personnel and one Antenna at Grid XD 839342. Fired 4.2 mission with 5 secondaries. 74 HE and 4 WP rounds expended	S-3, 4th Mar	
1615		9		Submitted Sit Rep #2 DTG 061615H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1715		10		Msg from 4th Mar: Request you use cover in transmitting your Day & Night Acts to this position to enable FSCC Plot H&I's in the minimum amount of time. Request you resubmit your night acts using cover.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1730		11		Co C reached night posit Grid XD 873356	S-3, 4th Mar	
1805		12		Received Frag Order from 4th, Mar: Consolidate Pos on Obj. 8 and conduct extensive Patrolling in vicinity of that objective. Be prepared to continue attack & seize Obj 10 on order	S-3, 4th Mar	
1900		13		Co A Reached night posit Grid XD 856354	S-3, 4th Mar	
2105		14		Co B spotted one person at Grid XD 849349 moving 15 Meters in front of LP. Con't to observe area.	S-3, 4th Mar	
2200		15		Co B & Co C personnel at Grid XD 858345 and 859348 respectively heard Dog Barks at Grid XD 858344. Three Barks then it stopped will continue to as too close for fire mission.	S-3, 4th Mar	
2300		16		Submitted Sit Rep #5 DTG 062300H	S-3, 4th Mar	
2400		17		Journal Closed	S-3	

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-65 (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION 1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour) 070001H	TO (Date and hour) 072400H Oct 68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps S-Staff T-Troops F-File
IN	OUT				
0601		1		Journal Opened	S-3
0500		2		Submitted Sit Rep # 4 DTG 070500H	S-3 4th Mar
0540		3		Co D sighted smoke and smelled wood burning at Grid XD 843355. Fired 18Rds of HS 81 MM Mission	S-3, 4th Mar
0840		4		Co B found six old Bunkers and trench line approx. 125 Ft long at Grid XD 858342. Checked area, no recent sign of use	S-3, 4th Mar
0910		5		Co C found two Bunkers Approx 5ftx3ftx3ft in size, reinforced with logs and dirt. Approx Five Months old, have been recently used. Destroyed bunkers at Grid XD 856342	S-3, 4th Mar
0925		6		Co C found Four Living Bunkers and Four Protective Bunkers at Grid XD 856342. Bunkers were reinforced with dirt and logs. All were connected with a trench. All were approx Five Months old, and recently used. All were destroyed.	S-3, 4th Mar
0955		7		Co A Patrol, at Grid XD855355, found one grave old enemy base camp with stated equipment. That was approx Two week old. Found one grave with 33 bodies approx 1-3 months old. 1 AK-44, 1-81 MM Mount, 64 82 MM rounds, 5 fuse charges, 5 fuses for 82, 4 booby traps unknown with Chinese markings, 5 Anti-Tank Mines, 81 MM tube sights, 27 81 MM rounds, 7 fuses, 2 AK-47 magazines, 1 Auto clay plates, 2 82 MM Mounts	S-3, 4th Mar
1022		8		4th Mar to 1/4. Execute move to obj 10 be prepared to move to obj 6 on order. DTG 071022H Oct 68.	S-3, 4th Mar
1205		9		Submitted Sit Rep # 5 DTG 071205H	S-3, 4th Mar
1250		10		Co A Plt Patrol, at Grid XD 855352, was following well marked trail, leading from main trail found gear on small trail. Searched area and destroyed gear. Found 1000 sniper rds, unknown cal, 1000 AK-47 rds, 1- B40 Rocket complete, 15,60 MM charge shotgunttype, 50- 50cal rds, 1 US 200 lb bomb, 4 Chi-Cona blasting caps, and 7 RPG'S	S-3, 4th Mar
1400		11		Co B at Grid XD851359, found 6 bunkers and 2 mortar pits with trench line which is covered in spots and connects all bunkers. Approx 100 meters long with perfect observation of 350°. Destroyed bunkers.	S-3, 4th Mar
1600		12		Submitted Sit Rep # 6 DTG 071600H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0700001H	072400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVJMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classified) **UNCLASSIFIED**

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
080001H	082400H Oct 68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3, 4th Mar
0105		2		Co B had est. Squad of NVA charge their posit at XD 851339. Returned fire, called in 81 MM and puff and Arty mission. No enemy KIA, 3 US KIA, 2 US WIA. will check area in morning.	S-3, 4th Mar
0500		3		Submitted Sit Rep #8 DTG 080500H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar
0710		4		Co B found, at Grid XD 851339, 1 AK-47 and 10 AK-47 Magazines also 1AK-50 mag, drop type, 1 booby trapped pack. Holding gear for further work.	S-3, 4th Mar
0730		5		Co B spotted 1 NVA in the open at Grid XD 854330, hard to tell if he had gear. He appeared to be carrying a weapon. Called Arty mission with neg results.	S-3, 4th Mar
0730		6		Co B found, at Grid XD851339, 1 hand, 2 trails of blood, 1 Pith Helmet camouflaged with blood on it, 2 RPG rds with 1 fuse, 1 piece of NVA Flak Jacket,	S-3, 4th Mar
1000		7		Helo- lift of 1/4 to Grid XD 868353 commenced at DTG 081000H	S-3, 4th Mar
1050		8		Co A found Graves 1-3 Months old and old enemy base camp at Grid XD 862353 dug up graves and found 7 bodies.	S-3, 4th Mar
1115		9		Submitted Sit Rep #9 DTG 081115H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar
1130		10		Co B Patrol at Grid XD 878362, found 1 NVA body lying face down in fighting hole half decomposed about 3 weeks old, covered body.	S-3, 4th Mar
1200		11		Co C Patrol at Grid XD 862348, found #2 graves and cooking area(5ft by 4ft into bank) L shaped trench line, 12 bunkers 5ft by 5ft by 4ft openings 2ft sq. in different directions, cooking area was reinforced with logs and dirt, dug up graves and found 2 bodies. 1st body was a possible Officer wrapped in body bag with helmet and NVA uniform. 2nd body wrapped in body bag with pack. 1 G-Rat can possibly booby trapped 1 pr socks, 1 shirt, papers, wood box with det cord, 5 AK rds, 2nd body had Right Leg missing, bodies 4-5 months old	S-3, 4th Mar
1230		12		Helo- lift of all Units completed DTG 081230H	S-3, 4th Mar
1415		13		Co D while checking area at Grid XD 884362 found 1-105 rd sticking in ground and 2 2 60 MM fuses pointing up, 2 81 MM rds	S-3, 4th Mar

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

UNCLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
080001H	082400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
UANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
090001H	092400H Oct 68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps S-Staff T-Troops F-File
IN	OUT				
0601		1		Journal Opened	S-3
0500		2		Submitted Sit Rep #12 DTG 090500H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar
0730		3		Co C found at Grid XD 869558 6 bunkers approx 2-3 months old 5ft by 4ft by 3ft reinforced with logs and dirt, bunkers oriented to East and west, checked area and destroyed bunkers.	S-3, 4th Mar
1050		4		Submitted Sit Rep # 13 DTG 091050H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar
1200		5		Frag Order from 4th Mar: 1/4 Cont extensive patrolling in vic of hill 549 and Grid XD 868555.	S-3
1250		6		B Co found at Grid XD 878357, 10-60 MM rds, 4 Chi-Coms, 2 E-Tools, 40 AK 50 rds 2 Machetes, 10 rice bowls, 3 cartridge belts 4 AK rd pouches, 13 living bunkers 6ft by 5ft by 5ft, 2 cooking areas, 1 body in grave approx 3 wks to 1 month old. 1 wallet with pictures, destroyed gear and bunkers.	S-3, 4th Mar
1300		7		B Co found at Grid XD 883554, 4 L-shaped bunkers 5ft by 3ft by 2 1/2 ft, 3 triangular shaped bunkers, 6ft by 3ft by 3 1/2 ft all bunkers camouflaged from air, 1 NVA Gas Mask, 1 E-Tool, 1 AK 47 bayonet, 1 NVA belt, 2 gas mask canisters, 1 Chi-Com pouch, 2 ons 7.62 rds, 200 AK 47 rds on belt, and 10 rds scattered, 1 NVA radio battery. All bunkers at least one month old or more also found numerous trails, area has been worked over by arty and air, destroyed bunkers and gear.	S-3, 4th Mar
1500		8		C Co found at Grid XD 874559, 17 bunkers 1 bunker was 15ft by 6ft by 6ft with opening 6ft by 3ft with steps reinforced with logs and dirt, other bunkers were a-frame type 5ft by 4ft by 3 ft with openings in all directions, reinforced with 2ft by 5in logs, 1ft dirt bunkers 5-6 months old, bunkers were half destroyed, arty destroyed two, 1 bunker was a possible hospital. Also found 1 AK-47, 2 60 MM rds 69 82 MM rds, 26 RPG rds, 100 AK rds 800 50 cal rds, 400 30 cal rds, 4 Chi-Coms 11 Gas Masks, 13 filters, 2 US filters, 3 helmets, 1 banana clip, 1 pot, 2 canteens 1 US canteen, 1 belt, cleaning gear for mortar, 1 shovel, 1 dog harness, roll of opium wire.	S-3, 4th Mar

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
090001H	092400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVJAG 219-GS (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
100001H	102400H Oct 68

[illegible]

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

—

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
110001H	112400H Oct 68

(Classification)

[illegible]

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
120001H	122400H Oct 68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3	
0500		2		Submitted Sit Rep #24 DTG 120500H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar	
0700		3		D Co (-) 1 Plt moving to Grid XD 898347 B Co (-) 1 Plt moving to same pos	S-3, 4th Mar	
0900		4		1 Plt from D Co joined 1 Plt of B Co at Grid XD 883358.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1120		5		Submitted Sit Rep #25 DTG 121120H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar	
1300		6		B Co while firing arty mission on Grid XD 877355 which turned out to be Fire-cracker rds landed close to Co C Patrol and resulted in one minor WIA, checked all arty missions. WIA not Evac.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1500		7		B Co spotted at least 10 LVA at Grid 875347 called in arty and 81 MM mission results unknown.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1515		8		D Co found bunker complex at Grid XD 898353 which included 39 bunkers, approx 1 month old, also 13 60 MM rds, 8 RPG's, 1 SKS 1 AK-44, 18 Magazines, 1 NVA pack, 18 fuses for 82 MM rds, 100 AK rds, 60 MM bore brush. Blew bunkers and gear in place.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1630		9		D Co found at Grid XD 898364, a shot down Helicopter YZ 2, CH- 34 type, downed approx 2 months ago, no sign of any bodies.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1745		10		Submitted Sit Rep # 26 DTG 121745H Oct.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1745		11		B Co (-) reached night pos at Grid XD 898347 D CO (-) still moving toward B Co (-) Posit	S-3, 4th Mar	
1830		12		D Co (-) reached night pos at Grid XD 898347	S-3, 4th Mar	
2300		13		Submitted Sit Rep 27 DTG 122300H Oct	S-3, 4th Mar	
2400		14		Journal Closed	S-3	

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
130001H	132400H Oct 6 8

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
14001H	142100H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
150001H	152400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
160001H	162400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
170000H	172400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st BN, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
1800001H	182400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
190001H	192400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
200000LH	202400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

(Classification)

SOURCE

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
210001H	212400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st ^{DN} , 4th Marines	
PLACE	
Quang Tri, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
220001H Oct	222400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
230000H	232400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
240001H	Z42400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

MAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SICKLE

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
2500001H	252400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

NAYMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

SECRET

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
260000LH	262400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION

1st ^{Bn}, 4th Marines

PLACE

QUANG TRI, EVN

FROM (Date and hour)

10 (Date and hour)

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

270001H

272400H Oct 68

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
280000LH	282400H Oct 68

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION

1st Bn. 4th Marines

PLACE

QUANG TRI, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

290001H

292400H Oct 68

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

JOURNAL

UNIT OR SECTION

1st Bn, 4th Marines

PLACE

QUANG TRI, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

300001H

302400H Oct 68

(Classification)

S-2019T

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

(Classification)

~~SECRET~~

UNIT OR SECTION	
1st Bn, 4th Marines	
PLACE	
QUANG TRI, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
300000H	312400H Oct 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

DECLASSIFIED

CONFIDENTIAL

OPERATION ORDER # 8-68 (SCOTLAND NANKING)

A. MAPS, VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS Series L 7014
Sheets 6342 II and 6342 III

B. Divo P2000.40 (COMM SOP)

C. Fourth Marines COI dtd 6 Oct 68

TIME ZONE: H

TASK ORGANIZATION

1st Bn, 4th Marines

Company "A"

Company "B"

Company "C"

Company "D"

H&S Company

Det, 3rd Engr Bn

Det, 3rd SP Bn

Det, 4th Marines Scout/Sniper Plt.

Det, Scout Dog Plt, 3rd MP Bn

Det, 3rd Mar Div ITT

LtCol Galbraith

Capt Russon

Capt Pierpan

Capt Negron

1stLt Delino

1stLt Broulette

1. SITUATIONA. Enemy Forces

- (1) Intelligence Summary and Periodic Intelligence Reports
- (2) Special briefing

B. Friendly Forces

- (1) Fourth Marines conducts a three Battalion heliborne assault west of Khe Sanh to locate, fix and destroy enemy operating in that area.
- (2) 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines attacks on left/northern flank in assigned area of operation.
- (3) Artillery:
 - a. 3rd Battalion (-) (Rein), 12th Marines - DS 4th Marines
 - b. 12th Marines (-) (Rein) GS 3rd Marine Division, provides GS/Rein fires.
 - c. "W" Battery (-), DS, 1st Bn, 4th Marines
- (4) Air Support:
 - a. 1st Marine Aircraft Wing provides Fixed and Rotary Wing Support.
 - b. 7th Air Force provides ARCHLIGHTS and Tactical Air Support.
- (5) Reconnaissance/Surveillance:
 - a. 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, GS 3rd Marine Division.
 - b. "A" troop, 1st of the 9th, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), DS 3rd Marine Division.
- (6) Tank Support:
 - a. Co "B" (-) 3rd Tank Battalion, DS 4th Marines

TAB B

CONFIDENTIAL

C. Attachments and Detachments
See Task Organization

2. MISSION

1st Battalion, 4th Marines (Rein) conducts helicopter assault into designated AO (Annex A, Operation overlay) to locate, fix and destroy enemy forces, installations and supply caches, and to locate and capture enemy equipment and artillery in the AO.

3. EXECUTION

- A. Concept of Operations - On D+1, land four companies, organic supporting arms, the Battalion Command Group and "W" Battery (-), 3rd Bn, 12th Marines on objective 8 to secure the LZ and on order continue the attack to seize objective 10.
- B. Company "A"
- (1) On D+1 land on objective 8, on order attack and seize the western sector of Regimental objective 10.
 - (2) After seizure of assigned objective orient activities to interdict enemy movement along N-S routes in the vicinity of Battalion objectives P, N and V. See Annex A (Operation overlay).
- C. Company B
- (1) On D+1 land on objective 8, relieve Company "D" of LZ security in southeast sector of the objective. See Annex A (Operation overlay).
 - (2) Conduct extensive patrolling in the vicinity of Battalion objectives W and X orienting activities to interdict enemy movement along N-S routes in that area.
 - (3) Be prepared to reinforce or assume mission of Company "C".
- D. Company "C"
- (1) On D+1, land on objective 8, on order attack and seize the eastern sector of Regimental objective 10.
 - (2) After seizure of assigned objective, conduct extensive patrolling in the vicinity of Battalion objectives R, S and U, to locate, fix and destroy enemy forces operating in these areas. See Annex A (Operation overlay).
- E. Company "D"
- (1) On D+1, land on objective 8, secure LZ.
 - (2) Be prepared to be relieved of southwest sector of LZ upon completion of helo-lift of Company "B". See Annex A (Operation overlay).
 - (3) Following relief of southwest sector of LZ, on order conduct extensive patrolling in the vicinity of Battalion objectives Y and Z orienting activities to interdict enemy movement along N-S routes in these areas.
 - (4) Be prepared to reinforce or assume mission of Company "A".
- F. H&S Company

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

- (1) Command Group land on objective 8 immediately following Company "A".
- (2) 81mm Mortar Platoon (-)
 - a. Land 3 sections (6 guns) on objective 8.
 - b. Priority of fires to Companies "A" and "C" initially.
 - c. Be prepared to displace by echelon on order.
- (3) 106mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon (-)
 - a. Land 1 section (2 guns) with ground mounts on objective 8.
 - b. Establish positions on objective 8 to provide anti-mechanized and anti-personnel support for the defense of objective 8.
- G. Det, 3rd Engineer Battalion
 - (1) Land on objective 8, one team each with Companies "A" and "C" and one with Bn CP.
 - (2) GS of Battalion
- H. Det, 3rd Shore Party Battalion
 - (1) Land on objective 8 with Company "D".
 - (2) Provide HST support of one (1) team to remain with Battalion CP.
- I. Det, 4th Marines Scout/Sniper Platoon
 - (1) Land on objective 8, one team each with Companies "A" and "C" and one with Bn CP.
 - (2) GS of Battalion.
- J. Det, 3rd Mar Div ITT
 - (1) Land on objective 8 with Bn CP.
 - (2) GS of Battalion
- K. Coordinating Instructions
 - (1) D-Day - TBA
 - (2) L-Hour - TBA
 - (3) Sequence of landing - Co "D", Co "C", Co "A", Bn CP, 81mm Mortar Plt (-), 106mm RR Plt, Co "B" and "W" Btry, 3/12.
 - (4) Use of maximum security and communication during all movement. Emphasize patience and firepower.
 - (5) Ensure positive identification of all personnel.
 - (6) Emphasize continuous camouflage and dispersion of personnel and equipment.
 - (7) Thrust Points
 - a. 4th Marines thrust points promulgated 29 August 1968 remain in effect.
 - b. The following additional thrust points are in effect for this operation:

Automobile	8234
Furniture	8537
Boys Names	8633
 - (8) On order conduct heliborne assault to exploit intelligence/enemy contact in 4th Marines AO.
 - (9) Spot reports due on occurrence - day and night activities due by 1200H.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

- (10) All units emphasize proper orientation and location of units to reduce possibilities of injury to friendly units by supporting arms.
- (11) Air sentries will "check fire" artillery and/or mortars should aircraft be endangered. FO's will follow these same procedures.
- (12) This order effective for planning upon receipt and execution on order.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICSA. Supply

- (1) Prescribed load - as required to include 7 days LRPR, Halizone, Dapzone and salt tablets, insect repellent, 3 pair socks in water proof coverbag and field protective mask.
- (2) Resupply
 - a. Resupply requests will be made by 1300H the day prior to the day of delivery.
 - b. Emergency resupply requests will be accepted anytime.
 - c. On D-1 only emergency requests will be accepted.
 - d. Maximum use of disposable, plastic containers will be made by all units.
 - e. Ensure that cargo nets and empty water cans are returned to the LZ promptly. Empty items as rapidly as possible for immediate return. Blowing or other destruction of cargo nets and equipment will be accomplished only after receiving approval from this Headquarters.

B. Evacuation and Hospitalization

- (1) Exercise preventive medicine measures to preclude heat casualties.
- (2) Make maximum anti-malaria measures.
- (3) Evacuation - a provisional collecting and clearing station will be established at LZ Hawk. This facility will be used only if weather precludes the use of helicopters.
- (4) Only M-16's and individual equipment will be evacuated. Do not evacuate pistols or communication equipment with medical evacuees.

C. Personnel

- (1) Casualty reporting in accordance with current directives.
- (2) POW's will be handled in accordance with DivO 3461.1.
- (3) Evacuation of captured personnel/equipment via logistic chain to Oulu Pad.

5. COMBAT AND COMBAT ACTIONS - ELECTRONICS

- A. References (A) and (B)
- B. Authentication and numerical codes (KAC QAG 508) and brevity codes (KAC PAG 8) will be used. Extracts totaling 10 days will be taken.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

- C. One PRO-77/KY-38 will be used on the Regimental Tactical Net. Extracts of appropriate keying material will be taken.
- D. The following smoke and pyrotechnic signals will be in effect:
 - (1) white - marking of enemy positions
 - (2) red - area not secure, not safe to land
 - (3) violet/green - area secured, safe to land
 - (4) yellow - marking of friendly positions
- E. Report CP locations when established or closed.

T. H. GALEBRAITH
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Annex A - Operation Overlay

CONFIDENTIAL