

HEADQUARTERS
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
FPO, San Francisco 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 to 30 April 1967

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5th Communication Battalion

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

5th Communication Battalion, FMF

LtCol P. K. LIESEBERG (1-12Apr67)

Maj W. A. READ (13-30Apr67 Acting)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

1stLt R. C. KLINE (1-30Apr67)

Communication Company

Capt W. F. COENEN (1-30Apr67)

Communication Support Company

Capt W. C. MIDDLEBROOKS (1-12Apr67)

1stLt J. F. WASHKO (13-30Apr67)

Radio Relay & Construction Company

Maj W. A. READ (1-30Apr67)

ATTACHED UNITSCommunication Support Company
7th Communication Battalion, FMF

Capt T. C. TERRELL (1-30Apr67)

2. LOCATION

1-30 April: Camp Hoa Long, Da Nang East, Republic of Vietnam

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj W. A. READ (Additional Duty)
(1-12Apr67)

S-1 Officer

2ndLt W. W. JACKSON (1-30Apr67)

S-3 Officer

Maj J. A. LOVULLO (1-30Apr67)

S-4 Officer

Capt W. C. MIDDLEBROOKS (13-30Apr67)
1stLt R. W. MACFARLANE (1-12Apr67)4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
31	650	1	8

OTHER
2 RCA Field Engineers

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of April 1967, Operations were continued at a normal level. The Facilities Coordination Center which was previously located within the III Marine Amphibious Force compound has been relocated within the 5th Communication Battalion Cantonment. Communication Support was provided to Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force and limited support to the 1st and 3rd Marine Divisions, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Air-Group-16 and Force Logistic Command/1st Force Service Regiment.

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PART III2. a. Personnel

Joined: 39
 Detached: 33
 Deaths: 0
 Extensions: 19
 (6 Months)
 Hospitalized: 2
 Promotions: E-2, 4; E-7, 1; E-4, 1; E-5, 3; E-6, 1
 Emergency Leave: 1

b. Administration:(1) Education:

(a) MCI Courses: 161
 (b) USAFI Courses: 38
 (c) Other Courses: 8

(2) Health

(a) Venereal Disease Infection: 6

(3) Postal- Postal Support was provided by the 1st Marine Division. Mail service to and from CONUS is about 8 days.

(4) Legal

SpCM- 1
 SCM- 0
 MJP- 14

(5) Savings Program

(a) Savings Deposit: 3%
 (b) Savings Bonds: 92.3%

(6) Morale- The morale 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 morale of the officers and men of this organization.

(7) Disbursing- The 1st Marine Division provided disbursing support to this organization.

c. Intelligence: None

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d. Training:

(1) Training was conducted on Vietnam oriented subjects, selected general military subjects and Troposcatter Radio Relay Set AN/TRC-97.

(2) Familiarization firing was conducted at the Hoa Cam Regional Forces Training Center for 114 members of the Battalion. Weapons fired included Rifles M-14, Pistols Cal.45 and Shotguns 12 gauge.

(3) Eight members of the Battalion attended "out of country" formal schools and 21 attended "in country" formal schools which are operated by other commands.

(4) Fifteen members of the Battalion attended a three day formal course on instruction, within the Battalion, on Engine Generator Operation. The course covers engine generators through 10KW that are T/E and/or component items of communication equipment.

e. Special Operations.

(1) Completed the installation of the AN/FCC-19 Voice Frequency Telegraph Group System within the III Marine Amphibious Force. This Voice Frequency Telegraph System is most likely the only system of its kind installed anywhere. The system provides circuit paths for (33) full duplex and 70 half duplex teletype circuits. In addition to reducing the overall cable pair requirements throughout the Da Nang area, this system has improved the operation of the teletype circuits, simplified circuit restoration and increased the flexibility of re-routing teletype circuits. Prior to the installation of this system, 76 cable pairs were required to operate all of the III Marine Amphibious Force teletype circuits. The installation of the AN/Fcc-19 equipment has reduced the cable pair requirements to 10 freeing 66 cable pairs for other requirements.

(2) Computability. Conducted tests with NAVCOMSTAPHIL utilizing AN/FCC-19 Voice Frequency Telegraph Group and the AN/TSC-15 Radio Set. Tests were successful. In the event of an emergency, III Marine Amphibious Force Headquarters has the capability of simultaneous transmission of eight (8) full duplex teletype circuits over one radio system.

(3) Provided a contact instruction team to U. S. Special Force "C" Detachment for a period of 10 days. Team visited various Special Forces camps in I Corps Area. Instruction and technical assistance was provided relative to the operation and maintenance of radio set AN/PRC-41.

f. NBC Warfare. None

g. Communications. Continues to provide communication support for the Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force and limited support to the 1st and 3rd Marine Division, 1st Marine Aircraft wing and Force Logistic Command/1st Force Service Regiment.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Command Chronologies from each Company within this Battalion plus a copy of the Command Chronology from Communication Support Company, 7th Communication Battalion which is attached to this Battalion operationally are hereby attached as supporting documents.

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7th Comm Bn*

- *Inf Co*
- *Comm Co*
- *Comm Sup Co*
- *Rad Relay & Construct Co*

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h. Logistics.

(1) A water line was installed from the generator shop to the 7th Comm working area, and 3 stand pipes were installed. The Motor Transport Maintenance Shop was rewired. A new head was constructed for Headquarters Company area. Modification of louvers around messhall was completed. Constructed New Generator Pad by the TRC-97 site.

(2) Maintenance of Combat Essential Equipment remained in readiness category C-1 during the month of April.

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APO, San Francisco, California 96602

COMPANY COMMAND
CHRONOLOGY

1-30 April 1967

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESTINATION

Headquarters Company BU-21656
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
APO, San Francisco, California 96302

COMMANDING OFFICER

1stLt ROY C. KLINE
091938/2502, USMC
1-30 April 1967

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1967: Camp Hoa Long, East DaNang, RVN

3. OFFICERS

BrOmntr	A. G. ZIEGLER, 1stLt, 093187, USMC
S-10FF/adj	J. W. JACKSON, 2ndLt, 099643, USMC
S-30FF	J. A. LOVULLO, Maj, 060039, USMCR
AsstS-30FF/SecO	R. G. MARLESS, 1stLt, 098073, USMCR
FOO0FF	S. L. BURNETT IV, 1stLt, 090797, USMCR
FOO0FF	L. D. KAPRICH, 1stLt, 092361, USMCR
RPS0FF	R. A. CHITZER, 2ndLt, 096463, USMC
S-40FF	W. C. MIDDLEBROOKS, Capt, 083030, USMCR
BrAdoff	T. E. SILLMAN, 1stLt, 046791, USMC
MFO	E. H. BERTING, WO, 098791, USMC
Sup0FF	R. F. BRYCE, 2ndLt, 096154, USMC
ElectronicInt0	G. A. FISCHER, 1stLt, 079234, USMC

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USM</u>	
<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
12	199	1	6

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. No problems encountered

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel

- a. Enlisted Strength: 12 Marines joined - 12 Marines dropped
- b. Medals and Awards: None
- c. Administration: No problems encountered
- d. Service Bond Participation: 92%
- e. Training:

(1) Schools: 2 Enlisted Marines - Legal School, FLC, Camp Boaks
1 Enlisted Marine - NCO Leadership School, Okinawa

(2) Unit: See enclosure (1)

1. Education:

<u>MCI</u>		<u>USAFI</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
7	52	2	26

g. Morale: Average

2. Command Relations

a. No problems encountered

3. Equipment

a. No problems encountered

4. Logistics

a. No problems encountered

5. OPERATIONS

a. No problems encountered

PART IV

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1. Company Training Schedule (Enclosure (1)).

COMMUNICATION COMPANY
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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

Communication Company,
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
FPO, San Francisco 96602
RUC: 21657

COMMANDING OFFICER

Capt. W. F. CORNH
085173/2502 USAR
1-30 April 1967

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1967: Camp Hoa Long, East Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer:

OIC, III MAF Comctr:

Radio Platoon Commander:

Wire Platoon Commander:

1stLt D. F. STUELMUELLER 091058
1-30 April 1967 (On 30 day Spl Lv)
Major G. CLARK 070572
1-30 April 1967
1stLt J. F. DEPEMBROKE Jr. 092201
1-30 April 1967
1stLt D. A. ESCOBERA 091762
1-30 April 1967 (On loan from
CommSptCo, 7thCommBn, FMF)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTHUSMC

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
10	167

USN

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
0	0

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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

The month of April brought a drastic reduction in message traffic in the III MAF Communications Center from 101,640 to 72,776. The Combat Operations Communication Central however expanded its operations by adding an extra Teletype and Covered Radio Circuit while doubling the size of its physical plant. The implementation of five FCC-19's operated by this Command at the Army Signal Group Detachment Compound (Danang Control) has given the Marine teletype circuits, operating in Danang, increased flexibility and a "built in" test facility. To our knowledge this is the first extensive system of this type attempted by any Armed Forces in the World. This Company now operates the TSC-15 Comm Central used on the III MAF Command 2 net and the Parchment switch board handled as many as 7,000 calls in a day in April. Indicative of the morale and spirit of this unit, 57 of the 187 men average for April are serving on extensions or have extended in Vietnam.

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

- a. Enlisted Strength: 164
- b. Medals and Awards: Delivered two Good Conduct Certificates (1st AWARDS)
- c. Administration: None
- d. Savings Bond Participation: 91%
- e. Training:
 - (1) Schools: 5 Marines were sent to FLC to attend a 5 day drivers school. 3 Marines were sent to a generator school held in the 5thCommBn area.
 - (2) Units: 17 hours of training on military subjects were given during the month of April.
- f. Education:
 - (1) MEI: Officers-9 Enlisted-50
 - (2) USAFI: Officers-2(college), Enlisted-2(HS)&-7(college)

2. COMMAND RELATIONS ADCON & OPCON to CO 5thCommBn3. EQUIPMENT None4. LOGISTICS None5. OPERATIONS

- 1. Added one truck from Minty swbd to Parchment swbd.
- 2. COC expanded the floor space in the radio room.
- 3. A circuit was provided from 11th Marines to 1st M.P. Bn.
- 4. A new chain link and concerting barriers has been constructed in the Communications Central area.
- 5. An isolated 6 Pr cable was installed from the COC to the Halo Pad #3
- 6. Two FGC-19's have been installed in the CommCo Tech shop for the emergency communication system with NAVCOMSTA Phila.

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None.

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

Communication Support Company
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
FPO, San Francisco 96602
RUC: 21658

COMMANDING OFFICER

1stLt J. F. WASHKO
090432/2502 USMCR
13-30 April 1967

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1967: Camp Hoa Long, East Da Nang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer: Capt. William C. MIDDLEBROOKS - 1-12 April 1967
1stLt J. F. WASHKO - 13-30 April 1967

Executive Officer: 1stLt W. S. DELLA VALLE 092455 - 21-30 April 1967

Radio Platoon Commander: 2ndLt S. L. FRENCH 096711 - 1-26 April 1967
WO-1 K. L. WOODS 099566 - 27-30 April 1967

Wire Platoon Commander: 1stLt W. S. DELLA VALLE 092455 - 1-20 April 1967
2ndLt R. G. HILL 094274 - 21-30 April 1967

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
5	70	NONE	

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. During the month of April Communication Support Company provided the Battalion with internal telephone communications. Telephone communications was also provided at both the China Beach R&R Center and the General's Beach House. Public address systems were provided at the China Beach A&R Center, III MAF, M/C-16, and DaNang Sub Area Command. In country and out of country radio nets were activated using TSC-15s and MRC 83s.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel

- Enlisted Strength: 4 Officers, 68 Enlisted Marines
- Medals and Awards: VSM-5 and VCM-4
- Administration: None
- Savings Bond Participation: 60 participating

e. Training: During the month of April Communication Support Company conducted both MOS and GMST training. Subjects taught included the various types radio and wire equipments within the Company, operating procedures, preventive maintenance, motor vehicle safety, squad/fire team tactics (day), bayonet fighting, patrolling, code of conduct, pistol cal .45, ambushes, rifle 7.62mm M-14, security and defense organization, field fortification and camouflage, VC mines and booby traps, hand and rifle grenades, map reading and use of the compass, rifle M-16, and water safety training.

f. Education:

MCI
14

USAFI
2

g. Morale: Excellent

2. Command Relations - N/A

3. Equipment - No significant problems or changes in the Company's Equipment Status

4. Logistics - No significant problems or changes in the Company's Logistics Status

5. Operations - The following commitments were accomplished during April:

- a. Activation of Command Net #2
- b. Improvement in the Battalion Telephone System
- c. Removal of excess metal poles from Battalion area
- d. Removal of telephone extensions from billeting areas
- e. Installed one 25 pair cable
- f. Provided one PU-587 generator to Battalion Maintenance
- g. Installed 2 trunks between MAG-16 and 5th Communication Battalion
- h. Wired the Battalion alternate C.P.
- i. Installed one pair to the U.S. Naval Hospital
- j. Provided technical assistance to 5th Special Forces, including one Corporal 2533, and one PRC-41
- k. Provided one Officer (2805) to Battalion for technical assistance
- l. Provided a public address system at the China Beach R&R Center (4 occasions), DaNang Sub Area Command (2 occasions), III MAF, Freedom Hill and MAG-16.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

RADIO RELAY & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
5th Communication Battalion FFP
Perse Logistic Command PGPAC
APO San Francisco 96602

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. REGIMENTATION

Radio Relay & Construction Company
 5th Communication Battalion, FWP
 Force Logistic Command, FWPAC
 FPO, San Francisco 96602
 RUC: 21699

COMMANDING OFFICER

Major W. A. HEAD
 060696/2902/0000 USMC
 1-30 April 1967

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1967: Camp Hoa Lang, East Da Nang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Capt. J. F. VIEHA
 090751/2502/0000 USMC
 22-30 April 1967

Radio Relay Platoon Commander

Capt. K. M. FORMAN
 090869/2902/0000 USMC
 1-30 April 1967

Radio Relay Ass't Platoon Commander

2ndLt. W. E. TERRELL
 094105/2901/0000 USMC
 20-30 April 1967

Radio Relay Maintenance Officer

WO-4 D. P. IVERS
 090852/2805/0000 USMC
 1-30 April 1967

Radio Relay AN/TRC-97 Section Leader

2ndLt. D. E. PHEL
 095740/5910/5970 USMC
 1-30 April 1967 (Att.)

Construction Platoon Commander

2ndLt. R. L. GORSIL
 096708/2810/0000 USMC
 1-30 April 1967
 (On loan fr 7thComBn)

Operations Officer

1stLt. J. K. BLACK
 091713/2902/0000 USMC
 2-30 April 1967

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
5	171	Name	Name

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

- a. No unusual problems encountered

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

- a. Enlisted Strength: 176
- b. Medals and Awards: (1) Meritorious Mast
- c. Administration: Major REED assumed command on 1Apr67 from Major CLARK.
- d. Services Road Participation: 99
- e. Training:

(1) Schools: 2 men attended Cable Splicing School at Saigon from 2 April to 22 April 1967.

(2) Units: See enclosure (1).

f. Education:

NEI
27

USAFI
3

g. morale: High2. Command Relations: Not Applicable3. EQUIPMENT:

a. The company has all of its major T/B equipment with the exception of 1 Radio Set AN/PRC-62. During the month, two Radio Sets AN/PRC-97 were received. This is two in excess of normal allowance however the excess was authorized and directed by CG III MAF to meet an operational commitment.

4. LOGISTICS

a. Nothing significant to report.

3. OPERATIONS

a. The Radio Relay Platoon was manning 15 Radio Sets AN/TRC-62's, 1 AN/TRC-63, 11 AN/TRC-27's and 8 AN/TRC-97's in support of III MAF.

b. The Construction Platoon continued to install and maintain the III MAF cable system in the Da Nang TACR.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

J. F. VIGNA
By direction

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DATE	TIME	SUBJECT	INSTRUCTOR	LOCATION	REFERENCE	REMARKS
3Apr67	0730-0830	BAYONET TRAINING	SSGT GILES	PICNIC AREA	LPM	E5/BELOW
5Apr67	0830-0930	NBC DEFENSE	BN NBC NCO	PICNIC AREA		CO NBC PERS
7APR67	0730-0930	RIOT CONTROL FORMATION	SGT JOHNSON, J. D.	PICNIC AREA	LPM	E5/BELOW
8Apr67	0930-1030	DRIVER INDOCTRINATION	BN MTO	MOTOR POOL		ALL DRIVERS
10Apr67	0730-0830	CARE & CLEANING OF INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS & EQUIP	SGT SCOTT, E.	PICNIC AREA	LPM	E4/BELOW
12Apr67	0830-1030 1400-1500	MG CAL. 50/M-60 FOOD HANDLING & SANIT	BN ARMORER BN MED O	PICNIC AREA MESS HALL		E4/BELOW COOKS/MESSMEN
15Apr67	0930-1030 1500-1600	SECURITY & DEFENSE NCO LEADERSHIP	BN SEC O/CHIEF SSGT DUDIK	ENLISTED CLUB BN CLASS ROOM		E5/BELOW E5/E4
16Apr67	0730-0830	RELATED SKILL TRAINING	SECTION OFFICES	SECTION AREAS		SECTION PERS
19Apr67	0830-0930	VC MINES & BOOBYTRAPS	BN SEC O/CHIEF	ENLISTED CLUB		E5/BELOW
21Apr67	0700-	COMPANY COMMANDERS INSP	CO	Co AREA	PERSONNEL & BILLETING	ALL HANDS EXCEPT THOSE ON WATCH
22Apr67	0800-1000	GENERATOR OPERATORS	BN MAINT OFF	MAINT AREA		GEN OPERS
24Apr67	0700-0900	SQUAD & FIRETEAM TACTIC	SGT W. W. WEBB	PICNIC AREA	LPM	E5/BELOW
27Apr67	0730-0830	RIFLE M-14	CPL BARLOW	PICNIC AREA		E4/BELOW
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COMMUNICATIONS REPORT COMPANY
5th Communication Battalion FIF
APO San Francisco, 96602

JFW/rjw
5750
2 June 67

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 5th COMMUNICATIONS BATTALION FIF (ACTN: S-1)

Subj: Command Chronology; report of

Ref: COM ltr 1/JWJ/RWJ over 5750 o 6Ma 67

Encl: (1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a) the subject report is submitted as enclosure (1).

J.F. ASKO

Command Support Co, 5th Comm Bn

10 May 67

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

5th Communication Battalion, FMP

COMMANDER

LtCol A. G. ZIEGLER (1-31May67)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

1stLt R. C. KLINE (1-31May67)

Communication Company

Capt W. F. OENSEN (1-31May67)

Communication Support Company

1stLt J. F. WASHKO (1-31May67)

Radio Relay & Construction Company

Maj W. A. READ (1-31May67)

ATTACHED UNITS

Communication Support Company
7th Communication Battalion, FMP

Capt T. C. TERRELL (1-31May67)

2. LOCATION

1-31 May: Camp Hoa Long, East Danang, Republic of Vietnam

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj W. A. READ (Additional Duty)
(1-31May67)

S-1 Officer

2dLt J. W. JACKSON (1-31May67)

S-3 Officer

Maj J. A. LOVULLO (1-31May67)

S-4 Officer

Capt W. C. MIDDLEBROOKS (1-31May67)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER
Off	Enl	Off	Enl	
34	635	1	8	None

5th Comm Bn

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Enclosure (1)

10 May 67

NO F-01 ENCL 10

PART III2. a. Personnel

Joined:	57
Detached:	45
Deaths:	0
Extensions:	6
(6 Months)	
Hospitalized:	2
Promotions:	O5, 3; O2, 1; E6, 2; E5, 1; E4, 15; E3, 5
Emergency Leave	0

b. Administration:

(1) Education

- (a) MOI Courses: 186
- (b) USAFI Courses: 48
- (c) Other Courses: 0

(2) Health

- (a) Venereal Disease Infection: 7

(3) Postal- Postal Support was provided by the 1st Marine Division, FMP. Mail service to and from CONUS is about 7 days.

(4) Legal

SpCv- 1
SCM- 0
NJR- 8

(5) Savings Program

- (a) Savings Deposit: 5%
- (b) Savings Bonds: 90.5%

(6) Moral- The moral of this organization continues to improve. This can be attributed, in part to the close proximity of the excellent South China Sea Beach facilities, Post Exchange facilities, service clubs, and a daily movie.

(7) Disbursing- The 1st Marine Division provided disbursing support to this organization.

c. Intelligence: None

d. Training

(1) Training was conducted on Vietnam oriented subjects, selected general military subjects, M-16 Rifle, and MOS qualification.

(2) FMF firing was conducted at the Mac Cam Regional Forces Training Center for 347 members of the Battalion. Weapons fired included Rifles M-14 and M-16, Pistols Caliber .45 and Shotguns 12 gauge. Results with the M-16 rifle were most satisfactory.

(3) Three members of the Battalion attended "out of country" formal schools and seven attended "in country" formal schools that are conducted by other commands.

(4) Twelve members of the Battalion attended a three day formal course of instruction, within the Battalion, on Small Engine Generator Operation. The course covers engine generators through 10KW that are T/E and/or component items of communication equipment.

e. Special Operations

(1) Continued to up-grade the III MAF cable system. Twenty-five pair cables on temporary pole lines were replaced by 100 pair cables on permanently installed pole lines. Temporary pole lines were removed and salvaged for future use.

(2) Provided communication support for the III MAF change of command ceremony.

(3) Provided communication support for a WESPAC visit by the Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific.

f. NBC Warfare - Home

g. Communications. Continued to provide communication support for the Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force and limited support to the 1st and 3d Marine Divisions, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and the Force Logistic Command.

h. Logistics

(1) Modified Headquarters Company Office. Installed canvas protective cover on windows of Engr Maint Office. Made two shields for Radio towers of 7th Com and 5th Com. Installed new multi-breakers in Hq. Co. and ComSpt Co. area. Built wash rack in staff and officers area. Installed new 30 Amp Breaker Box at Bn Supply. Putting in cement deck for Headquarters Company Mess. Rewiring the Chapel.

(2) Maintenance of Combat Essential Equipment remained in readiness category C-1 during the month of May.

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of May 1967, Operations were continued at a normal level. Communication Support was provided to Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force and limited support to the 1st and 3rd Marine Divisions, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Air-Group 16 and Force Logistic Command/1st Force Service Regiment. Message traffic continues to decrease since April to approximately 65,000 messages. Communication facilities in support of the III MAF CCB continue to expand. Our AN/TSC-15 Van at Dong Ha in support of Wing Operations has been located in a different position due to the heavy dust that is prevalent there. Telephone communications was also provided at both the China Beach R&R Center and the General's Beach Mess.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Command Chronologies from each Company within this Battalion plus a copy of the Command Chronology from Communication Support Company, 7th Communication Battalion which is attached to this Battalion operationally are hereby attached as supporting documents. ^{NIF}

- Hq Co
- Comm Co
- Comm Sig Co
- Rad Relay & Control Co

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
APO, San Francisco, California 96602

RCK:jhs
3750
1 Jun 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 5th Communication Battalion, FMF (S-1)

Subj: Company Command Chronology

Ref: (a) CO, 5thCommBn, FMF ltr 1/JNJ/rms over 3750 of 6May67

Encl: (1) Company Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted:

ROY C. KLINE

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ALLEGED INVESTIGATION OF MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
APO, San Francisco, California 96602

COMPANY COMMAND
CHRONOLOGY

1 thru 31 May 1967

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ENCLOSURE (1)

PART I1. DESIGNATION

Headquarters Company
5th Communication Battalion, FMC
APO, San Francisco 96602
RUC 21656

COMMANDING OFFICER

1stLt ROY C. KLINE
091938/2502, USMC
1-31May67

2. LOCATION

1-31May67: Camp Hoa Lang, East Danang, RVN

3. OFFICERS

BRACE, Robert P. 2ndLt, 096194, USMC	EnSupt; 1-31May67
BITTING, Edward M. WO, 098391, USMC	WFO; 1-31May67
BUNNEY, Sylvan L. IV, 1stLt, 090747, USMCR	FCOoff; 1-31May67
CRITZER, Roger A. 2ndLt, 096463, USMC	RFPOff; 1-31May67
FISCHER, George A. 1stLt, 079234, USMC	Electainto; 1-31May67
HARLESS, Richard G. 092073, 1stLt, USMCR	SecOff; 1-31May67
JACKSON, James W. 2ndLt, 099643, USMC	EnAjt/S-1off; 1-31May67
KAPRICH, Larry G. 092361, 1stLt, USMCR	FCOoff; 1-31May67
LOVULD, Joseph A. Maj, 080639, USMCR	S-3off; 1-31May67
LYMAN, Gerald J. 1stLt, 092804, USMCR	Assts-4off; 23-31May67
MARKS, John H. 1stLt, 091105, USMCR	FCOoff; 11-31May67
MIDDLEBROOKS, William C. Capt, 083050, USMCR	S-4off; 1-31May67
MORRISON, Raymond P. WO, 099184, USMC	FCOoff; 23-31May67
WESTERLING, Michael C. Capt, 091087, USMCR	Assts-3off; 13-31May67
ZIEGLER, Arnold G. 1FCOL, 053187, USMC	EnComdr; 1-31May67
KEARLEY, Preston H. 1st(CMC) 709194, USN	EnChaplin; 16-31May67

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
14	195	1	8

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. No problems encountered

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel

a. Enlisted Strength: 9 Marines joined - 14 Marines dropped

b. Medals and Awards: None

c. Administration: No problems encountered

d. Savings Bond Participation: 93.6%

e. Training:

(1) Schools: None

(2) Unit: See attached training schedule

f. Education:

<u>MCI</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
7	34

<u>USAFI</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
2	28

g. Morale: Average

2. Command Relations

a. No problems encountered

3. Equipment

a. No problems encountered

4. Logistics

a. No problems encountered

5. Operations

a. No problems encountered

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Company Training Schedule.

DATE	TIME	SUBJECT	INSPECTOR	LOCATION	REFERENCE	REMARKS
7May67	0900-1100	Food Handling & Sanitation	Bn Medical Officer	Mess Hall	FM 21-10	Cooks/Messmen
8May67	0800-0900	Squad/Fireteam Tactics	Lt Col. CROSBY	Picnic Area	FM 6-5	E4/Below
9May67	0930-1030	Drivers Indoctrination	Bn MT Chief	MT Area		All Drivers
9May67	0730-0830	Rifle M-16	SSgt GILES	Picnic Area	Co Lesson Plan	E5/Below
10May67	0830-1030	Generators Operators Training	Camp Maint Officer	Generator Pad		All Operators
10May67	0700-	Company Commander Inspection	Company Commander	Co. Area		All Hands
12May67	0830-0930	Code of Conduct	Lt FISCHER	Enlisted Club		E5/Below
13May67	0800-0900	MOS Training	Sect Officers	Sect Area		All Hands
16May67	0730-0830	Operation Against Guerr. Forces	Sgt Snyder	Picnic Area	FM 31-21	E5/below
17May67	0900-1000	Security Defense Organization	Bn Sec Chief	Enlisted Club		All Staff NCO & Officers
19May67	0830-	Bn Cdr Insp	Bn Commander	Co Area	Bn Bul 1010	All Hands Office
19May67	1300-	Admin Insp	S-1	Co Office	-dc-	Personnel
20May67	0800-0900	Communication Security	SSgt BACSHAW	Enlisted Club	Acp 122	All Hands
23May67	0730-0830	Merging MOS Training	Sect Chief	Sect Area		All Hands
23May67	0830-0930	Related Skill Training	Sect Chief	Sect Area		All Hands
24May67	1500-1600	Troop Indoc. Hand & Rifle	1stSgt REINOLD	Picnic Area		E5/below
26May67	0800-0900	Grenades	Sgt BETTS	Picnic Area	FM 23-3	E5/below
27May67	1500-1600	NCO Leadership	SSgt DUDIK	Bn Class Room	FMFM 1-2	E4/E5
30May67	0730-0830	NBC Defense	Sgt SERGENE	Bn Class Room	FM 21-41	Co NBC Para

Note: Water Safety Training will go on each Tuesday for all non-Swimmers at 1500-1600

COMMUNICATION COMPANY
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
APO, San Francisco 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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(Communication), 5th Co. 1st Bn

May 67

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

Communication Company,
5th Communication Battalion, FIF
APO, San Francisco 96602
RUC: 21657

COMMANDING OFFICER

Capt. W. F. COENEN
085173/2502 USMCR
1-31 May 1967

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1967: Camp Hoa Long, East Danang RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer:

1stLt D. F. STUHLMUELLER 091058
1-31 May 1967

OIC, III MAF ComdCtr:

Maj. G. CLARK 070572
1-31 May 1967

Radio Platoon Commander:

1stLt J. F. DEPENBROOK JR. 092201
1-31 May 1967

Wire Platoon Commander:

1stLt D. A. ESQUERRA 091762
1-31 May 1967 (on loan from
CommSpt Co., 7th CommBn, FMF)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
10	163

USN

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
0	0

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of May, message traffic continued to decrease from 72,776 in April to approximately 65,000 messages. Communication facilities in support of the III MAF COC continue to expand in order to support operations in the North. Preparations for the moving of the Parchment switch board are under way and the first part of the shipment bringing additional AN/TCC-7A switchboards has arrived. Communications were provided in support of General Walt's Change-of-Command ceremony which included a PA system and special wire and radio circuits. Our AN/TSC-15 van at Dong Ha in support of Wing operations has been changed. The new van is now located in a different position which is less susceptible to the heavy dust that is prevalent there.

With sixty personnel working in Communication Company on extensions, it is obvious that our Marines are dedicated to the fine job that they are doing.

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

- a. Enlisted Strength: 167
- b. Medals and Awards: One Purple Heart, awarded
- c. Administration: NONE
- d. Savings Bond Participations: 91%
- e. Training:
 - (1) Schools: 1 Marine was sent to NCO leadership school in Okinawa.
 - (2) Unit: 16 hours of training on military subjects were conducted during the month of May.
- f. Education:
 - (1) MCI: Officers- 9 Enlisted- 50
 - (2) USAFI: Officers- 2 (college) Enlisted- 2 (H.S.) & 7 (college)

2. COMMAND RELATIONS ADDON and OPGON to CO 5th Comm Bn.3. EQUIPMENT NONE4. LOGISTICS NONE5. OPERATIONS

- 1. A second log periodic antenna was installed at COB.
- 2. A PP-188/U was installed in the COB to give a more reliable power circuit for the radio equipment.
- 3. FLC circuit dropped. FLC now has its own DCS entry.
- 4. One voice trunk line was installed from Farchment to Oregon switchboard.
- 5. Telephone service between FLC, III MAF, and 5th Comm Bn. was upgraded.
- 6. New master booth installed and operative in COB.
- 7. Five voice channels were provided between III MAF and JEMARDIV.

PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE

W. F. COHEN

3. EQUIPMENT:

a. The Company has all of its major T/E equipment with the exception of (1) Radio Set AN/MRC-62. During the month, two Radio Sets AN/TRC-97's were invoiced to 7th Communication Battalion, eliminating the excess accrued in April 1967.

4. LOGISTICS:

a. Nothing unusual to report.

5. OPERATIONS:

a. The Radio Relay Platoon was manning 15 MRC-62's, 1 MRC-63, 9 AN/trc-278s, 5 AN/TRC-97's in support of III MAF.

b. The Construction platoon continued to install and maintain the III MAF cable system in the Danang TAOR.

PART IV**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

J. F. VICHA
By direction

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
7	209	None	None

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

- a. No unusual problems encountered.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

- a. Enlisted Strength: 212
- b. Medals and Awards: None
- c. Administration: Nothing significant
- d. Savings Bond Participation: 99%
- e. Training:

(1) Schools: 18 Marines completed generator operators course, a twenty hour local course.

5 Marines completed drivers school at FLC.

(2) Unit Training: A class was held on 19 May 67 for Company Officers and Staff NCO's on circuit planning for the AN/TRC-97.

The M16 Rifle was FAM fired by 50 Officers and Enlisted on 13 and 14 May 1967. Five hours of instruction were given on the M16 during the month.

- f. Education:

MCI
55

USAFI
5

- g. Morale: High

2. Command Relations: Not Applicable.

COMMUNICATIONS PORT COMPANY
5th Communication Station PMF
FBI San Francisco, 4602

COMMAND PRONUNCIATION

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY
5th Communication Battalion, FMF
APO San Francisco 96602
RUC: 21658

COMMANDING OFFICER

1stLT J.F. WASHKO
090432/2502 USMC
1-31 May 1967

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1967: Camp Hoa Long, East DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

COMMANDING OFFICER: 1stLT J.F. WASHKO--1-31 May 1967

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: 1stLT W.S. DELANEY 092455 1-8 May 1967

RADIO PLatoon Commander: WO-1 K.L. MOODS 099566 1-31 May 1967

WIRE PLatoon Commander: 2ndLT R.G. HILL 094274 1-31 May 1967

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
OFFICER	ENLISTED	OFFICER	ENLISTED
3	68	NONE	

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. During the month of May CommSptCo., provided the Battalion with internal telephone communication. Telephone communications were also provided at both the China Beach R&R Center, III MAF and DaNang Sub Area Command. In-country and out of country Radio nets were activated using TSC-15s and MC-83s.

PART IIIQUANTITATIVE LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

a. Enlisted Strength: 3 Officers, 68 Enlisted Marines
b. Medals and Awards: VCM 6
c. Administrations: none
d. Savings Bond participation: 58 participating

e. **Training:** During the Month of May Communication Support Company conducted both OS and GMSF training. Subjects taught included the various types of radio and wire equipment within the company, operating procedures, preventive maintenance, motor vehicle safety, care and cleaning of individual weapons and equipment, squad/fire team tactics (night), water safety training (non-swimmers), riot control formation, NBC Defense, troop indoctrination, rifle M-16, intelor guard, hand and rifle grenades, Code of conduct, squad/fire team tactics (day), VC mines and booby traps, fan-fired -10, NCO Leadership training.

f. **Education**

ACI

11

USAFI

2

g. **Morale:** Very Good

2. COMMAND RELATIONSHIP n/a

3. EQUIPMENT No significant problems or changes in the Company's Equipment status

4. LOGISTICS No significant problems or changes in the Company's Logistics status

5. OPERATIONS The following commitments were accomplished during May:

- a. Activation of the VIP net
- b. Install local off Mating switchboard to RMK
- c. Provide U/V Circuit between FCC and SFATCO
- d. Up-date telephone service to 244 Psyops Co.
- e. Provide extension on circuit MC-036
- f. Provide range safety net between the Hoa Lam Range and 5th Comm Bn
- g. Assist with X/C on HL-6 cable. Provide C-161 termination at TRC-7 site
- h. Install local off Mating switchboard to the Battalion Chaplain.
- i. Install 512 Telephone (2way sw) on Parchment 69
- j. Establish an alternate route for KTK2
- k. Provide F DUX TT circuit for KW-4 covered
- l. LTI and turn in to BnSup 1 AN/TGC-14 for issue to ComCo for an indefinite period
- m. 1 PE-75 for back up power at III MAF change of command ceremony
- n. Provide AN/TGC-110 w/dr/omr in stand by status to be used as directed at III MAF change of command ceremony
- o. Provided a public address system at China Beach R&R Center (1 occasion), DaNang Sub area command (1 occasion), III MAF (2 occasions), Freedom Hill (1 occasion).

PART IV

SUBJECTING ELEMENTS

NOTE