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Encl: ✓(1) Organizational Data
✓(2) Narrative Summary
✓(3) Sequential Listing of Significant Events
✓(4) Supporting Documents

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (c), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October 69 to 31 December 69

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATACOMMANDER1. DESIGNATION

3rd Battalion, 4th Marines

CO - LTCOL. J.W. WOOD 1 October-5 December 69
 CO - LTCOL. J.P. KEHOE 6-31 December 69
 XO - MAJ. J.K. MILLER 1 October-31 December 69

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Co, 3rd Bn, 4th Mar

1stLt. J.P. KILEY 1-6 October 69
 1stLt. E.C. KELLEY JR. 7 Oct-31 Dec 69

Co I, 3rd Bn, 4th Mar

CAPT. D.M. JORDAN 1 Oct-12 Dec 69
 1stLt. G.J. WILLEMIN 13-31 December 69

Co K, 3rd Bn, 4th Mar
 OPCON to 2/4 - 1-4 Oct 69
 OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Inf.
 (Mech) - 6-15 Oct 69

1stLt. M.A. FISHER 1 Oct-31 Dec 69

Co L, 3rd Bn, 4th Mar
 OPCON to 2/4 - 1-18 Oct 69
 OPCON to 2/4 - 26 Oct 69

1stLt. J.L. PROWELL 1-10 October 69
 CAPT. A.B. HINSON 11 Oct-19 Nov 69
 1stLt. J.A. MARLIN 20 Nov-31 Dec 69

Co M, 3rd Bn, 4th Mar
 OPCON to 2/4 - 19-21 Oct 69
 OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Inf.
 (Mech) - 22-30 Oct 69

1stLt. K.W. PHILLIPS 1 Oct-6 Dec 69
 CAPT. S.H. BOWTYZ 7-31 December 69

2. STAFF OFFICERS

S-1

2ndLt. S.R. JACKSON 1 Oct-16 Dec 69
 1stLt. F.G. MISNER 17-31 December 69

S-2

1stLt. A.E. DAVIES 1 Oct-31 Dec 69

S-3

MAJ. J.E. SEESBURGER JR. 1 Oct-12 Dec 69

S-4

CAPT. D.M. JORDAN 13-31 December 69

MAJ. R.L. WONGJEAU 1 Oct-6 Dec 69

CAPT. K.W. PHILLIPS 7-31 December 69

3. Average Monthly Strength from 1 October to 1 December 1969

USMC
OFF ENL
 42 1018

USN
OFF ENL
 2 54

OTHERS
OFF ENL
 None

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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1. General Overview of all Activities

a. On 4 October 1969, Third Battalion, Fourth Marines assumed the mission as Base Defense Coordinator of the Dong Ha Combat Base. The defensive perimeter was composed of units from the Army, Marine and Navy organizations stationed at the Dong Ha Combat Base. During the month of October, one company was assigned to the North Bank of the Qua Viet River A/O, with the mission of providing security for the Qua Viet River and Jones Creek tributary. At various times, other companies of the Battalion were under the operational control of either Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, or the First Brigade, Fifth Infantry Division (Mech).

b. On 5 November 1969, Third Battalion, Fourth Marines was relieved as Base Defense Coordinator of Dong Ha Combat Base by the First Brigade, Fifth Infantry Division (Mech).

c. During the period 5-20 November 1969, the Battalion remained at Dong Ha Combat Base in a "stand down" status, while preparing equipment for embarkation to Okinawa. On 10 November 1969, the Advance Party departed Quang Tri for Okinawa.

d. On 20 November 1969, the Battalion commenced movement by truck to the Quang Tri Combat Base, where they were airlifted to Da Nang and embarked aboard the USS TRIPOLI (LPH 10). While on board, the Battalion completed training and indoctrination in preparation for deployment on Okinawa. Third Battalion, Fourth Marines arrived on Okinawa on 24 November 1969, after more than four years of combat service in the Republic of Vietnam.

e. From 24-30 November 1969, the Battalion received special classes from the Provost Marshal and the Preventive Medicine Section from Third Medical Battalion. The Battalion continued to work on the improvement of living and working areas in garrison.

f. From 1-31 December 1969, the Battalion conducted training in general military subjects for the transition from a combat environment to a garrison environment.

2. Intelligence

a. In early October, units of the Battalion operated in a field environment, and the only contacts with the enemy were limited to small scale sapper attacks and occasional rocket and mortar fire. While in the defense of Dong Ha Combat Base, the only incidents of enemy activity were the use of booby traps, and limited scale ambushes of vehicles on the highways at night.

b. Weather

The weather for the month of October varied from clear and warm early in the month, to rainy and cold late in October and on through November. The average temperatures for this period were a high of 87° and a low of 74°.

3. Results of Operations**a. Equipment**

1 Oct 69

Co I

Found a 105mm round booby-trapped

(YD305691)

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5 Oct 69

Co I

Found sketch of Dong Ha Combat Base, C-ration can and bamboo representing towers and hootches (YD256566)

10 Oct 69

"A" Command

Rat Patrol was ambushed by unknown size force using small arms and concussion grenades (YD261590)

13 Oct 69

"A" Command

Received one round incoming, believed to be RPG (YD243611)

15 Oct 69

"A" Command

Received 2-3 rounds of unknown type outside lines (YD230600)

16 Oct 69

Co I

One anti-personnel mine detonated (YD246546)

22 Oct 69

"A" Command

One round unknown type impacted (YD235599)

23 Oct 69

"A" Command

Received one round, 140mm rocket (YD234589)

25 Oct 69

Co I

Found first aid kit (YD261570)

b. Sightings

22 Oct 69

"A" Command

Personnel on perimeter observed platoon size unit (YD235572)

4. Supporting Arms

a. Air

(1) During the month of October 1969, helicopter and fixed wing support continued as needed to support the limited Battalion operations. Area of greatest usage was in fragged troop lifts. During the period, a total of ten (10) troop lift requests were submitted, transporting a total of 1001 passengers. The entire period of this report involved limited combat operations with the Battalion working out of Dong Ha Combat Base. No period of increased activity occurred during the month, and there was no requirement for ordnance expenditure in support of these operations.

(a) Summary

	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>ORDNANCE</u>
FAC/AO	1	Unknown
UH-1E Gunships	4	Unknown
Medevacs:	Emergency	3
	Priority	2
	Routine	3
	Total	8

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5. Logisticsa. Logistics

(1) On 5 October, 1969, the advance party from the S-4 and Mess Section moved from Vandegrift Combat Base to Dong Ha Combat Base to set up billeting and messing arrangements for the Battalion, which commenced movement on 7 October. This move was completed on the afternoon of 10 October. During the movement, the resupply of companies in the field continued. In the last part of October, resupply of companies by helicopter became more of a burden, because of the non-availability of helicopters. Upon standing down on 5 November, the Battalion embark section continued planning for the redeployment of this unit. The Battalion was also engaged in the process of policing up their areas in the field, which included Dong Ha Mountain, Qua Viet, Khe Gio Bridge, and Dong Ha Combat Base lines. All of these areas were inspected by the Division inspector prior to departure.

(2). On 15 November, the Battalion was completely packed and ready to load out. On the night of the 15th, the Battalion commenced loading of all vehicles and cargo at the Dong Ha Ramp for shipment to the Da Nang Pier. This move was completed by mid-morning of the 16th. On 25 November, the Battalion commenced drawing and requesting garrison type property to set up the Battalion for garrison duty. On 1 December 1969, LTI's were started on all motor transport, communication and ordnance equipment. These LTI's were completed by 23 December 1969.

b. Supply

(1) From the period of 1 October 1969 until 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines left Vietnam for Okinawa, Supply issued 638 pairs of jungle boots, 3,918 pairs of socks, 330 entrenching tools, 290 gas masks, 135 first aid packs, 680 ponchos, 200 poncho liners, 153 helmets, and 395 haversacks. This high rate of usage on 782 gear was due to the surveying of gear in preparation for redeployment to Okinawa. Prior to departing Vietnam, the Battalion was supplied with stateside utilities and boots, which were issued to the troops. 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines arrived on Okinawa with approximately 87% of its T/E items in Battalion Supply. The T/E deficiencies were immediately requisitioned, and a program was established for the return of repairable items. The Budget for the last half of Fiscal Year 1970, all of Fiscal Year 1971 and 1972 was prepared at this time.

c. Transportation

(1) In early October, the Motor Transport Section commenced movement from Vandegrift Combat Base to Dong Ha Combat Base. Movement of the Motor Transport Section was completed on 8 October 1969.

(2) On November 4, 1969, the Motor Transport Section started cleaning vehicles for redeployment to Okinawa. The cleaning was done at a rate of three (3) M274 LTV's per day, three (3) M416 trailers per day, and two (2) M151 trucks per day.

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6. Medical Section

a. During the months of October, November, and December 1969, the medical department treated a total of 3,200 patients. During the month of October, three (3) Med-Caps were conducted in villages in the Qua Viet area, treating over 300 villagers.

b. During the first half of November 1969, all immunization required for the Battalion departure for Okinawa was administered. During December, 1969, ten (10) hours of instruction on first aid, personal hygiene, venereal disease, and treatment for shock was given to the Battalion.

7. Communications-Electronics

a. On 5 October 1969, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines took over Base Defense of Dong Ha Combat Base. Good communication was maintained with all companies on the lines, and in the Qua Viet A/O. A special Base switchboard was installed in the COC Bunker, and lines were laid to provide wire communications to the Company Command Posts, 81mm Mortar Sections, and other defense requirements on the perimeter, including Sparrow Hawk.

b. The rifle companies normally had thirteen (13) radios each. This was increased to fifteen (15) in Dong Ha. Also two (2) companies were given cipher capabilities with the PRC-77/KY-38. However, this proved impractical for the limited requirements for cipher. The Battalion received five (5) new PRC-77's prior to leaving Vandegrift Combat Base making this experiment possible.

c. In preparation for embarkation and redeployment, most of the mount-out boxes were replaced with new boxes, painted and tac-marked. An LTI was held on all PRC-88's, and they were turned in. The MRC-87 was invoiced to 3rd Force Recon, and five (5) AS-2236 Log Periodic Antennas were invoiced to FLSC-3.

d. In Okinawa, LTI inspections were established to maintain and improve upon the condition of the communication equipment. Also, the Division Communications Electrical Chief was called to work with the Battalion Communications Section in establishing a good maintenance program. An inter-communications cross training program has been established, and communication refresher courses for all communications personnel.

e. In the Republic of Vietnam, it was discovered that Gold Marathron BA-386 batteries work inadequately in cipher gear. The parts for TA-1/PT telephone sets and H-189/PRC handsets were very scarce and were the cause for much down time. Elements for this equipment should be readily available in a combat zone. Also the A-9 module for the PRC-25 should be a second echelon maintenance repair part.

8. Training

During the month of November 1969, a limited training program was conducted at the Dong Ha Combat Base. Its main orientation was information on Okinawa. Once on Okinawa, the Battalion conducted an intensive program on basic general military subjects (i.e. close order drill, military courtesy) (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

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(9) During the period from 1 through 5 November 1969, artillery support was tailored to meet 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines line and limited offensive mission in the Dong Ha Combat Base A/O. Maximum use was made of H&I fire, but few Forward Observer initiated missions were necessary.

(10) Direct support was provided by "M" Battery, 4/12 with "W" 3/12 ingeneral support. Calls for fire were submitted directly to the 4/12 FDC. 3rd Marine Division FSCC was the central clearing agency.

(11) The 61 team (Co I) was returned to the battery 29 October 1969 to stand down.

(12) The 62 team (Co K) operated in the southwestern portion of the Dong Ha Combat Base A/O, and on the Dong Ha Combat Base perimeter. Team 62 accompanied the Rapid Reaction Platoon on the Cua Viet insert on 3 November 1969.

(13) The 63 team (Co L) operated in the southwestern portion of the Dong Ha Combat Base A/O and on the Dong Ha Combat Base perimeter.

(14) The 64 team (Co M) operated in the southwestern portion of the Dong Ha Combat Base A/O and on the Dong Ha Combat Base perimeter.

(15) On 3 November 1969, the Base Defense Rapid Reaction Platoon was inserted in the western portion of the Cua Viet A/O to exploit contact made by a recon team with two (2) squads of NVA. The landing zone and surrounding area received forty (40) minutes of continuous artillery preparation prior to the troop landing. The fires were coordinated by 4/12.

Summary:

<u>Battery</u>	<u>Branch</u>	<u>Number of Targets</u>	<u>Rounds Expended</u>
MD, 4th Bn, 12 Mar	USMC	7	187
A-1st, 40th Arty	Army	2	36
A-6th, 33rd Arty	Army	3	108
	Total		331

(16) Monthly Summary

<u>Nature of Fire</u>	<u>Number of Missions</u>	<u>Rounds Fired</u>
H&I	26	120
Adjust Fire	2	6
Immediate Fire	1	
Preparation Fire	1	
Total	30	472

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 October: Company Locations

H&S Company (-) (Alpha Command)	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-) (Bravo Command)	Vandenberg Combat Base
Company I	YD267075
Company K	OPCON 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, three squad recon patrols in the Cua Viet AO.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Continued defense of assigned sectors of Dong Ha Combat Base with one squad recon patrol.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

2 October: Company Locations

H&S Company (-) (Alpha Command)	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-) (Bravo Command)	Vandenberg Combat Base
Company I	YD276674
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, two squad recon patrols.

a. A report was received by Company I that 5 or 6 trucks were reported at YD320720. Artillery mission was called, but slow clearance was received from the ARVN, resulting in a long delay.

Company M

1. Conducted two ambushes and one squad recon patrol in continuing defense of assigned sectors at Dong Ha Combat Base.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

3 October: Company Locations

H&S Company (-) (Alpha Command)	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-) (Bravo Command)	Vandenberg Combat Base
Company I	YD268659
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, six squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted two ambushes and two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

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4 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 YD274669
 OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
 OPCON to 2/4
 Dong Ha Combat Base

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Assumed defense of the Dong Ha Combat Base and Dong Ha AO.
2. Remainder of the Battalion completed the move from Vandegrift Combat Base to Dong Ha Combat Base.

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, six squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted two ambushes, two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

5 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 YD268668
 Dong Ha Combat Base
 OPCON to 2/4
 Dong Ha Combat Base

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Assumed OPCON of Company K from 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech).

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, eight squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted one squad night combat patrol, three squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

6 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 YD261658
 OPCON to 2/4
 OPCON to 2/4
 Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes, three squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted one squad night combat patrol and one squad recon patrol.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

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7 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
Company I
Company K
Company L
Company M

Dong Ha Combat Base
Dong Ha Combat Base
OPCON to 2/4
OPCON to 2/4
YD265662

Company I

1. Relieved in place in Cua Viet AO by Company M and returned to Dong Ha Combat Base by LCU and assumed defense of sectors I and III at Dong Ha Combat Base.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Relieved by Company I of defense of sectors I and III of Dong Ha Combat Base. Conducted three ambushes.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

8 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
Company I
Company K
Company L
Company M

Dong Ha Combat Base
Dong Ha Combat Base
OPCON to 2/4
OPCON to 2/4
YD275671

Company I

1. Conducted two ambushes, and one squad recon patrol in defense of assigned sectors of Dong Ha Combat Base.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted one ambush, one squad night combat and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

9 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
Company I
Company K
Company L
Company M (-)
1st Flt Co M

Dong Ha Combat Base
Dong Ha Combat Base
OPCON to 2/4
OPCON to 2/4
YD300700
Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infan
(Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol, and two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

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10 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M (-)
 2nd Plt Co M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 Dong Ha Combat Base
 OPCON to 2/4
 OPCON to 2/4
 YD317700
 Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry
 (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, one squad night motorized patrol, and two squad recon patrols.

a. Second truck of motorized patrol received two bursts of small arms fire and approximately six concussion grenades. Truck was slightly damaged (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

11 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M (-)
 2nd Plt Co M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 Dong Ha Combat Base
 OPCON to 2/4
 OPCON to 2/4
 YD322710
 Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry
 (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat, one night motorized patrol, and two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted one LP, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

12 October: Company Locations

H&S Company
 Company I
 Company K
 Company L
 Company M (-)
 2nd Plt Co M

Dong Ha Combat Base
 Dong Ha Combat Base
 OPCON to 2/4
 OPCON to 2/4
 YD323703
 Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry
 (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Sector of lines named by MCB reported receiving small arms fire. No casualties resulted.

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, squad motorized patrol, and two squad recon patrols.

a. Patrol found a sand table model of what appeared to be part of the

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Company M (-)

1. Conducted one ambush, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

13 October: Company Locations

H&S Company

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company K

OPCON to 2/4

Company L

OPCON to 2/4

Company M (-)

YD313710

2nd Flt Co M

Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, one motorized patrol, and two squad recon patrols.

a. Personnel heard movement in wire. Search of wire at first light revealed wire cut and four trip flares disarmed.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

14 October: Company Locations

H&S Company

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company K

OPCON to 2/4

Company L

OPCON to 2/4

Company M (-)

YD299693

2nd Flt Co M

Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, one squad motorized patrol and two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

15 October: Company Locations

H&S Company

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

Dong Ha Combat Base

Company K

OPCON to 2/4

Company L

OPCON to 2/4

Company M (-)

YD 287673

2nd Flt Co M

Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. At YD234602 sector 7 (Communications Company) reported unknown type of incoming rounds impacting outside wire. Grater analysis team could not reach impact area because of extensive wire.

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Company I
 1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, one squad motorized patrol, and two squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)
 1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

16 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD247549
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD277666
2nd Plt Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Assumed OPCON of Company K from Second Battalion, Fourth Marines.
2. Motorized patrol at YD276577 received several rounds of small arms fire (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company I

1. Conducted search and clear operations to the southwest of Dong Ha Combat Base. Conducted four ambushes.
 a. At YD246546 an unknown type of booby trap was detonated resulting in one Marine being killed (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company K

1. Relieved Company I in sectors I and III of the Dong Ha Combat Base. Conducted two ambushes.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night patrol and four squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

17 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD245540
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (+)	YD270656
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted four ambushes and three squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, one motorized patrol, and two local security patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

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1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

18 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD223564
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD272660
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. At YD225601 sector 6 reported a trip flare going off and one person observed in wire (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, and three squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, and one motorized and one squad recon patrol.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M (-)

1. Conducted two LP's, one squad night combat patrol, and four squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

19 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD247563
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD282675
2nd Plt Company L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company M	OPCON to 2/4

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Assumed OPCON of Company L (-) and chopped OPCON of 2nd Platoon Company L to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry chopped OPCON of Company M to 2/4.

Company I

1. Conducted five ambushes, six squad recon patrols.

a. Found several dud rounds at YD222564.

b. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols and two squad recon patrols.

a. Reported no enemy activity.

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Company L
 1. Conducted helolift to Cua Viet AO and conducted one ambush and one squad night combat patrol.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

2. 2nd Platoon conducted a search and clear operation vicinity grid-coordinates 3072 and 3172, with negative results.

20 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD253561
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD282680
2nd Plt Co L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company M	OPCON to 2/4

Company I
 1. Conducted six ambushes and six squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K
 1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols and two squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L (-)
 1. Conducted two ambushes, and two squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

21 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD240563
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD287675
2nd Plt Co L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company M	OPCON to 2/4

Company I
 1. Conducted six ambushes and three squad recon patrols.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K
 1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols and one squad recon patrol.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L (-)
 1. Conducted two ambushes and one squad recon patrol.
 a. Reported no enemy activity.

22 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD240560
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD293675
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

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H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. One round of unknown caliber of artillery impacted at YD235599 (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, four squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, and one squad recon patrol.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Conducted two ambushes and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

23 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD225559
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD307682
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. One 140mm rocket round impacted on Company K Office resulting in 2xKIA's and 9xWIA's at YD234589 (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes and four squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted one ambush and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Conducted four ambushes and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

24 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD253561
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD320710
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, four squad recon patrols.
 - a. Found assorted equipment and clothing at YD248553 (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company K

1. Conducted one ambush, one squad night combat patrol and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

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Company L

1. Conducted two ambushes and two squad night combat patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

25 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD262571
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD315720
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, two LP's, and eight squad recon patrols.
 - a. Found 1 NVA type first aid packet at YD262570 (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company K

1. Conducted two ambushes and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Conducted two ambushes, two squad night combat patrols, and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

26 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD255566
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	OPCON to 2/4
3rd Plt Co L	Attached to Co M
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Chopped OPCON of Company L (-) to 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines and attached 3rd Platoon Company L to Company M.

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, six squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

27 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD244565
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	Dong Ha Combat Base
3rd Plt Co L	Attached to Co M
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

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H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. Assumed OPCON of Company L (-) from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines at 270930H.

Company I

1. Conducted six ambushes, five squad recon patrols.
a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted one ambush, one squad night combat patrol, and two squad recon patrols.
a. Reported no enemy activity.

28 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD202557
3rd Plt Co L	Attached to Co M
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Relieved in place by Company L (-).
a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company K

1. Conducted one ambush, one squad night combat patrol, and two squad recon patrols.
a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L (-)

1. Conducted four ambushes.
a. Reported no enemy activity.

29 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD215557
3rd Plt Co L	Attached to Co M
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

Company I

1. Commenced stand down in preparation for ceremonies at Da Nang.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols and two squad recon patrols.
a. Reported no enemy activity.

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Company L (-)

1. Conducted four ambushes and two squad recon patrols.
- a. Reported no enemy activity.

30 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD224562
3rd Plt Co L	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. At 301130H a fire at the ISU Ramp caused damage to fuel tanks (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

2. 3rd Platoon, Company L was detached from Company M.

Company I

1. Continued stand down for ceremonies at DaNang.

Company K

1. Conducted two squad night combat patrols, and two squad recon patrols.
- a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L (-)

1. Conducted four ambushes and two squad recon patrols.
- a. Reported no enemy activity.

31 October: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD210560
3rd Plt Co L	Attached to Company K
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

H&S Company (Alpha Command)

1. At 311730H, Company M chopped OPCON from 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech).

Company I

1. Continued stand down for ceremonies at DaNang.

Company K

1. Continued two squad night combat patrols and two squad recon patrols.
- a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Conducted four ambushes, two squad recon patrols.
- a. Reported no enemy activity.

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1 November: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD210560
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company I

1. Departed for ceremonies at DaNang.

Company K

1. Conducted one squad night combat patrol, and one recon patrol.
 - a. At YD268663 patrol reported hearing small arms fire at approximately YD275643 (See enclosure (4) Part IV).
 - b. At YD272656 patrol reported finding footprints of 2-30 personnel (See enclosure (4) Part IV).

Company L

1. Conducted seven ambushes, two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted one ambush in defense of sector 3 of Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

2 November: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD211559
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company K

1. Conducted one squad night combat patrol.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Conducted seven ambushes, four squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted one ambush and two squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

3 November: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	Dong Ha Combat Base

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Company M (a)
1st Plt Co M
2nd Plt Co M

YD253562
YD208560
Dong Ha Combat Base

Company E

1. Conducted one squad night combat patrol. Rapid Reaction Force, Hainan (Lein), was committed to search vicinity YD220541 to YD232541 where recon team had made contact. Area searched with negative results.

Company E

1. Conducted one ambush in assigned sector of Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Conducted six ambushes, four squad recon patrols.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

4 November: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

Company K

1. Continued defense of assigned sector of Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company L

1. Continued defense of assigned sector of Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

Company M

1. Continued defense of assigned sector of Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - a. Reported no enemy activity.

5 November: Company Locations

H&S Company	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

1. 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech) assumed duties of Base Defense relieving 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

2. 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines commenced stand down in preparation for embarkation by ship to Okinawa.

7 November:

Company I participated in ceremonies at DaNang for the 3rd Marine Division.

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SECRET14 November:

- (1) Company I returned from DaNang.
- (2) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines celebrated the Marine Corps Birthday at Dong Ha Combat Base, Republic of Vietnam.
- (3) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines' Advance Party departed Guam, Fri for Okinawa.

15 November:

Continued movement of Conex boxes and motor vehicles to Dong Ha RVN Camp for shipping to DaNang.

20 November:

- (1) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines commenced movement by truck to Quang Tri Airfield for airlift to DaNang.
- (2) Embarkation of all troops and equipment was completed by 201830H aboard the USS TRIPOLI (LPH 10). Departed DaNang Harbor on 202000H.

24 November:

- (1) Debarked from the USS TRIPOLI (LPH 10) at White Beach, Okinawa and moved by bus to Camp Hansen, Okinawa.

1 December:

Training in General Military Subjects commenced.

3 December:

3rd Battalion, 4th Marines participated in the Regimental Change of Command Ceremony Parade.

5 December:

Lieutenant Colonel J. W. WOOD was relieved as Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion 4th Marines by Lieutenant Colonel J. P. KEROE.

24 December:

A personnel inspection was held by Lieutenant Colonel J. P. KEROE of 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

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✓3. 021100H	SIT REP #20
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✓5. 021700H	SIT REP #21
✓6. 022000H	SIT REP #22
✓7. 020500H	SIT REP #23
✓8. 020830H	SPOT REPORT #4
✓9. 021100H	SIT REP #24
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✓41. 072245H	SPOT REPORT #9
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✓50. 091245H	FRAG ORDER

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

0500 13 010500H SIT REP #19
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REG-I

0835 2 010835H SPOT REPORT #3
 A: Co I B: 010825H C: Dr/En: YD305691
 D: Engineers with security found 105 round. E: Elew round in place. F-M: N/A
 N: Found an old NVA gas mask in vicinity of Line C. S.F. REG-I

1100 4 011100H SIT REP #20
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #3
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REG-I

1510 9 011510H FRAG ORDER for 2 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

Alpha Command	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-)	Vanderbilt Combat Base
Company I	YD305691
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct DTA's to the west staying east of gridline 27. Continue night ambushes along Jones Creek and Cua Viet. Establish new Company Patrol Base in vicinity YD278675.

Company M. Continue defense and improvement of assigned sectors of Dong Ha Combat Base. Be prepared to provide one platoon for convoy security. Conduct day and night activities in Dong Ha AO.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's. S.F. REG-I

1700 11 011700H SIT REP #21
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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0800 18 012300H SIT REP #22

A: Co I at YD267675, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

0900 1 020500H SIT REP #23

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

0830 3 020830H SPOT REPORT #4

A: Co I B: 012245H C: Enr YD320720
 D: 1st/40th called reporting 5 or 6 trucks moving at coordinates given in line C. Co I know nothing about such movement and checked with Alpha Command, who ordered a fire mission with the CO of 3/4 permission to shoot. But mission was not shot because they desired clearance from higher headquarters. Liaison with 1st/40th requested ARVN delayed clearance of mission. E: Unknown
 F-N: Neg.

S.F. REGT.

1100 5 021100H SIT REP #24

A: Co I at YD282669, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to Spot Report #4
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

1410 8 021410H FLAG ORDER for 3 October 69

1. Unit Locations

Alpha Command	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-)	Company 1 to Combat Base
Company I	YD283669
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Macn)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct DTA's to south and southwest to southwest boundary of AO. Conduct night ambushes along trails and waterways in area. Establish new Company Patrol Base in vicinity YD270660.

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Company M. Continue defense and improvement of assigned sectors of Dong Ha Combat Base. Be prepared to provide one platoon as convoy security. Conduct NT/DTA's in Dong Ha AO.

2. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REGT.

1700 11 021700H SIT REP #25

A: No change
B: DTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

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2300 16 022300H SIT REP #26

A: Co I at YD276676, all others no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT

0500 1 030500H SIT REP #27

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1100 6 031100H SIT REP #28

A: Co I at YD272665, all others no change
B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

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1415 8 031415H FRAG ORDER for 4 October 69

1. Unit Locations

Alpha Command	Dong Ha Combat Base
H&S Company (-)	Phonggri Combat Base
Company I	YD272666
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

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2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct DTA's within AO from Jones Creek to southwest boundary. A minimum of four day patrols will be conducted at all times. Establish new night position vicinity YD275670 and conduct night ambushes along Jones Creek and Cua Viet.

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Company M. Continue defense and improvement of defenses in assigned sectors of DACH. Be prepared to provide one platoon as Route 2 convoy security, on order. Conduct DT/DTA's in Dong Ha AO. A minimum of four day patrols and two night ambushes will be conducted. Be prepared to provide reinforced squad security for Route 2 night motorized patrol.

3. Submit TOD's, TOS's, CV's for NE/DTA's.

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1700 11 031700H SIT REP #22
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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2300 19 032300H SIT REP #30
 A: Go 1 at YD268659, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

0500 1 040500H SIT REP #31
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1200 4 041100H SIT REP #32
 A: Go 1 at YD268658, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1300 6 041300H FRAG ORDER for 5 October 69
 I. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD268658
Company K	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct DTA's within AO from Jones Creek to southwest boundary. A minimum of four day patrols will be conducted at all times. Establish new night position vicinity YD278661 and

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conduct a search along Jones Creek and Cam Viet. Be prepared to be relieved by Company M on 6 October.

Company M. Continue defense and improvement of defenses in assigned sectors of DMCB. Be prepared to provide one platoon as Route 9 convoy security on order. A minimum of four day patrols and two night ambushes will be conducted. Provide reinforced squad for security for Route 1 night motorized patrol. Be prepared to relieve Company I on 6 October.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

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1700 13 041700H SIT REP #33

A: No change
B: DTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

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2300 14 042300H SIT REP #34

A: Co I at YD274669, all others no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

0140 1 050140H SPOT REPORT #5

A: Alpha Command B: 050115H C: DMCB
D: 1 individual called the Base Defense Coordinator claiming to be CID and wanted out the rear gate to investigate an accident. E: Individual was told to go to the main gate and go accompanied by a Rat Patrol vehicle for security. F-N: Not Applicable

S.F. REG

0325 2 050325H SPOT REPORT #6

A: Alpha Command B: 050320H C: DMCB
D: Previous report on CID people going into Dong Ha City checked out properly, then went to ARVN CID compound. F-N: Not applicable

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0500 4 050500H SIT REP #35

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

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1100 6 051100H SIT REP #36

A: No change
B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced, assumed OPCON Co K
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

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0910 8 052603H FRAC ORDER for 6 October 59
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	XD274689
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night position move at first light to vicinity XD274689. Upon arrival of one platoon from Company H, proceed to DHCB with Company (-) and relieve remainder of Company M of defensive responsibilities for Sector I and III, man OP at XD255589 and provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 road security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon Route 9 convey security on order.

Company M. Relieve Company I in Cua Viet AO for search and destroy operations, patrolling and ambushes. Move one platoon by truck to Dong Ha ramp at 0730 to proceed Company (-) to AO. Upon relief of defensive responsibilities by Company I at DHCB proceed by truck and boat to Cua Viet AO, assume OPCON of AO from Company I and dispatch remaining Company I elements to DHCB. Move to vicinity XD260650 and establish night Company Patrol Base. Conduct NTA's in local area.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NW/DTA's.

S.F. REGT

1700 13 051700H SIT REP #37

A: Co K at Dong Ha Combat Base, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

2300 18 052300H SIT REP #38

A: Co I at XD268668, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #7
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT

2320 19 052320H SPOT REPORT #7

A: Alpha Command B: 052130H C: Dong Ha Ramp D: Individual with Rat Patrol was warming himself near the generator at Dong Ha Ramp at 2100 when a poncho caught in the generator drawing him into it. Individual received concussion.

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0035 1 060015H

SPOC REPORT #8

A: Alpha Forward as 060000H J:
 B: Dog started barking by water near
 ramp. Shot pop up illumination, several
 persons saw something moving in the water.
 Approximately 5 minutes later a cargo barge
 on eastside of ramp broke loose from lines.
 E: Mobilized a tug and they secured the
 barge. Extra illumination put up and posted
 extra men throughout the night. F-H: Not
 applicable

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0500 3 060500H

SIT REP #39

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. RECD

1130 8 061100H

SIT REP #40

A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. RECD

1130 12 061130H BRAG ORDER for 7 October 68

1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD270644
Company E	OPCON to 2/L
Company L	OPCON to 2/L
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night position move at first light to vicinity YD270644. Upon arrival of one platoon from Company M proceed to DHCB with Company (-) and relieve remainder of Company M of defensive responsibilities for sector I and III, man OP at YD255589 and provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 road security patrol (Bat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order.

Company M. Relieve Company I in Cua Viet AO for search and destroy operations, patrolling and ambushes. Move one platoon by truck to Dong Ha ramp at 0730 to proceed Company (-) to AO. Upon relief of defense responsibilities by Company I at DHCB proceed by truck and boat to Cua Viet AO assume OPCON of AO from Company I and dispatch remaining Company I elements to DHCB. Move to vicinity YD260650 and establish night Company Patrol Base. Conduct NTA's in local area.

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3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, OP's for NT/DMA's.

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1700 18 061700H SIT REP #42
 A: Co K moved to 2/4, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress, Co K chopped
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGT

2200 19 062300H SIT REP #42
 A: Co I at YD262658, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGT

0500 2 070500H SIT REP #43
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGT

1100 6 071100H SIT REP #44
 A: Co I at YD270644, 2nd Flt Co M at YD270644, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGT

1700 9 071700H SIT REP #45
 A: Co I at Dong Ha, Co M at YD269652 on the move, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGT

1800 12 071800H FRAG ORDER for 8 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I (-)	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	CPCON to 2/4
Company L	CPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	Dong Ha Combat Base
2nd Flt Co M	YD270644

2. No change from oral orders.

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Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, main OP at YD25559. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 column security on order. Conduct minimum of two day patrols and a minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD26363 conduct OP in grid squares 2666, 2766, 2767, 2867. Establish night position vicinity YD277670. Conduct a minimum of four squad size patrols at all times. Conduct minimum of one day patrol and one night ambush.

2. Submit TOB's, TOR's, SP's and AT/DIA's.

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2200 14 072200H SPOT REPORT #1

A: Light Command F: 072040H G: M
YD265567 D: Rat Patrol reported road washing
out at above grid. E: Called MCB 62 at
Dong Ha and they called MCB 74 at Quang
Tri. Dimes will be checked in the morn-
ing. F-N: Neg.

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2300 15 072300H SIT REP #45

A: CC MCB YD26362, all others no
change
B: DIA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #9
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

0500 3 080500H SIT REP #47

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DIA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

1100 5 081100H SIT REP #48

A: No change
B: NTA's ceased, DIA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DIA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

1130 13 081130H FRAG ORDER for 2 October 62

1. Unit Locations

3rd Inf. 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company M	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M	YD265662

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2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sector I and III, main CP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order. D/NTA's are to be in western portion of AC. Conduct minimum of two day patrols and a minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD300700 conduct DTA's in gridsquares 3070, 3170, 3071, 3171. Establish night position vicinity YD306710.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, OP's for NT/DTA's.

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1700 10 091700H SIT REP #53

A: Co M (-) at YD313686, 1st Plt Co M
at Cua Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade
5th Infantry (Mech), all others
no change
B: DTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

2300 12 092300H SIT REP #54

A: Co M (-) at YD300700, all others
no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

0500 1 100500H SIT REP #55

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1000 17 101000H REAG ORDER for 11 October 69

1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/1
Company L	OPCON to 2/1
Company M (-)	YD300700
1st Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sector I and III, main CP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. OP at XD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 combat security on order. Conduct a minimum of two day patrols and a minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD277670, move to vicinity YD278660 and board boats for transportation to vicinity YD315686 and establish day Company Patrol Base in vicinity. Conduct DPA's in grid square 3168, 3068, 3069, 3069. Conduct minimum of one night patrol/ambush and one night ambush. Establish position vicinity YD300700.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, GPR's for SI/DEA's.

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1700 15 081700H SIT REP #49

A: No change
B: DEA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DPA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. RMF

2300 20 082300H SIT REP #50

A: Co M at YD278671, all others no change
B: DPA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. RMF

0500 1 090500H SIT REP #51

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DPA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. RMF

1100 3 091100H SIT REP #52

A: Co M at YD278660 on the move, all others no change
B: DPA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DPA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. RMF

1245 4 091245H FRAG ORDER FOR 13 October 68
I. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 1st Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/L
Company L	OPCON to 2/L
Company M (-)	YD315686
1st Plt Co M	Cua Viet (OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Mech))

2. No change from oral orders.

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on order. D/NTA's are to be in western portion of AO. Conduct minimum of two day patrols and a minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush.

Company M. From Company Patrol Base vicinity YD317700, conduct DTA's in gridsquares 3271, 3270, 3270, 3169, 3269, and 3170. Establish night position vicinity YD322700.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for D/NTA's.

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1100 6 101100H SIT REP #56
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1700 18 101700H SIT REP #57
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

2300 24 102300H SIT REP #58
 A: Co M (-) at YD317700, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

2315 23 102315H SPOT REPORT #10
 A: Alpha Command B; 102250H C: En: YD261590 D: 1st truck of 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Rat Patrol passed through above enemy grid. When 2nd truck passed, it was ambushed by an unknown size force using small arms (2 bursts of 3 rounds, which sounded like M-16) and approximately 6 concussion grenades. Only damage was 3 flat tires to truck. E: Rat Patrol broke contact. Coordination was made with sub sector and they reported negative Popular Forces activities in area. Rat Patrol will return to area with 2 Eastern and Company I 81 Forward Observer. F-N: Neg

S.F. REG

0500 4 11500H SIT REP #59
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: See SPOT REPORT #10
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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1100 7 111100H SIT REP #60
 A: No change
 B: NLA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1600 12 111600H FRAG ORDER for 12 October 69
 I. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	XD317700
1st Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, main OP at XD25400. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convey security on order. Conduct minimum of two day patrols and one night ambush. Emphasize ambushes in vicinity grid squares 2559, 2459, and 2356 along the river.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity XD322710 conduct DTA's north of gridline 70 and east of 31 gridline. Establish night position vicinity XD323703.

3. Submit TCB's, TOR's, CP's for RI/DTA's.

1700 13 121700H SIT REP #61
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NLA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

2300 19 112300H SIT REP #62
 A: Co M (-) at XD322710, all others no change
 B: NLA's commenced, DTA's ceased
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NLA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

0500 3 120500H SIT REP #63
 A: No change
 B: NLA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NLA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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1035 5 121035H SPOT REPORT #11
 A: Co I B: 120945H C: YD256566
 D: Found sand pebbles, a sketch of Dong Ha showing positions and areas, 5x6 with bamboo with rubber bands to represent hootches and bunkers. Pebbles used to represent positions and also C-rations used. Can only observe towers and buildings from this site. Barb wire shown by pebbles and string. A trail passes near the diagram. Rain has washed away all signs of activity.
 E: Checked out area. F-N: Neg

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1100 6 121100H SIT REP #64
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #11
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. REGT.

1400 18 121400H FRAG ORDER for 13 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD322710
2nd Flt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I: Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, near OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order. Conduct minimum of two day patrols. Conduct extensive night ambushes in southern portion of AO along river west of gridline 27.

Company M: From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD323703, conduct DTA's north of gridline 70 and east of gridline 30. Establish night position vicinity YD313710. Be prepared to receive personnel for Medcap operation to be conducted in populated area vicinity gridsquare 3169 and 3269.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DIA's.

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1700 13 121700H SIT REP #35
 A: 2nd Flt Co M at Chu Viet OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech), 1st Flt Co M and 2nd Flt Co M at YD322710, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. REGT.

SECRET

1940 16 121940H SPOT REPORT #12

A: Co I B: 121845H C: YD256594
 D: 3 personnel in rice paddy in front
 of 81mm mortar position next to wire.
 Personnel were playing with string and
 said they were fishing. E: Personnel
 were brought inside the lines and taken
 to gate to be picked up. F-K: N/A L:
 3 Vietnamese M-N: Neg.

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2140 17 122140H SPOT REPORT #13

A: Alpha Command B: 122110H C: Fr/En:
 YD263588, YD261589 D: Sector #2 received
 3 rounds of small arms fire from grid
 YD263588. 5 minutes later sector 1 re-
 ported detonation of trip flare less
 than 100 meters from perimeter and spotted
 2 persons fleeing in a southeast direct-
 ion. E: Sector 1 fired small arms on
 enemy called for 81mm illumination,
 notified Base Defense sectors to be on
 increased alert. F-N: Neg.

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2300 19 122300H SIT REP #66

A: Co M (-) at YD323703, all others
 no change
 B: DIA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #13
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #12
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals :
 FRKIA 0 FRVIA 0 NZ 0
 ENCONF 0 POW 0 DET 3

S.F. REG

2355 2 122355H SPOT REPORT #14

A: Alpha Command B: 122315H C: YD219587
 D: Sector 4 reported receiving 3 rounds
 suspected artillery fire 200 to 300 meters
 forward of their lines. Ten minutes later
 they reported receiving another round same
 vicinity. E: H&I checkfire initiated. Sec-
 tors questioned regarding source of incoming.
 Results were negative. F-N: Neg.

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0010 3 130010H SPOT REPORT #15

A: Alpha Command B: 130001H C: Sector 10
 (LCU Ramp) YD243611 D: Took one round of
 incoming in river behind barge. Possible
 RPG round. E: Increase of alert. F-N: N/A

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0045 4 130045H SPOT REPORT #16

A: Alpha Command B: 130029H C: EN: YD258592
 D: 2nd Plt Co I (Sector 3) reported movement
 in their wire. E: Put up 81mm illumination and
 fraggd area. Saw figures tripping trip flares.
 Co I opened up with small arms fire and saw fig-
 ures fall or stumble. F-N: N/A

S.F. REG

SECRET

0115 6 130115H SPOT REPORT #11
 A: Alpha Command Co. 130000H Co. Bn.
 YD258592 Co. At Sector 1 SID picked up
 movement, personnel went to investigate
 movement and a hand illumination was
 thrown that was a dud. About 30 meters
 from where the illumination was thrown,
 a trip flare went off. Spotted 1 personnel
 in the wire, fired small arms, threw some
 fragmentation grenades, after that heard
 someone running in the stream. E: Fired
 small arms and threw grenades. F-N: Neg.

S.F. REC

0500 9 130500H SIT REP #67
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to Spot report #14 through #17
 E: NTA's to cease, DIA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REC

0820 11 130820H SPOT REPORT #18
 A-C: No change, refer to SPOT REPORT
 #16. D: Wire was checked at first light
 where movement was heard and observed.
 Found wire had been cut and 4 trip flares
 disarmed. E: Wire will be repaired and
 SID will be placed in area. F-N: Neg

S.F. REC

1100 14 131100H SIT REP #68
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DIA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #18
 E: DIA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REC

1330 18 131330H FRAG ORDER for 14 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD333703
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (each)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, men
 OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol
 (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security
 on order. Conduct extensive night ambushes in southern portion of AO along
 river west of gridline 27.

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Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD313710 conduct DTA's south of gridline 71 and west of gridline 32 to gridline 29. Establish night position vicinity YD299693.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, OP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. NEG

1700 20 131700H SIT REP #69

A: No change
B: DTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

2300 25 132300H SIT REP #70

A: Co M (-) at YD313710, all others
no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

0500 2 140500H SIT REP #71

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

1100 5 141100H SIT REP #72

A: No change
B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: DTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

1205 15 141205H REAG ORDER for 15 October 69.

1. Unit Locations.

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD313710
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mar)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and IIA. Man OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order. Conduct extensive night ambushes in southern portion of AO along river of gridline 27.

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Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD299693. Conduct DIA's south of gridline 70 and west of gridline 31 to Jones Creek. Establish night position vicinity YD287513. Conduct extensive night ambushes vicinity Jones Creek.

3. Submit TOD's, TOT's, CP's for NY/DIA's.

S.P. 1800

1700 16 141700H SIT REP #43
 A: No change
 B: DIA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DIA's to cease, NIA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. 1800

2200 19 142200H SPOT REPORT #19
 A: Alpha Command B: 142130H C: YD2256, YD2356 D: Approximately 15-20 rounds of unknown type, unknown caliber rounds impacted outside the wire south of DHCB.
 E: Check with all units on Base resulted in a call from 12th Marines informing 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines that a TOT was fired by Co C 1/11 at the grids listed in line C.
 F-N: Neg.

S.P. 1800

2300 23 142300H SIT REP #74
 A: Co M (-) at YD299693, all others no change
 B: DIA's ceased, NIA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #19
 E: NIA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. 1800

0500 2 150500H SIT REP #75
 A: No change
 B: NIA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NIA's to cease, DIA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. 1800

0623 3 150625H SPOT REPORT #20
 A: Alpha Command B: 150600H C: YD230600
 D: Sectors 6 and 7 reported 2 to 3 incoming rounds of unknown type landing outside their lines. E: Set condition file, submitted azimuth of 6700 to Division FSOC.
 F-N: N/A

S.P. 1800

0845 7 150845H A: Alpha Command B: 150800H C: YD231602 (Sector 7) D: Suspected enemy rockets impacted in area north of Sector 7. Number of rockets is unknown. E: Grater analysis team unable to reach impact area due to extensive concertina wire. F-N: Neg

S.P. 1800

SECRET

1100 10 151100H SIT REP #76

A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #20, #21
 E: DTA's to cease
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REP

1545 15 151545H FRAG ORDER for 16 October 69

1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	OPCON to 2/4
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD287670
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Meer)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, man OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 2 convoy security on order. Conduct platoon (-) combat recon patrol. Commence 16 October and terminating 17 October in vicinity UL 2257 and LR 2655. Ambush in vicinity night position of 16 October. Sectors I and III establish day and night OP/LP's.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD287673, conduct DTA's south of gridline 69 and west of gridline 30 to gridline 27. Establish night position vicinity YD277666 continue extensive ambushes vicinity Jones Creek.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REP

1700 17 151700H SIT REP #77

A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REP

2300 26 152300H SIT REP #78

A: Co M (-) at YD287673, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REP

2308 27 152308 SPOT REPORT #22

A: Alpha Command B: 152145H C: Fr: YD253584 En: YD252530 D: Personnel in tower 83 observed 8-10 rockets being fired from YD252530 in direction of QTCB. E: Reported to 12th Marines and called QTCB and informed them F-N: Neg.

S.F. REP

SECRET

0500 3 160500H SIT REP #79

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #28
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT

1100 8 161100H SIT REP #80

A: Go K at Khe Gio Bridge, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced. Assumed OPCON of Company K at 161030H
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT

1430 10 161430H JTAG ORDER for 17 October 69

1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD300672
2nd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mach)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD245550 continue operations in southern portion of AO. Conduct local security during day hours. Conduct four night ambushes along trails and avenues of approach. Establish night position vicinity YD245540.

Company K. Assume defense and improvement of sectors I and III, man OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order. Provide one platoon (rein) available on 5 minute notice during day hours and a minimum of one night patrol and two night ambushes.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD277666 conduct DTA's west of Jones Creek to southwest border of AO. Establish night position vicinity YD270656. Continue extensive ambushes vicinity Jones Creek. Conduct minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REGT

1700 14 161700H SIT REP #81

A: Co I at YD262548 on the move, Co K at DHCB, Co M (-) at YD272650 on the move, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT

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1908 17 161918H SPOT REPORT #23
 A: Co I B: 161930H C: YD246566
 D: Personnel stopped on pressure type anti-personnel mine E: Called for Medevac F: Neg. G: M E N: Neg. S.F. REGO

2118 18 162118H SPOT REPORT #24
 A: Co I B: 161930H C: YD246566
 D: Personnel stopped on pressure type mine believed to be an anti-tank type. This was a primitive type mine. It made a crater 2 feet wide, 1 foot deep. The route the mine was curved toward, there had been approximately three squads in the vicinity of it before it went off. E: Called for Medevac F: Neg G: L E-N: Neg. S.F. REGO

2158 20 162158H SPOT REPORT #25
 A: Alpha Command B: 162140 C: Fr/En: YD276577 D: Motorized patrol ran into possible ambush vicinity of above grid. Trucks received several small arms rounds in bed of truck and hood of second vehicle. E: Popular Forces opened fire on ambush site and requested 81 illumination. Contact was broken. F-N: Neg. S.F. REGO

2300 22 162300H SIT REP #82
 A: Co I at YD247549, Co M (-) at YD277666, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #23, #24, #25
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals
 ENCON 0 NTA's 1 ME 0
 ENKIA 0 POW 0 DMT 3 S.F. REGO

0215 1 170215H SPOT REPORT #26
 A: Co I B: 170213H C: YD246546
 D: Follow up on SPOT REPORT #24
 E: N/A F: 1 G-N: N/A S.F. REGO

0500 2 170500H SIT REP #83
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REGO

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0825 4 170625H SPOT REPORT #22
 A: TBS FM 0406 P 170630H ON YD260673
 D: Found some shoe type tracks. Movement has been spotted in this area and these were possible tracks of enemy. Tracks were not over 24 hours old, so they could have easily been made on the preceeding night. Tracks ran east to west approximately 2 personnel. E: Area was checked out with negative results. F-N: Neg.

S.F. NEG.

1100 6 121100H SIT REP #34
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #22
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals:
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S.F. NEG.

1615 17 171615H FRAG ORDER for 18 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD246549
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	OPCON to 2/4
Company M (-)	YD277667
3rd Plt Co M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD245540 continue operations in southern portion of AO. Conduct local security during day hours. Conduct four night ambushes along trails and avenues of approach. Establish night position vicinity YD234535.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, main OP at YD254599. Provide one squad (rein) for night Route 1 security patrol (Rat Patrol). Be prepared to provide one platoon for Route 9 convoy security on order. Conduct local security activities during day hours and two night patrols/ambushes.

Company M. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD270656 conduct local security west of Jones Creek to southwest border of AO. Establish night position vicinity YD272665. Continue extensive ambushes vicinity Jones Creek. Conduct minimum of one night patrol and one night ambush. Be prepared for cooperation with Company L on 19 October.

3. Submit TOR's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. NEG.

1700 18 171700H SIT REP #85
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG.

SECRET

2300 23 174300H SIT REP #81
 A: Co I at XD240540, Co M (-) at XD270650,
 all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. NEG

0500 1 180500H SIT REP #87
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. NEG

1100 4 181100H SIT REP #88
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. NEG

1700 16 181700H SIT REP #89
 A: Co I at XD236572, all others no
 change
 B: DTA's in progress, Co I conducted
 helicopter displacement
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. NEG

1920 20 181920H SPOT REPORT #28
 A: Alpha Command B: 181909H C: Em:
 XD225601 D: Sector 6 reported a trip
 flare going off and one person was
 spotted slipping through wire into
 perimeter E: BL illumination called
 for F-N: N/A S.F. NEG

2015 19 182015H FRAG ORDER for 19 October 69
 1. Unit Locations
 3rd Bn, 4th Mar Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company I XD223561
 Company K Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company L The Gio Bridge
 Company M (-) XD272568
 3rd Flt Co M Qua Viet (OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infan-
 try (Mech)
 2. No change from oral orders.

SECRET

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct recon patrols to the river to select suitable ambush sites. Move Company Patrol Base to vicinity YD284565. Establish six night ambushes in grids 2256, 2356, 2456, 2556. Conduct day security patrols and OP's.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Conduct two day patrols north of gridline 57 and two night ambushes or patrol/ambushes in grids 2158, 2157, 2257, 2358.

Company L (-). Upon relief by Company M (-) at Khe Gio Bridge move by helicopter to grid square 2766. Conduct sweep to east and conduct day recon patrols along Jones Creek to recon for night ambush positions. Conduct at least two ambushes or patrol/ambushes along Jones Creek and trails in area. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD280673 lift platoon from FIB FULLER to Cua Viet to chop OPCON 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Mech).

Company M (-). Conduct helolift from vicinity of your night position and Cua Viet to Khe Gio Bridge and FSB FULLER. Upon arrival assume OPCON of section of 81mm mortars and chop OPCON to 2/4.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REPORT

2115 21 182115H SPOT REPORT #29

A: Alpha Command B: 182010H C: YD225601
D: In reference to SPOT REPORT #28, it was discovered that a Marine working on a SID device was the person in the wire who set off the trip flare. He was working without the knowledge of the people on the lines
E: None F-N: N/A

S.F. REPORT

2300 24 182300H SIT REP #90

A: Co I at YD223564, Co M (-) at YD272668, all others no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORTS #28, #29
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

0500 3 190500H SIT REP #91

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

0855 4 190855H SPOT REPORT #30

A: Co I B: 190855H C: YD22564 D:
At this position we found 2x4mm dud mortar rounds as well as other assorted dud ordnance. E: Request EOD support F-N: Neg.

S.F. REPORT

SECRET

1100 8 191100H SIT REP #92

- As: CCM (1) at 1st Bn Bridge, 3rd
 Plt Co W at 1st FULLER, Co L (1)
 YD223564, 2nd Plt Co L at 1st
 Plt.
 B: DTA's ceased, DTA's commenced, Co
 relieved Co L. Chopped OPCON Co
 1st Bn effective 191030H. Assumed
 OPCON of Co L (-) at 191030H. Chopped
 OPCON of 2nd Plt Co L to 1st Brigade
 5th Infantry (Mech)
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #30
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1700 20 191700H SIT REP #93

- A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG

1945 23 191945H FRAG ORDER for 20 October 69

1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Co I	YD244565
Co K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Co L (-)	YD280673
2nd Plt Co L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Co M	OPCON to 2/4

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base, conduct recon patrols to the east along river to select suitable ambush sites. Move Company Patrol Base vicinity YD252561. Establish six night ambushes along river. Conduct day security patrols and OP's.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hours OP/IP at grid YD251603. Conduct two day patrols north of gridline 57 and two night ambushes or patrol/ambushes in grids 2158, 2157, 2056, 2057.

Company L (-). From night Company Patrol Base conduct day recon patrols along Jones Creek and trails leading to it. Establish night Company Patrol Base in vicinity YD283680. Conduct two night patrols and two night ambushes along Jones Creek and trails leading to it.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DEA's.

S.F. REG

SECRET

2300 33 192300H SIT REP #94

A: Co I at YD242568, Co L (..) at YD82675, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #31
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

2315 32 192315H SPOT REPORT #31

A: Alpha Command B: 191515H C: YD3170
 D: 2nd Plt Co L conducting sweep received 3 rounds of small arms fire vicinity YD310725 with negative casualties. Patrol swept through area where small arms fire suspected to have originated YD710725 with negative signs of enemy presence. Upon return route Otter broke track. Squad left as security for vehicle. Two Otters returned to recover downed vehicle and squad returned Cua Viet 2030. Platoon returned Cua Viet 1800. E: Sweep of area was negative
 F-N: Neg.

S.F. REGT.

0500 2 200500H SIT REP #95

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

1000 5 200100H SPOT REPORT #32

A: 3rd Plt Co R B: 200915H C: Fr: YD251575 En: YD271570 D: Had 4-5 rounds M-16 caliber fire, 4-5 feet overhead grid submitted general, but fire was believed to come from vicinity across river. There were shrub bushes in area where rounds believed to be fired. E: Checked area, saw no one, continuing patrol. F-N: Neg.

S.F. REGT.

1100 6 201100H SIT REP #96

A: Co I at YD242568, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #32
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REGT.

SECRET

1600 18 201600H FROM CADRE For 11 October 69
 1. UNIT Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD242568
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD272573
2nd Plt Co L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry Group
Company M	OPCON to 2/4

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night Company Patrol Base at YD253566 conduct patrols to the east along river and trails leading to it to select ambush sites. Move Company Patrol Base vicinity YD240567 establish six night ambushes along river and trails. Conduct day security patrols and OP's.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hours OP/IP at grid YD251603. Conduct one day combat patrol in grids 1655, 1956, 1957, 2057 and two night ambushes or patrol ambushes in grids 2457, 2557, 2657. Continue to conduct Rat Patrol.

Company L (-). From your Company Patrol Base YD282680 cross Jones Creek and conduct DTA's east of Jones Creek to gridline 30 and north to gridline 70. Establish night position vicinity YD287675. Conduct two night ambushes along Jones Creek and trails leading to it.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REG.

1700 15 201700H SIT REP #97
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG.

2300 25 202300H SIT REP #98
 A: Co I at YD253561, Co L (-) at YD282680, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG.

0500 1 210500H SIT REP #99
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REG.

SECRET

1100 3 211100H SIT REP #101
 A: No change
 B: DTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. REC

1555 8 211555H NTAF ORDER for 22 October 69
 I. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD253567
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD293667
2nd Plt Co L	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
Company M	OPCON to 2/A

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night position at YD240562 conduct DTA's to west to recon suitable ambush sites, screen indigenous personnel and provide local security. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD220560 and conduct night ambushes along river and avoid range fan if possible.

Company K. Continue to defend and improve the defense of sector I and III. Conduct day patrols in grids 2357, 2457 to recon for suitable ambush sites, screen indigenous personnel and provide local security for Dong Ha Combat Base. Conduct two night ambushes or patrol/ambushes in these two grids. Continue to provide one reinforced squad for Rat Patrol. Maintain one reinforced platoon on five minutes standby for "Mongoose" (Rapid Reaction).

Company L (-). From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD287675, conduct patrols west of gridline 30 and south of gridline 70. Conduct one night ambush in addition to local security. Be prepared to conduct Medcap on 24 October.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.P. REC

1700 9 211700H SIT REP #101
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. REC

2300 18 212300H SIT REP #102
 A: Co I at YD240562, Co L (-) at YD287675, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.P. REC

SECRET

0400 1 220400H SPOT REPORT #99
 A: Alpha Movement P: 220350H C: Fr:
 YD235599 R: Unknown D: One round of
 unknown caliber of artillery or rock-
 et impacted vicinity above grid.
 E: Set condition Blue and request
 crater analysis team. Notified FSCC
 F-W: Neg S.F. 1207

0500 2 220500H SIT REP #103
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #99
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. 1207

1100 4 221100H SIT REP #104
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. 1207

1600 19 221600H FRAG ORDER for 23 October 69
1. Unit Locations
 3rd Bn, 4th Mar. Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company I YD240562
 Company K Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company L YD287675
 Company M OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (M416)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your night position, send elements of your Company to vicinity YD212551 to link up with recon sweep team. Provide one platoon to act as security for scuba operations. Conduct security patrols from your Company Patrol Base. Establish night Company Patrol Base in vicinity of YD230560. Conduct six night ambushes.

Company K. Continue the defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct day security patrols north of road in grids 2357, 2457, 2557 and conduct night ambushes in the following grids: 2557, 2657, 2658.

Company L. From your night Company Patrol Base conduct day activities. Make liaison with Popular Forces advisor at village from YD318690 for M416 on 24 October. Establish night Company Patrol Base from YD312685. Conduct four night ambushes.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's. S.F. 1207

SECRET

1700 17 221700H SIT REP #105

A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RM

2000 16 222000H SPOT REPORT #31

A: Alpha Command B: 221940H C: Fr:
 YD230580 En: YD235572 D: Personnel on
 perimeter defense in sector 3 obser-
 ved platoon sized unit moving west to
 east at dusk. Appeared to be armed and
 wearing helmets. E: Contacted Co I on
 move and moving through area of sus-
 pected observation. F-N: Neg.

S.F. RM

2300 21 222300H SIT REP #106

A: Co I at YD220560, Co L at YD302681,
 all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #34
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RM

2316 20 222316H SPOT REPORT #35

A: Alpha Command B: 222010H C:
 Fr: LCU Ramp NSA (YD241611) En:
 N/A D: One concussion grenade ex-
 ploded prematurely while being
 thrown into the water by NSA per-
 sonnel. Negative injuries incurred.
 E: N/A F-N: Neg

S.F. RM

0500 1 230500H SIT REP #107

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #35
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence

S.F. RM

0950 3 230950H SPOT REPORT #36

A: Alpha Command B: 230900H C: Fr/En:
 YD234589 D: Company K Office took one
 direct hit by enemy 140mm rocket round.
 Crater analysis indicates an azimuth of
 4500 mils as direction of rocket source.
 Nine personnel were wounded. E: Alert
 condition "blue" Made crater analysis.
 Medevac helicopter pick-up two emergen-
 cy medevac. "D"-Med ambulance medevac
 remainder to "D"-Med. Called in rocket-
 suppression fire. F: 1 G: Emergency-2,
 priority-6.

S.F. RM

SECRET

1005 4 231005H SPOT REPORT #37
 A: Co I B: 231000H C: YD220560 D: 11 personnel sighted southeast of this position. E: I.D. checked; 2 from Dong Ha without I.D. 1 to young to have I.D. F-N: Neg S.F. REG

1100 5 231100H SIT REP #108
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #36
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #37
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals
 KIA 2 FIMLA 9 NE 0
 ENCON 0 POW 0 DET 3 S.F. REG

1130 7 231130H SPOT REPORT #38
 A-D: No change, refer to SPOT REPORT #37
 E: Vietnamese personnel were interrogated and were determined to be innocent civilian personnel (female) F-N: Neg S.F. REG

1425 11 231425H SPOT REPORT #39
 A: Sweep team II-2 B: 231405H C: YD237722
 D: Dusters rear track hit mine - no casualties. E: Convoy and sweep team returning to Dong Ha. F-N: Neg S.F. REG

1600 14 231600H FRAG ORDER for 24 October 69
 1. Unit Locations
 3rd Bn, 4th Mar Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company M YD220560
 Company K Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company L YD302681
 Company M OPCOM to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)
 Detach 3rd Recon YD220560

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD230560 conduct DTA's to the east, recon for ambush sites, screen indigenous personnel and provide local security patrols. Continue to provide security for 3rd Recon Battalion activities on river. Establish night Company Patrol Base near 3rd Recon Battalion working area vicinity YD245559. Establish night ambushes along river and to north of your night Company Patrol Base.

Company K. Continue to defend and improve the defenses of sectors I and III. Maintain a 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 2 day combat/recon patrols in gridsquare 2557, 2657, 2556, 2656, 2555, 2655. Screen local personnel for ID and other unusual gear. Conduct 2 night ambushes in gridsquare 2657 and 2658.

SECRET

Company I. From your night company Patrol Base move to vicinity YD315680 and prepare to receive Hedcap team at approximately 0800. Provide security for Hedcap until approximately 1100. After departure of team conduct company sweep to north. Establish company Patrol Base in grid square 3170. Conduct 2 night patrols and 2 night ambushes.

3rd Recon Battalion. Continue operations in support of Company I.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REC

1700 15 231700H SIT REP #102

A: No change
B: DTA's in progress
C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #39
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #38
E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals:
KIA 3 FVIAE 7 NE 1
WOUN 0 POW 0 DET 3

S.F. REC

2100 20 232100H SPOT REPORT #40

A: Co I at 232030H C: Fr: YD250598
En: YD253003 D: Sector 1 received 15 rounds small arms fire carbine, fired from village. Rounds fired over 2nd Plt Co K Command Post, at this time. Approximately 20 civilians were on road riding bikes. These civilians scattered upon firing of rounds. E: Fired illumination and observed area with negative results. F-N: Neg

S.F. REC

2300 21 232300H SIT REP #110

A: Co I at YD225559, Co L at YD307682, all others no change.
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #40
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REC

2330 23 232330H SPOT REPORT #41

A: Co M at 232315H C: YD026562
D: One personnel received flesh wound in forehead from shrapnel of grenade thrown short. E: He is routine and will be sent back 24 October 69. F-N: Neg

S.F. REC

0500 1 240500H SIT REP #111

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #41
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REC

REMI-12

1100 3 241100H SIT REP #111
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 270

1100 9 241100H PRAG ORDER for 25 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD225559
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD316706
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base at vicinity YD245559 conduct DTA's to the north and east, recon ambush sites, and conduct local security patrols. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD250560. Establish 6 night ambushes along river and north of Company Patrol Base.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sector I and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct two day combat/recon patrols in vicinity grid square UL 1959, LR 2256 and UL2258, LR 2456. Conduct two night ambushes vicinity grid square 2256 and 2057. Ensure DTA's operate no closer than 200 meters to east and west limits of range and do not operate south of range.

Company L. From your night Company Patrol Base vicinity 3170 conduct search operation vicinity UL 3172 LR 3371. Upon termination of operation move to vicinity grid square 3270 and conduct local security patrols. Establish 2 night patrols and 2 night ambushes. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity 3270.

3. Submit Tod's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. 130

1700 10 241700H SIT REP #113
 A: Co I vicinity YD297678, all others
 no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 270

2000 14 242000H SPOT REPORT #114
 A: Co I B: 241100H C: Fr/En: YD248553
 D: While on a security mission for a recon team a scuba team found a possible trip wire, bamboo vine. It was from tree to tree about neck high. The scuba team also found a supply of personal gear and other equipment. The gear was scattered around on the ground and the team also checked out the river with negative results.

SECRET

It was checked thoroughly with negative further results. Due to the importance of the securing mission, it was impossible to bring the gear in. There will be an ambush in the vicinity of the discovered equipment tonight and also there will be personnel sent out tomorrow to retrieve the gear. F-M: Neg. N: List of gear found: (a) 2 pair black pajamas, (b) 3 cans mackerel which had made in Japan on can, (c) rice, (d) an unknown type fuse which was wrapped in a rag, (e) gear was possibly 3 days old.

S.F. NEG

2200 16 242230H SPOT REPORT #42 (Final)

A: No change, refer to SPOT REPORT #41a
E: Clothing, Fuse, and food cans were returned by security element to company area contrary to first report. These items will be returned to Alpha Command position as soon as possible. Unit will return to area of discovery of listed items at first light and make further search of area. F-N: Neg.

S.F. NEG

2300 18 242300H SIT REP #114

A: Co I at YD253561, Co L at YD320710, all others no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #41a and SPOT REPORT #42 (Final)
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

2330 3 242330H SPOT REPORT #43

A: Co M B: 240700H C: YD008056 D: On 100% alert drill at 242310H 81mm mortars were firing their rounds and 6 inflicted minor injuries to men on LP. E: First aid was administered F: Neg. G: 2 H-N: Neg.

S.F. NEG

0500 1 250500H SIT REP #115

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

1100 5 251100H SIT REP #116

A: No change
B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #43
E: DTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. NEG

SECRET

1235 9 251215Z SPOT REPORT #41
 A: 1st Bn 4th Mar 1. 251215Z C: Tr/En:
 123510 D: Wheel 251215Z did not either
 NVA or VC type. First aircraft was found
 along trail. 2d Patrol checked out area
 with negative results. 3d Bn. N: 1
 waterborne. 4d Bn. 5 battle dressings, 1
 pair of shoes.

C.I.F. 1235

1700 16 251700H SIT REP #417
 A: No change
 B: 4d Bn in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #44
 E: 1d Bn to cease, NVA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

C.I.F. 1700

1700 21 251700H SPOT REPORT #45
 A: 1st Bn 4th Mar 251700H C: YD022563, YD026562,
 YD021558 D: Approximately 1330H an engineer
 truck was moving along road near grid YD022563
 at south-southwest direction. As it was pull-
 ing to paved surface, the right tire struck
 a mine. Apparently pressure detonated. Also
 AK-47 fire was reported from approximately
 grid YD021559. Driver of truck was shaken,
 but not injured. No other person was in
 vehicle. Mine crater was approximately 3 1/2
 feet in diameter and 2 1/2 feet depth. E: Fired
 small arms, 81mm, 60mm, M-79, tanks and
 automatic weapons. F-N: Neg.

S.I.F. 1700

1740 17 251740H FRAG ORDER for 26 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD253561
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD252561
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD261568, conduct local security patrols and recon ambush sites east of gridline 24. Establish night Company Patrol Base YD251565. Establish two night ambushes along river and 4 night ambushes along trails to east and west of night position and west of gridline 24.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Main-
 tain 24 hour OP/IP at YD251568. Conduct 2 day combat/recon patrols west of
 gridlines 24 and north of 55. Conduct two night ambushes west of gridlines
 24 and north of 55. Ensure NVA's operate no closer than 200 meters to east
 and west limits of range and do not operate to south of range.

SECRET

Company L. From your night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD315720, conduct search operation vicinity YD 2201, IR3342, establish cordon during dark and commence search at first light. Upon termination of operation move to vicinity YD325705 and conduct local security patrols. Conduct 2 night patrols and two night ambushes. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD321700.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DCA's.

S.F. 2100.

2045 22 252045H SPOT REPORT #46

A: Co I B: 252045H D: We heard a detonation from these coordinates at an azimuth of approximately 150 at an undetermined range. This detonation sounded like a mortar tube firing. E: Report sent to Alpha Command. F-N: Neg.

S.F. 2100.

2130 24 252130H SPOT REPORT #47

A: Co I E: 252100H G: En: YD257576 D: Found 1 set of NVA type sneaker foot print heading towards the east approximately 1 day old. E: Checked out area then continued to prescribed ambush site. F-N: Neg.

S.F. 2100.

2258 28 252258H SPOT REPORT #48

A: Co M B: 252045H G: Fr: YD018084 En: YD027567 D: LP located at YD018084 spotted 2 to 4 persons carrying some type of containers. These persons were spotted around 2040H. E: LP threw 3-4 grenades and returned to position. .50 caliber and M-60 machinegun fired from PC into area after LP came in. Illumination was fired with negative sightings, received illumination from Huey flareship and Spooky while fireteam searched area with negative results. Many beaten paths found in area. Will conduct another search at first light. F-N: Neg.

S.F. 2100.

2300 27 252300H SIT REP #118

A: Co I at YD262571, Co L at YD315720, all others no change
B: DCA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORTS #45, #46, #47
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2100.

0500 2 260500H SIT REP #119

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #46
E: NTA's to cease, DCA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2100.

SECTION

1100 7 261100H SIT REP #120
 A: No change
 B: NIA's ceased, DIA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DIA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. 100

2100 13 261100H REAG ORDER for 27 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 14th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	YD262571
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	OPCON to 2/4
3rd Plt Co I	OPCON to Co M 3/4
Company N	OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Main)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD251565, conduct local security patrols and recon ambush sites, east of gridline 23. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD240565, establish 2 night ambushes along river and 4 night ambushes vicinity your Company Patrol Base, east of gridline 24. Prepare to move to DECB at first light on 28 October.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 2 day combat/recon patrols west of gridline 23 and north of gridline 55. Ensure DIA's operate no closer than 200 meters to east and west limits of range and do not operate to south of range.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DIA's.

S.M. 100

1700 17 261700H SIT REP #121
 A: No change
 B: DIA's in progress, Co L (-) OPCON to 2/4. 3rd Plt Co L OPCON to Co M
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DIA's to cease, NIA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. 100

2300 22 262300H SIT REP #122
 A: Co I at YD255566, all others no change
 B: DIA's ceased, NIA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DIA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.M. 100

SECRET

0500 1 270500H SIT REP #123
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REPT.

1100 5 271100H SIT REP #124
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REPT.

1400 9 271400H FRAG ORDER for 28 October 69
 1. Unit Locations
 3rd Bn, 4th Mar Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company I YD255565
 Company K Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company L (-) OPCON to 2/4
 3rd Plt Co L OPCON to Co M
 Company M OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Main)

2. No change from oral orders.
 Company I. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD240565, return to Dong Ha Combat Base through range gate, vicinity YD226582.
 Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III, maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct day combat/recon patrols east of gridline 22, west of gridline 27 and north of river. Do not commence DTA's until return of Company I to DECB. Ensure DTA's operate no closer than 200 meters to east and west limits of range and do not operate to south of range.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's. S.F. REPT.

1700 13 271700H SIT REP #125
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REPT.

2300 19 272300H SIT REP #126
 A: Company I at YD240565, Company L (-) at YD232589, and others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. REPT.

SECRET

0500 1 280500H SIT REP #127
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. WEST.

1100 2 281100H SIT REP #128
 A: Co L at Dong Ha Combat Base, Co I at Dong Ha Combat Base, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. WEST.

1500 10 281500H FRAC ORDER for 29 October 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	On the move
3rd Plt Co L	OPCON to Co M
Company M	OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue stand down in preparation for ceremonial duties at Danang.

Company L. From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD205550, conduct security patrols/CP's vicinity your day Company Patrol Base and recon night ambush sites. Do not conduct DTA's or NTA's east of gridline 23. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD215551 and conduct 4 night ambushes vicinity night Company Patrol Base.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/CP at YD251604. Conduct 1 day combat/recon patrol west of gridline 23 and north of gridline 57 and 1 day combat/recon patrol east of gridline 23. Conduct 2 night ambushes east of gridline 23.

3. Submit TCD's, TOR's, CP's for NI/DTA's. S.F. WEST.

1700 8 281700H SIT REP #128
 A: Co L on the move, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. WEST.

SECRET

230 15 282200H SIT REP #130
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. 0000

0500 1 290500H SIT REPORT #130
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. 0000

1100 3 291100H SIT REP #131
 A: No change
 B: DTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change S.F. 0000

1300 6 291300H FMWG ORDER for 30 October 69
 1. Unit Locations
 3rd Bn, 4th Mar Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company I Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company K Dong Ha Combat Base
 Company L (-) YD201555
 3rd Plt Co L OPCON to Co M
 Company M OPCON to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mac)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue stand down in preparation for ceremonial duties at Danang.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors J and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 1 day combat/recon patrol west of gridlines 23 and north of 57, and 1 day combat/recon patrol east of gridline 23. Conduct 2 night ambushes vicinity UL 2559 LR 2757.

Company L (-). From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD215555 conduct local security patrol/OP's vicinity your day Company Patrol Base and recon ambush sites. Do not conduct DTA's east of gridlines 23 nor north of 57. Conduct no NTA's east of gridline 23. Establish 4 night ambushes. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD201555.

3. Submit TCD's, TCR's, OP's and NTA/DTA's. S.F. 0000

SECRET

1700 13 291700H

SIT REP #132

A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2321

2300 15 292300H

SIT REP #133

A: Co L at YD215557, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2321

0500 1 300500H

SIT REP #134

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2321

1100 6 301100H

SIT REP #135

A: No change, except 3rd Plt Co L on move to DHCB from Khe Gio Bridge
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 2321

1230 9 301230H

SPOT REPORT #49

A: 3rd Plt Co K B: 301215H C: Fr: YD265582 En: YD275586 D: Patrol received 5 rounds of small arms fire. One round impacted 15 feet from the patrol. The rounds sounded like they were fired from an M-16. No casualties were received. Believe rounds were fired by Popular Forces. E: Patrol took cover and then continued on patrol route. Popular Forces advisors were notified and said they would check into and correct the situation. Patrol was instructed to return fire if positive identification was made. F-N: Neg

S.F. 2321

2000

1500 10 301345H FRAC ORDER for 21 October 69
1. SITE LOCATIONS

1st Plt 4th Bn	Long Ba Combat Base
Company I	Long Ba Combat Base
Company K	Long Ba Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD215500
3rd Plt Co L	Long Ba Combat Base
Company M	OPTION to 1st Brigade 5th Infantry (Mech)

2. No change from oral orders.

Company I. Continue stand down in preparation for ceremonial duties at DaNang.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD233600. Conduct 1 day combat/recon patrol west of gridlines 24 and north of 57. Conduct 1 day combat/recon patrol east of gridline 24. Conduct 2 night ambushes vicinity UL 2559 IR 2757.

Company L (-). From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD224562, conduct local security patrols and OPS vicinity your day Company Patrol Base and recon ambush sites. Do not conduct DTA's east of gridline 24 or north of 57. Conduct 4 night ambushes. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD24056.

3rd Plt Company L. Stand down until 310000H at which time check COMPANY K for duty involving perimeter defense.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

1558 12 301558H SPOT REPORT #50
 A: Naval Supply Annex D: 301558H
 C: Old LCU Ramp (POI Dump) D: At approximately 1400 a fire started in the POI Dump at the old LCU Ramp. AMY 116, 118, 157 were searched. AMY 154 4 tanks buckled. AMY 30 1 tank buckled. E: Fire department was called and the fire was extinguished at 1510. Will report cause of fire later.

1700 13 301700H SIT REP #136
 A: 3rd Plt Co L at DYOB, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #49
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #50
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

2300 19 302300H SIT REP #137
 A: Co L at YD224562, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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0500 1 310500H SIT REP #128
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

1100 1 311100H SIT REP #139
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

1230 6 311231H FRAG ORDER for 1 November 69 .
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn., 4th Mar.	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L (-)	YD210560
Company M (-)	OPCON to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry (Mech)
3rd Plt Co M	Attached to Co K

2. No change from oral orders.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sectors I and III and XIII. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 1 day combat/recon patrol west of gridline 23 and north of 57. Conduct day combat/recon patrol east of gridline 23. Conduct 2 night ambushes vicinity gridsquares 2457 and 2557.

Company L (-). From your Company Patrol Base vicinity YD210560, conduct local security patrols. Establish OP's and recon ambush sites vicinity your day Company Patrol Base. Do not conduct DTA's east of gridline 23 or north of gridline 57. Conduct 4 night ambushes. Establish night Company Patrol Base vicinity YD225562.

Company M. Upon chopping OPCON stand down at DHCB and be prepared to assume perimeter defense mission on order.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REPORT

1700 13 311700H SIT REP #140
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

2300 15 312300H SIT REP #141
 A: Co L at YD210560, Co M at Dong Ha Combat Base, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPORT

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0500 1 010500H SIT REP #44
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: NIA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 E: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPT

1045 3 011045H SPOT REPORT #51
 A: 2nd Plt Co K B: 011000H C: Fr:
 YD268663 En: YD275643 D: Patrol re-
 ported hearing light small arms fire
 at above grid. E: Requested AO not
 approved due to weather. Small arms
 fire ceased. F-N: Neg

S.F. REPT

1100 4 011100H SIT REP #443
 A: 2nd Plt Co K dispatched on Rapid
 Reaction Force, all others no change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #51
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. REPT

1140 5 011140H SPOT REPORT #52
 A: 2nd Plt Co K B: 011130H C: Fr/En:
 YD272656 D: Squad sweeping area found
 evidence of footprints of 9-10 personnel
 at above grid. Were unable to determine if
 the footprints were enemy or friendly per-
 sonnel. E: Checked area out with negative
 results F-N: Neg.

S.F. REPT

1600 16 011600H FRAG ORDER for 2 November 69
 1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD225562
Company M	Dong Ha

2. No change from oral orders.

Company K. Assume defense of Sector 7 and continue improvements. Main-
 tain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 1 night ambush vicinity your Company
 AO.

Company L. Conduct platoon combat/recon patrols north and south of
 river. All night positions and 6 night ambushes will be north of the river.

Company M. Assume defense of sectors I and III and continue improvement
 Conduct 2 day combat/recon patrols and 1 night ambush vicinity your Company
 AO.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's, for NT/DTA's.

S.F. REPT

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1700 10 011700H SIT REP #114
 A: 2nd PIR Co at DHCB, all others
 no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Refer to SPOT REPORT #52
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.S. REC

2300 17 012300H SIT REP #115
 A: Co L at YD210560, all others no
 change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.S. REC

0500 1 020500H SIT REP #116
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.S. REC

1100 5 021100H SIT REP #117
 A: No change
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.S. REC

1330 9 021330H FRAG ORDER for 3 November 69
1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company I	DaNang
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	YD225561
Company M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sector 7. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 1 night ambush within your company AO.

Company L. Conduct company/platoon size sweep to the east and north of your present position. Return to Dong Ha Combat Base through southeast gate vicinity YD257586. Upon arrival at Dong Ha Combat Base make liaison with Company M and assume defense of sectors 1 and 3. Conduct one night ambush within your Company AO.

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Company M. Shop OGCN of Company H to Alpha Command for duty with Base Coordinator, Company M (a), depart Dong Ha Combat Base and conduct platoon size search operations north and south of river. Conduct six night ambushes. All night positions and ambushes will be located north of river. Do not conduct DTA's prior to departure from Dong Ha Combat Base.

3. Submit ROP's, TCE's, CP's for NIA, DTA's.

S.F. 1974

1700 12 021700H SIT REP #148
 A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 1974

2300 16 022300H SIT REP #149
 A: Co L at YD211559, all others no change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 1974

0500 1 030500H SIT REP #150
 A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 1974

1100 5 031100H SIT REP #151
 A: 3rd Plt Co K dispatched as Rapid Reaction Force from DHCB, Co L at DHCB, all others no change.
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. 1974

1700 14 031700H SIT REP #152
 A: 1st Plt Co M at YD227565 on the move, 3rd Plt Co M at YD247564 on the move, 3rd Plt Co K Rapid Reaction Force returned to DHCB, all others no change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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1800 21 031800H FROM OMDA for 1 November 68
1. Unit Locations

3rd Bn, 4th Mar	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company J	Dong Ha
Company K	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company L	Dong Ha Combat Base
Company M	YD253562
3rd Plt Co M	Dong Ha Combat Base

2. No change from oral orders.

Company K. Continue defense and improvement of sector 7. Maintain 24 hour OP/LP at YD251604. Conduct 1 night ambush within your Company AO.

Company L. Continue defense and improvement of sectors 1 and 3. Conduct 2 night ambushes vicinity your Company AO.

Company M. From platoon night Platoon Patrol Bases conduct sweeps to the north terminating vicinity YD225582. Upon return to DHCB stand down during day hours. Conduct 6 night ambushes. Conduct liaison with Company L and Company K regarding positions of ambushes each night.

3. Submit TOD's, TOR's, CP's for NT/DTA's.

S.F. RND

1845 19 031845H SPOT REPORT #53

A: 1st and 3rd Plt Co K (2 patrols)
B: 031050H C: Vicinity of YD220535
D: Found cave entrance 3 feet wide going from hilltop straight down about 12 feet and narrows to less than 1 foot wide. Did not appear to be used recently. E: Checked out surrounding area for other entrances with negative results. Threw 2 grenades into entrance and continued patrol. F-N: Neg.

S.F. RND

2300 24 032300H SIT REP #153

A: 3rd Plt and Co M Command Post at YD253562, 1st Plt Co M at YD208560, all others no change
B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to continue
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RND

0500 1 040500H SIT REP #154

A: No change
B: NTA's in progress
C: Neg
D: Neg
E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RND

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SECRET1100 3 041100H SIT REP #155

A: No change, except Co M at Dong Ha
 Combat Base
 B: NTA's ceased, DTA's commenced
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RECH

1700 4 041700H SIT REP #156

A: No change
 B: DTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: DTA's to cease, NTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RECH

2030 5 042030H SPOT REPORT #54

A: Co K B: 042015H C: Fr: Dong Ha Combat
 Base. En: YD249604 D: 3 bursts of auto-
 matic weapons fire M-60 type 50 meters from
 hole 20X15 round bursts. E: Try to fire
 60mm illumination round but clearance took
 too long, firing stopped. F-N: Neg.

S.F. RECH

2300 6 042300H SIT REP #157

A: No change
 B: DTA's ceased, NTA's commenced
 C: Refer to SPOT REPORT #54
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to continue
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

S.F. RECH

0500 1 050500H SIT REP #158

A: No change
 B: NTA's in progress
 C: Neg
 D: Neg
 E: NTA's to cease, DTA's to commence
 F: Cumulative totals - No change

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Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) Map: Vietnam 1:50,000, Series L 7014, Sheets 6341 I, 6442 III, and 6442 IV.
(b) 4th Marines Operation Order 1-69
(c) Annex A (Special Instructions for DHCB Rapid Reaction Force) to 3rd Marine Division Frag Order 36-39
(d) Division Bulletin 5060 dtd 7 October 1969
(e) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Embarkation Order 1-69
(f) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Administration Order 1-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)b. Friendly Forces

- (1) 4th Marine Regiment (..) continues phased stand down and preparation for redeployment from RVN.
- (2) 1st Brigade of the 5th Infantry Division (Mech) continues operations to the Northwest and West of DHCB and South of the CUA VIET RIVER and prepares to assume mission of Base Defense Coordinator, DHCB on 5 November 1969.
- (3) 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion continues operations in the 3rd Marine Division Recon Zone South of DHCB and prepares to stand down for redeployment.
- (4) 2nd ARVN Regiment, 1st ARVN Division continues operations North of DHCB to the southern boundary of the DMZ.
- (5) 4/12 provides direct support for 3/4.
- (6) Tenant Units, DHCB provide personnel and equipment for the DHCB defense.
- (7) Annex E (Air)
- (8) Naval Support. Seventh Fleet elements continues to provide NCF support and sealift as required for redeployment of 4th Marines to Okinawa.

c. Attachments and Detachments

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- (1) Company M (rein) detached to 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry Division (Mech) for security of KHE GIO BRIDGE until further ordered to terminate on or about 1 November 1969.
- (2) Detachment, 3rd Marine Division Counter-Intelligence Section, G-2, attached for use with Rapid Reaction Platoon.
- (3) Detachment, 7th PsyOp Battalion attached for use with Rapid Reaction Platoon.
- (4) ARVN Interpreters attached to S-2 Section for employment within DHCB AO and with Rapid Reaction Platoon.

2. MISSION

3rd Battalion, 4th Marines continues defense of DHCB and conducts security operations within DHCB AO. On 5 November, stand down at DHCB and prepare for embarkation. Continue to provide personnel for perimeter defense as required until 17 November. From 18-23 November, embark for Okinawa on assigned shipping.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations

- (1) DHCB is defended with tenant units manning perimeter defenses in conjunction with one rifle company to be augmented by a second company as it is released from other assigned mission.
- (2) One company operates within the DHCB AO south of the Combat Base until 5 November.
- (3) Commencing on 5 November, 3/4 stands down with all companies at DHCB and prepares to deploy to Okinawa in accordance with Annex C (Sequence of Events).
- (4) Other units assigned to Embarkation Unit B-3 (Appendix 1 (Troop List RLT-4) to Annex A (Task Organization) prepare to redeploy in accordance with Annex C (Sequence of Events) and Appendix 1 (Sequence of Events) to Annex C (Operation Overlay) of reference (B).

b. Co I

- (1) Commencing on 28 October stand down at DHCB and prepare to move to Danang for participation in 3rd Marine Division Farewell Ceremony in accordance with reference (d).
- (2) Upon detachment from duties with ADC in Danang on or about 7 November, return to DHCB and continue to stand down and make preparations to redeploy to Okinawa in accordance with this order and references (e) and (f).

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- (3) Be prepared to relieve Company L of perimeter defense responsibilities from 16 November until embarkation.

c. Co K

- (1) Continue mission of defending assigned sectors of DHCB and conduct security operations within DHCB AO as ordered.
- (2) Provide one platoon for Rapid Reaction in accordance with reference (c).
- (3) Commencing 5 November stand down at DHCB and prepare to re-deploy to Okinawa in accordance with this order and references (e) and (f).
- (4) Be prepared to provide perimeter defense personnel from 5-12 November.

d. Co L

- (1) Continue assigned mission in the DHCB AO conducting local security operations to include ambushes, patrols and outposts.
- (2) Upon relief of present mission return to DHCB and assume that portion of DHCB perimeter defense as assigned by this Headquarters. Be prepared to assume Rapid Reaction Platoon mission as outlined in reference (c).
- (3) Commencing 5 November stand down at DHCB and prepare to re-deploy to Okinawa in accordance with this order and references (e) and (f).
- (4) Be prepared to provide perimeter defense personnel from 5-16 November.

e. Co M

- (1) Continue present mission until chopped OpCon 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.
- (2) Upon relief of present mission return to DHCB and be prepared to assume mission of perimeter defense and/or to conduct security operations within DHCB AO south of the perimeter.
- (3) Commencing 5 November stand down at DHCB and prepare to re-deploy to Okinawa in accordance with this order and references (e) and (f).
- (4) Commencing 12 November be prepared to relieve Company K of defense of assigned sectors of DHCB until departure for point of embarkation.

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f. H&S Co (-)

- (1) Continue to provide support to the Battalion units until departure for point of embarkation.
- (2) Commencing 5 November stand down at DHCB and prepare to re-deploy to Okinawa in accordance with this order and references (a) and (2).

g. 81mm Mortar Platoon - Continue present mission of supporting KHE ~~GTO BRIDGE~~ with one section at that position. Maintain ~~positions~~ in general support of DHCB defenses and units operating in DHCB AO until 5 November 1969, or later as directed. Thereafter, stand down on order.

h. 106mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon - Continue to attach one section of guns to Company K for defense of DHCB until 5 November 1969, or later as directed. Thereafter, stand down on order.

i. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) When ordered to stand down, units cease offensive operations, move to the Battalion Area, and begin preparation for embarkation.
- (2) Advance parties of up to five percent of assigned strength are authorized. Rifle companies will send only a five (5) man advance party. Advanced party redeploys to Okinawa on or about 9 November.
- (3) Unit commanders retain responsibility for security of their units until embarkation.
- (4) All companies will leave a four (4) man detail behind to conduct police of the area. This detail will be under the supervision of the S-4 and will deploy to Okinawa by air.
- (5) Sequence of events - Annex (C)
- (6) All maneuver elements continue to move 1000 meters a day. Move into night positions under cover of darkness.
- (7) Embarkation Order 1-69
- (8) Administration Order 1-69
- (9) This order is effective upon receipt.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Administration Order 1-69.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS

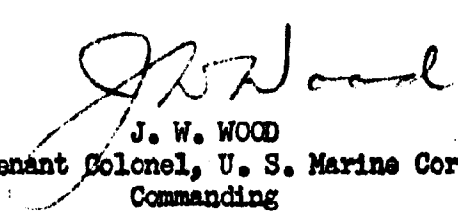
a. Annex F (Communication-Electronics)

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b. Command Posts

- (1) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines area, Dong Ha Combat Base.
- (2) AFLOAT - To be announced.
- (3) Units report change in Command Post locations as they occur.

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ANNEXES:

- ✓A - Task Organization
- ✓B - Intelligence
- ✓C - Sequence of Events
- ✓D - Fire Support Coordination
- ✓E - Air
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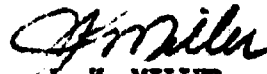
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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 1-69

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<u>3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment</u>	LtCol WOOD
Company I	Capt JORDAN
Company K	1stLt FISHER
Company L	Capt HINSON
Company M	1stLt PHILLIPS
H&S Company (-)	1stLt KELLEY
81mm Mortar Platoon	1stLt WILLEMIN
106mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon	2ndLt BURKE

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Appendix 1 (Troop List, ELT 3/4) to Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 1-69

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1. For Phase II-B (Redeployment of RL-4) the following organization for embarkation Unit B-3 is effective for planning purposes upon receipt and for operations upon embarkation.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>UNIT COMMANDER</u>
Embarkation Unit B-3		CO, 3rd Bn, 4th Marines
3rd Bn, 4th Marines (-)	1048	
Det, Hq Bn, 3rd Marine Division (-)	200	
Det, Hq Co, 4th Marines	24	
3rd Recon Bn (-)	309	
3rd Medical Bn	86	
12th Engineer Bn (-)	103	
3rd Dental Co (-)	3	
4th Bn, 12th Marines (-)	110	
Co C, 9th MT Bn	83	
7th ITT	11	

2. All units will redeploy as near as possible to the strengths listed above. In addition, all Navy personnel will embark with the unit to which they are attached.

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Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) DivO P3800.1G (SOP for Intelligence)
 (b) DivO 3461.1 (Processing for POW's)
 (c) DivO 3640.1A (SOP for Handling Captured Equipment)
 (d) 3rd Marine Division Operation Order 25-69

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. See current INTSUMS and periodic and special intelligence reports.
- b. See Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex B (Intelligence) to 3rd Marine Division Operation Order 25-69.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Determine the courses of action the enemy will take in order to maximize the advantages given him by a reduction of U. S. forces in Northern I Corps.
- b. Determine the measures which the enemy will employ to continue activity against U. S. forces in Northern I Corps.
- c. Annex B (Intelligence) to 3rd Marine Division Operation Order 25-69.

3. INTELLIGENCE ACQUISITION TASKS. Collection efforts in support of this plan will be in accordance with Appendix 2 (Redeployment Collection Plan) to Annex B (Intelligence), 3rd Marine Division Operation Order 25-69.

4. MEASUREMENTS FOR HANDLING PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS, AND MATERIAL

- a. POW's and civilian detainees will be processed and exploited as detailed in references (a) and (b) as applicable.
- b. Documents and material will be processed and exploited in accordance with references (a) and (c).

5. INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT REQUIRED. Intelligence support which is required will be requested in accordance with reference (a).

6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. Implement passive counterintelligence measures as required to protect this command from espionage, sabotage, or subversion and provide maximum security during redeployment.

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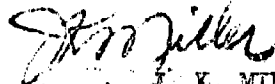
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7. REPORTS. Intelligence reports will be in accordance with Annex G (Reports) to 3rd Division Operation Order 25-69.

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Annex C (Sequence of Events) to Operation Order 1-69

1. Units will stand down on the dates specified in this sequence of events. A report of change of stand down status or assumption of new mission will be reported to S-3, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines. When stand down of a unit is complete a report will also be made to the S-3.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Date	Unit	From	To	Remarks
28 Oct	Co I	DHCB AO	DHCB	Prepare to depart for Danang
* 1 Nov	Co M	KHE GIO BRIDGE	DECB AO	Security Ops
	Co L	DHCB AO	DHCB	Perimeter Defense
1 Nov	Co I	DHCB	Danang	Farewell Ceremony
5 Nov	Co K	DHCB	Remain	{ Stand down at DHCB Continue to man perimeter as required Stand down, prepare to embark
	Co L	DHCB	Remain	
	Co M	DHCB AO	DHCB	
7 Nov	Co I	Danang	DHCB	Stand down, prepare to embark
9 Nov	Advance Party	QTGB	Okinawa	Departs QTGB Airfield
12 Nov	Co M	DHCB	Remain	Relieves Co K on perimeter
	Co K	DHCB	Remain	Stand down, prepare for embark
16 Nov	Co I	DHCB	Remain	Relieves Co L on perimeter
	Co L	DHCB	Remain	Stand down, prepare for embark
19-20 Nov	All Units	DHCB	POE	Commence embarkation phase. Airlift main body to Danang.

* Items marked with asterisks are approximate only.

2. Order of departure and embarkation will be as follows:

- (1) Company K
- (2) Company L
- (2) Company M

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(4) H&S Company (-)

(5) Company I

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Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Maps: RVN, 1:50,000 AMS Series L 7014, Sheet 6442 III, 6442 IV, and 6341 I

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) 4th Battalion, 12th Marines provides direct support to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines will stand down 10 November 1969.

2. MISSION

Provide for coordination of the supporting fires for DHCB and limited offensive operations in the DHCB AO until 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines stand down.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of supporting arms employment

- (1) Artillery units of the 4th Battalion, 12th Marines (155SP) will provide direct support and reinforcing fires for the DHCB and DHCB AO.
- (2) Additional fire support will be available from the Battalion's integral and attached mortars.
- (3) Fire support is available from Army Dusters and the 106mm Recoilless Rifle Section located on the DHCB perimeter.
- (4) The Battalion FSCC will plan, clear and coordinate all supporting fires with the guidance and assistance of the 3rd Marine Division FSCC.

b. 3rd Battalion FSCC/COC

- (1) Receive calls for fire from forward observers and tenant units and submit them to 4th Battalion, 12th Marines FDC.
- (2) Coordinate the clearance of artillery, mortar, recoilless rifle and Duster fire that will impact within 1000 meters of the DHCB AO.

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- (3) Refer grids outside DHCB AO, within 1000 meters of the DHCB AO boundaries, and in the political "no fire" zone to the 3rd Marine Division FSCC for special clearance.
- (4) Assign "Save-A-Plane" designators to targets originating from the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine units.
- (5) Plan H&I and counter-mortar artillery fire in DHCB AO.
- (6) Provide one crater analysis team for DHCB area.
- c. 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines 81mm Platoon (-). Prepare a list of permanent on-call base defense fires to be fired on command of the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines FSCC.
- d. 81mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon (-). Provide direct support for Sector 3 of the perimeter and limited support in the DHCB AO up to maximum range.
- e. Coordinating Instructions
 - (1) Questions concerning this annex will be directed to Artillery L&O, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (2) Forward observers will submit H&I requirements to Battalion FSCC daily.
 - (3) Ground unit commanders will be notified of fires in proximity of their units prior to firing.
 - (4) Ground commanders will notify FSCC prior to firing 60mm mortars.
 - (5) Clearance for fires outside AO, within 1000 meters of DHCB AO boundaries, or in the political "no fire" zone will be referred to 3rd Marine Division FSCC.
 - (6) On-call targets will be cleared on an "as needed" basis.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. No restriction on artillery support available.
- b. Mortar support will be provided in accordance with ammunition on hand and AGR.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Communications

- (1) The Battalion FSCC will receive calls for fire and submit calls for fire on the CCF #1 net, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.

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- (2) The Battalion FSCC will monitor the 81mm Fire Direction Net.
- (3) The Battalion FSCC will monitor and receive calls for fire on the DMCB Defense Net.
- (4) Whenever possible telephone communications will be used to reduce traffic on radio nets.

b. Command

- (1) Artillery support will be controlled by the 4th Battalion, 12th Marines FDC.
- (2) Fire support will be coordinated by the 3rd Marine Division FSCC.
- (3) The Battalion Artillery Liaison Officer will be located in the COC bunker.

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APPENDIXES:

- ✓ 1 - Dong Ha Combat Base Defense Artillery on-calls
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Appendix 1. (Dong Ha Base Defense On-Calls) to Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 1-69.

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1. All targets will be fired when possible by "M" Battery, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines located at C-1.

2. Dong Ha Combat Base Defense On-Calls

<u>Group</u>	<u>Target Number</u>	<u>Grid</u>
Bismarck	HX 7729	200 603
	HX 7730	213 608
	HX 7731	224 607
Dallas	HX 7732	230 612
	HX 7733	238 615
	HX 7734	247 613
Washington	HX 7735	253 607
	HX 7736	253 602
	HX 7737	262 592
Trenton	HX 7738	2604 5844
	HX 7739	2571 5795 *
	HX 7740	2550 5776
Nashville	HX 7740	2550 5776
	HX 7741	2508 5773 *
	HX 7742	2480 5769
Louisville	HX 7743	2445 5738
	HX 7744	2405 5750 *
	HX 7745	2372 5730
Boston	HX 7746	2321 5725
	HX 7747	2290 5767 *
	HX 7748	2230 5776
Miami	HX 7749	2170 5792
	HX 7750	2167 5834 *
Boise	HX 7751	218 537
	HX 7752	208 587
	HX 7753	200 590

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Appendix 2 (Available Artillery Support Summary) to Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 1-69.

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1. Available Artillery Support Summary

<u>UNIT NAME</u>	<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TYPE OF WEAPON</u>	<u>NUMBER OF WEAPONS</u>
Bravo 5th Guns	USMC	Dong Ha (West)	175 Gun (SP)	3
Mike Delta 4/12	USMC	Dong Ha (West)	155 How (SP)	3
Alpha 1st/40th	Army	Dong Ha (West)	105	6
Bravo 8th/4th	Army	C-1	175 Gun (SP)	4
Mike Charlie 4/12	USMC	C-1	155 How (SP)	3
Charlie 5th/4th	Army	C-2	155 How	6
Charlie 1st/40th	Army	C-2	105 How	6
Alpha 5th/4th	Army	LZ Sharon	155 How	6
Charlie 6th/33rd	Army	Mai Loc	105 How	6
Alpha 8th/4th	Army	Camp Carroll	8" How	4
Charlie 5th Guns	USMC	Camp Carroll	175 Gun	4

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Annex E (Air) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam, 1:50,000 AMS, Series L 7014, Sheet 6442 III,
6442 IV and 6441 I
(b) 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Administration Order 1-69

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1. SITUATION

a. General

- (1) Helicopter, fixed wing and miscellaneous air requests will be submitted to the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines Air Liaison Officer for further submission to the 3rd Division Air Officer.

b. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)c. Friendly Forces. First MAW provides fixed and rotary wing support.

2. MISSION

To provide fixed wing and helicopter support for 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines operations.

3. EXECUTION

a. Tactical air requests will be submitted to the Air Liaison Officer as follows:

- (1) Tactical fixed wing (CAS) prior to 1000H preceding the day of the request.
- (2) Helicopters for tactical troop lifts prior to 1300H preceding the day of the request.
- (3) OV-10A (Aerial Observer) prior to 1200H preceding the day of the request.
- (4) Command and control helicopters (C&C) prior to 1400H preceding the day of the request.
- (5) Requests for specific type air support (i.e. spooky, minigun ship, flare ship) will be provided on request for tactical units engaged in combat with enemy forces.

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4. ~~COMMAND/COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS~~. Annex F (~~Communications-Electronics~~).

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Annex F (Communications-Electronics) to Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) 3rd MarDivO P2000.40 (Communications SOP) (U)
 (b) 3rd MarDivO P02000.24 (COI) (C)
 (c) 4th MarO P2000.3 (Comm SOP) (U)
 (d) 3rd Battalion, 4th MarO P2000.3 (Comm SOP) (U)

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) Annex E (Communications-Electronics) to 3rd MarDiv Operation Order 25-69.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization)
- (2) Command Posts
 - (a) Ashore. 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines: Dong Ha Combat Base, RVN.
 - (b) Afloat. To be announced.

2. MISSION

To provide communications-electronics support for the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines redeployment in accordance with the basic order.

3. EXECUTION

a. Communications Platoon, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) Continue to perform assigned communications mission in accordance with references (a) and (c) unless modified.
- (2) Be prepared to deactivate existing radio, wire and message center facilities on order.
- (3) Be prepared to provide convoy control communications for overland movement of 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines and attached units to POE.
- (4) Be prepared, on order, to enter the Division Embarkation Net.

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- b. Air Support Communications. Continue monitoring DASC, Regimental TACP and Battalion HST Nets until directed to stand down.
- c. Artillery Communications. Continue monitoring existing artillery conduct of fire nets until directed to stand down.
- d. Coordinating Instructions
 - (1) References (a), (b), (c) and (d).
 - (2) The RPS/Crypto Custodian from 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines will draw authorized allowance of KW-7's (on-line Crypto) from Division RPS/Crypto Custodian.
 - (3) Call signs and frequencies currently assigned by reference (b) will be utilized until departure from RVN.
 - (4) Communications-Electronics equipment organic to redeploying units will be retrograded with the parent organization unless otherwise directed.
 - (5) The following additional T/E and special allowance items will not be retrograded from RVN:
 - (a) Receiver-Transmitter RT-841/PRC (PRC-77) OPEVAL sets will be returned to Regimental Communications Officer.
 - (b) Radio sets AN/PRC-88, ID-1189, associated batteries, and crystal units will be returned to FLSG-BRAVO, upon stand down of the Battalion.
 - (c) Radar set AN/PPS-6 and associated batteries will be turned into FLSG-BRAVO upon stand down of this unit.
 - (d) Radio set AN/PRC-93, and associated batteries will be returned to the Regimental Communications Officer.
 - (6) The following items will be retrograded with this unit:
 - (a) Antenna AS-2236
 - (b) Secure voice devices KY-8 and KY-38.
 - (c) Converter CV-2438
 - (d) On hand AN/PRC-77's which were issued as T/E items.
 - (7) All units that have an RPS account will transfer below key lists to Division RPS custodian immediately prior to redeploying from RVN:
 - (a) All nestor key lists

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- (b) AFKAO-38
- (c) AKAL-44
- (d) AKAL-43
- (e) FVFPV-13
- (f) KAC-PZ
- (g) KAC-QAH

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See basic plan and Administrative Order 1-69.

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1. Purpose. To publish changes to Operation Order 1-69.

2. Action

a. Make the following pen and ink changes:

(1) Page #1 of the Basic Order and all annexes and appendixes. Insert under 30 October 1969, "CMS-1."

Basic Order

(1) Page #3, delete paragraph 3c (3).

(2) Page #3, paragraph 3c (4), change "5-12" to read "5-13."

(3) Page #3, paragraph 3c (4), change "5-16" to read "5-13."

(4) Page #3, delete paragraph 3c (4).

Annex A (Appendix #1)

(1) Page #A-1-1, after 4th Battalion, 12th Marines, change "110" to read "259."

(2) Under unit, add, "H. Btry, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines." Under strength add "110."

Annex C

To publish changes to Operation Order 1-69.

(1) Page #C-1, delete 12 November and 16 November entries.

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(1) Page #1 of the Basic Order and all annexes and appendixes.

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(1) Page #3, delete paragraph 3c (3).

(2) Page #3, paragraph 3c (4), change "5-12" to read "5-13."

(3) Page #3, paragraph 3c (4), change "5-16" to read "5-13."

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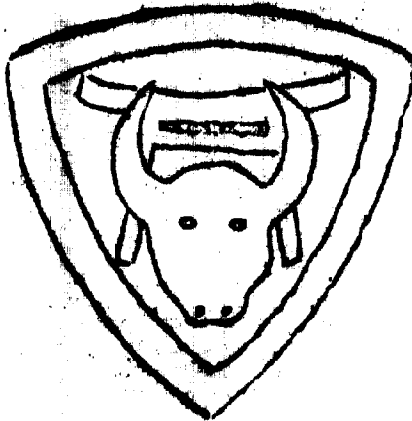
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Administrative Order 2-69 - to accompany Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) MCO 4420.2 DOD Activity Address Directory
 (b) MCO 4400.15 Organic Property Control Procedures
 (c) Force Order 4440.1C
 (d) SZCI 11210.1 Highway Traffic Control
 (e) 3d MarDiv Order F11240.16 SOP for Motor Transport
 (f) MCO P3000.2B
 (g) 3dMarDiv Order P3000.7
 (h) 3dMarDiv Order 4400.29
 (i) 3dMarDiv Administrative Order 2-69

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1. SUPPLY

a. General

(1) Supply Sources. The Force Logistics Command (FLC) and its subordinate unit, Force Logistics Support Group (FLSG)-BRAVO, will continue to provide support for all classes of supply to the Division and its reinforcing units.

(2) Prescribed Loads. 3d Battalion, 4th Marines will embark with all on hand operating stocks except as follows:

Class I - None (Except 2 MCI's per man)

Class II - T/E - TAM allowances with the following exceptions: The M-19 60mm Mortar W/E, M40 Sniper Rifle W/E, and M-700 (Remington) Sniper Rifle W/E, will not be retrograded from RVN. Additional T/E items not to be retrograded from RVN may be subsequently designated by III Marine Amphibious Force. Paragraph 1.d(1) contains disposition instructions for T/E P-4960 items. T/E items not to be retrograded will be turned in to FLSG-BRAVO upon unit stand down. In addition, 30 DOS housekeeping consumables and organic special services property will be taken upon redeployment to Okinawa.

Class III - Bulk/drummed - none
 30 DOS packaged oils and lubes
 1 DOS fuel, compressed, trioxane

Class IV - none

Class V - None, however companies will carry the minimum essential class V (W) supplies as determined by the Embark Unit Commander for self protection during movement to the POE and to the ships. Upon

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arrival at the transfer point to the ships, all class V will be collected and turned in to the nearest ASP as grade III. No class V will be embarked on ships or enplaned on aircraft.

Class VI - None

Class VII - T/E allowances

Class VIII - On hand assets except as prescribed by separate instructions to be issued. Excess medical supplies and equipment to be issued. Excess medical supplies and equipment (over the block allowance) will be disposed of in accordance with paragraph 1.d(6).

Class IX - On hand assets

Class X - None

b. Supplies and Equipment available

(1) Supplies and Equipment to be embarked

(a) Prescribed loads

(b) Mount out and mount out augmentation. The only MO and MCA material to be embarked will be class VIII, on hand medical blocks.

(c) Personal Baggage. Sergeants and below are allowed personal baggage not to exceed one sea bag and one small hand bag or waterproof bag. SSgt's and above are allowed one sea bag or foot locker, one ValPac and one small hand bag. All other baggage will be mobile loaded.

(2) Blocking, Chocking and Dunnage. In accordance with paragraph 1.b(2) of reference (1)

(3) PP and P Material. Each company commander will compute requirements for preservation, packaging and packing material and submit them to the supply officer not later than 5 November 1969. The supply officer will then summarize the requirements and submit them to FLSG-BRAVO via the Division Supply Officer. Requirements for special size crating and mount out boxes will be submitted by the S-4.

c. Supply Procedures. In accordance with paragraph 1.c of reference (1).

d. Disposition of other Categories of Supplies

(1) T/E PL960 Special Allowances

(a) T/E P-4960 items will be retrograded with redeploying units. Disposition instructions for selected serviceable/repairable T/E PL960 items will be issued separately.

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(b) Unserviceable/unrepairable T/E P-4960 items will be turned in to FLSG-BRAVO for salvage upon stand down.

(c) The Supply Officer will keep the S-4 informed of all disposition action taken in regards to T/E P-4960 items so that appropriate QB cards can be submitted in accordance with reference (f) and (g). In addition, the Supply Officer will ensure that all changes of controlled items are submitted in accordance with reference (h).

(2) R&D Equipment. Further instructions will be provided by this Headquarters

(3) Captured Enemy Materials. In accordance with Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Plan I-69.

(4) Maintenance Float. Maintenance Float assets will not be used to fill T/E and/or MO deficiencies. Maintenance Float items held on temporary loan will be returned to FLSG-BRAVO upon stand down.

(5) Excess Material. Material in excess of T/E requirements will be retrograded and upon arrival at the new destination will then be declared excess and turned in, in accordance with reference (b).

(6) Excess Medical Supplies. The Medical Officer will ensure that medical supplies and equipment over and above MAL requirements will be delivered to FLSG-BRAVO for redistribution. Deliver all items to the medical warehouse - no requisition is required for turn in. Excess narcotics and code K items that are in excess will have to be handled separately. Initiate DD 1448-1 for turn in of all narcotics and code K items listing the stock number, nomenclature and amount.

(7) Unit Special Services Property. Special Services Officer will ensure that all serviceable/repairable special services property is evacuated.

(8) Garrison Property

(a) All serviceable/repairable garrison property will be retrograded to Okinawa by each company/section. Disposition instructions for selected items of garrison property will be issued by III MAF.

(b) All mess and galley equipment will be retrograded to Okinawa.

(c) Upon arrival at Okinawa, the Supply Officer will establish liaison with the Property Control Officer to ensure that all retrograded property not picked up on the appropriate account is picked up and signed for.

(9) Project 972 Equipment. In accordance with paragraph 1.d(8) of reference (i).

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(10) Individual Clothing

(a) Personnel will redeploy with a minimum of two sets of standard utilities and one pair of standard boots. Replacement of missing/worn out clothing will be in accordance with part I, Chapter 7, of the Division Supply Ser, Division Order P4400.22D.

(b) The uniform for redeployment is the lightweight jungle utility and jungle boots. Under no circumstances will an individual deploy with more than two sets of lightweight jungle utilities. Serviceable jungle boots in use by personnel at the time of redeployment are authorized for Okinawa until a future date to be determined.

(c) All lightweight jungle utilities and boots not issued prior to redeployment will be turned in to FLSG-BRAVO prior to redeployment.

(d) After redeployment to Okinawa and personnel have access to their uniforms in storage, the wearing of the lightweight jungle utility uniform will not be authorized. Lightweight utility uniforms will be collected by each company and turned in to the Supply Officer for further disposition to 3d Force Service Regiment.

(11) Monsoon Clothing and Equipment. Monsoon equipment will be recovered upon arrival at Okinawa. Specific instructions will be published at a later date.

2. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

a. General. The Medical Officer will ensure that a balanced medical capability is maintained at all times during redeployment.

b. Evacuation. Current evacuation policy will remain in effect until movement to POE's.

c. Hospitalization.

(1) Prior to movement to POE's present 3d Medical Battalion facilities will be used.

(2) While enroute to POE the nearest U. S. Medical Facility will be used. A report of any patient admitted will immediately be forwarded via the chain of command by the senior Marine present, to the company commander who will in turn notify the S-1.

(3) At POE's, amphibious shipping facilities will be used if possible, otherwise the nearest U. S. Medical Facility. If the latter is used, the same report covered in paragraph 2.c(2) above will be submitted.

d. Preventive Medicine

(1) Malaria prophylaxis under the present program in effect will be continued until modifications are published from this headquarters.

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The Medical Officer will ensure that enough malaria prophylaxis tablets are in stock to continue the program for a period of eight weeks upon redeployment.

(2) All company commanders must ensure the continuation of the highest standards of sanitation. The Mess Officer will place particular emphasis on the food services facilities.

(3) Company commander will ensure that maximum cooperation is given to the medical section to ensure compliance with published immunization regulations for sea and Okinawa.

e. Medical Supplies. See paragraph 1, supply.

3. TRANSPORTATION

a. General. POE's have not yet been determined. When POE's are positively determined, mode of travel will be announced.

(1) Units embarking from DaNang will move the majority of their personnel (with individual equipment) thereto by air. Motor transport convoys and coastal water transportation will be used to move supplies and equipment.

(2) Units embarking from Cua Viet will move all personnel, equipment, and supplies thereto by MT convoy and water transportation.

b. Land

(1) Overland movement from unit rehab/assembly areas to POE's and air terminals will be by MT convoy and air. Convoy operations will be conducted in accordance with reference (d).

(2) Augmentation transportation will be requested from Division Motor Transport Officer in accordance with reference (e).

(3) Cargo vehicles to be embarked will be loaded to capacity.

c. Sea. This unit will be embarked in fleet amphibious shipping, administratively loaded/combat ready. The Embarkation Officer will prepare loading plans for each ship. Assignment to shipping, see Embarkation Order 1-69.

d. Air

(1) General

(a) Advance parties to Okinawa will move by air. Advance parties will not exceed 5% of unit strength and are authorized a maximum accompanied baggage weight of 100 pounds per man. The Embarkation Unit Commander will determine the exact composition of the advance party and will provide instructions at a later date.

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(b) Any unit or portion thereof designated for airlift (if the situation should arise) will be limited to 300 pounds per man combining the weight of the man with his baggage.

(c) Sensitive or classified equipment will be moved by air to the maximum extent possible.

(2) Terminals. The airfields at Dong Ha and Quang Tri Combat Bases will be used for loading personnel, equipment and supplies scheduled for movement by air.

(3) Control Measures. The S-4 will coordinate all fixed wing air movement with the Assistant Chief of Staff G-4. The S-3 will compute and compile the battalion requirements.

e. Movement Control

(1) Overall redeployment planning is classified SECRET/NOFORN.

(2) Separate movement orders will be issued not less than 10 days prior to movement of the first element of this unit and will be classified CONFIDENTIAL.

(3) Movement orders will be reclassified for OFFICIAL USE ONLY after arrival at Okinawa. The orders will subsequently be declassified 3 years thereafter.

(4) All movement documentation will be identified by Unit Identification Code (UIC) rather than the name of the unit. Such documents will be unclassified.

4. SERVICE

a. Functions

(1) Construction. Company commanders/section heads will submit to the S-4 requirements for special mount out boxes. The S-4 will submit summarized totals to the Division Engineer Officer not later than 1 November 1969.

(2) Maintenance. In accordance with paragraph 4.a(2) of reference (1).

(3) R&E Program and FMFPac Rebuild. In accordance with paragraph 4.a(3) of reference (1).

(1). (4) Salvage. In accordance with paragraph 4.a.(4) of reference

(.). (5) Messing. In accordance with paragraph 4.a(5) of reference

b. Assignment of Responsibilities. In accordance with paragraph 4.b of reference (1).

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5. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

a. Special Requirements

(1) All companies/sections prepare all T/E and equipment/material designated herein for embarkation.

(2) Supply Officer will ensure that equipment and material for rehab of all personnel due for redeployment is on hand not later than 5 November 1969.

(3) All companies/sections will ensure that vehicles and equipment assigned to their respective companies/sections are cleaned and washed prior to embarkation. Decontamination and cleaning of vehicles will be under the supervision of the Motor Transport Officer and in accordance with Annex C (Decontamination).

(4) Supply Officer will ensure that controlled items reporting is conducted in accordance with MCO 4440.19D.

(5) Embarkation Officer will prepare detailed embarkation/loading plans in accordance with FMFM 4-2 and the Division embarkation Order 2-69.

(6) Embarkation Officer will prepare detailed and accurate embarkation data for submission as directed by the Embarkation Unit Commander.

(7) The Medical Officer will ensure that chemoprophylaxis requirements as contained in paragraph 2.d(1) are enforced.

(8) Unit Commanders will issue the appropriate directives and accomplish personal effects inventories required by paragraph 6.a(2).

(9) Upon stand down company commanders will provide working parties as necessary.

(10) Police of area must be immaculate in accordance with CG, 3d Marine Division message 240228Z/Oct69.

b. MARES/FCRSTAT REPORTS. In accordance with paragraph 5c of reference (1).

c. Facilities Turnover. In accordance with paragraph 5d of reference (1).

d. Redistribution of T/E Equipment. In accordance with paragraph 5e of reference (1).

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e. Effective Date. This order is effective upon receipt

6. PERSONNEL. Annex A (Personnel)

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Movement of Personal Effects

(1) Personal property of a member of this unit redeploying to Okinawa which is too bulky to be carried by the individual will be packed and marked for shipment with organizational property.

(a) Unit commanders will issue a written order referencing this order and CG III MAF msg 240642Z/Sep69 (S) (NOTAL), directing that individuals deposit personal property that cannot be carried by the individual, for shipment with organizational property.

(b) Unit Commanders will prepare a listing for the record of all personal property deposited for shipment showing identifying nomenclature of the property, its value and owner's name, rank, and serial number.

(c) Should a loss or damage occur, a copy of the written order, an inventory of damaged or lost property and its value, and a certification of the deposit of the property, would enable the individual to submit a claim in accordance with JAG MANUAL, CHAPTER XXI.

(d) Personnel may utilize the packing and crating service established by CG 3d Marine Division msg 021156Z/Oct69, to have boxes made for personal effects to be shipped with organizational property.

(2) Certificates in lieu of orders will be issued to those personnel desiring to ship personal effects to one of the following baggage facilities for storage until receipt of PCS orders to CONUS: MCB, Camp Pendleton, California or 3d FSR, Camp Hansen, Okinawa. Individual electing to use this option will comply with the following:

(a) Secure certificate in lieu of orders from Division Personnel Officer.

(b) Deliver the gear to one of the packing and crating plants for interim packaging. (CG 3dMarDiv msg 021156Z/Oct69 refers).

(c) Deliver 8 copies of the certificate in lieu of orders with Form DD-1299 (Application for Shipment of Household Goods) and the boxed gear to Shipping and Receiving, FLSG-BRAVO at the Dong Ha Airfield.

(d) S&R, FLSG-BRAVO will ship the gear to NSA, Danang who in turn repacks, crates and ships to the designated baggage facility for storage.

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(3) Personal effects and baggage of all KIA's, MIA's, WIA's and members absent from units will be processed and disposed of prior to redeployment in accordance with Force Order 4050.1B and Division Order 4050.1A.

b. Definitions

(1) C-Day: 5 November 1969

(2) D-Day: 20 November 1969 (Plus or minus 2 days)

c. Uniform for Embarkation. The uniform for embarkation will be the lightweight jungle utility and jungle boots.

(1) Each person will carry a field marching pack and all items prescribed in paragraph 4-9b of the Landing Party Manual. Items 4-9b(3) and 4-9b(4) will not be carried in the pack.

(2) Each person will carry his T/O weapon. Those personnel armed with the M-16 rifle will carry 7 magazines. Those personnel armed with caliber .45 pistol will turn in same prior to embarkation. No bayonets, K-Bars, machettes, or any personal knives resembling a bayonet or K-Bar will be embarked in the possession of any Marine. All bayonets, K-Bars, or machettes will be turned in to the Battalion Supply by 7 November 1969. Personal knives will be tagged, a receipt given for it, then packed away to be shipped with the company property. Upon arrival at Okinawa all personal knives described herein will be retained by the company and returned to the individual upon his rotation to CONUS.

(3) Each man will carry two canteens, a first aid packet, and helmet w/camouflage cover, green side out and a flak vest.

(4) No mixed uniforms will be permitted.

d. Packing Considerations

(1) It is recommended that all souvenirs except captured weapons be mailed home. Only issued military equipment or personal clothing should be retrograded to Okinawa.

(2) Captured enemy weapons which are permissible to keep should be packed in mount out boxes and shipped to Okinawa as part of the company property. This will possibly prevent thievery aboard ship.

(3) All unauthorized weapons will be turned in to the S-2 by 5 November 1969.

e. Advance Party. In accordance with Operation Order 1-69.

f. Clean up Details. In accordance with Operation Order 1-69.

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g. Real Estate and Facility Transfer Procedures

(1) Unit T/O and T/E property will be removed by the vacating unit. Installed property such as plumbing fixtures, lighting fixtures, wiring and building hardware will not be removed.

(2) Company commanders/section heads will ensure that buildings and facilities are not maliciously damaged.

(3) All areas vacated by units will be left in an outstanding police status. Particular emphasis will be placed on sanitation. 3d Battalion, 4th Marines Headquarters Commandant will inspect 3d Battalion, 4th Marines facilities.

(4) Responsibility for maintenance and security of facilities will remain with the occupying commander until properly relieved.

h. Contraband Control. The Embarkation Unit Commander is responsible to ensure that positive action is taken to ensure that contraband material does not accompany embarked personnel. Particular emphasis is placed on the recovery of class V material from the possession of personnel prior to embarkation. Contraband material means any prohibited items and includes, but is not limited to the following:

(1) Live ammunition or explosives of any kind or any item containing explosives.

(2) Marijuana and narcotics, other than those prescribed by a medical officer.

(3) Alcoholic beverages.

(4) Unauthorized war trophies.

(5) Personal firearms.

(6) Pornographic material.

(7) South Vietnamese currency of a value greater than 500 Piasters

(8) Military Payment Certificates

(9) Switch blade knives.


(10) All K-bars, machetes and bayonets will be turned in to supply by 7 November 1969.

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- i. Reports. See Annex C (Reports).
- j. Fiscal Instructions. To be issued.
- k. Acknowledge receipt by message to 3d Battalion, 4th Marines S-4 referencing only DTG of this order.

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ANNEXES

- ✓A- Personnel
- ✓B - Reports
- ✓C - Decontamination

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ANNEX A (Personnel) to Administrative Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Force Order 3040.2
(b) MCO 2700.6
(c) FMFPac Order 2700.7A
(d) FMFPac Order 7220.5A
(e) MACV OPLAN 183-69
(g) Force Order 7301.4C

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1. STRENGTHS. 3d Battalion, 4th Marines will redeploy with a total strength of 1048.

2. REPLACEMENTS

a. Individual replacements will be provided in accordance with present procedures until cut off date to be announced.

b. Reassignments of personnel to units remaining in country will be as directed by higher headquarters.

3. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER

a. Straggler collection points will be established as necessary.

b. Company commanders will take action as required to maintain military law and order during redeployment.

c. Company commanders will establish procedures for the prevention and investigation of offenses.

d. Company commanders will take necessary action to prevent and control the following:

- (1) Smuggling
- (2) Pilferage
- (3) Currency Manipulations
- (4) Illegal and improper use of drugs and narcotics
- (5) Destruction of military and civilian property

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e. Command attention will be given to programs emphasizing that it is essential to respect the rights, customs and traditions of the local nationals in the areas occupied during the execution of this order and the necessity for safeguarding the public and private property of such nationals.

f. Increased emphasis will be placed on security of ports, depots and equipment at staging areas to minimize pilferage.

g. Commanders will provide for the thorough inspection of equipment, supplies, containers and personal baggage to ensure compliance with customs/sanitation regulations in force. The following items will not be removed from RVN: pets of any kind, items made in RVN of fibrous materials, such as straw or hemp (such items include straw hats, floor mats, crossbows, etc.).

h. The Division Provost Marshal is responsible for redeployment of 3d Battalion, 4th Marines personnel confined in the III MAF Brig.

i. Personnel in an unauthorized absence status will be retained on the rolls of 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.

j. Personnel on legal hold, referred to trial by courts-martial, required as witnesses or pending Article 32 Investigations will remain on the rolls and will redeploy with 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.

4. PRISONERS OF WAR. Commanders will ensure that all prisoners of war are turned over to the Division Provost Marshal for disposition.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION

a. Collection, processing and evacuation will continue in accordance with current regulations.

b. Disposition of personnel effects will be in accordance with current regulations. Command emphasis is directed to expedite proper disposition of all personnel effects prior to redeployment.

c. Personnel listed as missing in action will be administered in accordance with the provisions of reference (a).

6. MORALE AND PERSONAL SERVICES

a. Leave and Liberty

(1) Emergency leave will continue to be granted in accordance with Division Order 1050.3C. Personnel that are granted emergency leave will be retained on the rolls and will return to their units at destination upon expiration of leave.

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(2) Annual leave is suspended until arrival at destination.

(3) Special leave will be granted to all personnel who have approved extensions and who have not already taken their leave provided that they have completed at least 12 months of their current tour in country. Approved leaves will be cancelled if the individual has not completed 12 months in country upon embarkation. Personnel on special leave at time of redeployment will return to this command upon termination of special leave.

(4) Leave and liberty policies will be promulgated upon arrival at destination.

b. R&R. R&R is terminated upon utilization of quotas allocated for the month of October 1969.

c. Decorations and Awards. Award recommendations will be submitted in accordance with Division Order F1650.1. Expeditious processing of award recommendations is essential to ensure that deserving individuals are properly recognized. Prior to embarkation, a letter of continuity will be placed in each SRB/QR covering service performed in RVN. This letter will be prepared by company commanders/section heads as appropriate.

d. Postal Services

(1) Company commanders will ensure that efficient postal service is maintained in accordance with references (b) and (c). Particular emphasis will be placed on the prevention of mailing illegal items.

(2) Annual leave is suspended until arrival at destination.

(2) Free mailing privileges will terminate upon departure from RVN. Mailing procedures at destination will be in accordance with appropriate local regulations. Personnel who have not already taken their leave provided that they have completed at least 12 months of their current tour in country.

(3) There will be no change in personal mailing addresses upon redeployment. Personnel on special leave at time of redeployment will return to this command upon termination of special leave. (4) Rerouting of mail will be accomplished by higher headquarters.

e. Exchange Service. Policy will be promulgated upon arrival at destination.

(1) Existing exchange facilities will continue to operate until the latest practical date, not later than utilization of quotas allocated for the month of October 1969.

(2) During the phases of redeployment, short range, mobile exchange facilities near staging areas will be established. Award recommendations will be submitted in accordance with Division Order F1650.1. Expeditious processing of award recommendations is essential to ensure that deserving individuals are properly recognized.

(3) Gratuitous issue of health and comfort items will continue to be made through supply channels for those personnel in areas where exchange facilities are inadequate or not available. This letter will be prepared by company commanders/section heads as appropriate.

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(1) Company commanders will ensure that efficient postal service is maintained in accordance with references (b) and (c). Particular emphasis will be placed on the prevention of mailing illegal items.

(2) Annual leave is suspended until arrival at destination.

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f. Pay and Allowances

(1) Military Payment Certificates and Piastres held by personnel redeploying from RVN will be converted to U. S. Currency prior to embarkation.

(2) Special pay schedules, as required will be announced.

(3) Savings deposit program will be administered under the provisions of reference (d) and (e).

g. American Red Cross. ARC Personnel will accompany the command upon redeployment in order to provide emergency welfare services.

h. Special Services

(1) Organizational special services equipment will accompany the command to destination. Additional recreational type items will be issued as required.

1. Troop Information. See Battalion Bulletin 1500 of 2Nov69.

7. PERSONNEL PROCEDURES

a. Assignments and reassignments will be as directed by higher authority and will be expeditiously announced when determined.

b. All intra-WestPac transfers or reassignments which were directed due to choice of duty upon extension of overseas tours have been cancelled.

c. MACV Ration Cards will be retrieved from all personnel departing RVN. Company commanders will ensure that all ration cards retrieved are destroyed after proper entry on MACV Form 332, Ration Card Control Register. All Records along with unissued ration cards will be turned in to the Division Exchange Officer prior to departing RVN.

d. MACV Currency Control Form 5 will be retrieved from all personnel departing RVN. The Battalion Adjutant will ensure that all cards are turned in to the AC/S Comptroller.

e. Casualty reporting procedures will continue in accordance with Division Order 3040.2D (SOP for Casualty Reporting). Requirements for special personnel reports may be announced.

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8. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

a. Maximum use of local national labor will continue to be authorized subject to security limitations.

b. The Division Industrial Relations Officer will facilitate the release of local national civilian employees and such employees will be given priority for employment by other U. S. Forces remaining in RVN.

c. Kit Carson scouts and ARVN interpreters will be absorbed by other forces remaining in RVN.

9. ADVANCE PARTIES. Advance parties will not exceed 5% of the command's authorized deployment strength. Representatives capable of discussing company/section personnel and logistical problems should be included.

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✓ 1 - Troop List

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Appendix 1 (Troop List) to Annex A (Task Organization) to Administrative
 Order 1-69

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1. The following organization for embarkation is effective for planning
 purposes upon receipt and for operations upon embarkation.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>
EMBARKATION UNIT B-3		CO, 3d Bn, 4th Marines
3d Bn, 4th Marines (-)	1048	
Det, HqBn, 3dMarDiv(-)	200	
Det, HqCo, 4th Marines	24	
3d Recon Bn(-)	309	
3d Med Bn	86	
11th Engr Bn(-)	103	
3d Den Co (-)	3	
4th Bn, 12th Marines(-)	259	
Btry H, 3dBn, 12thMar	110	
Co C, 9th MT Bn	83	
7th ITT	11	

2. All units will redeploy as near as possible in the Marine
 strengths listed above. In addition, all Navy personnel will embark
 with the unit to which attached.

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Annex B (Reports) to Administrative Order 1-69

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1. GENERAL. This annex contains personnel/logistics reports of a special nature. Embarkation Order 1-69 contains additional report requirements.

2. SPECIAL REPORTS

a. Deadline Equipment to be Redeployed Reports: By 11 November 1969, the Supply Officer will provide CG, FLC and CG, 3d Marine Division (Attn: DivSupO) a list identifying items to be redeployed that are presently held by maintenance facilities.

b. Returning Prisoners: S-1 will notify CG, 3d Marine Division (Attn: Assistant Chief of Staff G-1), not later than 10 November 1969, the number of prisoners to be returned to the Camp Butler Brig.

c. Personal Effects Roster

(1) S-1 will ensure that the Advance Party Commander has a roster of all personnel embarking. This listing will be used by 3d FSR to pull and stage stored personal effects. List must be ready not later than 8 November 1969.

(2) Each company will have their respective roster ready for submission to the S-1 not later than 1000, 7 November 1969. Original and 1 is required.

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Annex C (Decontamination) to Administrative Order 1-69

Ref: (a) COMUSMACV DIRECTIVE 40-19 of 24 Aug 67 (NOTAL)
 (b) COMUSMACV msg 280200Z/Aug69 (NOTAL)
 (c) Annex D to 3dMarDiv Administrative Order 2-69

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1. PURPOSE

a. To provide instructions for the decontamination of equipment and material being retrograded from Vietnam in order to prevent the exportation of insect vectors, rodent, reservoirs of disease and agricultural pests. The instructions herein contain procedures to assure compliance with references (a) and (b) and U. S. Department of Agriculture and U. S. Public Health Service quarantine regulations.

2. BASIC PRINCIPLES

a. Pests of public health and agricultural importance can be expected on cargo and equipment being redeployed or retrograded. These pests can be carried in soil, mud and on plant debris, in trash and litter, in wood crating and packing, on rats and other rodents, and in any place where insects can hide.

b. To prevent the possible exportation of these pests and their introduction into other areas, these basic procedures must be followed:

- (1) A thorough cleaning of all equipment and containers.
- (2) The use of insecticides to kill insect pests.
- (3) The use of rodenticides to kill rodents.

c. The basic theory of rat and flea control in cargo and equipment is done in three phases:

- (1) Enclosing or trapping the rodent in an area free of food.
- (2) Providing food in form of rodenticides to kill the rodents.
- (3) Treatment of the area with insecticides to kill vectors carried by rodents.

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3. PROCEDURES FOR PREPARATION OF CARGO AND EQUIPMENT FOR SHIPMENT OUT OF VIETNAM

a. Cleaning and Washing

(1) Responsibilities. Company commanders/section heads will ensure that the following is accomplished prior to the semi-final inspection by Preventive Medicine Unit and the Agricultural Department on 15 November 1969.

(a) Remove all plant matter (living or dead) from inside and outside of equipment, vehicles and containers.

(b) Remove clumps of soil before washing equipment, vehicles and donex boxes.

(c) After accomplishing (b) above, thoroughly wash down vehicle and equipment with high pressure water to remove all soil and caked mud. Pressure steam cleaners may be used.

(d) All highly impacted dirt, i.e., sand and penepime (sand that is imbedded in the road sealer) which remains after high pressure cleaning is acceptable. Penepime over clumps of soil is not acceptable.

(e) Accumulation of road splatter or dust may be removed by a final washdown at POE's.

(f) Cargo and equipment that does not lend itself to washing will be mechanically cleaned.

(g) Straw, plant fiber or mattresses will not be used as packing material.

(h) Termite infested boxes and crates will not be accepted. Broken or split boards on boxes and crates should be replaced or securely repaired.

b. Insect and Rodent Control

(1) Responsibilities. Company commanders/section heads will ensure that the following is accomplished prior to the final inspection on 17 November 1969.

(a) Prior to applying insecticides and rodenticides ensure that a thorough and complete cleaning of vehicles and equipment is completed to remove all food, trash and any other substance that can harbor insects and rodents.

(b) While packing equipment and boxes in conex boxes or other large boxes (16 cu ft or larger) in which rats might take refuge,

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Rodenticide (paraffin - Diphacin bait blocks with eight foot binding tape, FSN 6840-089-4664) will be placed prior to closing of containers. The application rate is as follows: one block each, with 2" to 18" of the binding tape visible outside the container.

c. Each container requiring rodenticide blocks will be dusted with two percent diazinon dust (FSN 6840-753-5038) for flea control. The rate of control is four pounds per 1000 square feet. This rate produces a barely visible film on flat surfaces. Excessive application is a serious health hazard and will not be accepted until recleaned.

d. Provide adequate assistance to Preventive Medicine Unit personnel to accomplish treatment of equipment and containers.

e. When required assign personnel for battalion working parties for final vehicle, equipment, and/or conex box washdown at POE's.

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Embarkation Order 1-69 to Accompany Administrative Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) Bn. Admin Order 2-69
(b) DivO P4600-1A (Division Embarkation: SOP)
(c) FMFM 4-2 (Embarkation)
(d) Div Embark Order 2-69

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1. ORGANIZATION FOR EMBARKATION

a. General

- (1) 3rd Bn. 4th Marines is designated as Embarkation Group Bravo 3.
- (2) See Annex A for Organization for Embarkation.

b. Assignment of Shipping. See Annex A.

2. MATERIAL TO BE EMBARKED

- a. Organic Equipment. In accordance with Ref. (a)
- b. Types and Amounts of Supplies. In accordance with Ref. (a)
- c. Preparation

- (1) Packing, crating, and marking in accordance with Ref. (b) and (c).
- (2) Supplies and equipment will be mobile-loaded to the maximum extent possible. Supplies and equipment not mobile-loaded will be palletized.
- (3) CONEX containers will be used to the maximum. Loading of CONEX containers will be left up to the discretion of the using section/company.
- (4) Vehicle waterproofing equipment will be mobile-loaded in vehicles.
- (5) Vehicle fuel tanks will be filled to 3/4 level prior to loading.
- (6) Present plans call for M274's to be stack loaded. Oil and gas will be drained from these vehicles.
- (7) Windshield covers and fording gear should be loaded for quick installation if required.

d. Allocation of Supplies and Equipment.

- (1) All units will embark with prescribed loads outlined in Ref. (a).
- (2) Transportation requests for equipment and supplies will go through the Battalion Embarkation Officer, who in turn will submit requests through proper channels.
- (3) Schedule of movement of cargo and personnel to point of embarkation (POE). See Annex (b)

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3. PERSONNEL

- a. Uniform, Equipment and Baggage. In accordance with Ref. (a)
- b. Advance Details

- (1) The command advance party will fly to final destination. The size, composition, and instruction are in accordance with Ref. (a).
- (2) Working parties will be moved to assigned staging areas prior to cargo arriving at staging areas.
- (3) Ship's platoon will be moved to POE to coincide with arrival time of respective ships. See Ref. (a) for functions of advance parties.
- (4) Billeting for working parties will be coordinated by the Division Embarkation Officer one week prior to movement of cargo.
- (5) Rosters for advance details, working parties, and ship's platoon will be published at a later date.

c. Movement of Main Body.

- (1) The main body of troops embarking will move to POE's to coincide with completion of loading of vehicles and cargo.
- (2) Battalion Embarkation Officer will submit requirements for movement of troops to the Division Embarkation Officer as soon as possible.

d. Embarkation Rosters.

- (1) Embarkation rosters will be prepared by each team commander. An accurate roster of all personnel to be embarked on ship's will be prepared. Twelve (12) copies will be delivered to the Division Embarkation Control Office, and three (3) copies will be delivered to the ship involved with embarking this unit.
 - (a) The roster will contain an alphabetical listing of personnel by unit, showing Rank/Grade, Serial Number, and MOS as follows:
 - (1) USMC OFFICERS
 - (2) USMC STAFF NCO's
 - (3) USMC ENLISTED
 - (4) USN OFFICERS
 - (5) USN ENLISTED
 - (6) Others, designated by rank, grade, and title.
 - (b) Recapitulation of subtotals and total number embarked will be shown.

4. EMBARKATION AREAS

- a. Assignment of Staging Areas and POE's.

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- (1) Assignment of staging areas will be in accordance with Ref. (d) and Annex (B).
- (2) Liaison between unit Embarkation Officer's and ship Combat Cargo Officer (CCO) will be made prior to embarking.

b. Preparation.

- (1) Embarkation unit commanders will make a reconnaissance of POE areas prior to staging of supplies and equipment.
- (2) Any improvement brought to bear by unit Embarkation Officer's will be submitted to the Battalion Embarkation Officer.

c. Material Handling Equipment.

- (1) CG FLC/COMNAVSUPACT DANANG will provide MHE at POE's.
- (2) Equipment in excess of MHE available at assigned POE's will be submitted by Embarkation Unit Commanders in accordance with Ref. (a).

d. Security During Execution Of Embarkation.

- (1) The Embarkation Unit Commander is responsible for security of assigned embarkation areas and for coordination of such with local port authorities.
- (2) The Battalion S-3 has staff cognizance responsibility.

5. EMBARKATION SCHEDULE

- a. Limiting dates, loading, and embarkation will commence not earlier than 20 November 1969, and will be completed not later than 25 November 1969.

6. CONTROL

a. Traffic Circulation and Control.

- (1) Embarkation Unit Commanders will be responsible for traffic circulation and control measures within assigned embarkation areas and will coordinate such measures with local port and traffic control agencies.
- (2) Division MP's may be used on request by Embarkation Commanders through Division (G-4).

b. Embarkation Control Offices.

- (1) Control Offices are established by the Division Embarkation Office at each POE to coordinate staging and loading of supplies and equipment. Effective dates and times will be announced.

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(2) Embarkation Unit Commanders will establish Embarkation Control Offices. These will be collocated with Division Embarkation Control Offices. Embarkation units will submit names of OIC's to 3rd Division Headquarters (Attn: G-4) when Control Offices are established.

(3) Control Offices will function on a 24 hour basis.

c. Communications. In accordance with Ref. (d).

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Loading Plans.

- (1) This will be an administrative movement.
- (2) Unit integrity will be maintained whenever possible.
- (3) Administrative loading of cargo will be observed. However, loading priorities will be assigned to cargo for better control of loading and unloading. See Annex (B)
- (4) Individual ship loading plans will be prepared.
- (5) Ship's loading characteristics pamphlets will be made available by the Division Embarkation Officer.
- (6) Reports. See Annex (c).
- (7) Other Embarkation Instructions

(a) Staff and individual ship Combat Cargo Officer's will report to respective Embarkation Unit Commanders or unit representatives upon arrival of ships.

b. Acknowledge receipt by message to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines S-4, referencing only DTG of this order.

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- ✓A- Organization for Embarkation and Assignment to Shipping
- ✓B- Priorities of Cargo Leaving Dong Ha Combat Base
- ✓C- Reports

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Embarkation Unit

Bravo 3; 3rd Bn, 4th Marines

Embarkation Unit Commander

Lt. Col. J. W. WOOD

Embarkation Unit Embarkation Officer

1st Lt. J. W. RABOLD

SHIP CAPACITY

Ship Off-Enl

LPH 187-1870
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No. Veh. Sq. Ft.

5468

No. Bulk Cu. Ft. Cargo

50936

SHIP UTILIZATION

Off-Enl

47-1001

No. Veh. Sq. Ft.

5237

No. Bulk Cu. Ft. Cargo

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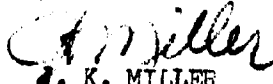
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ANNEX (C) (Reports) to Embarkation Order 1-69

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1. During loading, Unit Embarkation Officer will submit the following reports to Division Embarkation Headquarters.
 - a. Initial/Final Loading Status Report.
 - b. Daily Loading Status Report.
 - c. Sailing Report.

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- ✓ 1- Initial/Final Loading Status Report
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Appendix 1 (Initial/Final Loading Status Report) to Annex (C) (Reports)
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1. Initial/Final Loading Status Reports will be made during all embarkation of units.
2. Initial report will be submitted within 1 hour after arrival of each ship at assigned anchorage, berth or beaching point to Division Embarkation representative at POB.
3. Final report will be submitted within one hour after completion of loading, to include embarkation of all troops. Additionally, final report will contain five corrected copies of loading plan and will be delivered by ship's Embarkation Officer, to the Division's Embarkation representative at the POB.
4. Time commenced loading (DATE TIME GROUP) _____
5. Estimated time of completion (DATE TIME GROUP) _____
6. Time of completion (final report) (DATE TIME GROUP) _____
7. Name of units embarked:

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TIME CALLED IN, OR TIME DELIVERED TO DIVISION EMBARKATION REPRESENTATIVE AT POE _____

PERCENT PERSONNEL LOADED _____ %

PERCENT CARGO LOADED _____ %

PERCENT VEHICLES LOADED _____ &

ESTIMATED TIME OF COMPLETION _____ H _____ 1969

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- H. NUMBER AND TYPE WHEELS AND TRACKED VEHICLES
 I. NUMBER AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT
 J. NUMBER AND TYPE OF ALL OTHER MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT
 K. TOTAL SQFT. CUFT, AND WT/S/T OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT (DO NOT INCLUDE MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT MOBILE LOADED)
 L. EMPACKED SUPPLY BY CLASS (INCLUDES ALL EMPACKED) HEED IN FIVE COLUMNS

SUPPLIES	MOUNT	CUT	L	P	O/L	TRN
CLASS I						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS II						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS III & IIIA						
MCGAS (NO. GAL)						
AVGAS (NO. GAL)						
JP-5 (NO. GAL)						
DRUMMED						
MCGAS (NO DR)						
AVGAS (NO DR)						
JP-5 (NO DR)						
DIESEL (NO DR)						
OTHER POL (NO DR)						
CLASS IV						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS V						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS VI						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS VII						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS VIII						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS IX						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						
CLASS X						
CU. FT.						
WT/ST						

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M. WEIGHT AND CU. FT. OF ALL CARGO AND EQUIPMENT NOT MOBILE LOADED.
N. WEIGHT AND CU. FT. OF ALL CARGO MOBILE LOADED.

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ANNEX (B) (Priorities of Cargo Leaving Dong Ha Combat Base) to Embarkation Order 1-69.

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1. Priorities of Cargo Leaving Dong Ha Combat Base Ramp will be as follows:
 - a. All palletized cargo
 - b. All CONEX containers
 - c. All mules (stack loaded)
 - d. All Vehicles
2. Priorities of cargo being loaded aboard ship will be as follows:
 - a. All palletized cargo
 - b. All mules (stack loaded)
 - c. All CONEX containers
 - d. All Vehicles
3. Cargo will be called for as staging area allows at Dong Ha Ramp.

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