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✓(2) "C" Company, 1st Tank Battalion Command Chronology *FILED SEP*

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), and (c),
Enclosures (1) and (2) are hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May to 31 May 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Battalion, 5th Marines (-) (Rein)	Lt. Col. C. F. SAVAGE JR. 1-31 May 1970
M&S Company	1st Lt. P. G. WINDHEAD 1-31 May 1970
Company A	Capt. J. A. KELLY 1-31 May 1970
Company B	Capt. B. H. BAILEY 1-31 May 1970
Company C	1st Lt. S. D. GREEN 1-31 May 1970
Company D	1st Lt. G. F. ST. JOHN 1-31 May 1970
Company C, 1st Tank Battalion	Capt. R. L. NEEDHAM 1-31 May 1970

2. LOCATIONS. During the month of May the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines operated in the DaNang Southern Sector Defense Command and throughout the Division TAOR on Pacifier Operations. The responsibilities of the Battalion required it to maintain units of various sizes in several locations.

1st, Bravo and Charlie Company, and the Battalion CP located at Hill 34 (AM989709). Bravo Company was assigned as the Pacifier Company. One reinforced platoon was located at Hill 55 from 17 to 31 May 1970 OPCON 3/1. One reinforced platoon was located at Quang Do Special Zone (1st Tanks Cantonment), from 1-22 May 1970. One reinforced squad was located at Cobb Bridge from 1-31 May 1970. One reinforced platoon was located at Cau Do Bridge from 1-31 May 1970. Two platoons operated in the northern AO and three platoons in the central AO. One platoon remained at 1st Battalion, 5th Marines for cantonment security.

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj. D. C. TOWSEND
1-31 May 1970

S-1 Officer

2nd Lt. R. B. WEDDICK III
1-31 May 1970

S-1A Officer

WO L. CORPUS
1-31 May 1970

S-2 Officer

1st Lt. J. B. SWARTZBERG
1-31 May 1970

S-3 Officer

Maj. L. A. BICKLEY
1-31 May 1970

S-3A Officer

1st Lt. R. K. CRAWFORD
1-31 May 1970

S-3B Officer

2nd Lt. E. E. HEATH
1-31 May 1970

S-4 Officer

Capt. J. R. REYNOLD
1-31 May 1970

S-5 Officer

1st Lt. G. C. MASTHAMON

Communications Officer

Capt. L. C. BROADWELL
1-20 May 1970
Capt. F. R. SUTHERLAND
21-31 May 1970

Medical Officer

Lt. J. R. CUNNINGHAM
1-31 May 1970

Supply Officer

1st Lt. T. E. ROBINSON
1-31 May 1970

Motor Transport Officer

1st Lt. J. A. KUENZLESEN
1-31 May 1970

Assistant Adj./Legal Officer

1st Lt. D. E. CHUKSIAK
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Chaplain

Lt. Cmdr. E. L. HUGHES
1-31 May 1970

Air Liaison Officers

1st Lt. C. L. WRIGHT
1-23 May 1970
1st Lt. P. D. CALAMIAN
24-31 May 1970
1st Lt. J. R. POSTiglione
1-31 May 1970

Artillery Liaison Officer

1st Lt. N. A. WISEMAN
1-31 May 19704. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
48	1053	3	52

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of May the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines continued to solidify the concept of a Marine air-ground team by improving the techniques of heliborne operations used on the Pacific Operation. The Battalion continually responded to Division targets of opportunity running successful operations throughout the Division TACR while maintaining the control of the Southern Sector Defense Command.

The 5th of May witnessed the first of a number of successful Pacific Operations run during the month. The operation commenced with a flight of fixed wing aircraft to prep a LZ in the vicinity of Chau Phong. While the 1st Platoon, Alpha Company was inserted into the LZ, the command aircraft spotted approximately eight (8) enemy fleeing across the river some 700 meters to the north. The command aircraft opened fire, killing one (1) enemy soldier instantly. While a second fixed wing air strike was being conducted, the 2nd Platoon was inserted into a LZ in the vicinity of Vinh Trinh. The two platoons swept east finding four (4) enemy killed by air and killed an additional two (2) NVA with smallarms fire as they attempted to flee. The 3rd Platoon was landed 800 meters to the northeast at An Tam (2) thus sealing off the battle area. A fixed wing air strike was run on the only area of egress to the east. Two (2) more enemy were killed with smallarms fire and a third by a Cobra gunship as they attempted to flee to the east. As the extract was being made movement was noticed to the north and Golf Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines was notified. With support from "C" Company, 1st Tank Battalion they accounted for one (1) additional enemy killed. This successful operation proved, once again the timeliness of the Pacific Operation in being able to be extremely responsive to recent intelligence.

On 6 May another very successful operation was conducted. The previous night the enemy had conducted an attack on Liberty Bridge. An objective was determined and a LZ was selected to the northeast of the objective to enable ground units to sweep to the southwest into Echo Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, blocking force. While preparing to conduct an air strike the command aircraft spotted several enemy fleeing from a village near Thon Bon (2). The 3rd Platoon, Alpha Company was inserted into a LZ near the village and swept into the village. The 1st Platoon was landed northeast of the village and commenced sweeping southwest. A total of seven (7) enemy were killed attempting to flee by Cobra gunships. Five (5) enemy soldiers were killed by smallarms, one (1) of whom attempted a suicide charge at a M-60 machine gun position. One (1) wounded female VC nurse was taken prisoner. A search of the enemy packs and equipment located numerous hand grenades, M-26's, ChiCom, and local manufactured grenades, medical supplies, uniforms, and 782 gear. In this operation the marking of the enemy locations with smoke grenades, by the command aircraft, allowed a rapid and meticulous search of an expansive battle area by ground units.

On May 6th Charlie Company sent one platoon CPOC to the 5th Marines, to operate in an area south of Hill 55 in conjunction with troops of the 51st ARVN Regiment. Once again the Battalion showed its versatility in

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being responsive to the Division's call for troop support anywhere within the TAOR, and still maintain a capability for Pacifier Operations. For the remainder of the month Charlie Company operated in the area south of Hill 55 running combined patrols and ambushes with ARVN forces. These combined operations have successfully prevented any mining incidents along the road south of Hill 55 as well as resulting in two successful ambushes on 9 May and 10 May in the vicinity of Cam Van. Those ambushes resulted in one (1) NVA Officer killed; two (2) AK-47 rifles, five (5) ChiCom grenades and assorted documents were captured.

The area near Alligator Lake was the scene of another very successful operation on 13 May. This particular operation resulted in a total of 12 enemy killed, five by air and seven by smallarms fire. Also one (1) M-16 rifle, one (1) AK-47 rifle, one (1) M-1 carbine, and one (1) 45 caliber pistol, were captured, along with three (3) packs, six (6) ChiCom grenades and assorted ammunition. This particular operation again demonstrated the versatility of the Pacifier Operations by operating in two widely separated areas with outstanding effectiveness.

The next day, 14 May, the Battalion ran the most successful Pacifier Operation to date. The operation was conducted in the area of Football Island and the village of Phu Nam to the southwest. The results were fifteen (15) enemy killed. Twelve (12) by aircraft and three (3) by smallarms fire. In addition, one (1) M-16 rifle, one (1) 9mm pistol, four (4) ChiCom grenades and assorted 762 mm were captured. The professionalism and marksmanship of the crew of the Command and Control aircraft were particularly noteworthy.

The area east of Liberty Bridge, around Le Mac, and the area north across the Song Thu Bon River, around Phu Tay, were the scene of two successful Pacifier Operations conducted on 16 May and 20 May. Those operations resulted in a total of five (5) enemy killed, two (2) VC POW's, fourteen (14) detainees, and four (4) weapons captured.

The 16th of May marked a change in the Pacifier Company. Bravo Company became the Pacifier Company and Alpha Company returned to Dai La Contonment security and conducting platoon sized operations in the Rumor Valley area.

On 23-24 May Bravo Company conducted a Pacifier Operation in Antenna Valley. The purpose of the operation was the emplacement of sensor stations in the Antenna Valley area and the surrounding foothills. The mission was accomplished with negative contact. During the operation Bravo Company located one (1) SKS rifle, and two (2) 75mm recoilless rifle rounds, as well as capturing two (2) POW's.

The 29th of May witnessed another successful Pacifier Operation. The operation was again conducted in the area east of Liberty Bridge, this time around Le Nam (1) and Le Nam (2). The results were nine (9) enemy killed, four (4) detainees and one (1) POW. A search of the area revealed four AK-47 rifles, one (1) M-79 grenade launcher, and numerous infantry equipment. It is to be noted that the enemy continues to attempt to move amongst noncombatant looking Vietnamese along the trails when ground units approach. He wears white shirts and carries his pack and weapons under the shirt.

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The Battalion closed out the month with a successful operation conducted on 31 May. Once again the Pacifier was conducted in two widely separated areas with effective results. The Battalion again demonstrated an ability to launch more than one company on a Pacifier mission within minutes after the alert has been received. Bravo Company conducted its Pacifier in the Loc Trung area, west of Fire Support Base Ross. This operation resulted in three (3) enemy killed, two (2) detainees, two (2) female POW's, as well as one (1) AK-47 rifle and assorted 702 gear captured. Within minutes after it was alerted Alpha Company launched a Pacifier Operation in the railroad boom area, northwest of Alligator Lake. The results were five (5) enemy killed, four (4) detainees, one (1) POW, along with one (1) AK-47 rifle and assorted 702 gear captured.

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PART III

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SEMI-MONTHLY LITTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

A. TOPICS

1. PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

a. Strength. The Battalion's strength at the beginning of the month was 49 officers and 1151 enlisted. On the 15th the strength was 48 officers and 1132 enlisted. By the end of the month the strength was 52 officers and 1115 enlisted. At this time there is 1 Marine Officer and 20 enlisted men hospitalized.

b. Discipline, Law and Legal. Two Special Courts-Martial, Two Summary Courts-Martial were convened during May. During the same period 23 Battalion and 41 Company Office Hours (EJP) were held. There was one investigation completed and nine are pending.

c. ICM/Detainees. There were 24 detainees processed during this month.

d. Morale. Morale and fighting spirit continued to be excellent.

e. Postal. Postal service continued at the same degree of excellent.

f. Awards. During the month of May there were 55 Navy Achievement, 25 Navy Commendation, 12 Bronze Star and 7 Silver Star medals submitted for heroic and meritorious service. Six Marines were nominated for appropriate Vietnamese awards.

2. ENEMY, WEATHER, AND TERRAIN

a. Enemy. Enemy activity increased slightly over the previous month. Initiated enemy activities were along the boundary line separating SSEC from 1st Marines BACR. In the northern area of SBDU, a truck and jeep were ambushed in the vicinity of (AG9)C795) along with the finding of a Punji pit at (AG9)E1761).

b. Weather. No Change.

c. Terrain. No Change.

3. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

a. Organization. The organization of the Battalion remained the same throughout the month with AB Company, Bravo Company and 1/3 of Charlie

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Company located at the CP. One reinforce platoon was on Cau Do Bridge and one reinforced squad located at Cobb Bridge from 1-31 May 1970. One platoon from Charlie Company was OPCOM to Mike Company, 3/1 from 17-31 May for operations at Hill 55 (AT963609).

b. Operations. The Battalion ran twenty-one (21) Pacifier Operations during the month of May with day and night activities.

SUPPORTING ARMS

(1) Air. Pacifier Operations accounted for 95% of all air fraged by this Battalion consisting mainly of helicopter operations with fixed wing support. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines used more air than any other Battalion in the 1st Marine Division. The totals follow:

(a) Aircraft used and total hours.

Type A/C	-	UH-1E	CH-46	CH-53	OV-10	AH-1G
Total Hrs.	-	88.4	259.1	10.5	74.6	355.8

(b) Other Air.

Fixed Wing	Medevacs	KUMA
20 Flights	5 USMC	6 indigenous
		43

(2) The Battalion helicopter ALO/FAC left and a new fixed wing ALO/FAC took his place. Presently two fixed winged pilots are administering the duties involving FAC. The balance of one helo and one fixed wing pilot will be restored early next month with the expected arrival of another helicopter pilot.

(3) Artillery. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines continued to be directly supported by Fortrot 2/11 during the month of May. SSDC was also supported by elements of 1/11 and other units of the 11th Marines, in a general support capacity. Due to the concentration of friendlies in SSDC this support was largely restricted to illumination missions. Organic 81mm mortars provided additional support. General support units throughout the Division A0 were used in support of Pacifier Operations controlled by 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

(4) Engineers. Engineer personnel provided extensive demolition support on each Pacifier Operation.

(5) Shore Party (HST). HST personnel were provided by Company E, 1st Shore Party Battalion and were primarily employed in coordinating and effecting helicopter medevacs, visual reconnaissance, and during the Pacifier Operation. Ten personnel from the Battalion completed HST training during this reporting period.

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- (6) Scout Snipers. None Attached
- (7) Motor Transportation. (See Logistics.)

4. TRAINING

a. The following training was conducted during the month:

- (1) Weapons Safety
- (2) Weapons Inspection, Care and Cleaning
- (3) Mapping and compass
- (4) Leadership
- (5) Viet Cong Mines and Booby Traps
- (6) Drug Abuse
- (7) Familiarization firing of the M16, M60
- (8) XM-174 Automatic Grenade Launcher
- (9) Forward Observer Procedures
- (10) Venereal Disease
- (11) 60mm Mortar, M79 (live firing)
- (12) Uniform Appearance
- (13) Military Customs and Courtesy
- (14) Individual and Group Hygiene in the field
- (15) Handling of POW's
- (16) Troop Leading Steps
- (17) Conduct of a Marine in and out of the field
- (18) Anti-Personnel Mine M16A1
- (19) AN/PRC 25 Radio
- (20) M26 Hand Grenade
- (21) Training of the 81mm Mortar Crews
- (22) 81mm Mortar (live firing)
- (23) Physical Training
- (24) Care and Cleaning of the 106mm Recoilless Rifle
- (25) Crew Training of the 106mm Recoilless Rifle
- (26) Preventive Maintenance of AN/PRC 25 Radio
- (27) Electrical Safety
- (28) Preventive First Aid
- (29) Combat Intelligence
- (30) KY-38
- (31) Driver Training for Testing and Licensing L.D.
- (32) Weekly Preventive Maintenance
- (33) Procedures for Completing NAVMO 106275D
- (34) Vehicle Safety
- (35) Shop Safety
- (36) Battle Sights (live firing)
- (37) Scouting and Patrolling
- (38) Technique of Fire
- (39) Camouflage

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- (40) Enemy Tactics
- (41) Supply Administration
 - a. Financial Management
 - b. Status
 - c. Personal Effects
 - d. Logistical Summary Report
 - e. Transaction Codes
 - f. Controlled Items
- (42) Warehousing, Field
 - a. Stock Identification
 - b. Embarkation
- (43) Armory (Operational Procedures)
- (44) Safety (Hand Grenades)
- (45) M-72 LAAM
- (46) XM-191 Multi-Shot Flame Thrower

b. The Battalion continued to utilize schools provided by higher headquarters in the DaNang area and Okinawa.

5. LOGISTICS. On 22 May 1970, the 1st Tank Battalion cantonment was released to the Vietnamese, all troops less the generator operators were withdrawn. The three Marines have remained in an attempt to train the Vietnamese the procedures of 1st Echelon Maintenance in order to provide that cantonment with electrical power.

Additional potable water has been required at the 1/5 cantonment, Hill 34, since the submerged pump and booster pump have become inoperable. FLC, 1st Motors and Public Works have been hauling a total of approximately 25,000 gallons daily. Recommendations on solving this water problem has been submitted to G-4 and Division Engineers.

Work has begun on a 16 head shower, however, due to non-availability of shower parts, work has ceased on the enlisted shower. No completion date has been set.

6. CIVIC ACTION. S-5 is presently coordinating with the Heiu Duc District Chief to eliminate the Vietnamese from using the roadside (TL542) west of Dai La Pass Cantonment as a trash pit. In coordination with the Dai La Village Chief, Marine Engineers will clear the area with bulldozer and the GVN Officials will prevent Vietnamese trash vendors from depositing refuse in the area. This same program has worked successfully in the past in the former trash area outside Hoa C m Training Center.

7. MEDICAL. A total of nine hundred and ninety-one out-patients were seen during this reporting period. Of this total, twelve were referred to other medical facilities for admission. A total of one thousand three hundred and sixty five prescriptions were filled, fifty-six complete physical examinations were conducted, thirty pairs of single vision spectacles were ordered, and thirty limited services were performed which included mass physicals, brig physicals, and sobriety exams. In addition, five Medcaps for Vietnamese Nationals were held.

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Daily sanitation inspections are held at both cantonments. Weekly sanitation inspections were conducted and submitted in writing. In addition, an inspection was held by the Division Preventive Medicine Unit. Corrective measures have been initiated to eliminate all discrepancies. A total of four hundred and two immunizations were given during this reporting period. Approximately seventy per cent of the Battalion are up to date on immunizations. Twenty-two cases of Urethritis due to Gonococcus and three cases of Non-specific Urethritis were treated during this period; of this number, thirteen cited contact in the DaNang area.

Weekly training sessions were conducted for Marine personnel by Company Corporals. Subjects included prevention and treatment of heat casualties, field sanitation, and the dangers of Venereal Diseases. In-service training sessions for Battalion Aid Station Corpsmen covered such topics as treatment of heat casualties, administration of anesthesia, etc. Two female Vietnamese are being trained in nursing and emergency room procedures. One class was conducted by Division Personnel on Drug Abuse. It is felt that more guidance and counseling on the dangers of drugs would decrease our problems in this area.

8. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS. None
9. COMMUNICATIONS. Routine garrison improvements continue.
10. SIGNIFICANT CASUALTIES INFLICTED OR SUSTAINED: VC/NVA CAPTURED

a. Friendly Casualties
1st Battalion, 5th Marines

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
KIA	1	0
WIAE	12	0
WIANE	6	0
DOW	0	0
DOD	0	0
MHC	9	0
MHD	0	0

b. Enemy Casualties

KIA	NVA 16	VC 19	Total	35
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11. SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ORDNANCE CAPTURED DURING THE MONTH

17 - ChiComs	6 - M26 grenades
2 - B40's	350 - AK-47 rds.
1 - 105 rd	
1 - 500 lb. bomb	

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12 - AK-47's	1 - 9mm
1 - M79	2 - 45 Cal
1 - M1 Carbine	1 - RPD
2 - M16's	600lb. potatoes
1 - SKS	200lb. rice
	Medical gear

13. ~~ENEMIES~~. See Tab "A" to Enclosure (1) (Staff Journal for the period of 010001H through 312400H May 1970).

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓Tab "A" Staff Journal for period of 1 May through 31 May 1970.

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UNIT OR SECTION S-3 1st Bn., 5th Mar.
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010001H 012400H May 1970
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TIME IN OUT	SER NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
			Journal Opened	
0750	1	010750H	B-2J while on road sweep received 4 rounds S/A fire, from (918727). Swept area V/Neg. results. Continued on road sweep.	
2210	2	012210H	B2H while providing aid in security at (945699) had movement in front of lines. Opened fire with S/A received, return S/A fire. Called for illumination.	
			Journal Closed	

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Quang Nam Province
PLACE

060001H

062400H May 1970

FROM

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TIME		SER NO	DATE/TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
				Journal Opened	
0645		1	060645H	Commenced LZ prep W/fixed wing A/C 0700 L Hour into LZ 955502. 0705 - 6-8 NVA spotted crossing river 700 meters to north by C&C A/C. Hit En. W/M-60's from C&C to mark target. Cobras delivered onboard ord. killing tail end Charlie immediately in the river. Landed 2nd Plt 100m. north of fleeing En. Two Plts. swept to east finding 3 NVA KBA. killed 2 En. W/S/A fire and M-79 fire. Enemy male & female 20-25 yrs old. wearing green utilities, shorts. Fnd misc. documents & 300% potatoes. 1 USMC tripped M-26 B/T resulting in 1 USMC VIA EVAC. B/T in tall grass W/Trip wire across trail. 3rd Plt. landed at An Tam (2) sealing off battle area with fixed wing A/strike at E/edge of An Tam (2). 1 En. killed by cobra attempt- ing to flee to east. Misc., Documents food stuffs, and gear sent to ITF. Notified C/2/5 W/tanks of possible target & fired Cobra Ordnance in target area. Tanks killed one in area later.	
				Journal Closed	

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070001H 072400H May 1970
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Quang Nam Province

PLACE

080001H

082400H May 1970

FROM

TO

TIME IN OUT	SER NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
			Journal Opened	
0840	1	080840H	Arrived An Hoa for tgt. brief En. reported 9450 grid. 0855 - picked LZ to NE of obj. area to insert troops to sweep to the NW towards E/2/5 blocking force. Commence LZ prep WA/S/. while moving away fn. area for air strike several VN males noticed leaving Hamlet area vic. 970510 made low pass W/C&C A/C males discarded packs in brush and ran for treeline. Cobras delivered onboard ordnance. Landed 3rd Plt commenced sweep NE. into ville 3 VC moving for river. Point man carrying a pistol two following carrying packs. C&C fired M-60's wounding one before guns jammed. En. escaped to rivers edge. landed 1st plt. after getting AO extension to E vic. 978518. Sweep east chasing 4 VC to E seen fleeing along wooded trail. Cobras fired onboard ordnance killing 3 and wounding 1 VC female who was medevaced. 1 VC killed fleeing to east. Continued sweep to E found 1 M-26 B/T. W/sweeping ville 1 VC male was killed attempting to throw a grenade at Marines who tried to take as POW. 2 more NVA killed fleeing. 4 more NVA killed by Cobras on side of trail. En. wore green utilities. Black PJ's in pack. ChiCom ord.. B/T blown in place. Documents misc. clothing turned over to ITH. POW medevaced.	
			Journal Closed	

UNIT OR SECTION S-3 1st Bn., 5th Mar.
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090000LH 092400Z May 1970
FROM TO

TIME IN FOOT	SER NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
			Journal Opened	
0250	1	090250	2 Susp VC/LVA personnel were spotted checking out the road at at CIA pos. CIA spotted 2 suspects and opened fire on them. CIA called for illum and searched the area and found 1 AK-47 rifle, serial # 8382, and 1 AK magazine & 28 rds.	
0600	2	090600	VR of rocket belt conducted w/neg. results. 0925 - HCA arrived for con. in 1st Marines AO. 1046 - L - hour for 2nd Flt in LZ vic 873651 after air strike for LZ prep Platoon swept SW ending on stream bed for 2km w/neg. results. Fresh bomb craters found near obi. area but no bomb craters at obi. area. Neg result. Returned to original LZ and extracted at 1340. Con terminated at 1400.	
			Journal Closed	

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102400H May 1970

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112400H May 1970

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142400H May 1970

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TIME IN OUT	SER NO	DATE/TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
			Journal Opened	
0700	1	140700H	1 plt inserted to LZ vic (AT864503) after LZ prep with air strick A/C received small arms fire. Swept to NE guiding on the river. 2VC En. killed by cobras at attempt to flee to the N. 1 VC killed by W-60's fire C2C A/C vic (AT873510). Plt fd. 4 VC killed by air. Killed 2 VC W/S/A fire. Blew 2 bunkers, 1 200 bomb, and 105 dud. Inserted 2nd Plt into LZ vic (AT894520) and swept SW. 6 En. seen attempting to flee across Song Thu Bon into Phu Nhuan. 4 VC killed in the river by Cobras. 0940 extracted 2nd Plt and inserted into LZ vic (AT884525) and swept southeast. Received S/A fire. Plt killed 1 enemy with S/A fire. Extracted 1st Plt inserted into above grid. and swept N. Ran air strike 800m to E. 1 USMC wounded by S/A suffered minor wound in the foot. Medevac could not wait.	
1610	2	141610H	Marines from C 1/11 were traveling E. on Rt 545 in a M-151 Veh. When a small explosive devise was triggered A 4inch X 1 1/2 inch hole was blown in bottom. Veh. continued E. and reported incident no personnel were injured.	
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0600	1	160600H	Pacifier airborne. Commenced LZ prep with 1 flight of fixed wing on LZ vic (AT 960540). 0700 2nd Plt inserted and swept SW toward Le Bac. Inserted 1st Plt into unprepared LZ vic (AT966253) and swept SW to Le Bac 2. VC males were observed attempting to flee. 1 VC was apprehended in thick elephant grass after received gunshot wounds in the arm while attempting to flee. 1 male continued to flee into a brick bunker. VC would not come out. Bunker VC destroyed. Male VC wounded to An Hoa. 14 Detainees forwarded to An Hoa. One Detainee was a VC after interrogation, attempted to flee into high grass and was finally founded. Cache of potatoes approx 600 lbs was founded buried in the sand. Results 1 VC KIA, 13 detainees, 2 VC POWs. Journal Closed.	

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0600		1	200600H	B Co 1stBn 5th Mar inserted into 9555 grid square started sweep received S/A fire from unknown size enemy force. Returned S/A fire and directed Cobra gunship toward enemy resulting in 4 KIA KBA wearing green utilities, captured 1 RPD Machine gun, 3 AK-47's, 3 M60's 1 bag of AK-47 ammo, and misc. 762 gear & clothing also found 2 M-26 which were blown in place.	
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0700	1	210700	2nd Plt Bravo Co inserted into grid squares 9555. 1st Plt inserted into grid square 9455 started sweep. 2nd Plt provided security for Beacon team vic (AT956557). 1st Plt swept WE along the river on a line 200m wide for approximately 500m. Negative contact. Located 4 bunkers 20X12 along river vic (AT9525550) that had been destroyed by air and artillery strike. Pacifier terminated 1215.	
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0600		1	220600H	Landed 3 platoons as planned. 3rd Plt swept northeast from LZ vic (AT603477) with negative results. 2nd Plt landed same LZ, swept west from LZ vic at (AT600486) with negative results. 2nd Plt had 2 USMC fall in river vic (AT603475) and nearly drowned. Medevaced RAS An Hoa. 1 USMC later returned to LZ 469 with his unit.	
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350		1	231350H	While on sweep of area found 1 SKS rifle and 1 HVA/VC census report. Materials sent in with CIT.	
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0925	1	280925H	Pacifier operation was alerted to possible rocket launch site at above grid. 0945 - transport aircraft arrived at LZ 469 a CH-46 was used for the C2C aircraft due to the unavailability of a UH-1H aircraft. 1000H a mission brief was conducted and the 11th Marines ADC was contacted to meet at objective. 1030 - commenced as LZ wren with one flight of fixed wing aircraft. 1100 1st Plt was inserted near the objective area and provided LZ security for 11th Marines personnel. Plt swept northwest and located 6 rocket launch sites and fuze plugs. Left by the enemy. 11th Marines took photographs and related information from the site. Extracted 11th Marines personnel by LCH. 1215 extracted 1st Plt and terminated operation.	
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0600	1	290600H	Commanded Pacifier Operation 0645 Inserted 2nd Plt into LZ vic (AT957520) and swept east toward Le Man (1) and (2) received S/A fire with M-16's and M-79's. and swept through ville, finding 3 NVA KIA and 1 PW MIA with two AK-47's and chicons and misc. 782 gear. 1 USMC MIA(B) from AK-47 wound in shoulder. Medevac completed in 3 minutes. 0700 inserted 3rd Plt into LZ vic AT957515 and swept An Ton (1) and An Tan (2) exchanged S/A fire with enemy. Spotted 10-15 NVA fleeing to the west, southwest and northwest, assaulted ville and found 1 NVA KIA by S/A and apprehended 4 detainees and 1 prisoner of war who said the local force was 10 men. and would generally flee to the west. 0730 inserted 1st Plt vicinity at 951511 and swept southeast and south into Le Moui (3). Spotted about 15 males attempting to exit area in groups of 2-3. Four under fire with cobra onboard ordnance resulting in 4 KIA. Plt swept area and found 2 AK-47's and 1 M-79 on bodies. While sweeping through a treeline the Plt commander tripped a 60 mm B/T wounding himself and the artillery forward observer. medevac completed in 4 minutes. 0930 Medevac wounded, POW and 4 (Continued on next page)	

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0545		1	310545H	Inserted Bravo 2 after LZ prep (AT972335) swept east 300 M reversed direction and swept W. Apprehended 2 young female Vietnamese detainees. Spotted 3 male Vietnamese from air, fleeing SW. Directed Bravo 2 1000 meters W. of original LZ. Bravo 2 taken under fire by S/A returned S/A fire killing 1 NVA and found one AK-47 with misc. 782 gear. Took remaining VN under fire and directed Cobras to deliver onboard ordnance. Swept area and apprehended 2 VN females hid in hootch with 6 M-26 grenades buried in floor. Also located 2 NVA KBA with misc. grenades and 782 gear. Commenced extract of Bravo 3 at 1100H. Contacted by 2/7 to contact GR 6. Contacted GR6, was briefed on Pacifier CP north of Alligator Lake. Completed Bravo 2 extraction to LZ Ross. Picked up Bravo 1 from LZ Ross. Moved Pacifier Package to Alligator Lake area. Passed Bravo 1 OPCOM to A 1/5 and two AH-1G's and 3 OH-46's to augment Pacifier CP in 5th Marines AO. 1125 G&C Package returned to LZ 469.	
0845		2	310845H	5th Marines spotted 18 enemy moving west along railroad bend vicinity (AT954500). Alerted to Pacifier Operation. 1010 extracted Alpha 2 from their LZ in Huron Valley. 1030 2nd Flt Alpha inserted into LZ (AT928498), then swept north. Cobras spotted 1 VC moving along river bank and fired onboard ordnance killing him. Grim (Continued on next page)	

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				Placer 6 granted permission to sweep to the east by 5th Marines. 1112H inserted 3rd Plt Alpha into LZ (AT913502) they began to sweep southeast. While sweeping a marine tripped a booby trap (2X60mm rds) killing the squad radio operator located 15 meters behind him. Three Marines were medevaced (1 KIA, 2 WIA). 1115 - 1st Plt Bravo was diverted to area while retuning from Pacific in 7th Marines AC and inserted into LZ (AT915494) They swept northeast and exchanged smallarms fire with the enemy they located 4 detainees and found 3 NVA KRA and 1 NVA POW (WIA) along with 1 AK-47 and various 762 gear. POW turned over to 13th ITT and medevac to AM Hqs. Alpha 2 directed Cobras to deliver onboard ordnance, at 5 Pn. Fleeing to east. Cobras responded by killing one and driving 1 into a bunker. Enemy refused to come out and the bunker was destroyed, by ground troops.	
				1515 Pacificer Completed.	
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