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 Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
Battalion Landing Team 2/4	Lt Col C.E. MUNDY, JR.	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
<u>SUBORDINATE UNITS</u>		
H&S COMPANY	CAPT. T.A. KEENE	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
COMPANY E	CAPT. E.J. BALL	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
COMPANY F	CAPT. P.J. McDONALD	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
COMPANY G	CAPT. A.R. FINLAYSON	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
COMPANY H	CAPT. A.S. WEBER, JR.	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974

ATTACHED UNITS

Hotel Battery, 3d Battalion, 12th Marines	CAPT. T.A. TURNER, JR.
2d Platoon, C Company, 3d Engineer Battalion	2LT J.C. HYDE
2d Platoon, B Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion	2LT M. LESTYAN
3d Platoon, B Company, 3d Tank Battalion	2LT F.H. WHITE
3d Platoon, C Company, 1st Amphibious Tractor Battalion	2LT A.S. CAMINITI
Detachment, 3d Service Battalion	2LT W.H. BROWN
1st Platoon, B Company, 3d Shore Party Battalion	2LT D.R. JONES
2d Platoon, C Company, 9th Motor Transport Battalion	2LT T.D. CUMMINS
O&C Platoon, (-)(Rein) C Company, 3d Medical Battalion	HM1 D.C. WRIGHTMAN
Detachment, 3d Dental Company	LT D. BOWLES
Detachment, 3d Force Service Regiment	WO-1 C. MOGRATH

2. LOCATION. Embarked aboard assigned shipping with ARG "A":

USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)
 USS BRISTOL COUNTY (LST-1198)/USS BARBOUR COUNTY (LST-1195)
 USS FORT FISHER (LSD-40)/USS MOUNT VERNON (LSD-39)
 USS SAINT LOUIS (LKA-116)/USS MOBILE (LKA-115)

Major evolutions of ARG "A" or elements thereof were as indicated:

1-9 Feb	On station in the Gulf of Thailand
10-13 Feb	Enroute to Subic Bay, R.P.
14-15 Feb	Turnover assigned shipping, Subic Bay, R.P.
16-28 Feb	Subic Bay, R.P.

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE OFFICER	MAJOR J.M. MARCHET	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
S-1/ADJUTANT	CWO-2 D.L. BURGESS	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
ASST S-1/LEGAL	2LT C.J. CLEVERING	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
S-2	CMSGT A.E. VAILLANTCOURT	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
S-3	MAJOR J.A. OFFICER	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
S-4	CAPT. A.T. STEVENS	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
AIG	CAPT. D.T. BRUNT	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
PRC	1LT. L.J. MEYER	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
	1LT. G.S. CONLSON	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
TRUCK OFFICER	1LT. M.E. ENNIS	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
SUPPLY OFFICER	1LT. D.C. WALLACE	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
COMM. OFFICER	1LT. M.S. BURLE	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
MOTOR TRANSPORT OFFICER	CAPT. A.T. STEVENS	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
BATTALION SQUADRON	LT. L.J. HOWARD	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974
BATTALION CHAPLAIN	LT. P.J. MOORE	1 Feb-28 Feb 1974

4. AVERAGE DEPTH FOR BATTALION LANDING TEAM

MRC	
OFF	VAL
51	1235

RCA	
OFF	VAL
1	36

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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

Because of the increasingly stable situation in Phnom Penh, the response time for ARG "A" and 31st MAU with regard to Operation EAGLE PULL was relaxed on 9 February 1974 from 5 hours to 72 hours. ARG "A", after 21 days at sea, began steaming for Subic Bay. Throughout 14 and 15 February the USS MOBILE, USS BARBOUR COUNTY and USS MOUNT VERNON worked to complete their turnovers with the USS SAINT LOUIS, USS BRISTOL COUNTY and USS FORT FISHER, the latest additions to ARG "A".

As part of the BIL community relations program, approximately 100 members of Echo Company, 2d Battalion, 4th Marines, spent a day performing necessary repair work and painting at the Kalalake School in Olongapo City, Philippines. In addition, Company F painted and made improvements on the grounds and facilities of the Olongapo City Hospital.

On 22 Feb, 1974 the BIL conducted a one day LAMBI in the Zamboales training area, Philippines, to increase ARG "A"'s proficiency in amphibious assault operations by testing the loading plan and landing capabilities of the newly constituted ARG.

The readiness posture of ARG "A" and 31st MAU was down graded to 96 hours on 23 February, 1974 as the situation continued to stabilize in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Live firing exercises were conducted between 25 February and 27 February by the rifle companies and the artillery battery, and the Shore Fire Control Party exercised with ships of the Seventh Fleet in the Zamboales Naval Gunfire Impact Area.

Lieutenant General Louis R. Wilson, Commanding General FAF Pac, arrived in Subic Bay for a 3 day visit which included elements of the BIL.

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PAGE IIIESSENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

9-10 February 1974

ARG "A", escort vessels, and 31st MAU are directed to relax "EAGLE HULL" response time to Kompong Som from 5 hours to 72 hours. Upon assuming a 72 hour posture ARG "A" sails for Subia Bay, R.P. Ref: CTF 76.4 090305Z Feb 74 (a) and CTF 76.4 100130Z Feb 74 (a) (Tab A)

14-15 February 1974

USS MOBILE, USS BARBOUR COUNTY and USS MOUNT VERNON complete turnover with USS SAINT LOUIS, USS BRISTOL COUNTY and USS PORT FISHER. Ref: USS PORT FISHER 000000Z Feb 74 (a), USS MOUNT VERNON 140715Z Feb 74 (a), USS MOBILE 140340Z Feb 74 (a), USS BRISTOL COUNTY 151000Z Feb 74 (a), USS BARBOUR COUNTY 130920 Feb 74 (a) (Tab B)

16 February 1974

Members of Detachment spend a day doing maintenance work and painting at Kalalala School in Olongapo City, Philippines as a community relations project. Ref: None

22 February 1974

BLT conducts a ZAMEI to test the landing plan and capabilities of the newly assigned ARG "A" shipping. Ref: CTF 76.4 180745Z Feb 74 (a) (Tab C)

23 February 1974

ARG "A" and 31st MAU assume a 96 hour response to Kompong Som. Ref: CTF 79.4 230120Z Feb 74 (a) (Tab D)

25-27 February 1974

Rifle companies and the artillery battery conduct FLECK's in the Zambales training area. Ref: BLT 2/4 Training Schedule

26 February 1974

Members of Company F spend the day painting and making improvements to the buildings and grounds of the Olongapo City Orphanage. Ref: None

27 February 1974

LtGen Louis H. Wilson, Jr., GS Paffas, visits the BILTY Engineer Platoon at work upgrading the habitation of the Upper BSB Camp, and Unit Discussion Leaders (UDL's) undergoing retraining by 3d Marine Division Human Relations instructors. Ref: Itinerary for LtGen Louis H. Wilson, Jr. (a) (Tab E)

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TAB A CTF 76.4 092305Z Feb 74 (a) and CTF 76.4 100430Z Feb 74 (a)

TAB B USS PORT FISHER 140759Z Feb 74 (a),
 USS MOUNT VERNON 140915Z Feb 74 (a),
 USS MOBILE 140940Z Feb 74 (a),
 USS BRISTOL COUNTY 151000Z Feb 74 (a),
 USS BARRON COUNTY 130920Z Feb 74 (a)

TAB C CTF 76.4 100745Z Feb 74 (a)

TAB D CTF 79.4 230120Z Feb 74 (a)

TAB E Itinerary for LtGen Louis E. Wilson, Jr.

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