

HEADQUARTERS
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, Force Logistic Command, FMF
Subj: Command Chronology, for period 1 February to 28 February 1967
Ref: (a) FLCO 5750.1A
Encl: (1) 5th Communication Battalion, Command Chronology
1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), enclosure (1)
is submitted.

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

5th Communication Battalion, FMF

LtCol. P. K. LERSBERG (1-28Feb67)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

1stLt. J. M. TALLEY (7-28Feb67)
Captain F. J. WILHEIM (1-6Feb67)

Communication Company

Major W. I. CRUMBACK (1-28Feb67)

Communication Support Company

1stLt. W. S. DELLA VALLE (4-28Feb67)
2ndLt. S. L. FRNCH (1-3Feb67)

Radio Relay & Construction Company

Major G. CLARK (17-28Feb67)
Captain W. C. MIDDLEBROOKS (1-16Feb67)ATTACHED UNITSCommunication Support Company
7th Communication Battalion, FMF

Captain J. W. RODOSTA (1-28Feb67)

2. LOCATION

a. This Battalion was located at Camp Hoa Long, Danang Area, Vietnam from 1-28 February 1967.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major W. A. READ (Additional Duty)
(1-28Feb67)

S-1 Officer

2ndLt. J. W. JACKSON (1-28Feb67)

S-3 Officer

Major J. A. LOVULLO (1-28Feb67)

S-4 Officer

Major W. A. READ (1-28Feb67)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	
29	179	1	9	2 RCA Field Engineers
	579			

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a. Personnel

Joined: 58
 Detached: 52
 Deaths: 0
 Extensions: 27
 (6 months)
 Hospitalized: 4
 Promotions: E-5, 1; E-2, 1; E-7, 2; E-6, 3;
 Emergency Leave: 2

b. Administration:

(1) Education

(a) MCI Courses: 162
 (b) USAFI Courses: 43
 (c) Other Courses: 15

(2) Health

(a) Venereal Disease infection: 7

(3) Postal* Postal support was provided by the 3rd. Marine Division.
Mail service to and from CONUS is about 5 days.

(4) Legal

SPCM- 2
 SSCM- 1
 WJP- 3

(5) Savings Program

(a) Savings Deposit: 1%
 (b) Savings Bond: 89%

(6) Moral- the moral of this organization is excellent. This can be attributed, in part, to the close proximity of the excellent South China Sea beach facilities, Post exchange facilities and the service clubs. The R&R program has contributed more than any other single item to the moral of the officers and men of this organization.

(7) Disbursing- the 3rd. Marine Division provided disbursing support to this organization.

c. Intelligence- None

d. Training- Training was conducted on Vietnam oriented subjects, MOS qualification training, selected general military subjects and Troposcatter Radio Relay Set AN/TEC-97 during this period.

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e. Special Operations

(1) Continued up-grading the III MAF cable system. Present 25 pair cables will be replaced by 100 pair cables on permanent pole lines.

(2) Provided additional radio relay equipment and personnel in support of the 1st Marine Division operations in DaNang and Chu Lai TAOES.

(3) Installed, operating and maintaining a Troposcatter Radio Relay System utilizing the AN/TRC-97 for the 1st Marine Division between DaNang and Chu Lai.

g. NBC Warfare- None

h. Communications- Continues to provide communication support for the Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force and limited support to the 1st and 3rd Marine Divisions, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and Force Logistics Command/1st Force Service Regiment.

i. Logistics

(1) 200AMP fuse boxes were installed at the main generator pad. New scakage pits and grease traps were installed to handle the staff and Officers shower and the GI shack in back of the mess hall, also a new drainage pipe was laid to drain the sink in the rear of the mess hall. New lights were installed in towers 1 and 3. The following structures were rewired within the Battalion Bn Operations, billeting hut 405, and CommCo Supply. An air conditioner was installed in 31 Tests.

(2) Maintenance of Combat Essential Equipment remained in readiness category C-2 during the month of February.

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