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5th Communication Battalion FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force  
Subj: Command Chronology; report of  
Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2A  
(b) ForO 3121.1B

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in references (a) and (b), the following information is submitted:

a. Organizational Data

- (1) 5th Communication Battalion, FMF, DaNang, Vietnam.
- (2) 1 June 1966 - 30 June 1966.
- (3) LtCol J. NASTASI, Commanding Officer; Major H. M. JELLISON, Jr., Executive Officer.
- (4) Thirty-five officer/622 enlisted Marines. One officer/9 enlisted Navy.

b. Sequential Listing of Significant Events

(1) Personnel: The 5th Communication Battalion joined 10 officers/77 Marine enlisted, and transferred five officers/162 Marine enlisted. One Marine was promoted to MGySgt, five to GySgt, 12 to SSgt, 10 to Sgt and four to PFC.

(2) Administrative: None

(3) Intelligence: None

(4) Training:

(a) One man is currently receiving instructions in Vietnamese language at the U.S. Army Language School, Okinawa.

(b) Two personnel attended a one-day training course in field fortification construction at the 3d Engineer Battalion.

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(c) Two officers received Crypto/Comm Security training at Yokosuka, Japan.

(d) Fired for familiarization: 54 personnel with M-14 rifles, 10 with 45 cal. pistols and 9 with 50 cal. machine guns. Six Air Force personnel fired AR-15's for familiarization.

(5) Special Operations

(a) The 5th Communication Battalion continues to provide logistic support for Air Force personnel who are operating and maintaining an AN/MRC-80 troposcatter circuit between DaNang and Phu Bai.

(b) The 5th Communication Battalion is providing one officer/31 enlisted and communication-electronics equipment in support of the 1st Military Police Battalion.

(c) The Battalion executed the displacement of communications systems in conjunction with the move of the CG III MAF Command Post to DaNang East.

(6) Nuclear, Biological, Chemical or other types of warfare - None

(7) Command and Control - None

(8) Close Combat - None

(9) Fire Support - None

(10) Logistics - None

(11) Air Defense - None

(12) Close Air Support - None

(13) Civil Affairs

(a) The 5th Communication Battalion made daily food donations to the Sacred Heart Orphanage in DaNang East.

(b) Personnel from 5th Communication Battalion conducted English language classes for Nuns at the Sacred Heart Orphanage in DaNang East.

(c) 5th Communication Battalion held daily sick call at the Sacred Heart Orphanage in DaNang East.

  
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