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Encl: ✓(1) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), (b) and (c),
enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Battalion, 5th Marines (-) (Rein)

COMMANDERLtCol F. A. HART, JR.
1-31 March 1971SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company

1stLt R. L. BELL
1-31 March 1971

Company A

1stLt B. H. BECKETT
1-29 March 1971
1stLt J. A. BORZELLO
30-31 March 1971

Company B

Capt A. C. SLATER
1-31 March 1971

Company C

Capt J. L. HICKMAN
1-18 March 1971
1stLt J. G. BLAKE
19-31 March 1971

Company D

1stLt C. McCOWN, JR.
1-31 March 1971ATTACHED UNITS

Company E, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

Capt C. H. MORRISON
2-11 March 1971

2nd Plt, Company E, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

2ndLt T. M. LEWIS
11-20 March 19712. LOCATION

Battalion Command Post

1 March 1971
2-22 March 1971
23-31 March 1971

Hill 34 (AT989709) DaNang, RVN

Hill 510 (AT943405) Quang Nam, RVN

Hill 34 (AT989709) DaNang, RVN

H&S Company

1-31 March 1971

Hill 34 (AT989709)

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Company A
Hill 34 (AT989709)

1-31 March 1971

Company B
Hill 34 (AT989709)
Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE"
Hill 34 (AT989709)

1 March 1971
2-21 March 1971
22-31 March 1971

Company C
Hill 244 (AT946744)
Hill 244 (OPCOM 2ndBn, 1stMar)

2-23 March 1971
24-31 March 1971

Company D
Hill 244 (AT946744)
Hill 34 (AT989709)
Baldy Combat Base (BT132453)

1 March 1971
2 March 1971
2-11 March 1971

Company D(-)
Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE"
1stPlt, Company D, Baldy Combat Base (BT132453)

11-23 March 1971
11-20 March 1971

Company E, 2ndBn, 1stMar
Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE"

2-11 March 1971

2ndPlt, Company E, 2ndBn, 1stMar
Baldy Combat Base (BT132453)

6-20 March 1971

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer
Major F. M. KAUFFMAN
1-31 March 1971

S-1 Officer
1stLt S. E. CARLIN
1-31 March 1971

S-2 Officer
1stLt R. H. KAYSER
1-31 March 1971

S-3 Officer
Major W. M. ANDERSON
1-31 March 1971

S-4 Officer
1stLt D. L. HUGHES
1-31 March 1971

S-5 Officer
1stLt J. L. LEWIS
1-31 March 1971

Communications Officer

CWO-2 K. E. PITCHER
1-31 March 1971

Battalion Surgeon

Lt. C. W. COUGH (USMR)
1-31 March 1971

Assistant Battalion Surgeon

Lt E. E. PALMER (USMR)
1-31 March 1971

Supply Officer

1stLt L. V. FAIRMAN
1-31 March 1971

Motor Transport Officer

1stLt A. J. ANDREWS
1-31 March 1971

Chaplain

LtCmdr D. I. OLSON
1-31 March 19714. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	MARINE		NAVY	
	OFFICERS	ENLISTED	OFFICERS	ENLISTED
Chargeable	37	823	3	38
Effective	35	763	3	37

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During this period the Battalion continued its mission in the assigned operating area under the operational control of the 1st Marine Division while simultaneously continuing operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" in the Que Son Mountains with a Battalion Forward Command Group and various subordinate elements. The latter forces were under the operational control of the 1st Marine Regiment. Additional responsibility for the security of Baldy Combat Base (former Command Post of the Fifth Marine Regiment and units of the 11th Marine Artillery Regiment) was accomplished from 3-20 March 1971. Second Battalion, First Marines provided one company FCON to this Battalion for assistance in these tasks as well as one field grade officer who was placed in command of the forces at Baldy Combat Base.

2. Units operating in the Que Son Mountains (IMPERIAL LAKE) discovered numerous base camps, tunnels, and staging areas. Six enemy soldiers (VC/NVA) were killed and numerous items of ordnance, weapons, foodstuffs, medical supplies, materials and valuable intelligence documents were captured. Logistical/support activity for all forward elements was accomplished from the helicopter landing zone at Hill 34 (AT989709) and provided adequate support at all times. A field galley was established at the Battalion Forward Command Post and provided hot meals almost daily. This command post was visited periodically by the Commanding General, Major General C. F. WIDDECKE, the Assistant Division Commander, Brigadier General E. H. SIMMONS, and other dignitaries and officials of various services.

Battery "C", 1st Battalion, 11th Marines provided direct fire support with two 155mm Howitzers and four 105mm Howitzers collocated with the Forward Command Group on Hill 510. Organic forces returned to Hill 34 Command Post on 23 March 1971, and this Battalion's participation in Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" and operational control by 1st Marine Regiment was terminated.

Throughout the month of March the administration, supply, and logistical efforts were performing multiple missions; supporting the forward elements involved with operation "IMPERIAL LAKE", providing support to the forces securing the battalion rear operating area on Division Ridge, Hill 327, Hill 34, and the area surrounding the Force Logistics Command cantonment as well as continuing preparations for stand-down on 24 March and eventual embarkation of the battalion. The operating area and the command post cantonment was relinquished to the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines at 1200H on 24 March and the battalion assumed a "Stand-Down" posture, less Company C who remained on Division Ridge under the operational control of 2/1 in anticipation of enemy rocket, mortar and ground attack possibilities.

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Simultaneously with the stand-down accomplishment, the battalion relocated to the northern end of the cantonment into quarters, offices and building facilities formerly occupied by other stand-down units and began the administrative work load of hundreds of individual transferees, combined with almost "around the clock" working details in preparation for embarkation, or invoice of supplies, weapons, vehicles, equipment and property to the forces of the Republic of Vietnam or other U. S. Armed Forces.

The Civic Action Program continued its MedCap and people to people functions through 23 March when the relieving battalion assumed the various projects currently in progress.

No communication problems were encountered, although requirements were dramatically increased during the "IMPERIAL LAKE" participation.

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PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

a. Strength. The Battalion strength at the beginning of the month was 39 officers and 971 enlisted. On the 15th of the month the strength was 38 officers and 1014 enlisted. By the end of the month the strength was 33 officers and 485 enlisted. On the last day of the month there were three enlisted hospitalized.

b. Discipline, Law and Legal. During March, one General and eight Special Courts-Martial were recommended to Division. One Special Court-Martial was held during this reporting period. There is one General, two Special, and two Summary Courts-Martials still pending. There were 31 Battalion Commander and 28 Company Commander Office Hours conducted. Three investigations were completed and five are still pending.

c. Awards. During March, one Legion of Merit, 18 Bronze Stars, 25 Navy Commendation, 57 Navy Achievement, and ten Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry awards were submitted for approval. The awards presented during March consisted of two Bronze Stars, one Navy Achievement, 49 Combat Action Ribbons, and three Good Conduct Medals. There were 13 Meritorious Masts, six Meritorious promotions to Corporal and one Meritorious promotion to Sergeant. There were two Marines promoted to Lance Corporal, and four Marines were promoted to the rank of Corporal.

d. Publications. The First Battalion, Fifth Marines Newsletter was published on 1 March and the final edition was published on the 24th of March. (See Part IV)

e. Significant Casualties

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIAE</u>	<u>WIAME</u>	<u>DOW</u>	<u>DOD</u>	<u>NHC</u>	<u>NHD</u>	<u>DAI</u>
USMC	01	00	00	00	00	13	01	00
USN	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00

f. Morale. Morale of the Battalion members increased noticeably, largely due to Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" and anticipation of stand-down.

g. Religious Services

(1) A memorial service was held on 23 March for Lance Corporal WAGNER of Company B who was killed in action on the 4th of March.

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(2) During the month, religious services were regularly held for Catholics, Protestants and Latter Day Saints at the Battalion Chapel.*

(3) The Battalion Chaplain made six hospital visits, two brig visits and conducted 63 personal counselling conferences with Battalion members.

2. ENEMY, WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. Intelligence. During the reporting period, one agent/source report was acted on by the Battalion Rear. On 21 March 1971, a patrol from Company C acting on information from a reliable source swept the southwest slope of Hill 200 (AT934739) searching for a cave complex and met with negative results.

On 6 March 1971, the Battalion Rear relayed to the Forward CP an intelligence report indicating that elements of the VC R-20 Infantry Battalion had Hill 510 (Battalion CP) under surveillance. Enemy intentions were to attack Hill 510 by fire and to ambush Marine patrols operating in the area. Appropriate security measures were increased and the attacks never materialized.

Intelligence received from the 1st Marines on 12 March 1971 placed an element of the 150th Transportation Battalion in the vicinity of (AT937405). This element was reportedly providing security for high ranking cadre traveling to the western Que Son Mountains. The reconnaissance unit on Hill 510 was notified; a patrol searched the area with negative results.

The effectiveness of the Battalion's operations in the vicinity of Hill 845 was confirmed by the Division report of 13 March 1971 which stated that friendly forces were successfully blocking the Commo-Liaison stations and their routes to and from the lowlands.

b. Weather. During the reporting period the weather consisted mainly of days with partly cloudy skies and good visibility in the lowland areas of the TAOR. Weather in the mountains during the reporting period was characteristic of days with light rain, fog, low cloudiness and generally poor visibility.

High Temperature	80 degrees
Low Temperature	67 degrees
Mean Temperature	75 degrees
Total Rainfall	2.5 inches
Average Humidity	90 percent

c. Terrain. No change.

*Services were performed for the above mentioned faiths while in the field during Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE".

[REDACTED] Scout Section. During the reporting period, S-2 Scouts continued to be assigned to companies on an as required basis.

e. Significant Activities. During the reporting period there were nine contacts of which three were enemy initiated and six were friendly initiated. There were 35 booby traps detected and one detonated. A total on 15 enemy were sighted during the reporting period.

<u>VC/NVA KIA</u>	<u>POW'S</u>	<u>CHIEU HOI'S</u>	<u>DETAINES</u>	<u>WEAPONS CAPTURED</u>
06	00	00	00	13 Individual Weapons 02 Crew Served Weapons

4 March 1971: A squad patrol from Company "B" found an enemy base camp at grid (AT973432). A search of the camp revealed the following: 150 rounds of AK-47 ammunition, four AK-47 magazines, one Soviet SG-43 heavy machine gun with AA sights, one AK-47 rifle and assorted documents.

4 March 1971: A patrol member from Company "B" detonated an SFD at grid (AT969433) while checking out an enemy base camp, resulting in one USMC KIA.

7 March 1971: A platoon from Company "B" found an enemy base camp at grid (AT976434). A search of the camp revealed the following: one AK-47 rifle, one .22 caliber rifle, one M-16 rifle, one 105mm round, 200 AK-47 rounds, one civilian radio, two NVA knives and one ChiCom directional antenna.

16 March 1971: A platoon patrol from Company "D" found one 82mm Mortar tube in the vicinity of (AT968421).

18 March 1971: A patrol from Company "B" found an enemy base camp at grid (AT975433). A search of the base camp revealed the following equipment: one ChiCom radio with crypto device, one ChiCom power supply, two AN/PRC-25 radios, one whip antenna, two handsets and assorted documents.

19 March 1971: A squad patrol from Company "B" found three enemy KIA, one AK-47 rifle, and one ammunition box of AK-47 rounds in the vicinity of (AT977743).

f. Significant Enemy Equipment and Foodstuffs Captured

33 Caves	03 M-26 Grenades
17 Bunkers	02 ChiCom Radios
07 Huts	01 ChiCom Crypto Set
08 Base Camps	02 AN/PRC-25 Radios
225 lbs of Rice	04 RPG-2 Boosters
150 lbs of Corn	15 Rolls of Cloth
04 82mm Mortar Rounds	05 AK-47 Magazines
08 Radio Headsets	01 Civilian Radio
1,245 AK-47 Rounds	01 250 lb. Bomb
19 M-16 Magazines	Assorted Medical Equipment
12 ChiCom Grenades	Assorted Clothing and Cooking Utensils
	Assorted Documents

GANIZATION AND OPERATIONSa. Organization

(1) Attachments: (See Part I)

(2) Detachments: (See Part I)

(a) Company C: Detached OPCOM to Second Battalion, 1st Marines from 24-31 March 1971.

(3) Organic Support: One section of 81mm Mortars and one 106mm Recoilless Rifle section was attached to Company C on Hill 244, Division Ridge (AT946744) from 1-25 March 1971.

(4) Direct Support:

(a) Engineer personnel from Company A, 1st Engineer Battalion provided extensive demolitions support to units engaged in Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE".

(b) Helicopter Support Team (HST) personnel employed at Landing Zone 469 within the Hill 34 cantonment were provided by Company C, 1st Shore Party Battalion.

(c) Scout Dogs and Mine and Booby Trap Dogs were provided to units engaged in Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" from the 1st MP Battalion.

b. Operations

(1) During the month of March, elements of this battalion, including a Forward Command Group were engaged in Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" in the Que Son Mountains, Quang Nam Province, under the operational control of the 1st Marine Regiment. The 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines assigned Company E to augment this battalion's forces while being assigned the additional mission of providing security for Baldy Combat Base. The operating area, formerly identified as the Regimental area of responsibility for the Fifth Marines, was thus secured by limited forces while Fifth Marine Regiment(-) accomplished stand-down.

(a) A Command Post was established on Hill 510 (AT943405) and collocated with "C" Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines. Additional forces were located at Hill 381 (AT994391) and a 4.2 inch Mortar Battery from the 11th Marines was located on Hill 425 (AT997463). Companies engaged in the operation were located in the general vicinities of Hill 800 (AT974416) and Hill 845 (AT982432).

(b) Contact with the enemy forces was limited during this period. Squad size patrols saturated the operating area and restricted enemy movement within his normally secure base areas. Many of these areas were hastily abandoned when Marine patrols approached.

(c) Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" terminated for the elements of this Battalion on 23 March when relieved by 1st Marine Regiment.

(2) Security of the Division Rear area and operations within the prescribed operating area were conducted with reduced forces. Company C occupied the Division Ridge defense complex on Hill 244 (AT946744) while Company A provided forces at the Northern Sector near Force Logistics Command until 13 March, and security for Hill 327 (AT971737) until 23 March. Company A also provided a reinforced squad OPCON to Company C for security of the Rumor Valley area.

01 March 1971 - Advance Party departed 1/5 cantonment for establishment of a Forward CP on Hill 510 (AT943405). Company A and Company B returned to 1/5 from OPCON 1st Marines. Company C returned to 1/5 from OPCON to 2/5 (IMPERIAL LAKE).
Ref: S-3 Journal TAB: A

02 March 1971 - Joined Company E, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines OPCON to 1/5. Company E, Company B and the Forward Command Group, OPCON to 1st Marines, inserted into Que Son Mountains for Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE". Company D emplaced as security forces at Baldy Combat Base. Ref: S-3 Journal TAB: A

03 March 1971 - Assumed FSCC responsibility for the entire 5th Marine Regiment operating area. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

04 March 1971 - Company B discovered two deserted enemy base camps and recovered enemy ordnance and supplies.
Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

05 March 1971 - Company B discovered two deserted enemy base camps and recovered enemy ordnance and supplies.
Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

06 March 1971 - Company B squad patrol observed two VC/NVA and opened fire killing one and capturing one AK-47 rifle. One enemy soldier escaped although wounded. Blood trail was followed with negative results. 3rd Platoon, Company E, 2/1 relocated from Hill 381 to Baldy Combat Base to augment Company D security forces. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

11 March 1971 - Company E(-) returned OPCON to 2/1. Company D(-) inserted into Que Son Mountains replacing Company E, 2/1. 1st Platoon, Company D and 3rd Platoon, Company E, 2/1 remain at Baldy Combat Base under command of Major T. B. LECKY, OPCON 1/5. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

12 March 1971 - Company B squad patrol discovered deserted enemy base camp and cave complex. Captured enemy ordnance and supplies. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

13 March 1971 - Security forces from Sector A of Battalion AO withdrawn from Force Logistics Command cantonment. 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines to provide Reaction Forces as required.
Ref: (a) S-3 Journal TAB: A
(b) CG msg 130005Z Mar 71 (not enclosed)

14 March 1971 - 2nd Platoon, Company A helilifted to Hill 510 for assignment as security forces. 1st Platoon, Company B rejoined Company B. Company D squad patrol discovered deserted enemy base camp and captured ordnance and supplies including one SKS Rifle. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

16 March 1971 - Company B ambush killed one VC/NVA and captured one AK-47 Rifle and two grenades. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

18 March 1971 - Company D squad patrol discovered deserted enemy base camp. Searched for ordnance and supplies with negative results. CP security squad from 2nd Platoon, Company A assisting a Reconnaissance Battalion team discovered a deserted enemy base camp/hospital and captured various medical supplies. Three enemy soldiers were taken under fire and one was killed. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

19 March 1971 - Company B squad patrol discovered a recently abandoned enemy base camp and located three dead enemy soldiers buried in a common grave. Unit captured one AK-47 Rifle and supplies. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

20 March 1971 - Company D squad patrol observed one VC/NVA and opened fire. Patrol was unable to locate body, but discovered an abandoned enemy base camp and captured various ordnance and supplies. Company B squad patrol discovered an abandoned enemy base camp/hospital and captured various enemy medical supplies. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1
All security forces secured from Baldy Combat Base. 3rd Platoon, Company E 2/1 returned OPCON to parent unit. 1st Platoon, Company D, 1/5 returned to Company CP (Rear) at Hill 34.

21 March 1971 - Company D squad patrol discovered a large three level enemy cave complex and captured one SKS Rifle and various supplies. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1
Company B returned from Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" to Hill 34. Ref: S-3 Journal TAB: A

22 March 1971 - Company D squad patrol engaged an enemy force of unknown size. Enemy broke contact and fled. Squad searched the area with negative findings and was unable to re-establish contact. Ref: S-3 Journal (Forward) TAB: A-1

23 March 1971 - 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines units arriving on Hill 34. Company A platoon replaced on Hill 327 and Rumor Valley security patrols. Company D and Battalion Forward Command Group returned from OPCON to 1st Marines. Battalion returned to Hill 34, OPCON to 1st Marine Division. Ref: S-3 Journal TAB: A

24 March 1971 - First Battalion, Fifth Marines ceased all combat operations and completed STAND-DOWN, (less Company C, OPCON 1st Marines for security of Division Ridge on Hill 244 (AT946744). 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines assumed responsibility for the operating area at 241200H March 1971.
Ref: (a) S-3 Journal TAB: A
(b) CG msg 062338Z Feb 71

(3) Supporting Arms

(a) Air. Aircraft tasked for the Battalion(-) were mainly for administrative purposes and were requested directly through the First Marine Division.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	NUMBER OF HOURS
CH-46	36.4
CH-53	1.0

(b) Companies B and D and The Battalion CP Group moved to the Que Son Mountains on 2 March and were OPCON to First Marine Regiment. All Air used for resupply, troop lifts, and operational purposes were requested through the First Marine Regiment.

<u>TYPE OF AIRCRAFT</u>	<u>ADMIN/RESUPPLY</u>	<u>TACTICAL</u>	<u>NUMBER OF HOURS</u>
CH-46	83	24	107
CH-53	28	4	32
UH-1E		8	8

(2). Artillery. During the period from 1 March 1971 to 23 March 1971 1st Battalion, 5th Marines was generally supported by the 1st Battalion, 11th Marines. Due to the high concentration of friendlies in the Battalion TACR, artillery support was limited to illumination missions.

During the "IMPERIAL LAKE" operation, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines was directly supported by "C" Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines with four 105mm Howitzers and two 155mm Howitzers located on Hill 510. They were generally supported by "W" Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines with four 4.2 inch mortars located on Hill 425.

During this period, both Batteries fired numerous missions for the 1/5 units with round expenditures according to caliber and type rounds expended as follows:

<u>CALIBER</u>	<u>TYPE ROUND EXPENDED</u>	<u>NUMBER OF ROUNDS EXPENDED</u>
4.2 inch	HE	111
	WP	16
105mm	HE	216
	WP	41
155mm	HE	04

4. PLANS. Emphasis on stand-down functions and pre-embarkation preparation received maximum attention during the month, simultaneously with the combat operations in progress.

5. TRAINING. The battalion training program continued in a reduced capacity until stand-down had been accomplished. At that time individual training for personnel designated to embark aboard ship for return to Camp Pendleton, California was implemented. Ref: BnBuL 1500 dtd 29Mar71 TAB: B

6. LOGISTICS

a. During the month of March 1971, the Division Inventory Team completed a thorough inventory of Battalion Supply. The inventory listing print-out was returned to this command on 3 March and was posted to the stock records. All of the backorders held by Force Logistics Command and First Support Regiment were cancelled on 16 March 1971. MPB (Philadelphia) had already suspended shipment of any outstanding documents on 1 March 1971. The personal effects held by the companies was checked and by 23 March, all frustrated baggage had been disposed of properly.

b. The following items were retrograded to Force Logistics Command:

15 - 151 Jeeps
1 - MRC-123 Radio Jeep
1 - 41632 Trailer
24 - M274A1 Mules
2 - M274A1 Mules (Code "H")
6 - 106mm Recoilless Rifles, complete
1 - 106mm Recoilless Rifle, (Code "H")
2 - 81mm Mortars, complete
5 - .50 Caliber Machineguns, complete
12 - 6X30 Binoculars
7 - 7X50 Binoculars

c. A river barge which was located on Hill 244 was dismantled and turned in for salvage.

7. CIVIC ACTION AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

a. During the month of March, the S-5 Section of 1st Battalion, 5th Marines continued to perform its mission with attention toward stand-down preparation.

b. Psychological operations during this period were limited to the use of propaganda posters and leaflets which were given to hamlet chiefs and distributed during MedCaps. The theme of the posters distributed was PRO-ARVN/GVN. The leaflets which were distributed had themes of rice denial and health and sanitation.

c. The civic action program of this organization during the month of March was directed toward a smooth transfer to our relieving unit. A MedCap station in the hamlet of Cam Hoa was completed. The materials were provided by the S-5 Section and the labor was provided by the hamlet. The hamlet chief of Cam Hoa was interested in building a hamlet office and the S-5 Section agreed to provide assistance in the drawing of blueprints for submission to Hoa Vang District for funding of the project. Three MedCaps were held in Cam Hoa this month with a total of 145 people treated. The hamlet of Phu Hoa continued work on its GVN funded market place this month. The hamlet chief provided some Vietnamese artifacts for use at the Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia. In return he was given a truck load of building materials for use by his hamlet in building a hamlet office which is being funded by the GVN. Three MedCaps were held in Phu Hoa with a total of 138 people treated.

d. The Industrial Relations Program was tasked during the month of March with transferring local national employees to our relieving unit. Liaison had been made with the S-5 of the relieving unit and those employees not needed by that unit were reduced in force. A smooth transfer was effected as a result of these plans.

01 March 1971 - Gave 30 metal engineer stakes to the hamlet chief of Phu Hoa for use in a fence around their grade school.

03 March 1971 - Visited Cam Hoa hamlet chief to plan for drafting blueprints of a hamlet office. The blueprints will be submitted to district for funding.

04 March 1971 - MedCap held at Phu Hoa with 48 people treated. Distributed Health and Sanitation and Rice Denial leaflets. Psyops posters were given to hamlet chief. Building materials were obtained for use in his hamlet office and MedCap station.

05 March 1971 - MedCap held at Cam Hoa and 56 people were treated. Rice denial leaflets were distributed and Psyops posters were given to the hamlet chief for distribution.

06 March 1971 - Liaison made with 2/1 S-5 Officer for transfer of indigenous employees of 1/5.

08 March 1971 - Building material delivered to Cam Hoa for use in MedCap station and hamlet office. MedCap station is being built by hamlet citizens.

09 March 1971 - Held MedCap at Cam Hoa with 39 people treated. Health and Sanitation leaflets were distributed. MedCap station was 50% completed.

10 March 1971 - Liaison made with 2/1 club managers on indigenous employees being transferred to 2/1 from 1/5.

11 March 1971 - MedCap held at Phu Hoa with 52 people treated. Rice denial leaflets were distributed.

12 March 1971 - VIP Funds were turned into the S-2 for final turn-in to Division.

15 March 1971 - Two loads of building materials were delivered to Cam Hoa for use in MedCap station. The MedCap station was 60% completed.

18 March 1971 - Held MedCap at Phu Hoa with 38 people treated. Rice denial leaflets were distributed. Psyops posters were given to the hamlet chief.

19 March 1971 - Made arrangements with hamlet chief of Phu Hoa for several Vietnamese items of interest to be picked up on the 20th of March. These items are for use in the Marine Corps Schools at MCB, Quantico, Virginia.

20 March 1971 - Brought in items from hamlet. One load of building materials were delivered to Phu Hoa hamlet chief.

21 March 1971 - Obtained more Vietnamese artifacts from local National employees who brought them in on request. Advance party from 2/1 S-5 arrived and provided transportation of local national employees to and from work.

24 March 1971 - All activities and projects of this section were either completed or transferred to the S-5 of 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.

8. MEDICAL

a. A total of 463 outpatients were seen during this reporting period. Of this total, 22 were referred to other medical facilities for admission. A total of 180 complete physical examinations were given and 460 Limited Services were performed including PPD's, mess physicals, brig physicals and sobriety examinations. Twenty pair of single vision spectacles were ordered. A total of 579 prescriptions were filled, 403 laboratory tests were performed, and 15 Vietnamese Nationals and five ARVN's were treated. In addition, six MedCaps were held in Vietnamese hamlets and a total of 283 Vietnamese were seen.

b. During this period 1050 personnel were checked for immunizations and 1037 immunizations were administered. Daily inspections of sanitation conditions were held and a formal inspection was held weekly with a written report to the Commanding Officer. Overall sanitation is considered to be satisfactory. A total of 20 cases of Gonorrhea and one case of Non-Specific Urethritis were recorded during this reporting period. Thirteen of these cases cited contact in the Danang area. These figures represent an increase of one case from the last reporting period. Overall health of the Battalion is considered to be good.

c. No Medical training was presented during this reporting period due to tactical operational commitments and stand-down.

9. COMMUNICATION

a. The Communications Section continued support of the Battalion's mission with the following notable events occurring:

(1) The Battalion Message Center took over Communications Guard for the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines and Headquarters, 5th Marines on 3 March 1971.

(2) A total of 1026 messages were processed for the month of March. There were 116 messages sent outside of the command: 1st Battalion, 5th Marines sent 53, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines sent 18, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines sent 23, 5th Marines sent 18, and 3rd 8 inch Howitzer Battalion sent four. A total of 910 messages were received by the command.

(3) On 24 March 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines assumed the Communications Guard for the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

(4) Radio Section:

(a) On 1 March elements of the Radio Section were helilifted to Hill 510 in the Que Son Mountains to establish communications for the Battalion CP.

(b) Five radio nets were manned by the radio personnel who were sent with the advance group:

Regt TAC Net
Regt TACP Net
Bn TAC Net
Bn TACP Local
Bn Logistics Net

(c) The first five days of operation, equipment failure was in excess of normal. The problem was with the cipher equipment KY-38/TSEC. The equipment was overheating rapidly and then failing completely. The problem was eliminated by opening the latches on the battery box of the KY-38/TSEC to dissipate the heat.

(5) Communications Equipment

(a) Transferred by invoice the following radio equipment to 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines:

10 - PRC-77 Radio Sets
50 - TA/312 Telephones
4 - SB-22 Switchboards
1 - SB-86 Switchboards

(b) Transferred by invoice the following radio equipment to 3rd FSR for mount out augmentation:

- 1 - AN/MRC-123 Radio Jeeps
- 5 - AN/PRC-47 Radio Sets
- 5 - AN/PRC-125 Radio Sets

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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SECRETS-3 1st BN, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE
From: 010001H March 1971
To: 012400H March 1971

JOURNAL

TIME	IN	OUT	ACT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS	ACTION
				JOURNAL OPENED	
0230		1	010001H	Div- Weather Report for 1-2 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0847		2	010230H	Div- Weather Report for 1-2 Mar 71.	S, F
		3	010847H	CO. 1/1- I consider it a pleasure to have worked with Co. A and to have had them OPCON to us at I/I. A "WELL DONE" is deserved by all hands.	S, F
		4	010955H	Two CH46's- Helilifted the advance party for Hill 510 to Baldy from LZ469.	S, F
1015		5	011015H	Div- Forecast of events for 2 Mar 71. (A) BN(-) FWD Command Group and Co. B chon OPCON to 1stMar and insert on Hill 510 and vicinity CAT III owns "IMPERIAL LAKE". (B) BN(-) rear continue defense of Division Rear area. (C) Co. C relieve Co. D and assume responsibility for Division Ridge and Rumor Valley. (D) Tactical helilift requirements as previously submitted by separate message.	S, F
1130		6	011130H	Co. A- Helilift of Co. A to LZ469 is complete.	S, F
		7	011420H	CH46- Dropped off 15 PAX from Baldy.	S, F
1430		8	011430H	Co. B- Helilift of Co. B to LZ469 is complete.	S, F
		9	011445H	Co. A- Assume duties at Hill 322.	S, F
1550		10	011550H	Co. C- Began returning to Hill 34 from 3/6	S, F
1600		11	011600H	Co. A- Submitted day/night acts for 3 Mar 71.	S, F
1630		12	011630H	Co. C- Helilift of Co. C to LZ469 is complete.	S, F
1715		13	011715H	Div- Units returned to 1/5: (A) Co. A helilift completed to Hill 34 at 011130H. (B) Co. B helilift to Hill 34 completed at 011430H. (C) Co. C helilift completed to Hill 34 at 011630H.	S, F
2025		14	012025H	Div- Unit location report as of 012100H Mar 71. (A) Co. A, B, C, H&S, and BN CP located (AT989709). (B) Co. D located (AT946744). (C) Tactical Helilift- negative (D) Alert condition= four.	S, F
		15	012400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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 To: 022400H March 1971

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TIME	#	#	DIG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
				JOURNAL OPENED	
0315		1	020001H	Div- Weather report for 2-3 Mar 71.	S-2, F
		2	020315H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34.	S, F
0810		3	020810H	Div- Forecast of events for 3 Mar 71.	S, F
0930		4	020930H	1. Bn(-) (Rein) FWD and Co.B and Co.E, 2/1 OPCON 1stMar continue CAT III ops with Co.D assuming security for CB Baldy. 2. Bn(-) Rear and Co.A, C, and H&S(-), continue defense of Division Rear area and ops within assigned AO; OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift request as previously submitted for insertion of Co.D to Baldy.	
1340		5	021340H	Co.B- Two helos received fire from (AT960431) while entering IZ.	S, F, M
		6	021540H	Bn Commander returned to Hill 34.	S, F
		7	021545H	The following MOVEMENTS completed: Co.B (AT974438) S, F Co.E, 2/1 (AT951419). Co.C on Division Ridge. 81's & 106's on Hill 510. Co.A on Hill 327 & FLC.	
1615		8	021615H	Co.A- submitted day/night acts for 4 Mar 71.	S, F, M
		9	021703H	Helilift 84 completed.	S, F
1840		10	021840H	Div- Unit location report as of 022100H Mar 71. 1. Co.A, H&S, and Bn(-) CP Rear located (AT989709) S, F 2. Co.C located (AT946744) 3. Co.B and Bn(-) (Rein) FWD CP OPCON 1stMar. 4. Tactical helilift requirements for 1/5 rear- negative. 5. Alert condition- four.	S, F
2000H		11	022000H	Div- Received teletype message of possible rocket launch site (AT955685). Acknowledged receipt to Division COC. Notified CoC on Division Ridge and Co.A on Hill 327.	S, F, M
		12	022400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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		1	030001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0400		2	030400H	Div- Weather report for 3-4 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0735		3	030735H	Div- Forecast of events for 4 Mar 71.	S, F
				1. Co. B, D, and CP Group continue OPCON 1stMar. 2. Bn(-) Rear continue ops in AO OPCON 1stMar/HV. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	
0845		4	030845H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34 by helicopter for Combat Base Baldy.	S, F
1035		5	031035H	Hill 510- Resupply request submitted.	S-4, F
1045		6	031045H	Comm- New frequencies and call signs will be in effect on 050600H. Inform all units at your location.	S, F
1156		7	031156H	L2469- Red Cross Doghouse Dolly arrived at L2469 with items for Co. D.	S, F
1330		8	031330H	Helilift of Co. D to Baldy commenced.	S, F
1355		9	031355H	CH46- Dropped off 15 PAX at L2469 from Baldy.	S, F
1410		10	031410H	Hill 510, S-3- Desire to know if you want Co. A or Co. C to patrol Rumor Valley. If Co. A, assume squad would be OPCON to Co. C. Please advise.	S, F
1500		11	031500H	Bn CP FWD- resupply request for 5 Mar 71.	S, F
1530		12	031530H	Bn Commander returned to Hill 34.	S, F
2100		13	032100H	Div- Unit locations as of 032100H Mar 71. 1. Co. A, H&S, Bn CP located (AT989709) 2. Bn(-) CP FWD and Co. B & D OPCON 1stMar 3. Co. C located (AT946744) 4. Tactical helilift- negative 5. Alert condition- four.	S, F
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IN	OUT	DTG	
		1 04000H	JOURNAL OPENED
0440	2	040440H	Div- 8 or 10 rockets fired on Danang AB.
0455	3	040455H	Div COC- Hill 10 reported taking small arms and mortar fire.
0800	4	040800H	Div- Weather report for 4-5 Mar 71.
0900	5	040900H	Co. E- submitted resupply request for 5 Mar 71.
0925	6	040925H	Co. C- submitted day/night acts for 4 Mar 71.
0940	7	040940H	Co. B- submitted resupply request for 5 Mar 71.
1020	8	041020H	Co. C- submitted day/night acts for 5 Mar 71.
1100	9	041100H	Co. B- Zulu Report, KIA. Routine medevac as result of booby trap detonation.
1115	10	041115H	1/5 FWD CP- resupply request for 5 Mar 71.
1120	11	041120H	C-1/11- resupply request for 5 Mar 71. (Hill 510)
1140	12	041120H	Div- Forecast of events for 5 Mar 71. (1) Bn(-) (Rein) FWD and Co. B, D and E, 2/1 continue OPCON 1st Marines. (2) Companies A, C, and Bn(-) rear continue mission in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv.
			(3) Tactical helilift request- negative
1205	13	041205H	Co. D- resupply request for 5 Mar 71.
1330	14	041330H	Baldy- resupply request for 4,2 mortars at Baldy.
1550	15	041550H	Co. E- resupply request for 5 Mar 71.
1845	16	041845H	BN S-2 to Bn S-2B- captured weapons, gear, and documents will be evacuated to your position on 5 Mar. Expedite forwarding to Senator (1stMar)2.
1915	17	041915H	5thMar- 10 man working party departing Hill 34 at 0845 to Baldy. Request you arrange return by helo.
2115	18	042115H	Div- Init locations as of 042100H Mar 71. 1. Co. A, H&S, and BN(-) CP located (AT989709) 2. BN(-) CP FWD and Co. B & D OPCON 1st Marines. 3. Co. C-located (AT946744) 4. Tactical Helilift negative. 5. Alert condition- four.
	19	042400H	JOURNAL CLOSED

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					JOURNAL OPENED	
0028		1	050001H			
		2	050028H	1stMar	Reports their sensor unit 31 recorded at S.F. Co. B 050028H, approximately 20 people at grid location (AT947483). Location close to BRAVO Co. CP.	
					Passed information to BRAVO Co.	
0045		3	050045H	D-3-	found one M-16 rifle with missing parts. Serial number - 643446.	S, F
0240		4	050240H	Div-	Weather report for 5-6 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0845		5	050845H	Co.C	submitted day/night acts for 6&7 Mar 71.	S, F, M
0915		6	050915H	Co/11-	resupply request for 8 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1030		7	051030H	Div-	Forecast of events for 6 Mar 71. 1. CP FWD, Co.B and Co.D OPCON 1stMar. 2. BN(-) Rear and Co.A and Co.C continue opns in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	S, F
1055		8	051055H	Co.B-	resupply request for 8 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1900		9	051900H	Co.D-	Have BAS send last results on HAYES J.W. 2349907 USMC, Co.D, 1st Plt. Recommendation and treatment needed by tomorrow.	S, F, BAS
1915		10	051915H	BAS's answer-	send man back to 1/5's BAS.	S, F, Co.D
2100		11	052100H	Div-	Unit locations as of 052100H Mar 71. 1. BN(-) CP FWD, Co.B&D OPCON 1stMar. 2. Co.C located (AT046744) 3. BN CP(-), Co.A & H&S located (AT989709) 4. Tactical helilift- negative 5. Alert condition- four	S, F
2320		12	052320H	Co.D-	resupply request for 8 Mar 71.	S-4, F
		13	052400H		JOURNAL CLOSED	

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IN	OUT	#		TAKE
		1	060001H	JOURNAL OPENED
0220		2	060220H	Div- Weather forecast for 6-7 Mar 71.
0850		3	060850H	Co.C- submitted day/night acts for 8 Mar 71.
0930		4	060930H	1/5 CP FWD- request return of E-3 H Dog handler.
1030		5	061030H	1/5 CP FWD- Col. N.H. NUTTING C.O. 1st Brigade.
				5th Infantry Division and 1stMarDiv C/S to arrive
				Hill 510 by helicopter 071020H for update brief.
				ETD 071050H.
1035		6	061035H	1/5 CP FWD- A. Contact engineers and obtain info: S.F. Eng 1. Correct designation of LZ surfacing compound. 2. Method of application 3. Length of curing time. B. This position also requests replacement for Engineer relieved for cause. C. Relay info to this station.
1424		7	061424H	1/5 CP FWD S-2,- Request latest info on R-20 Infantry Battalion.
1555		8	061555H	CH46- Helilifted ammo to Hill 425.
1630		9	061630H	1/5 CP FWD- resupply request for all units on 8 Mar 71.
1640		10	061640H	Baldy 6- Cancel MO-GAS and diesel refuelers scheduled to arrive at CB Baldy on 7 Mar 71. Sufficient quantity to last thru 10 Mar 71. Re- fuelers were scheduled by G-4 representative during visit on 4 Mar 71.
1710		11	061710H	B-2-1- Zulu report. 1 NBC hit in foot by accidental discharge of M-79.
1800		12	061800H	Baldy 6- MO-GAS and diesel refuelers cancelled S.F as requested.
1845		13	061845H	Div- Forecast of events for 7 Mar 71. 1. CP FWD Co. B and D OPCON 1stMar. 2. Bn(-) Co.H&S, A,C continue mission in AO OPCON to 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- neg
2015		14	062015H	1/5 CP FWD- Unit location report for 062000H Mar 71. 1. BN CP (FWD) (AT045404) 2. Co.B (AT970438) 3. Co.E (AT954716) 4. Co.D & E-3 (AT123453) 5. Tactical helilift reports 43 pax from 970438 to 982433
2135		15	062135H	Div- Unit location report as of 062100H Mar 71. S.F 1. BN(-) CP FWD Co.B, D OPCON 1stMar 2. Co.C located (AT946744) 3. BN(-) CP, Co.A, H&S located (AT989709) 4. Tactical helilift- neg 5. Alert condition- four
2215		16	062215H	Co.D- Request man to fix 100 KW Generator. Be- S.F lieved to have bad battery charger.
2255		17	062255H	Baldy 6 driver request mail be sent from Hill 34 S.F to Baldy. E-3-1 wishes mail to be sent to Baldy.

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		1	070001H	JOURNAL OPENED
0430		2	070430H	Div- Weather report for 7-8 Mar 71.
0800		3	070800H	Co.C- day/night acts for 9 Mar 71.
0900		4	070900H	Div- Forecast of events for 8 Mar 71. 1. Co.D, B, Bn(-) (Rein) FWD CP continue negative 2. OPCON 1st Marines, 2. Bn(-) Rear continue 3. Ops in AO and defense of Division rear area. OPCON 1st MarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift requirements negative.
0915		5	070915H	Helicopter picked up PAX, supplies, mail, 1 en- gineer, and acetate overlays for Baldy and Hill 510.
0930		6	070930H	Supply convoy left Hill 34 for Baldy.
1035	1035	7	071035H	Bn Commander- BGen, CORW in Z incoming ADC for 23D S.F Infantry Division and 1st MarDiv arrive Hill 510 on 10 Mar 71 at 1330 to 1355H. He will arrive for update brief and chow in field.
1200		8	071200H	1/5 CP FWD- request info on retrograde of Mess Sq; S.F
1510		9	071510H	Co.C- resupply requests for 8 Mar 71. S-3, F
1735		10	071735H	1/5 CP FWD- Unit location report for 072000H Mar71. S.F Bn CP & B-1 at 945405, Co.B at 970438. Co.E at 949428, Co.D & E-3 at 132453. Tactical helilift negative.
2000		11	072000H	Div- Unit location report for 7 Mar 71. S.F
2100		12	072100H	Co.B- have mission 53 pick up one U.S. detainee S-1, F at CB Baldy and return to LZ469. Also have MP pick up detainee.
		13	072400H	JOURNAL CLOSED

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0405	1	080001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0710	2	080405H	Div- Weather report for 8-9 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0910	3	080710H	Co. C- Day/night acts for 9 & 10 Mar 71.	S, F, M
	4	080910H	L2469- Helicopter with Division Commander on board stopped at LZ469.	S, F
0936	5	080936H	BN XO departed Hill 34.	S, F
1030	6	081030H	Co. D FWD- send prisoner to rear with one escort from Co. D.	S, F
1045	7	081045H	Co. D- Zulu report. One NBC Marine fell off jeep.	S-1, SM, F
1130	8	081130H	1/5 FWD CP. S-3- Operations Chief will remain in S, F unit until 12 April 71.	
1135	9	081135H	Div- Forecast of events for 9 Mar 71.	S, F
			1. CP FWD, Co. B and D OPCON 1st Mar.	
			2. BN CP Rear, Co. A, C, and H&S continue mission S, F in AO OP CON to 1st MarDiv.	
			3. Tactical helilift- negative.	
1205	10	081205H	BN XO returned to Hill 34.	S, F
1823	11	081823H	Co. E- resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1935	12	081935H	Co. C- Day/night acts for 9-12 Mar 71.	S, F, M
2055	13	082055H	Co. B- Resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2150	14	082150H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2215	15	082215H	Div- Unit locations as of 082100H Mar 71.	S, F
			1. BN(-) CP FWD, Co. B and D OPCON 1st Mar.	
			2. Co. C- AT946744	
			3. BN(-) CP REAR, Co. A and H&S located AT989709	
			4. Tactical helilift- negative	
			5. Alert condition- four	
2220	16	082220H	Div- Intel report 082210H VC will shell DaNang Airbase tonight. Will fire from southwest of Hoa Vang Subsector I Corp - C-4 G-2 rating F-3	S-2, F
2330	17	082330H	Co. D- Resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4, F
	18	082400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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			1	090001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0230		2	090230H	Div- Weather report for 9-10 Mar 71.		S-2, F
1135		3	091135H	1/5 CP FWD- Zulu report- one NBC from Fragmentation wounds to arm as result of Demolition Explosion.		S-1, SM, F
1135		4	091135H	Div- Forecast of events for 10 Mar 71. 1. CP FWD, Co.B&D OPCON 1stMar 2. CP REAR, Co.A, C, and H&S continue opns in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative		S, F
1300		5	091300H	HQBN- request permission to deliver cement to Hoa Khuong. Permission granted by W.O.		S, F
1940		6	091940H	Div- Unit location report as of 092100H Mar 71. 1. BN(-) FWD CP, Companies B&D OPCON 1stMar. 2. Company C AT946744 3. BN(-) CP, Companies A and H&S(-) located at AT989709. 4. Tactical helilift report- negative 5. Alert condition- four		S, F
2020		7	092020H	Co.B- Priority resupply of one case of Halazone Tablets. Also six bottles of Ternhydrate for BN CP.		S-4, F
2030		8	092030H	1/5 CP FWD- Position reports for resupply on 10 Mar 71. Co.B AT965742. Resupply no earlier than 1000. BN CP AT945404 Hill 510 Co.D AT132453 LZ Baldy.		S, F
		9	092400H	JOURNAL CLOSED		

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0245	1 100001H	JOURNAL OPENED		
0900	2 100245H	Div- Weather Report for 10 Mar 71.		S-2, F
	3 100900H	Div- Forecast of events for 11 Mar 71. 1. CP(-) FWD S, F Co.B and D OPCON 1st Marines. 2. CP(-) Rear, Co.A. C. and H&S continue ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.		
1645	4 101645H	Co.B- New position/PPB AT968727.		S, F, M
1800	5 101800H	Intel Report- 40 NVA from D-9 BN with four 122mm rockets located AT914694, 928678, 925663. Targets are DaNang AB, Hoa Cam, Marble Mountain Air Facility for tonight and tomorrow. Rated F-3 by G-2.		S-2, F
1840	6 101840H	Co.C- Submitted day/night acts for 13 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1845	7 101845H	Div- Unit locations as of 102100H Mar 71. 1. CP(-) S, F FWD, Co.B and D OPCON 1stMar. 2. CP(-) Rear, Co.A. C. and H&S continue mission in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative 4. Alert condition- 4.		
2050	8 102050H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for 12 Mar for B-3 & S-4, F Co.B CP.		
2050	9 102050H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for BN CP FWD on S-4, F 12 Mar 71.		
2210	10 102210H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for Co.D on 12 Mar 71.		S-4, F
	11 102400H	JOURNAL CLOSED		

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE

From: 110001H March 1971

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LOG EVENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS			ACTION TAKEN
0125	1 110001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 110125H	3rdBn, 1stMar- Grids for PF operation starting 110500H. PF's want no Marine personnel around these grids: 932740, 932735, 946740, 945735. No termination date yet.	S,F,M,Co.C
0245	3 110245H	Div- Weather report for 11 Mar 71.	S-2,F
0845	4 110845H	BN XO- Engineers will lift to Hill 510 today or tomorrow with five bundles of matting and bunker material.	S,F
0845	5 110845H	Div-Forecast of events for 12 Mar 71. 1. CP FWD, Co.B and D continue OPCON 1stMar. 2. BN(-) CP rear continue CAT III opns in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	S,F
1235	6 111235H	Co.B- Moved from CB Baldy to AT942416.	S,F,M
1335	7 111335H	CB Baldy- Convoy leaving Hill 34 at 0900 12 Mar 71 to CB Baldy. Will include 1200 gallons MOGAS and 1200 gallons Diesel refuelers. Ensure barrels and vehicles available at contact location for refueling. Convoy will bring back those items of Delta personnel inserted into Que Son area. S-4 will accompany convoy for liaison visit with Baldy CO.	S,F,Baldy CO
1345	8 111345H	Div- Fire arrow extended to 140800H.	S,F,Co.A,C
1400	9 111400H	BN Commander arrived Hill 34.	S,F
1515	10 111515H	ADC visits Hill 34.	S,F
1545	11 111545H	ADC departed Hill 34.	S,F
1640	12 111640H	BN Commander departed Hill 34.	S,F
1930	13 111930H	Div- Unit location report as of 111930H Mar 71. 1. BN(-) FWD CP, Co.B and D OPCON 1stMar. 2. Co.C AT046744 3. BN(-) CP rear, Co.A and H&S Co(-) located AT989709 4. Tactical helilift report- negative. 5. Alert condition- four.	S,F
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0145	1	120001H		Div- Spot Report (A) 1/5 CP rear (B) 120115H (C) AT989709, Enemy: AT001715 (D) Recv'd 7-10 rounds small arms fire into perimeter from unknown source. No damage discovered. (E) No action taken (F-M) Neg (N) Final (O) Dark, Clear	S-2, F
0245	3	120245H		Div- Weather report for 12-13 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0825	4	120825H		Co.A- Notified to prepare A-3 platoon for extraction from FLC cantonment in accordance with CG msg 111230Z Mar 71.	
0900	5	120900H		Div- Forecast of events for 13 Mar 71. 1. CP FWD. Co.B and D continue OPCON 1stMar. 2. A-2 - Hill 510 security. 3. CP Rear, Co.A(-), C and H&S continue Category III ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical helilift- negative.	S, F
1430	6	121430H		Co.C- A-2 day/night acts for 14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1815	7	121815H		Co.D- Zulu report. 8 NBC reports from Co.D at CB Baldy. Recv'd wounds from 60mm round. Reports sent on to S-1.	S-1, F
1920	8	121920H		Co.D- Spot report. 121920H Mar 71. (A) D-1 (B) 121550H (C) 134447. Neg. (D) While destroying grade-3 ammo, a man picked up a partially destroyed 60mm round with fuse still intact. Man took round to his living quarters. In the process of handling round, it detonated. Result- 1 dead and 6 wounded. (E) Investigation initiated, medevac/ called. (F) 1 NBC (G) 1 PR, 2 P, 4 R. Scarface 2-6 on 121530H off 121550H. (H-M) Neg (N) With unit (O) Living Area CB Baldy 134447.	S-2, F
2045	9	122045H		Div- Unit location report of 12 Mar 71. 1. BN(-) FWD CP. Co.B and D OPCON 1stMar. 2. Co.C AT946744 3. BN CP, Co.A and H&S(-) located AT989709 4. Tactical helilift- Neg. 5. Alert Condition- four.	S, F
2145	10	122145H		BN CP FWD- Priority resupply for Baldy 6.	
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0230		1 130001H		
1000		2 130230H	Div- Weather report for 13 Mar 71.	S-2, F
		3 131000H	FLC- Security platoon returned from FLC to Hill 34 for operations. Authorized by 1stMarDiv msg 130005Z Mar 71.	S.F.M
1015	4	131015H	Co. B- Grade 3 60mm ammo returning to rear without safety devices. Request inform all personnel concerned. Insure maximum safety precaution is taken prior to returning ammo.	S.F
1030	5	131030H	Div- Forecast of events for 14 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD Co. B and D continue OPCON 1stMar. 2. BN CP Rear, Co. A(-) and H&S continue CAT II ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	S.F
1055	6	131055H	BN CP FWD- Vehicle status report as of 13 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1130	7	131130H	Co. A, 1stEng- ARVN Lt. says they signed for 1 pump and 1 engine. Please advise.	S.F
1157	8	131157H	Div- HQBN will have a siren drill at 1200H 13 Mar 71.	S.F
1315	9	131315H	Co. A, 1stEng- 1. Have ARVN Lt. show you pump and engine he signed for. Leave that one in place. 2. Take out other pump and engine. Don't worry about the serial numbers.	S.F
1635	10	131635H	Co. D- Wife of E-1 J.O.M. 6203 gave birth to a 5lb 12oz. baby boy at 121434H Mar 71.	S.F
1645	11	131645H	BN CP FWD- Zulu report. 1 NBC with high temperature.	S-1, F
1900	12	131900H	Co. C- Zulu report. 1 NBC with possible fractured leg. Fell off truck in front of 1stMed.	S-1, F
1900	13	131900H	BN CP FWD- resupply request for B-3 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1900	14	131900H	BN CP FWD- resupply request for B-1 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1900	15	131900H	BN CP FWD- resupply request for Co. B CP on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1900	16	131900H	BN CP FWD- resupply request for B-2 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1955	17	131955H	BN CP FWD- Unit location report for 13 Mar 71.	S.F
2020	18	132020H	BN CP FWD- Communications resupply request at BN CP FWD on 15 Mar 71: 3 handsets, 4 cases BA-4386's, and 3 low speakers.	S-4, F
2055	19	132055H	Div- Unit location report as of 132100H Mar 71. No change.	
2124	20	132124H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for D-2/CP on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2125	21	132125H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for D-3 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2125	22	132125H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for Baldy on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2220	23	132220H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for CP FWD on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2245	24	132245H	Baldy CO- Courier with packet for Baldy CO didn't arrive at Baldy nor did his packet. Advise Baldy CO of whereabouts of courier and packet.	S.F
	25	132400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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0235		1	140001H	Div- Weather report for 14-15 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0315		2	140235H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
0820		3	140315H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1040		4	140820H	Co. C- Day/night acts for 15-16 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1045		5	141040H	Baldy- Vehicle status report for 14 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1140		6	141045H	Div- Forecast of events for 15 Mar 71: No Change.	S, F
1200		7	141140H	Co. A- A-2 departs LZ469 to OPCON of 1st Marines.	S, F, M
1550		8	141200H	BN CP FWD- Addition to resupply request for 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1600		9	141550H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request on 15 Mar 71 for D-2/CP.	S-4, F
		10	141600H	BN FWD CP- On resupply for 15 Mar 71. send the 55 gallon drum fuel oil on first flight. It is priority item.	
1717		11	141717H	Co. D- Addition to Co. D resupply: 1 bottle of Tincture of Benzoin.	S-4, F
2000		12	142000H	Co. B- Resupply request for B-1 & B-2 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2210		13	142210H	Div- Unit location report as of 142000H Mar 71.	S, F
				1. BN CP FWD, Co. B, D, and A-2 platoon OPCON 1st Mar	
				2. BN(-) CP Rear, Co. A and H&S(-) located AT989709.	
				3. Co. C located AT946744	
				4. Tactical Helilift- Negative	
				5. Alert condition- four	
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				JOURNAL OPENED	
0245	1	150001H			
	2	150245H	Div-	Weather report for 15-16 March 71.	S-2, F
0900	3	150900H	BN CP FWD-	Update of cumulative results of "IMPERIAL LAKE". (A) CG SITREP 14 Mar 71. 1. Change VC KIA to 169. 2. No other corrections since last submission to FWD CP.	S, F
1310	4	151310H	Co. D-	Zulu report. 01 NBC. Sprained ankle while moving PPB.	S-1, SM, F
1310	5	151310H	Co. D-	Zulu report. 1 NBC with floating disk in back.	S-1, SM, F
1355	6	151355H	BN XO	departed compound enroute to Division, and 1st Marines.	S, F
1440	7	151440H	Co. D-	Zulu report. 1 NBC. Drug Abuse; man turned himself in.	S-1, SM, F
1445	8	151445H	Co. D-	Zulu report. 1 NBC bit by dog.	
1715	9	151715H	BN XO	Returned to compound.	S, F
1830	10	151830H	BN CP FWD-	resupply request for CB Baldy on 17 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1930	11	151930H	BN C.O.-1, MUNIZ, Co. B	court martial. 2. Is the Colonel still receptive to handling the case at summary court? 3. If so, MUNIZ would be grateful. 4. Capt. BURG (Defense-Counsel) sends.)	
1940	12	151940H	BN C.O.-	Yes, he will handle Summary Court.	S, F
2005	13	152005H	BN CP FWD-	Resupply request for Co. B on 17 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2010	14	152010H	BN CP FWD-	Resupply request for Hill 510 on 17 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2030	15	152030H	BN CP FWD-	D-2 & D-3 resupply request for 17 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2040	16	152040H	BN CP FWD-	Addition to resupply request for Hill 510	S-4, F
2050	17	152050H	BN CP FWD-	Unit locations for 152100H Mar 71.	S, F
				1. BN CP FWD, Co. B and D OPCON 1stMar	
				2. BN CP REAR, Co. A, and H&S Co. (AT989709)	
				3. Co.C location (AT946744)	
				4. Tactical Helilift- negative	
				5. Alert condition- four	
	18	152400H		JOURNAL CLOSED	

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			JOURNAL OPENED	
0100	1	160001H		
	2	160100H	Div- Weather report for 16 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0830	3	160830H	XO departed BN CP for 1st Med.	S, F
0831	4	160831H	BN CP FWD- resupply request for ammunition on 17 Mar 1971.	S-4, F
	5	160935H	Div- Forecast of events for 17 Mar 71.	S, F
			1. BN(-) CP FWD, Co. B, D OPCON 1stMar.	
			2. BN(-) Rear CP, Co. A, H&S, and C continue ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	
1005	6	161005H	XO returned to BN CP.	
1130	7	161130H	Co. D- Zulu report. 1 NBC with broken ankle as result of slipping on wet rock.	S-1, SM, F
1225	8	161225H	Co. C- A-3 has 01 child with numerous scabs on right side of face and neck spreading toward eyes. Corpsman requests doctor's care.	S, F, BAS
1228	9	161228H	Co. C- Advise A-3 to have child taken to FLC Children's Hospital either by vehicle or helicopter.	S, F
1345	10	161345H	Co. C- 1. Sensor activation on String #15, 9 metallic activations. 2. Send squad in Rumor Valley to check.	S, F
1405	11	161405H	Co. C- Patrol departed for Rumor Valley.	S, F, M
1435	12	161435H	Co. C- Patrol in vicinity of sensor saw 25-30 civilians in area with wood cutting tools.	S, F
1530	13	161530H	Co. C- Patrol after spotting people continued to sweep area with negative results.	S, F
2030	14	162030H	BN CP FWD- Grids for resupply on 17 Mar 71 depends upon operational status of units at time of resupply.	S-4, F
2045	15	162045H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for 19 Mar 71.	
2103	16	162103H	Div- Unit location report for 162100H Mar 71.	
			1. BN CP FWD, Co. B and D and A-2 platoon OPCON 1stMar.	
			2. BN CP REAR, Co. A and H&S (AT989709) 3. Co. C located (AT946744) 4. Tactical helilift- negative.	
			5. Alert condition- four.	
2130	17	162130H	BN CP FWD- E-3 Davey PAUL request Red Cross check on wife who was due to give birth and hasn't written in 18 days.	S-1, F, H&S
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0130	1 170001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 170130H	Div- Weather report for 17 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0800	3 170800H	Co. D- 1. Does CPL MALLAS, N.P. 7591 desire to escort LCPL REBER's body to the States. 2. Return CPL JACKSON, P.K. 2732, CPL THOME, A.V. 2041, and LCPL TODD, D.W. 7300 to rear for R&R.	S.F
0900	4 170900H	Co. D- CPL MALLAS does not wish to escort body.	S,F
1010	5 171010H	Div- Forecast of events for 18 Mar 71. 1. BN(-) CP FWD, A-2 Platoon, Co. B and D OPCON 1stMar. 2. BN(-) CP REAR, Co. A,C, and H&S continue ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift- negative	S,F
1000	6 171000H	BN XO departed compound to FLC, Division, and Hill 327.	S,F
1005	7 171005H	1stMar- Report that someone on Division Ridge fired M-79 north endangering personnel on reverse slope. Co.C officer investigating.	S,F
1130	8 171130H	Co. C- 25-50 woodcutters working (AT946748).	S,F
1425	9 171425H	Co. D- Wife of CPL ROOT, T.F. 2576178 had baby girl at 161249H Mar 71. Baby is 7 lbs, 5oz, 20 inches long. Both are doing fine.	S,F
1435	10 171435H	Co. C- Day/Night acts for 19-21 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1735	11 171735H	BN CP FWD- Subject: Resupply for 19 Mar 71. 1. How much gasoline do you want? It was not on resupply request for 17 Mar 71. 2. On resupply there was no water listed. 3. Two cases of batteries was in with C-Rats, others will come out tomorrow. 4. Only have five supplementary packs left. Rate one for 100 men. How do you want these split up among companies.	S,F
1937	12 171937H	Co. B- Resupply request for 19 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2005	13 172005H	Co. B- Zulu report. 3 NBC's, 2 NBC's with feet trouble and 1 NBC with sprained knee.	S-1, SM, F
2055	14 172055H	BN C.O.- Division has tentatively designated Lt. KINDLER, KAYSER, and LEWIS to go aboard ship. This is in addition to those already designated.	S,F
2100	15 172100H	BN CP FWD- Division personnel verbally authorized the following Staff & Officers for ship: ANDERSON, KAYSER, BLAKE, KINDLER, LEWIS, ENGBLOM, CARLIN. Staff are: DELGADO, NIEVES, MALONE, RUSIE, FRADY. No word yet on Motor Transport Chief.	S,F
2115	16 172115H	Div- Unit location for 172100H Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD, Co. B, D, and A-2 plt, OPCON 1stMar	S,F

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2115	16	172115H	2. BN CP REAR, Co.A and H&S (AT989709)	S,F
		3. Co.C (AT946744)		
		4. Tactical helilift- negative		
		5. Alert condition- four		
2140	17	172140H	Div- Possible Rocket attack on DaNang Air Base, DaNang City, Hoa Cam Training Center, and Marble Mountain from grids. (AT965678, AT957687, AT925687, OP CONDOR and AT895675).	S,F, 327, Div Ridge,
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0130	1	180001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	180130H	Div- Weather report for 18 Mar 71.	S, F S-2
0135	3	180135H	BN CP FWD- Weather report for 18 Mar 71.	S, F
0730	4	180730H	1st Mar- S-5 will be entering village in Rumor Valley to conduct business at 180745H Mar 71.	S, F
0815	5	180815H	Co. D- 01 personnel is having constant headaches. He has prescription for glasses and needs them ASAP.	S, F
	16	180825H	Co. D- Cpl. ZENTKOVICH, R. G. 2540009 is to return to rear ASAP to discharge debts before his transfer. By order of the Battalion Adjutant.	S, F
0830	7	180830H	Co. D- LCPL DILDY, J. H. 2598610 will have to return to rear. Camp Baxter requires ten days to fill prescription for glasses.	S, F
0850	8	180850H	Div- Forecast of events for 19 Mar 71.	S, F
			1. BN CP(-) FWD, Co. B, D, and A-2 OPCON 1st Mar.	
			2. BN CP (-) REAR, Co. A(-) and Co. C continue opns in AO, OPCON 1st MarDiv. 3. Tactical helilift - neg.	
0930	9	180930H	Co. D- Delta 6 Actual must meet helicopter on 19 Mar 71 to sign important papers.	S, F
0945	10	180945H	Co. C- Unknown number of Vietnamese civilian woodcutters are in vicinity (AT945745) to (AT944748).	S, F
1100	11	181100H	BN Commander arrived at Hill 34.	S, F
1145	12	181145H	BN XO departed compound for Co. A position.	S, F
1225	13	181225H	Co. C- HQBN wants to run Medcap at (936724) and (938732). Request granted.	S, F
1425	14	181425H	BN CP FWD- Resupply request for Hill 510 on 19 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1600	15	181600H	BN Commander departed Hill 34 for Hill 510.	S, F
1740	16	181740H	BN Commander- CG will be coming to Hill 510 on 20 Mar 71 between 1200H-1300H.	S, F
1807	17	181807H	Div- Unit location report as of 182100H Mar 71.	S, F
			No Change	
1818	18	181818	Co. C- 81's on Division Ridge will conduct training fires to impact in Rumor Valley. Division COC and HQBN notified.	S, F, M
1915	19	181915H	BN CP FWD, Co. C & A- High threat period from 182000H to 220800H Mar 71. Possible rocket, mortar, and sapper attacks during this period.	S, F
2030	20	182030H	Co. C- Firing of 81's completed.	S, F
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0240	2	200240H	Div- Weather report for 20 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0400	3	200400H	BN CP FWD- Zulu report. 3 NBC's; one with lacerations of the knee and two with cuts from broken glass.	S-1, SM, F
0800	4	200800H	Div- Forecast of events for 21 Mar 71. 1. Co. D, A-2 platoon and BN CP FWD remain OPCON to 1st Marines. 2. Co. B return to Hill 34 from OPCON 1st Marines 3. Co. C continue security of Division Ridge and Rumor Valley. 4. Co. A(-), H&S(-) and BN CP REAR CONTINUE present mission in AO. OPCON 1st MarDiv. 5. Tactical helilift requirements- negative.	S, F
0810	5	200810H	Co. C- Day/Night acts for 21 Mar 71.	S, F, M
0858	6	200858H	Co. D- request for two men to return to rear for S, F transfer.	
1120	7	201120H	Hoa Vang- 1. Request clearance for contact 81mm S, F H.E. and illum ASAP to indefinite. Clearance for USMC troops in same area. 2. Grids: Upper left (A#932740) Lower right (A#952734).	
1225	8	201225H	Div- 1. Ref: (a), CG 250028Z Feb 71. 2. Approx S, F 40 Vietnamese civilians working area between grid (A#943752) to (A#949748).	
1255	9	201255H	Co. C- Day/Night acts for 21 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1357	10	201357H	S-3 Officer- 1. Make liaison with 11th Mar Regt S, F to establish the time their helicopter is to come to Hill 510. 2. Send pay roster with helicopter.	
1530	11	201530H	Div- Additional patrol activity for 21 Mar 71. S, F, M Ref: (a), 1st MarDiv COC msg 191000Z Mar 71. Following patrol activity will investigate Ref (a) report. C-3 TOD: 210530H TDR: Indef. T P-946744 CP#1-943743 CP#2-935742 CP#3-935738 CP#4-938742 CP#5-943743 and return to PPB.	
1945	12	201945H	Co. D- Zulu report. 1 NBC with possible malaria.	S-1, SM, F
1945	13	201945H	Co. B- Zulu report. 1 NBC with dislocated right ankle as result of slipping off rock.	S-1, SM, F
2045	14	202045H	Div- Unit location report as of 202100H Mar 71. S, F No change.	
	15	202400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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			1	210001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0125			2	210125H	Div- Weather report for 21 Mar 71.	S,2, F
0805			3	210805H	Div- Forecast of events for 22 Mar 71.	S, F
					1. Co.D(-), A-2 platoon, BN CP FWD remain OPCON 1st Marines.	
					2. Co.C maintain security of Division Ridge.	
					3. Co.A(-), H&S(-), Co.B, and BN CP REAR continue present mission in AO, OPCON 1st MarDiv.	
					4. Tactical helilift requirements- negative	
0920			4	210920H	Co.B- commence helilift to Hill 34.	S, F
1030			5	211030H	Co.B- Helilift to Hill 34 complete.	S, F
1115			6	211115H	Co.C- C-3 unit moving back to position due to brush fire.	S, F
1330			7	211330H	Co.C Day/Night acts for 23 Mar 71.	S, F
2005			8	212005H	Div- One round of undetermined origin impacted (AT987714). OP Tiger spotted flash at an azimuth of 3000 mils. No damage or casualties.	S, F
2055			9	212055H	Div- Unit location report for 212100H Mar 71.	S, F
					1. BN CP FWD, Co.D and A-2 platoon OPCON 1st Mar.	
					2. H&S Co., Co.A(-), Co.B on Hill 34 (AT989709)	
					3. Co.C- located at Hill 244 (AT946744)	
					4. Tactical helilift- negative.	
					5. Alert condition- four.	
			10	212400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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		1	220001H	JOURNAL OPENED
0115		2	220115H	Div- Weather report for 22 Mar 71.
1010		3	221010H	Div- Forecast of events for 23 Mar 71. 1. BN FWD CP, Co.D, and A-2 return to Hill 34. 2. BN REAR CP, Co.A(-), Co.B, and Co.C continue ICAT II opns in AO OPCON 1st MarDiv. 3. "Tactical helilift requirements- negative.
1630		4	221630H	Co.A- Zulu report. 1 NBC with ear infection.
1835		5	221835H	Div- Follow up report of explosion. 1/5 perimeter S.F. 21 March 71 at 2000H. (A) Crater analysis in- dicates 81mm mortar round impacted (AT982714). No rounds fired by this unit.
2045		6	222045H	Div- Unit locations for 222100H Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD, Co.D, and A-2 OPCON 1st Mar. 2. Co.C at Hill 244 (AT946744) 3. H&S Co., Co.A and Co.B at Hill 34 (AT989709) 4. "Tactical helilift requirements- negative 5. Alert condition- four.
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0130	OUT	0000	DIG	JOURNAL OPENED	
		1	240001H		
		2	240130H	Div- Weather report for 24 Mar 71.	S-2, F
0815		3	240815H	Div- Forecast of events for 24 Mar 71.	S.F
				1. BN() Stand-down at Hill 34 (AT989709)	
				2. Co.C maintain security of Division Ridge (AT946744)	
1200		4	240430Z	Div- Battalion has completed stand-down (less Co.C). Second Battalion, First Marines assumed responsibility for A0. Co.C located on Division Ridge (AT946744) for continuation of security assignment under operational control of 2/1.	S.F
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IN	OUT	#		
		1	020001H	JOURNAL OPENED
1035	2	021035H	BN (Rear)- Prep of grid 970438 at this time.	S,F
	3	021415H	CH46- dropped B-1-3 on Hill 510 for security.	S,F
1450	4	021450H	BN (Rear)- 1stMarRect will not be up on D-213 1800. Any problems before then, go to D-1.	S,F
	5	021515H	CH46- dropped B-1-3 on Hill 510.	S,F
	6	021518H	CH-46- dropped B-1-3 machinegun team on Hill 510.	S,F
	7	021520H	CH53- inserted Co. E, 2/1 at AT951419.	S,F
	8	021522H	1/5 FWD chopped OPCON to 1stMarRect.	S,F
1530	9	021530H	Co.B- Spot report- During insertion of 1/5 FWD 3rd chopper recv'd fire from AT976435. 5th helo recv'd semi-automatic fire from AT970430. Co.B returned fire with M-60 and M-79 and marked enemy position with 60mm W.P. Gunships preped the area.	S,F,M
1530	10	021530H	Co.B- Supply request for 3 Mar 71.	S,F,R
	11	021543H	CH53- dropped 81mm mortar and 106mm RR at Hill 510.	S,F
	12	021605H	S-3 arrived at Hill 510.	S,F
	13	021620H	CH53- dropped water trailer and gear on LZ at Hill 510.	S,F
1750	14	021750H	Co.E- day acts for 3 Mar 71.	S,F
1830	15	021830H	Co.B- Granted AO extension to include grids 9742 and 9642.	S,F,M
1835	16	021835H	Co.E- resupply request for 3 Mar 71.	S,F,R
1855	17	021855H	Co.B- day acts for 3 Mar and night acts for 2 Mar 71.	
1856	18	021856H	Co.E- Position report for 2 Mar 71. E-1 AT954415 E-2 AT955416 E-3 AT994390	S,F
1925	19	021925H	BN (Rear)- Radio equipment will be sent to Hill 510 3 Mar 71. ETA is 0710.	S,F
2015	20	022015H	BN (Rear)- AO extension ASAP to 122400H Mar 71 granted to 1st Task Force.	S,F
2025	21	022025H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 3 Mar 71. 1. Conduct CAT III Ops with Co. B and E within assigned area. 2. Move Co. D to CB Baldy 3. Assume responsibility for present 5thMar TAOR for ESCC purpose.	S,F
2025	22	022025H	1stMar- Unit position report for 2 Mar 71. 1. BN CP AT945404 2. Co. B AT970438 3. Co. E AT955414 4. E-3 AT994390	S,F
	23	022400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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0830		2	030830H	1st MarRegt- Assumed FSCC responsibility for 5th Marines AO at 030800H.	S,F
0925		3	030925H	1st MarRegt- Intel report. Info obtained from POW, S,F, Co.B Agent reports, and document read out, indicates a political reindoctrination conference will be held by elements of HQ Front Four on or about 15 Mar, lasting for a period of 15 days. Exact location of conference in unknown. Political officers and security cadre from the 1st VC Infantry Battalion in the Duy Xuyen district unit (081) are to report to Gommo-Liaison station H-2 (Vic AT989447) on 5 Mar for further guidance to conference area.	Co.B
0935		4	030935H	BN (Rear)- New Free and call signs will be in effect 050600H. Inform all units at your location.	S,F
1035		5	031035H	BN (Rear)- resupply request for CP FWD on 4 Mar 71.	S,F
1035		6	031035H	Co.E- E-3 night acts for 3 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1100		7	031100H	Co.B- Spot report. While on patrol AT966429, B-2 found OL old pack in cave complex that was made from a poncho. Dog found trail with recent NVA footprints. Unit searched area and continued moving down trail.	S,F
1230		8	031230H	1st Mar- Spot report submitted. (Item #7)	
1335		9	031335H	BN (Rear)- Bn Commander and Sgt Major arrived at Hill 510.	S,F
1530		10	031530H	1st Mar- Need ASAP the coordinates of Recon Box in your area.	S,F
1630		11	031630H	1st Mar- In regards to Recon Haven, the following have been established: 9442, 0446, 9146, following boundary to 42 grid line.	
1630		12	031630H	Co.B- night acts for 3 Mar and day acts for 4 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1645		13	031645H	Co.E- night/day acts for 3-4 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1653		14	031653H	Co.E- day acts for 4 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1745		15	031745H	Co.D- Have assumed responsibility of CR Baldy.	S,F
1805		16	031805H	Co.B- Spot report. While on patrol at AT975437, B-3 found trail leading up slope to a bunker 20' X 115' with living quarters. Bunker had camouflaged and circular front and had been used in last 24 hours. Found quantity of military and medical supplies. Detailed listing on attached sheet.	S,F
1820		17	031820H	1st Mar- submitted item #16.	S,F
1845		18	031845H	1st Mar- Unit position report for 3 Mar 71. BN CP FWD- 945404 Co.B- 970438 Co.E- 954415 Co.E-3- 994391 Co.D- 132453 Tact heli lift- Neg.	S,F

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IN	OUT	DIG	
0845	1	040001H JOURNAL OPENED	
0915	2	040845H Co. E- Resupply request for 5 Mar 71.	S-4, R, F
	3	040915H 1st Mar- Refueler will remain at Baldy. 11th Mar have fragged Helo for mini-dozer to be at your position sometime a.m. On 81's and 106's for Baldy, no decisions have been made.	S, F
0025	4	040925H Co. B- has one medevac from booby trap.	S-1, R, F
0948	5	040948H 1st Mar- Forecast of events for 5 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD. Co. B, E continue CAT III Ops in assigned AO. 2. B-2 moves from 970438 to LZ RAINBOW 983434 to conduct sweep down slope. 3. Co. D continue security of CB Baldy and will be reinforced by E-3 if E-3 is relieved from Hill 381. 4. Tactical helilift request- 44 PAX from 970438 to LZ RAINBOW 983434. Contact Bravo 14 on TACP Freq 42.90.	S, F
1045	6	041045H Co. B- Zulu report. 01 WIA from fragmentation.	S-1, F, R
1050	7	041050H Co. B- Spot report. While checking deserted base camp, man hit booby trap resulting in 01 USMC WIA. Unit found 02 more booby traps which were destroyed in place.	S-2, F, R
1105	8	041105H 1st Mar- Item #6 relayed.	S, F
1205	9	041205H Co. D- resupply request for Co. D and B for 5 Mar 71.	S-4, R, F
1207	10	041207H Bn Rear- Item #5 and #6 is now a KIA.	S, F
1320	11	041320H Co. D- resupply request for 4.2 Battery 1/11	S-4, R, F
1410	12	041410H Co. E- spot report. One Marine fell and his M-79 went off resulting in 01 NBC. Marine was medevacated.	S-2, F
	13	041410H ADC arrives at Hill 510.	S, F
1520	14	041520H Co. B- day acts for 5 Mar and night acts for 4 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1540	15	041540H Co. E- Resupply request for 5 Mar 71.	S-4, F, R
1545	16	041545H BN Rear- relayed item #12.	S, F
1605	17	041605H 1st Mar- relayed item #12.	S, F
1715	18	041715H 1st Mar- Unit locations submitted with no change.	S, F
1830	19	041830H Co. B- submitted new day acts for 5 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1840	20	041840H Co. E- day/night acts for 4-5 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1920	21	041920H Co. B- Spot Report. While on patrol, B-3 found base camp with supply hut. Trails had been used within last 8 hours. Searched area and found 02 AK-47's, 75 AK47 rds, 01 chicom grenade, and numerous food and clothing items. All gear was destroyed except weapons and rounds.	S-2, R, F
2000	22	042000H Co. B- spot report. Found 01 base camp with many trails. Found 2nd base camp and various weapons ammunition, documents, Maps, tools and other gear. Gear was destroyed.	

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	1	050001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0028	2	050028H	BN Rear- 1st Mar COC reports their sensor unit 3/1 recorded approx 20 people at 947483. Grid close to Co. B. Inform Co. B.	S-2, F
0045	3	050045H	BN Rear- D-3 found 01 M-16 rifle with missing parts. Serial number is - 643446.	S.F
0125	4	050125H	Co. B- Item #2 relayed.	S.F
0800	5	050800H	1st Mar- ADC to visit Hill 381 at 051330H Mar 71.	S.F
0835	6	050835H	1st Mar- Forecast of events for 6 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD. Co. B, E continue CAM III ops in assigned AO. 2. Co. D continue defense and security of CB Baldy. 3. E-3 augments security CB Baldy 5 Mar if weather permits; if negative, plan to move E-3 to CB Baldy 6 Mar. 4. Tactical helilift- negative.	S.F
0920	7	050920H	BN Rear- Resupply request on 7 Mar for "C" Battery.	S-4, F
	8	050930H	1st Mar- Regt CO arrived at Hill 510.	S.F
	9	050955H	1st Mar- Regt CO departed Hill 510.	S.F
	10	051205H	BN CO departed Hill 510.	S.F
	11	051400H	Co. E- Night acts for 5 Mar and day acts for 6 Mar 71.	S.F, M
1200	12	051700H	1st Mar- Recon AO extension to Recon Block 231P effective 7 Mar to 9 Mar 71. At 0146, 0546, 0548.	S.F, M
1700	13	051700H	Co. B- night acts for 5 Mar & day acts for 6 Mar 71.	S.F, M
1715	14	051715H	Co. B- B-3-2 while checking slope, point man spotted 01 VC NVA. Marine fired on enemy who fled but is believed to have been wounded. Area was searched and unit found a poncho, pack, notebook, health & comfort items, and saddles. All gear was retained.	S-2, F
1832	15	051832H	Co. B- B-2-2 found 02 basecamps which were swept with negative results.	
1925	16	051925H	1st Mar- Please pass to Commander at Baldy that a BN Commander from 51st ARVN Regt will be at Baldy at 060900H Mar and desires to talk to Major LECKEY regarding turnover of the Base. Will land at VIP LZ.	S.F
1930	17	051930H	BN FWD- submitted serial numbers of all Starlights.	S.F
1940	18	051940H	Co. D- Item #16 relayed.	S.F
1955	19	051955H	1st Mar- Unit Position report for 052000H Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD - 045405 2. Co. B- 070438 3. Co. E at 054416. 4. Co. D and E-3 - 132453 5. tactical heli lift- 43 PAX from Hill 381 to Baldy.	S.F
2005	20	052005H	1st Mar- Item #14 relayed.	S.F
2035	21	052035H	1st Mar- Item #15 relayed.	S.F
2040	22	052040H	1st Mar- ADC 23rd Div with Good Luck and 1st Mar CO, will visit Hill 510 on 10 Mar 71 for a brief and lunch. More info will be sent when available.	S.F

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0800	1	060001H		
0845	2	060800H	Co. B- Day acts for 6 Mar 71.	S, F, M
	3	060845H	1st Mar- Forecast of events for 7 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD, Co. B & E continue CAT III ops in assigned AO. 2. Co. D and E-3 continue defense and security of CB Baldy. 3. tactical helilift- negative. 4. the enemy activity	S, F
1020	4	061020H	1st Mar- Usually Reliable source, AT 058643 radius 100 Meters.	S-2, F
1050	5	061050H	Baldy CO- CO 1st Bn, 51st ARVN Regt made inspection of this base this morning. Plans to take over Northern portion of Baldy compound Base on 10 Mar 71.	S, F
1100	6	061100H	Bn Rear- Intel report indicates Hill 510 is under surveillance by elements of R-20 Bn. They intend to attack by fire and ambush patrols when opportunity arrives in order to curtail search ops in the area.	S-2, F
1355	7	061355H	1st Mar- B-2-3 while on patrol spotted OI NVA/VC at 979433 carrying rifle. Point man fired at him and enemy fled towards blocking force with Co. B unit in pursuit.	S-2, F
1535	8	061535H	Co. E- E-21 found 6"X 18" cave with USMC type rifle cleaning gear. Also found indication of previous Marine activity. Along trail unit found OI spider hole.	S-2, F
1600	9	061600H	Co. B- Night acts for 6 Mar & day acts for 7 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1630	10	061630H	1st Mar- Item #7 relayed.	S, F
1630	11	061630H	Co. D- One VN male child was brought to Baldy by Vietnamese. Child was 10 to 12 years old and suffering from wound of unknown origin. Medevac was called and completed. Advisory team said boy could be VC rice humper wounded in FF ambush early morning of 6 Mar 71.	S-2, F
1630	12	061630H	1st Mar- Item #8 relayed.	S, F
1955	13	061955H	1st Mar- Unit location report for 062000H Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD - 945404 2. Co. B - 970438 3. Co. E at 954416 4. Co. D and E-3 - 132453 5. tactical helilift report - 43 FAX from 970438 to 982433.	S, F
2000	14	062000H	Co. E- Day acts for 7 Mar 71.	S, F, M
2020	15	062020H	Co. B- B-3-1 KP took tank 02 VC/NVA under fire and killed OI and wounded the other. Wounded enemy fled. Retrieved OI AK-47 and miscellaneous gear.	S-2, F
2100	16	062100H	1st Mar- Item #15 relayed.	S, F
2135	17	062135H	Co. B- B-2-3 found OI base camp which was searched with negative results.	S-2, F
2135	18	062135H	Co. B- day acts for 7 Mar 71.	S, F, M
2140	19	062140H	Co. B- While on patrol unit found 02 caves. OI Hootch.	S-2, F

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2140	19	062140H	and 01 base camp. Unit found 01 booby trap in front of base camp, 2 chicons in hootch and 02 booby trap under sandbags of caves. All booby traps were destroyed in place.	S-2, F
2142	20	062142H	Co. B- B-3-3 found 01 500 pound bomb which was destroyed in place.	S-2, F
2145	21	062145H	Co. B- B-32 & B31 while on patrol sighted 01 NVA wearing a pack and carrying M-16 rifle. Point element fired 18 rounds and checked area with negative results.	S-2, F
2210	22	062210H	1st Mar- submitted CAS from 070600H to 071800H Mar 71.	S, F
2340	23	062340H	1st Mar- Item #17 relayed.	S, F
2345	24	062345H	1st Mar- Item #19 relayed.	S, F
2350	25	062350H	1st Mar- Item #20 relayed.	S, F
2355	26	062355H	1st Mar- Item #21 relayed.	S, F
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			1 080001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0835		2	080835H	1/5 S-1- Request E-4 J.R.R. 0756 with B-2-2 and E-3 P.J.E. 9335 with Co.B CP return to rear ASAP and report to Adjutant.	S,F
0845		3	080845H	1stMar S-4- On 100800H Mar 71, G-4 has requested when combined inspection party land that three vehicles be available to inspect area prior to turnover.	S,F
0900		4	080900H	Co.B- Item #2 relayed.	S,F
0910		5	080910H	Co.D- Item #3 relayed.	S,F
		6	080930H	Resupply began for "IMPERIAL LAKE" units.	S,F
1045		7	081045H	Co.D- Zulu report. 01 NBC with back injuries.	S-1,F
1440		8	081440H	Co.D- Spot report. Five Vietnamese children turned in 105 round filled with C-4 and set to detonate by command release. Also three M-79 rounds were brought in. Ordnance taken to one area and destroyed.	S-2,F
1600		9	081600H	Co.E- Day/night acts for 8-9 Mar 71.	S,F
1630		10	081630H	Co.B- Day/night acts for 8-9 Mar 71.	S,F
1655		11	081655H	Co.E- Resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4,F
1900		12	081900H	Co.B- While on patrol AT074442, B-3-1 again went through base camp which had been previously searched. (4 days ago) Unit found 02 more caves with 01 booby trap, 01 E-Tool, and numerous medical supplies. All gear was destroyed. Area did not appear to have been inhabited since last searched.	S-2,F
19	1940	13	081940H	1stMar- Item #12 relayed.	S,F
2015		14	082015H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 9 Mar 71. 1. BN CP, Co.B, E continue CAT III ops in assigned AO 2. Co.D, E-3 continue defence and security of CB Baldy. 3. Tactical helilift- negative.	S,F
2035		15	082035H	1stMar- Unit position report for 8 Mar 71. 1. BN CP, B-1 (AT045404) 2. Co.E (AT040429) 3. Co.B (AT070438) 4. Co.D, E-3 (AT132453) 5. Tactical helilift report- negative.	S,F
2045		16	082045H	Co.B- resupply request for 10 Mar 71.	S-4,F
2320		17	082320H	Co.D- resupply request for 11 Mar 71.	S-4,F
		18	082400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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1	090001H				
0935	2	090935H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 10 Mar 71. No change.	S,F	
1055	3	091055H	BN CP REAR- Zulu report. OI NBC with fragmentation	S-1, SM, F	
			wounds as result of demolition explosion.		
1200	4	091200H	1stMar- 1. Forces to remain at Baldy will be one platoon of Co.E and one platoon of Co.D reinforced by 60mm, 81mm and 106's. This force under command of the Baldy-6. Duration of stay - 20 March 1971.	S,F	
			2. Remaining two platoons of Co.D and CP will return to Que Sons to take place of Co.E. Co.E(-) will return to LZ425.		
1350	5	091350H	Division CG, III MAF CG, and ROK CG, aboard Hill 510.	S,F	
1420	6	091420H	Item #5 departed Hill 510.	S,F	
1420	7	091420H	Co.D- D-2, D-3, D CP, Whisky Battery will be moving off Baldy on 11 Mar 71.	S,F	
1445	8	091445H	Co.E- Day/Night acts for 9-10 Mar 71.	S,F,M	
1530	9	091530H	Co.B- Day/Night acts for 9-10 Mar 71.	S,F,M	
1745	10	091745H	Baldy-6- Resupply request for CB Baldy on 10 Mar 71.	S-4, F	
1830	11	091830H	1stMar- Item #10 relayed.		
1935	12	091935H	Baldy-6- 1st Marines C.O. and S-3 will arrive your position 0830H tomorrow to discuss your requirements for CB Baldy. 2. 1st Marines S-3 to deliver flag as requested.	S,F	
1945	13	091945H	1stMar- Unit location report for 092000H Mar 71.	S,F	
			A. BN CP (AT945404) B. Co.B (AT970438)		
			C. Co.E (AT949428) D. Co.D and E-3 (AT132453)		
2208	14	092208H	1stMar- Have cleared Recon Box in your area with the understanding that 1/5 S-3, FSAC, and Recon Liaison Officer will assume coordination of the fire. Recon S-3 concurs in this and he will go to your position to discuss this with you tomorrow.	S,F	
	15	092400H	JOURNAL CLOSED		

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1 100001H				
1215 2 101215H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 11 Mar 71.	1. BN CP, S,F		
	Co. B continue CAT III opns.	2. Co. E(-) chopped OPCON to 2/1.	3. Co. D(-) join "IMPERIAL LAKE" units.	
	4. Tactical helilift requirements- Extraction of Co. D(-) from LZ Baldy.	Simultaneously extract Co. E(-) from (AT949428) and (AT942416) and drop off at LZ425.		
	5. 81 and 106 section to remain at CB Baldy.			
	6. Number of PAX for troop lift are as follows:			
	E-1 has 48 PAX	E-2/CP has 52 PAX		
	D-2 has 61 PAX	D-3 has 63 PAX		
3 101400H	ADC and Party arrived at Hill 510.			S,F
4 101515H	ADC and Party departed Hill 510.			S,FZ
5 101630H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 11 Mar 71.			S,F,M
6 101635H	Co. B- Spot report. While moving to new position, B-3 found OI M-1 Carbine on side of train at (AT969428)			S-2,F
	Carbine was unserviceable and was brought to new position.			
1210 7 101710H	Co. E- Night acts for 10 Mar 71.			S,F,M
1930 8 101930H	1stMar- Unit position report for 10 Mar 71.			S,F
	1. BN CP (AT945404)			
	2. Co. B (AT965425)			
	3. Co. E-1 (AT942416)			
	4. Co. E-2/CP (AT949428)			
	5. Co. D (AT132453)			
	6. Tactical helilift report- negative.			
2045 9 102045H	Co. B- Resupply request for 12 Mar 71.			S-4,F
2155 10 102155H	Co. D- Resupply request for 12 Mar 71.			S-4,F
11 102400H	JOURNAL CLOSED			

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INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS				ACTION TAKEN
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0335	1 11000H	BN CP REAR- Request Letter of Continuity from S-3 Officer for Lt. RUCKER.		S,F
1217	2 110335H	BN CP REAR- Request Letter of Continuity from S-3 Officer for Lt. RUCKER.		S,F
1330	3 111125H	Trooplift into "IMPERIAL LAKE" area begins. (CoD, E.)		S,F
1545	4 111217H	1stMar- URS (AT994428). 500 meter radius.		S,F
1555	5 111330H	1stMar- Recon team inserted (AT930414).		S,F,M
1600	6 111545H	1stMar- Recon extractions and insertions for 11 Mar 71.		S,F,M
1610	7 111555H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 11-12 Mar 71.		S,F,M
	8 111600H	Co. B- Spot report. B-1-1 while on patrol (AT971429) found hand written mine warning note tied to bamboo on trail. Area checked with negative results.		S-2,F
	9 111610H	Co. B- Spot report. B-1-1 while on patrol (AT972425) found caves with wooden racks. Also found 1 82mm mortar round and 1 OP tower. Area large enough for 30-40 people and had been used within last week. Unit destroyed base camp and ordnance and continued on patrol.		S-2,F
1640	10 111640H	1stMar- Items #8 & #9 relayed.		S,F
1650	11 111650H	Co. D- Night acts for 11 Mar 71.		S,F,M
	14 111745H	Co. D/Co. E trooplifts completed.		S,F
1800	15 111800H	Co. D- Recon positions for 11 Mar 71.		S,F
1850	16 111850H	1stMar- Unit locations for 11 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD (AT945404) 2. Co. B (AT965425) 3. Co. D/CP (AT942416) 4. D-3 (AT949428) 5. D-1 (AT132453) 6. Tactical helilift report: Co. D CP, D-2, D-3 124 PAX from (132453) to above positions. E-1 & E-2 from IMPERIAL LAKE positions to LZ425 (92 PAX).		S,F
1855	17 111855H	Co. D- Day/Night acts for 12 Mar 71.		S,F,M
2045	18 112045H	1stMar- Spot report. IOD observed 02 VC with 01 pack and 01 rifle moving into cave (AT951425). 106's fired with 03 direct hits sealing off cave. Co. D to investigate area tomorrow.		S-2,F
2115	19 112115H	Baldy CB- Resupply request for the Communication personnel on 12 Mar 71.		S-4,F
	20 112400H	JOURNAL CLOSED		

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INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS			ACTION TAKEN
0310	1 120000H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0915	2 120310H BN CP REAR- Weather report for 12-13 Mar 71.		S-2, F
1000	3 120915H 1stMar- Recon Team "PRIMECUT" extracted 120900H.		S, E, M
	4 121000H 1stMar- Forecast of events for 13 Mar 71.		S, F
		1. BN CP, Co. B and D(-) continue CAT III ops in assigned AO. 2. Co. B moves to Hill 845 for sweep & clear ops. 3. Co. D(-) moves to Hill 800 for ops. 4. Two squads Co. A move to Hill 510 relieving B-1 as security force. 5. Tactical helilift requirements: B-1 from Hill 510 to Rainbow, B-2/CP from 968426 to Rainbow, D-2/CP from 956413 to Hill 800. Two squads Co. A from L7469 to Hill 510. Approximate total number of PAX - 200.	S, F
1110	5 121110H 1stMar- Recon position for 12 Mar 71.		S, E, M
1345	6 121345H 1stMar- Intelligence report indicates 150th Transportation BN element is in vicinity of (AT937405). They are security for high ranking Cadre going to Western Que Sons. Rated B-2.		S-2, F
1705	7 121705H Co. B- Day/Night acts for 12-13 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1745	8 121745H Baldy CB- Zulu report. 8 NBC's, 7 NBC's as result of accidental explosion of 60mm round. 1 NBC hit by a 2 X 4 while loading helicopter.		S-1, F
1825	9 121825H Co. D- BN Commander has directed two personnel for C.O.G. discharge. Statements needed.		S, F
1840	10 121840H Co. D- Day/Night acts for 12-13 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1900	11 121900H 1stMar- Recon night positions for 12 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1915	12 121915H Co. B- Spot report- While on patrol at (AT972431). B-3-1 and B-3-3 found base camp and cave complex with numerous trails. Area had previously had excellent 81mm coverage. Unit found various gear and supplies. All gear was destroyed except one full 500cc IV bottle. (Temp 18)		S-2, F
1915	13 121915H Co. D- Spot report. While destroying grade three ammo a marine picked up a partially destroyed 60mm round with fuse intact and took it to his hootch. In the process of handling round, it detonated. Investigation initiated and medevac called for 7 marines. One priority routine, two priority, and four routine.		S-2, F
1950	14 121950H Co. D- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.		S-4, F
2045	15 122045H 1stMar- Unit location report for 12 Mar 71. No change.		S, F
2130	16 122130H CB Baldy- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.		S-4, F
2210	17 122210H BN CP REAR- Conversation with Div. Sgt Maj. remain same in regards to transfer of 1st Sgt's & Sgt Maj. Traffic of meeting will be forwarded when S-3 returns.		S, F

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0245	1 130001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0730	2 130245H	BN CP REAR- Weather forecast for 13 Mar 71.	S-2, F
	3 130730H	Co. D- D-2-3A will make water run using same check points as those D-2-1 used yesterday.	S, F, M
1030	4 131030H	CB Baldy- Vehicle status report for 13 Mar 71.	S, F
1145	5 131045H	BN CP REAR- Item #4 relayed.	
1045	6 131145H	1stMar- Intelligence report indicates the friendly units located in the vicinity of Hill 845 are successfully blocking 02 enemy Comm-Liaison stations, and their routes of travel to and from the Que Sons and the lowlands. Reports also indicate there may be another cache located in the vicinity of base camps which B Company found and destroyed.	S-2, F
1150	7 131150H	Co. B- Grade three 60mm ammo returning to rear without safety devices. Request inform all personnel concerned to insure maximum safety precaution is taken prior to returning ammo to rear.	S, F
1625	8 131625H	Co. B- Zulu report- 01 NBC with fever of unknown origin.	S-1, SM, F
1650	9 131650H	Co. D- Day/Night acts for 13-14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1700	10 131700H	Co. D- Water patrol for 14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1730	11 131730H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 13-14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1755	12 131755H	Co. B- Resupply request for B-1 & B-2 on 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1930	13 131930H	1stMar- Unit Location report for 131900H Mar 71.	S, F
	1. BN CP - (AT045404)		
	2. Co. B - (AT067426)		
	3. Co. D - (AT042416)		
	4. D-1/E-3 - (AT132453)		
	5. Tactical helilift request- Negative.		
2055	14 132055H	Co. D- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
2135	15 132135H	BN CP REAR- Resupply request for BN CP FWD on 15 Mar 1971.	S-4, F
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0940	1	140001H		
0948	2	140940H	CB Baldy- Vehicle status report for 14 Mar 71.	S, F, R
1100	3	140948H	Co. D- D-2-1 will run water patrol to (AT953414).	S, F, M
	4	141100H	1stMar- Recon extraction report.	S, F, M
	5	141150H	31 PAX from Co. A replaced B-1. B-1 relieved of responsibility for security of Hill 510. The remainder of today's trooplift is cancelled.	S, F, M
1230	6	141230H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1305	7	141305H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 15 Mar 71. 1. BN CP, Co. B & D continue CAT III ops in assigned AO. 2. A-2 continues security of Hill 510. 3. D-1 continue security of CB Baldy. 4. Tactical helilift requirements- negative.	S, F
1432	8	141432H	1stMar- USR (BT019440). 600 meter radius.	S-2, F
1700	9	141700H	Co. D- D-3-3-found while on patrol at (AT960418) one NVA base camp consisting of cave and tunnel complex. Unit found 01 SKS rifle and numerous other gear. Gear and entrances to cave and tunnel complex were destroyed and SKS rifle was returned to company CP.	S-2, F
1815	10	141815H	Co. B- B-2-3 while on patrol (AT923435) unit found freshly dug grave in area of base camp which had been previously searched. Unit also found destroyed M-16 barrel, a PRC-25 handset cord, and the wallet of Marine killed by booby trap explosion on 4 Mar 71. Unit continued sweep with negative results.	S-2, F
1855	11	141855H	1stMar- Recon night positions for 14 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1900	12	141900H	Co. B- Resupply request for 15 Mar 71.	S-4, F
1915	13	141915H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 15 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1955	14	141955H	1stMar- Unit locations for 14 Mar 71. 1. BN CP FWD, A-2 (AT945405) 2. Co. B (AT968428) 3. Co. D- (AT952424) 4. D-1 (AT132453) 5. Tactical helilift report - A-2 from IZ469 to Hill 510. B-1 from Hill 510 to (AT968428). Total Number of PAX - 61.	S, F
2030	15	142030H	1stMar- Item #10 relayed.	
2100	16	142100H	Co. B- B-2 spotted small fire (AT962440) & called in Arty but was unable to get close enough to target because replot grid was in vicinity of recon insert.	S-2, F
2330	17	142330H	1stMar- Item #16 relayed.	S, F
	18	142400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	150001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0245	2	150245H	1stMar- Weather report for 15 Mar 71.	S,F
0900	3	150900H	BN CP REAR- Update of cumulative results on Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE"	S,F
0915	4	150915H	1stMar- ADC will visit Hill 510 between 1400-1500 15 Mar 71.	S,F
0950	5	150950H	1stMar- Intel report. A highly reliable agent reports that an element of the Dien Ban District Unit will be going to A weapons storage site located at (AT968428) in order of obtain weapons to transport to lowlands. Reportedly they will depart from vicinity (AT967521) and follow trail along the Vinh Trinh Stream to the storage area. Time of departure is unknown, but soon.	S,F
1000	6	151000H	1stMar- Recon Haven modification request for Haven 231P.	S,F,M
	7	151025H	1stMar- Item #6 is approved.	S,F
	8	151035H	1stMar- Forecast of events for 16 Mar 71. No change.	S,F
1210	9	151210H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 15 Mar 71.	S,F,M
	10	151245H	BN CP REAR- Co. D reported O1 NBC with floating disk in lower back.	S-1,F
	11	151247H	BN CP REAR- Co. D reported O1 NBC with sprained ankle.	S-1,F
1440	12	151440H	BN CP REAR- Co. D reported O1 NBC as result of drug abuse. Marine turned himself in.	S-1,F
	13	151445H	BN CP REAR- Co. D reported O1 NBC bit by dog.	S-1,F
1825	14	151825H	CB Baldy- Resupply request for 17 Mar 71.	S-4,F
1900	15	151900H	Co. D- Night act for 15 Mar 71.	S,F,M
1920	16	151920H	Co. B- Resupply request for 17 Mar 71.	S-4,F
1945	17	151945H	BN CP REAR- 1. MUNIZ, Co. B Court Martial 2. Is the Colonel still receptive to handling the case at Summary Court. 3. If so, MUNIZ would be grateful. 4. Capt. Berg (defense counsel) sends. Request was granted.	S,F
1950H	18	151950H	1stMar- Unit location report for 151900H Mar 71. BN CP (AT945404) Co. B (AT968428) Co. D (AT952424) D-1/E-3 (AT132453) Tactical helilift report - negative.	S,F
1955	19	151955H	Co. D- Day acts for 16 Mar 71.	S,F,M
2000	20	152000H	Co. D- Resupply request for 17 Mar 71.	S-4,F
2040	21	152040H	BN CP REAR- Resupply request for the FWD CP on 17 Mar 71.	S-4,F
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1	160001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0105	2 160105H BN CP REAR- Weather report for 16 Mar 71.		S-2, F
0820	3 160820H Co. B- Day acts for 16 Mar 71.		S, F, M
0830	4 160830H Co. B- 03 VC/NVA wearing Army covers, green shorts, green shirts, and sandals entered friendly position (AT972437). Marine on watch yelled for them to halt after which they attempted to flee. Marine opened fire with M-16 and other personnel on watch opened up with M-16, M-60, and threw 01 grenade, resulting in 01 enemy confirmed dead. Unit obtained enemy's rifle (AK-47) with magazine and 01 chicom and 01 M-26 grenade. Remainder of area was searched with negative results.		S-2, F
0850	5 160850H BN CP REAR- Addition to FWD CP resupply for 17 Mar 71.		S-4, F
1050	6 161050H Co. B- Day/Night acts for 16 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1115	7 161115H Co. D- Zulu report. 01 NBC with broken right foot.		S-1, F
1130	8 161130H 1stMar- Forecast of events for 17 Mar 71. No change.		S, F
1230	9 161230H CB Baldy- Transportation requirement for 20 Mar 71.		S, F
1340	10 161240H Co. B- While on patrol (AT973435), B-2 found chicos and trip wire strung across trail. Unit destroyed booby trap and swept area with negative results.		S-2
1440	11 161440H 1stMar- URS report (BT024419) and (AT965402).		S-2, F
1520	12 161520H 1stMar- URS report (BT010424)		S-2, F
1715	13 161715H 1stMar- URS report (AT992505)		S-2, F
1825	14 161825H Co. D- While on patrol, D-3 searched cave (AT968421) and found 82mm mortar tube which was taken to PPB. Remainder of area was searched with negative results.		S-2, F
1830	15 161830H Co. D- Day/Night acts for 16-17 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1845	16 161845H 1stMar- Unit location report for 16 Mar 71. BN CP FWD & A-2 (AT945405) Co. B (AT976435) Co. D- (AT962422) D-1/E-3 (AT132453) Tactical helilift report - negative.		S, F
1900	17 161900H 1stMar- Request info ASAP on whether PT Unit at Duy Xuyen requested AO extension to conduct operation to take place 161800H to 171800H Mar 71.		S, F
1949	18 161949H Co. B- Day/Night acts for 17 Mar 71.		S, F, M
1950	19 161950H Co. B- B-1 unit checked out hospital area believed to have been used recently but found only 01 sandle print and minor supply items. Remainder of area was searched with negative results.		S-2, F
2030	20 162030H Co. B- Resupply request for 17 Mar 71.		S-4, F
2100	21 162100H Co. D- Resupply request for 19 Mar 71.		S-4, F
2120	22 162120H BN CP REAR- Resupply request for all FWD units. Resupply request is for 19 Mar 71.		S-4, F
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1	170001H	JOURNAL OPENED		
0135	2	170135H BN CP REAR- Weather report for 17 Mar 71.		S-2, F
1040	3	171040H 1st Mar- Transportation schedule for evacuation of CB Baldy. Info passed to Baldy 6.		S,F
1730	4	171730H BN S-4 REAR- Questions on resupply request for 19 Mar 71.		S,F
1830	5	171830H Co.B- Zulu report. 3 NBC: Two with feet trouble and one with sprained knee.		S-1,F
1900	6	171900H Co.B- Day/Night acts for 17-18 Mar 71.		
1900	7	171900H Co.B- While on patrol (AT968433), B-3-1 found 81mm dud round and 01 old grave. Round was destroyed and grave was uncovered with negative results.		S-2, F
1920	8	171920H 1st Mar- Unit location report for 171900H Mar 71.		S,F
		1. BN CP & A-2 (AT945404)		
		2. Co. B (AT967426)		
		3. Co. D (AT974416)		
		4. D-1/E-3 (AT132453)		
		5. Tactical helilift - negative.		
1925	9	171925H BN CP REAR- Division has tentively designated H's KINDLER, KAYSER and LEWIS to go aboard ship. This is in addition to those already designated.		S,F
1950	10	171950H Co.D- Day/Night acts for 17-18 Mar 71.		S,F,M
2050	11	172050H BN CP REAR- Division Personnel verbally authorized the following Staff & Officers for ship. ANDERSON, KAYSER, BLAKE, KINDLER, LEWIS, ENGBLOM, CARLIN. Staff are: DELGADO, NIEVEC, MALONE, RUSIE, FRADY. No word yet on Motor Transport Chief.		S,F
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		1	180001H	JOURNAL OPENED
0135		2	180135H	BN CP REAR- Weather report for 18 Mar 71. S-2,F
0710		3	180710H	Co.A- Patrol route for A-2 on 18 Mar 71. S,F,M
0755		4	180755H	Co.B- Day acts for 18 Mar 71. S,F,M
0920		5	180920H	1st Mar- Forecast of events for 19 Mar 71: S,F No change.
1220		6	181220H	Co.D- While on patrol at (AT974424), D-3-2 found S-2,F base camp with five huts, nine bunkers, ten caves and one bomb half. Unit searched area thoroughly with negative further results and returned to PPB. S,F
1240		7	181240H	1st Mar- Item #6 relayed. S,F
1545		8	181545H	Co.B- Day/Night acts for 18-19 Mar 71. S,F
1730		9	181730H	Co.D- While on patrol (AT974416), D-2-2 found S-2,F one chicom which they destroyed in place. S,F
1735		10	181735H	BN CP REAR- 1. CG will be coming to Hill 510 on S,F Saturday between 1200 and 1300. 2. 5th Marines will not be leaving until the 24th. S,F
1850		11	181850H	Co.B- While on patrol at (AT973433), B-1 found two booby traps and numerous items of radio equipment. Remainder of area was searched with no further findings. S,F
1900		12	181900H	Co.D- Day acts for 19 Mar 71. S,F
2000		13	182000H	1st Mar- Unit location report for 181900H Mar 71. S,F 1. BN FWD CP (AT945404) 2. Co.B (AT968426) 3. Co.D (AT974417) 4. D-1/E-3 (AT132453) 5. Tactical helilift requirements- negative. S,F
2030		14	182030H	1st Mar- Co.A, Second platoon joined a Recon team who had contact with enemy outside enemy base camp/hospital (AT956396). Together they searched the area and found various medical supplies. While on return route, the point element made contact with three NVA resulting in 01 enemy KIA. S,F
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		1	190001H	JOURNAL OPENED
0120		2	190120H	1st Mar- Weather report for 19 Mar 71. S-2, F
1055		3	191055H	Co. B- Number of PAX and location of extraction for 21 Mar 71. PAX - 152. Company at (AT970438). S, F
1115	4		191115H	1st Mar- Forecast of events for 20 Mar 71. S, F 1. BN CP, Co. B, D continue CAT III opns in assigned AO. 2. Tactical helilift requirements - D-1 unit from CB Baldy to L2469. 81 section and 106 section from CB Baldy to L2469. 1st Marines to handle helilift.
1230	5		191230H	1st Mar- Troop lift requirement for 21 and 23 Mar 71. S, F
1300	6		191300H	1st Mar- URS report indicates enemy activity within 100 meters of (AT988447) and in vicinity (AT978420). S, F
1545	7		191545H	Co. B- While on patrol (AT973442), B-3-2 found 01 old base camp that appeared to have been used on previous night. S-2, F
1650	8		191650H	Co. B- Day/Night acts for 19-20 Mar 71. S, E, M
1730	9		191730H	Co. B- While on patrol (AT977432), B-1 found 01 large grave containing 03 bodies about 1 week old. Unit found various military and personnel gear including 01 AK-47 rifle. S-2, F
1915	10		191915H	Co. D- Night acts for 19 Mar 71 and Day acts for 20 Mar 71. S, F, M
1935	11		191935H	1st Mar- Unit location report for 191900H Mar 71. S, F 1. BN CP (AT945404) 2. Co. B (AT973438) 3. Co. D (AT968426) 4. D-1/E-3 (AT732453) 5. Tactical helilift requirements- negative.
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0125		1	200001H	JOURNAL OPENED
		2	200125H	1st Mar- Weather report for 20 Mar 71.
		3	201040H	CC, 1st MarDiv arrived Hill 510.
		4	201105H	CC, 1st MarDiv departed Hill 510.
1110		5	201110H	1st Mar- Forecast of events for 21 Mar 71. 1. BN CP, Co.D continue CAT III ops in assigned AO. 2. Tactical helilift report- Co.B 152 PAX from (AT970438) to LZ469.
1411		6	201411H	1st Mar- Recon inserts and extractions.
1415		7	201415H	Co.D- Zulu report. 01 NBC with possible malaria. S-1, F
1420		8	201420H	Co.D- While on patrol (AT967421), D-2-3 spotted S-2, F 01 VC fleeing up side of mountain (AT968420). Point element opened up with small arms fire and unit searched area with no signs of enemy but found basecamp with sleeping, cooking, and fighting positions.
1610		9	201610H	Co.B- While on patrol (AT977432), B-1 found base camp and suspected grave. Grave was empty but unit found numerous medical gear at basecamp.
1620		10	201620H	Co.B- Night acts for 20 Mar 71.
1715		11	201715H	Co.D- Day/Night acts for 21 Mar 71.
1735		12	201735H	Co.B- Zulu report. 01 NBC with dislocated right ankle.
1742	1747	13	201742H	1st Mar- Unit location report for 201900H Mar 71. S.F 1. BN CP/ A-2 (AT945404) 2. Co.B- (AT973438) 3. Co.D- (AT968426) 4. Tactical helilift requirements- negative.
		14	202400H	JOURNAL CLOSED

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S-3 1st Bn, 5th Marines
GIANG SAM PROVINCE
From: 210001H March 1971
To: 212400H March 1971

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Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE"

TIME	#	TIME	ACT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
				JOURNAL OPENED	
0100	1	210001H		1st Mar- Request clearance for PF/RF operation.	S, F, M
0130	2	210001H		1st Mar- Weather report for 21 Mar 71.	S-2, F
1026	3	210130H		1st Mar- Forecast of events for 22 Mar 71.	S, F
	4	211026H		1. BN CP, Co.D continue CAT ITT opns in assigned AO. 2. Tactical helilift requirements- negative.	
1135	5	211135H		1st Mar- Co.D spotted 02 VC/NVA in open (AT964421) S-2, F Unit utilized gunships that were on station at that time. Gunships fired on enemy and the area was later searched with negative results.	
1530	6	211530H		Co.D- While on patrol (AT953422), D-2-2 recv'd five rounds small arms fire from tree line. Unit returned fire and swept area with negative results.	S-2, F
1700	7	211700H		1st Mar- Unit location report for 211700H Mar 71. S, F 1. BN CP (AT945404) 2. Co.D (AT964428) 3. Tactical helilift requirements- Co.B extracted from (AT970438) to LZ469.	
1745	8	211745H		Co.D- Day/Night acts for 22 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1805	9	211805H		Co.D- While on patrol D-3-2 (AT963425) found an enemy triple decked cave complex in which they found 01 SKS rifle and numerous other gear. Rifle was returned to PPB and other gear was destroyed along with the caves.	S-2, F
1830	10	211830H		1st Mar- URS report for 21 Mar 71.	S, F
	11	212400H		JOURNAL CLOSED	

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE
From: 220001H March 1971

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE
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TAB "A-2" S-3 JOURNAL (FLC)

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE010001H 012400H March 1971
From to

TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1 010001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 010610H	106- Night acts returned.	F, S
1015	3 011015H	1/5 COC- Called to inform the S-3B that the platoon here would be replaced today by A3.	F, S
	4 011530H	A3 arrived and 106's departed.	F, S
	5 012400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

Summary: No patrolling was done on 01
March due to the change of
platoons.

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE

020001H 022400H March, 1971

From to

TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1	020001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
2	020605H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
3	021800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
4	022400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

Summary: Continued defensive patrolling
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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE030001H 032400H March, 1971
From to

TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1 030001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 030615H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
	3 030900H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
	4 031130H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
	5 031800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
	6 032400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE

540001H 042400H 1 March, 1971

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TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
/	1 040001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
/	2 040605H	A3- Night acts returned.	F. S
/	3 041800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F. S
/	4 042400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines

QUANG NAM PROVINCE

050000H - 052400H March, 1971

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TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1 05000H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 050605H A3	Night acts returned.	/F, S
	3 050900H A3	Day acts departed.	/F, S
	4 051200H A3	Day acts returned.	/F, S
	5 051800H A3	Night acts departed.	/F, S
	6 052400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

Summary: Continued defensive patrolling
in Sector A.

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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE060001H 062400H March, 1971
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TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1	060001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
2	060630H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
3	060945H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
4	061200H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
5	061800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
6	062400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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070001H 072400H March, 1971

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1	070001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
2	070615H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
3	070930H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
4	071230H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
5	071810H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
6	072400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

Summary: Continued defensive patrolling
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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE080001H - 082400H March, 1971
From To

TIME IN/OUT	#	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1		080001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
2		080630H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
3		080930H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
4		081230H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
5		081800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
6		082400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

Summary: Continued defensive patrolling
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FLC COC 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE090001H 092400H March, 1971
From To

TIME IN/OUT	#	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1	090001H		JOURNAL OPENED	
2	090630H	A3	Night acts returned.	F, S
3	090930H	A3	Day acts departed.	F, S
4	091130H	A3	Day acts returned.	F, S
5	091800H	A3	Night acts departed.	F, S
6	092400H	A3	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE**

100001H 102400H March, 1971
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TIME IN/OUT	## DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1 100001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 100630H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
	3 100900H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
	4 101130H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
	5 101800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
	6 102400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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FLC COC S-3 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
QUANG NAM PROVINCE110001H 112400H March, 1971
From To

TIME IN/OUT	#	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	110001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	110630H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
	3	110730H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
	4	110930H	A3- Second day act departed.	F, S
	5	111100H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
	6	111800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
	7	112400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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QUANG NAM PROVINCE

120001H 122400H March, 1971
From V.O.

TIME IN/OUT	#4 DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1 120001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 120630H	A3- Night acts returned.	F, S
	3 120930H	A3- Day acts departed.	F, S
	4 121130H	A3- Day acts returned.	F, S
	5 121800H	A3- Night acts departed.	F, S
	6 122400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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TAB "B" BnBul 1500 dtd 29Mar71

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HEADQUARTERS

First Battalion, Fifth Marines
 1st Marine Division (-) (Rein) FMF
 FPO San Francisco, California 96602

BnBul 1500
 3/RBR/tkc
 29 March 1971

BATTALION BULLETIN 1500

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Distribution List

Subj: Redeployment Training Schedule

Ref: (a) BnO 1510.1A

Encl: ✓(1) Training Subjects during Stand-down
 ✓(2) Training Subjects while Enroute

1. Purpose. To publish instructions for continuation of the Battalion training program, as prescribed by reference (a), during stand-down and redeployment.

2. Background

a. Enclosure (1) contains training subjects which will familiarize all Marines with a useful information program in order to prepare them for life aboard ship during redeployment. This training will be accomplished prior to embarkation.

b. Enclosure (2) contains subjective training to be accomplished while underway during redeployment in order to prepare Marines for life aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, to discuss personal affairs and to complete administration.

c. References for some subjects will not be available during stand-down or while on board ship. This obstacle can be overcome by maximum utilization of available resources (ship's library, personnel office) and use of imaginative, responsible instructors familiar with the basic subject matter.

3. Action

a. Company Commanders will:

(1) Ensure strict compliance and positive control to accomplish all training objectives on the subject matter indicated.

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TRAINING SUBJECTS DURING STAND-DOWN

Troop Life Aboard Ship

Shipboard Courtesies (Navy Regulations)

Off Limits Areas Aboard Ship

Water Conservation Aboard Ship

Shipboard Traffic Patterns

Smoking Regulations

Man Overboard Drill

Police Calls, Inspections

Physical Fitness

Uniform Regulations

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TRAINING SUBJECTS WHILE ENROUTE

Leave and Liberty Policies
Uniform Regulations
Personnel Administration
V.A. Benefits
Champus-Medicare
Leave Extensions
Dependent's Benefits
M-14 Rifle
Automobiles on Base; Requirements
Project Transition
FMF Life in Garrison
Physical Training
Public Housing for Marrieds
Countering Homosexuality
Drug Abuse
Types, Meaning, Effects Discharge
Precedence, Wearing Ribbons
Security of Military Information
Appearances before News Media

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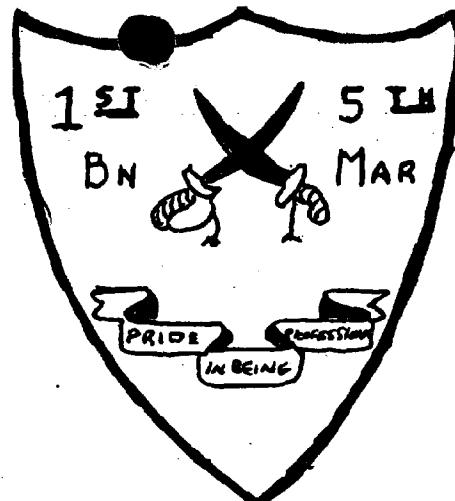
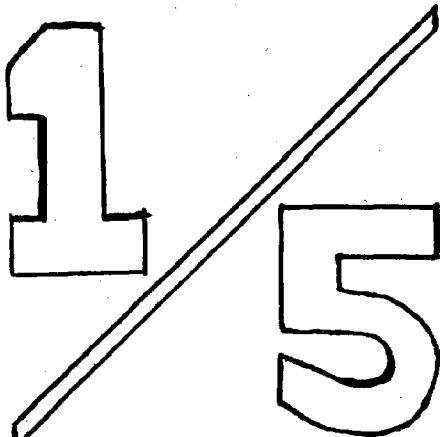
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1ST BATTALION, 5TH MARINES & 1ST MARINE DIVISION(-)(REIN), FMF

Volume II, No. 5

Final Edition of 1/5 Newsletter

24 March 1971

CO'S COMMENTS.....

The past five months have been rewarding ones as your Battalion Commander. The accomplishments of 1/5, in the Que Sons or in providing security for the Danang Vital Area, have been noteworthy. The majority of base camps uncovered, supplies destroyed, weapons captured and valuable intelligence documents turned in from the Que Sons have been turned in by units of this Battalion. In the rear areas there has not been a place where 1/5 has been assigned where you have left the areas in less than excellent condition. We have rebuilt positions, improved defensive capabilities and not failed to leave an area in better shape than when we took it over. Certainly the past five months have had rough spots with misguided or thoughtless Marines moving in the wrong direction. However, to the vast majority of this Battalion, to the 1,000 plus Marines and Corpsmen who quietly and steadfastly did what was needed day after day, week after week, to you who are "The Professionals", it has been an honor serving with you. To all you Marines of the present generation of this Battalion, you have continued its excellent battle record. Wherever you may go from here, thanks for being Marines. The best of luck to you.

-- LtCol F.A. HART, Jr.,
Commanding

XO'S COMMENTS.....

Standdown is here. This will be a fast moving, stressful period while we transfer personnel to other in-country units, to Okinawa, or to CONUS. At the same time, all equipment must be cleaned, checked by technicians, packaged for shipment and staged for embarkation. The next few weeks will require cooperation all around. You can expect hard work, crowded living conditions at first, many inspections and formations. Balanced against this will be a very reduced need for perimeter guards. Many of you will not be on the lines again. Regardless, the most confusing time will be from now until 31 March. Standdown means the breaking up of units and friendships. It also is a challenge--you will go to new units, experience new conditions. Many of you will return to civilian life. Wherever you go however, you will always be Marines. This you will carry with you always. Be proud of it. Good luck. -- Maj F.M. KAUFMAN

HISTORY OF FIRST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES

PART III

On 21 April 1967, 1/5 was informed to displace two companies, with Companies A and C answering the call, to assist Company F, 2/1 who were in heavy contact and taking numerous casualties. On 30 April the Battalion moved its rear to Chu Lai and the forward elements mounted out to participate in Operation "UNION I". Returning from "UNION I", on 17 May 1967, 1/5 set up a new combat base at Hill 51 in the Que Son/Hiep Duc Valley, displacing one company to protect a fire base at Nui Loc Son to their southwest. On 26 May 1967 1/5 continued to operate in their AO by conducting Operation "UNION II", in which they met a large enemy force in well fortified positions. Returning from "UNION II", the Battalion continued to build up their new combat base and again stressing the clearing of the enemy from the area to the north. On 15 June 1/5 conducted Operation "ADAIR". From 15 through 24 June, 1/5 used both tanks and Ontos vehicles to assist the battalion. After returning from Operation "ADAIR", the Commanding Officer of 1/5 was informed the enemy was still a great threat to the combat base. In response, the battalion was committed to Operation "CALHOUN", which lasted from 25 through 30 June 1967. "CALHOUN" was conducted in the same general area in which was "ADAIR" where an estimated battalion of VC/NVA lurked. Through the month of July the Battalion continued to conduct combat operations while at the same time managing to strengthen the fortifications and improve the layout of the combat base. On 10 August 1967 1/5, along with 3/5 (-) and BLT 2/1 conducted Operation "COCHISE" to the south and southeast of Hill 51, returning to the Hill on 26 August. On 3 September 1967 Company D, while on a routine search and clear mission to the east-southeast of Hill 51, encountered a formidable NVA/VC force which appeared to have been awaiting the company in ambush. Company B was immediately dispatched from the combat base to reinforce the embattled Company D, but was stopped short by another large enemy force. With the battalion's other two companies operationally committed, the Regimental Commander dispatched reinforcements from 3/5 and 2/5 to join the 1/5 command group on Hill 51. Within hours, the reinforcements were helilifted to the general area of contact and commenced what was labeled Operation "SWIFT" on 4 September. On separate occasions, on 4 and 6 September, the Battalion met with and overcame opposition from 2 NVA/VC regiments and 2 independent NVA/VC battalions totalling in the neighborhood of 2500 hard core troops. The enemy forces utilized 82mm and 60mm mortars, B-40 rockets, .50 and .30 caliber and light machine guns, and a large array of small arms against the Marines. In the late hours of 6 September after a five hour battle, the enemy withdrew into the hills north of Tam Ky, a force no longer a threat to Marines in the area. On 2 October 1967 1/5 departed Hill 51 moving to 1st Battalion, 1st Marines former combat base in the vicinity of Hoi An. In securing the waterways throughout the TACR, 1/5 conducted numerous battalion, company and platoon sized operations in the immediate vicinity of Hoi An as well as in the outlying areas. On 23 December 1967 1/5 again found itself in the Phu Loc area where the battalion had participated in Operation "OSAGE" in April 1966. This time the battalion's mission was to maintain security of a forty mile sector of the Main Supply Route, Highway 1, over which vital troop movement and resupply missions were conducted linking the southern and northern sectors of I Corps.

Throughout the month of January 1968 the Battalion was under constant, sporadic mortar attacks, managing, however, to receive a minimum amount of casualties as a result of the excellent network of fighting positions the Marines had constructed. During the Tet Offensive of 1 through 4 February, the 1/5 combat base was subjected to a withering bombardment of 800-900 82mm and 60mm mortar rounds seemingly at the enemy's will. Simultaneously, the battalion's outlying security elements along the MSR were subjected not only to the mortar fire but in some cases to ground assaults. On 9 February the battalion was alerted and moved to Phu Bai for the further displacement to Hue to reinforce Allied forces in regaining control of the old Imperial

HISTORY OF 1/5 (continued)

Capital of Vietnam. On 12 February 1/5 conducted an amphibious assault, utilizing sampans and landing craft, on the city. Sweeping toward the southwest wall of the city, the battalion encountered well fortified enemy positions belonging to an estimated battalion(*) enemy force. Block by block the battalion moved slowly forward, uncovering enemy dead and numerous stores of weapons and fighting equipment. On 24 February 1968 Corporal AVELLA, an S-2 Scout attached to A Company, hoisted the National Ensign signifying that the southwest wall was back under Allied control. After 24 days of fierce fighting, the Citadel was retaken and the enemy had withdrawn. On 5 March 1968 1/5 moved south to the Hai Van Pass to join 3/5 and 2/5 on Operation "HOUSTON" maintaining control of the MSR. On 28 March 1/5 returned to Phu Bai relieving 1/1 of its TAOR in the Phu Bai area and continued Operation "HOUSTON".

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LAST CHANGE!

CULTURAL TOURS OF DANANG.....

Friday, 26 March	Time: 0845 to 1530
Saturday, 27 March	Place: Main Gate, Hill 34
Monday, 29 March	Gear: In clean uniform Camera (hang on to it!)
Tuesday, 30 March	Lunch money (USO, China Beach)
Saturday, 3 April	Result: Fun and education

Sign up on the posters which will be near S-1 area (stand down area).

LET'S HAVE A GOOD TURN OUT! 30-35 men per tour.... QUESTIONS? See Chaplain OLSON, 1/5

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NEWS FROM THE COMPANIESH&S Co.

Busily involved with all aspects of sending men here and there and the stand down of the battalion, we don't have time to do much more than wish you all a heartfelt 'Sayonara'. See you in the 'world'!

All the Sections join in with H&S Co. and wish each one 'good flying', 'good sailing' and a 'good tour', whether you stay in RVN to complete your present tour or go elsewhere. It has been a pleasure to work for and with all the professionals in 1/5!

NEWS FROM THE COMPANIES (continued)ALFA Co.

- Alfa Co. resumed their duties on Hill 327, FLC and Rumor Valley after a couple weeks of chasing rockets around Vietnam. The remainder of Company 'A' personnel who were left behind helped protect the personnel of Hill 34?????

Second Platoon was relieved of their duties on Hill 34 and redeployed for a CP security mission. We all hope they are enjoying themselves and wish them happy hunting and a safe return.

Lieutenant NELSON was transferred to S-3 to give them a helping hand upon the departure of 1st Lt Stark RUCKER for CONUS. We thank him for a job well done since he joined the company last September.

First Sergeant ALLS was promoted to Sergeant Major just before he was medevaced to Guam. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery and the Company congratulates him on his promotion. We all knew he was the best!

The morale seems to have picked up considerably since the flight dates have been posted. As all good things must end, it is almost time for our men from Company 'A' to go their respective ways. The Company Staff and Officers thank all who took part in making Alfa Co. one of the Marine Corps' finest.

As the days grow short, as nightfall comes, in future days we'll all see new lands.....(THE WORLD).....GOOD LUCK, MEN!

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BRAVO Co.

- To the men who joined 'Bush Beatin' Bravo' recently, we extend a hearty "Welcome Aboard": CPL R.B. BEQUETTE (St. Louis, MO), CPL R.W. MORRIS (Milwaukie, ORE), LCPL G.W. SHEWRING (Lorain, O), PFC S.R. CALLOWAY (Medford, ORE), PFC J.W. JANUS (Chicago, IL), PFC V.D. KITCHEN (Colfax, CAL), PFC S.B. MARSHALL (Minneapolis, MN), PFC M.C. PYLES (Beckley, WVA), PVT J.D. LUCII (Yakima, WA), and PVT R.D. NANCE (Seattle, WA).

To the men who won't be redeploying with the battalion, we reluctantly bid them a fond farewell and wish them the best of luck. Those members who went out to 'Rocket Ridge' would be interested to know that they were participating in Operation "HOANG DIEU 103". Congratulations (?) to the men who are out in the Que Sons again. So far they are making 'Charlie's' life pretty miserable. A patrol recently found a sign hanging on a tree, which, when translated, read, "DANGER: MARINES IN THIS AREA". Our Career Planner, SGT J.A. LONDRAVILLE, went out with the company to the Que Sons this time and a week later he got some action. His account of the incident goes something like this: "Well, just before dark, we were in our ambush site when I went about 30 feet down the trail to check things out. Then I saw these two V.C. coming up the trail. Well, for awhile, I thought they were going to 'Chieu Hoi', but when they didn't stop, I took care of the situation." (Reenlist now! -- Adventure guaranteed!)

CHARLIE Co. -- Charlie Company returned from its latest stay in the Que Son Mountains with good weather and no casualties making it a pleasant stay. Returning to Hill 34, Charlie then packed up again to conclude its Vietnam

NEWS FROM THE COMPANIES (continued)

CHARLIE Co. - activities on Division Ridge.

Third Platoon welcomed its new Platoon Cmdr., 2ndLt SCHMIDT when 1stLt BLAKE became the Company XO. Lt BLAKE is now planning another move, this time to Company CO as Captain HICKMAN assumes his new responsibilities as CO of troops for Stateside bound 2/5.

We are proud of our Battalion 28 Operator, R.H. STONE, for his combat promotion to Sergeant. Also, Charlie promoted one more of its 'Chargers', D.A. RAINES, to Lance Corporal.

Though Charlie will not likely again participate in combat operations in Vietnam, we are confident in our belief that "The Chargers" have done their share in continuing the fine reputation of 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. We wish to bid 'adieu' to everyone in the Company and in the battalion as he goes his separate way. Good luck wherever you go in whatever you do!

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DELTA Co. - The 'deadly Delta devildogs' are at it again with several individual and crew-served weapons captured by them. Delta's fighting team will be in the Que Sons right up to stand down. While the Delta 'wild bunch' are playing havoc with the unbelieving V.C., the Delta rear is preparing to move into the stand down area. Thanks to hard work (and a little help from our friends) everything is tuned to a fine point. The move will be made to the stand down area and the Delta rear will be ready to welcome the 'wild bunch' back to nice soft cots and the hair-pulling problems of embarkation.

In terms of some personal news, D-1, D-2 and D-3 are proud to welcome new arrivals into their ranks -- not to Marines of the present, but Marines of the future! Congratulations to CPL ROOT, D-2, for the new member of his family; LCPL SAVANIA, D-1, for becoming an uncle; and PVT MAYFIELD, D-3, for becoming a father. All new arrivals and their mothers are in good health. Delta Co. is proud to contribute to the future Marine Corps and the world population explosion! May the men of Delta be home soon to see both old and new members of their families.

Delta will shed a few tears as it notes that as a Company in the finest Battalion in Vietnam it has been great to be the 'wild bunch' in Delta's Devildogs, 1/5. May your memories lie close to your heart as your comradeship did in the greatest fighting team that 1/5 can muster. Take the pride and professionalism that you've shown in Delta Co. to your other units and into civilian life. Remember, to us you will always be the great 'wild bunch' of the Delta Devildogs and we're proud to have served as a unit in Vietnam. God bless and keep you from all harm.

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QUOTEABLE QUOTES

"Happy the man who has the courage to say 'no'!"

"Happiness was made to be shared."

"Method is the mother of memory."

"Fate makes relatives, choice makes friends."

"Circumstances do not make us weak or strong - they reveal which we are."

BAS BROADCASTS

Congratulations to Hospital Corpsman second class John A. BROOKS, who was awarded the Bronze Star for personal heroism in action with 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. He is now enjoying a well-deserved R&R in Sydney, Australia.

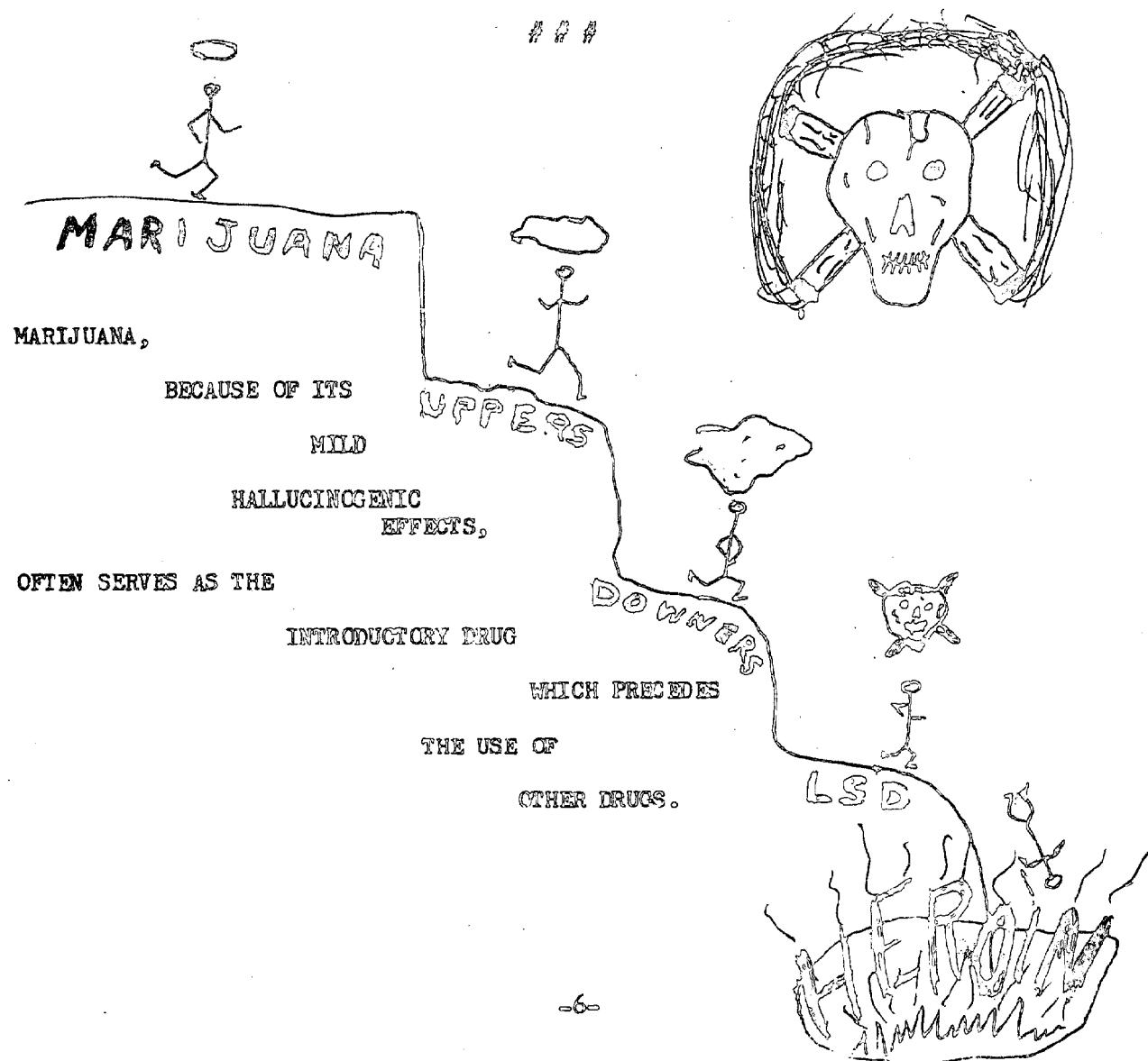
MARINES! Please quit biting dogs. Rabies season is here!

Would you believe H.A.S.H., Inc.? That is what the BAS area resembled on 19 March as doctors COUCH and PALMER accomplished transfer physicals outside the BAS in the 'rough' due to a power failure.

1/5 BAS is accomplishing the required physical fitness training (PFT) by overcoming H&S Co. 9 to 1 in Volleyball -- 'jungle rules', of course!

HMC (hopefully) SOBON is looking forward to returning to the Navy (temporarily) as he prepares BAS medical gear for shipboard transportation back to Camp Pendleton.

All Navy personnel in BAS say 'so long' to each and every one in 1/5.



PADRE'S PULPIT

I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST.....

Betrayed for 30 pieces of silver by one of his own disciples whoReturned afterwards to the upper room where Jesus wasEating a last supper with His followers before beingArrested by the soldiers, having received theKiss of death from Judas, all leading to aTrial before Pilate, who condemned Jesus toHang on a cross until He died, and theRejected by the whole of humanity, HeOffered Himself to atone for theUgliness of sin, rising inGlory to reveal HisHealing power

.....FOR A BROKEN WORLD.

And that, strangely, for this broken world, seems an odd reason to be filled with joy. I would like to share the joy that Jesus can give with you, and I pray that each one of you may come to know Him so that you may know that joy. As we all depart during these days in which we stand down, I want to thank the Lord for the opportunity He has given to be with you men here in 'the Nam'. It may well be that many of us will meet again. I pray that we will in glory, if not on this earth. God bless each one of you as well as your loved ones, the work you do, and so on. God is faithful, may you be so to Him, in all things. Vaya con Dios!

Chaplain D.I. OLSON

MORE QUOTABLE QUOTES

"God never shuts one door without opening another one."

"Nothing wounds so deeply as slander."

"As steel is tempered by fire so is one's faith by tribulation."

"The truth is smothered by too many words."

"The bow only shows its real strength when it is tensed."

"The bow only shows its real strength when it is bent."

"Don't show offense at small things, if you're out to achieve big ones." "It is not a question of knowing a lot, but of knowing something very well."

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A PARAPHRASE OF THE 23rd PSALM (Anon)

The Lord is my pace maker
I shall not rush,
He makes me stop and rest at quiet intervals,
He provides me with images of stillness
which restore my serenity.
He leads me in ways of efficiency
through calmness of mind,
And his guidance is sure.
Even though I have a great many
things to accomplish each day,
I will not fret, for his presence is
here.

His timelessness, and all-importance
will keep me in balance,
By anointing my mind with
his oil of tranquility,
My cup of joyous energy overflows.

Surely harmony and effectiveness
shall be the fruits of my hours,
For I walk in the pace of my
Lord, and dwell in his house
forever.

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TAB "D" 1stBn, 5th Mar Meritorious Masts

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First Marine Division (-) (Rein) FMM
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BATTALION BULLETIN 1650

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Sergeant Robert E. LEE
198 88 21/0311 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Sergeant Robert E. LEE 198 88 21/0311 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Sergeant Robert E. LEE for his outstanding performance of duty.

Sergeant LEE is presently serving as a squad leader for 3rd Platoon, Company "B", 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. While on Operation Imperial Lake from 10 January 1971 to 31 January 1971, his squad was responsible for the detection and destruction of (8) booby-traps which, if detonated, could have seriously injured or killed members of his squad. Under his expert supervision, Sergeant LEE's squad discovered enemy base camps and prevented their re-use by thoroughly treating the area with chemical agents. On the night of 16 January, 1971, while sitting outside his position, Sergeant LEE noticed a flashing light and red flare in an area where there were no friendly forces operating. He then directed an artillery strike on the area. Confirmation was received the next day that there was a trail junction in the area of impact and that it was possibly used as a meeting point. Due to his keen observation, outstanding initiative, and vast experience, Sergeant LEE's performance set the example for his men and reflected great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Marine Corps.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, Company "B" is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Sergeant LEE's Service Record Book. A copy of this Meritorious Mast will be forwarded with Sergeant LEE's next fitness report.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Sergeant Chivious E. BRIDGES
200 36 34/0351 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Sergeant Chivious E. BRIDGES 200 36 34/0351 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Sergeant BRIDGES for his outstanding performance of duty.

Sergeant BRIDGES is serving as right guide for 3rd platoon, Company "B", 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. During his period of service, he accomplished all tasks assigned him in a highly professional manner. While on Operation Imperial Lake during the period 10 January 1971 to 31 January 1971, Sergeant BRIDGES handled all resupply for the platoon in an extremely competent fashion. He insured that needed supplies were promptly ordered and evenly distributed. Constantly concerned for the welfare of his men, Sergeant BRIDGES' systematic use of sound logistics practices ensured that every available means of procurement was utilized. While in platoon patrol bases, Sergeant BRIDGES supervised the location and construction of adequate sanitation facilities for the platoon. Sergeant BRIDGES' tireless efforts in the administrative areas of the platoon ensured that reports were promptly submitted, up-to-date platoon rosters were maintained, and adequate supplies for the platoon were obtained and distributed. Through Sergeant BRIDGES' initiative and devotion to duty, a high level of morale and esprit de Corps has been maintained in his unit.

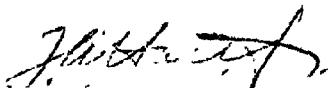
3. Action

In accordance with provisions of reference (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, Company "B" is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Sergeant BRIDGES Service Record Book. A copy of this Meritorious Mast will be forwarded with Sergeant BRIDGES' next fitness report.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal Roy F. GATEWOOD
258 82 52/0331 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal Roy F. GATEWOOD 258 82 52/0331, U. S. Marine Corps.

2. Meritorious Mast.

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal GATEWOOD for his outstanding performance of duties.

Lance Corporal GATEWOOD demonstrated unique devotion to duty and initiative while serving as assistant gunner in the Second Platoon from 2 August 1970 to 11 March 1971.

Lance Corporal GATEWOOD has applied himself in a professional manner by his attention to instruction and maintenance of his machine gun. His efforts have contributed to the reliability of his team and the combat readiness of the Second Platoon. His cooperation and enthusiasm have earned him the respect of all who have come in contact with him.

Lance Corporal GATEWOOD has become an important contributor to the Second Platoon. His efforts to seek more knowledge has added to the effectiveness of his unit.

During this time Lance Corporal GATEWOOD has maintained himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His professionalism and performance have reflected great credit to himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the Marine Corps.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b) the

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Commanding Officer, Company C is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal GATEWOOD's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List
Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Corporal Wesley L. KIMMEL
245 88 25/3531 U. S. Marine Corps
Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Corporal Wesley L. KIMMEL 245 88 25/3531 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Corporal KIMMEL for his outstanding performance of duty.

Corporal KIMMEL has displayed outstanding initiative and diligence since assuming his duties on 1 September 1970. He applied himself and his outstanding technical knowledge and mechanical ability in keeping the Motor Transport section in a very high state of readiness. With his "can do" attitude and untiring energy he helped to ready the motor transport section for the CMMI on 12 November 1970. Due to his constant supervision and hard work the motor transport section was in excellent condition and was rated as one of the top 3 sections in the Division. Corporal KIMMEL's value and resourcefulness increased during stand-down. He worked many long hard hours getting the vehicles ready for embarkation. It was his constant effort and supervision that helped to make it possible for the section to get ready in the short time available. During this time Corporal KIMMEL has maintained himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His devotion to duty and enthusiasm for his work has reflected great credit to himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the Marine Corps.

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3. Action

In accordance with provisions of reference (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, H&S Company is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Corporal KIMMEL's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal Mick C. MISTRETTA
258 36 37/3531 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal Mick C. MISTRETTA 258 36 37/3531 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal MISTRETTA for his outstanding performance of duty.

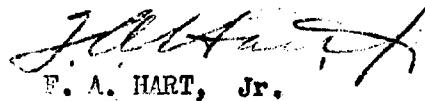
Lance Corporal MISTRETTA has displayed outstanding professionalism since coming to the Motor Transport Section, from 15 August 1970 to 15 December 1970 Lance Corporal MISTRETTA assumed the duty of Battalion dispatcher. With his aggressive attitude and eye for detail he quickly learned his job and kept outstanding records and log books. His records and managing of the dispatching log were noted for their completeness in the CMNI of 13 November 1970. From 15 December 1970 to 18 February 1971 Lance Corporal MISTRETTA assumed the duties as driver with an aggressive attitude and unyielding diligence. Lance Corporal MISTRETTA maintained an outstanding driving record and an outstanding vehicle. From February 18 1971 to 24 March 1971 Lance Corporal MISTRETTA resumed his job as dispatcher. During this time he also was a great aid in readying the section for embarkation. His maximum effort and long tedious hours enabled the section to complete its getting ready in the short time available. During this time Lance Corporal MISTRETTA has maintained himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His devotion to duty and enthusiasm for his work has reflected great credit to himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the Marine Corps.

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3. Action

In accordance with provision of reference (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, H&S Company is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal MISTRETTA's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal Jeff C. MOODY
258 36 40/3531 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Maritorious Mast to Lance Corporal Jeff C. MOODY 258 36 40/3531 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding the Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal MOODY for his outstanding performance of duties as dispatcher and driver of H&S Company 1st Battalion, 5th Marines from 15 August 1970 to 24 March 1971.

Lance Corporal MOODY has displayed outstanding professionalism since coming to the Motor Transport Section. From 15 August 1970 to 15 December 1970 Lance Corporal MOODY served as a driver. He applied himself to his assigned duties with an aggressive attitude and untiring energy. He kept his vehicle in outstanding condition. His driving record was flawless. From 15 December 1970 to 18 February 1971 Lance Corporal MOODY assumed the duty as Battalion Dispatcher. With his "can do" attitude and diligence he succeeded in coordinating and dispatching all the vehicles in a most outstanding manner. From 18 February 1971 to 24 March 1971 Lance Corporal MOODY resumed his duties as driver in a most exemplary manner. As the Battalion Motor Transport Section was preparing for embarkation Lance Corporal MOODY put forth a maximum effort and worked long tedious hours readying the vehicles for embarkation thus enabling the section to complete its stand-down in the short time available. During this time Lance Corporal MOODY has maintained himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His devotion to duty and enthusiasm for his work has reflected great credit to himself and are keeping with the high standards of the Marine Corps

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3. Action

In accordance with provisions of reference (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, HFS Company is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal MOODY's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List
Subj: Moritorious Mast; case of Corporal Gene A. KOLKMAN 250 68 02/2533,
U. S. Marine Corps
Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Moritorious Mast to Corporal Gene A. KOLKMAN 250
68 02/2533, U. S. Marine Corps.

2. Moritorious Mast.

I take great pleasure in awarding this Moritorious Mast to Corporal
KOLKMAN for his outstanding performance of duties.

Corporal KOLKMAN has demonstrated unique devotion to duty and initiative
while serving as Company Radio Operator and Company Driver with Company C
from 30 December 1970 to 25 March 1971.

Corporal KOLKMAN has shown a thorough knowledge of his duties as Company
Radio Operator both in his voice procedures and maintenance. In addition
he has developed his professional skills by gaining complete knowledge of
81 mortar forward observer procedures. This initiative and determination
has provided Company C with a reliable, efficient headquarters section.

While Company C was on Division Ridge, Corporal KOLKMAN assumed the
additional duties of Company Driver. His new assignment demanded many hours
of driving, logging more than 100 miles per day because of the increased
administrative duties of the Company as standdown approached.

During this time Corporal KOLKMAN has maintained himself in an ex-
cellent degree of personal appearance. His professionalism and perfor-
mance have reflected great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the
highest standards of the Marine Corps.

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3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b) the Commanding Officer, Company C is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Corporal KOLKMAN's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal Andrew J. ANDERSON
250 68 03/2511 U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal Andrew J. ANDERSON 250 68 03/3371 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast To Lance Corporal ANDERSON for his outstanding performance of duty with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Forward Command Post on Hill 510 from 2 March 1971 to 23 March 1971. Lance Corporal ANDERSON was the driving force behind the establishment and maintenance of a Field Mess which provided the Marines of Hill 510 with hot meals, thereby contributing immeasurably to their morale and overall combat effectiveness. Lance Corporal ANDERSON's professional competence, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, H-2 Company is directed to have the appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal ANDERSON's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Sergeant Edward J. ROBERTS
223 66 23/3371 USMC

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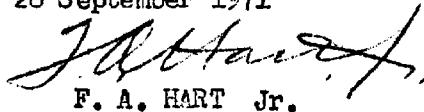
1. Purpose. To award meritorious mast to Sergeant Edward J. ROBERTS
223 66 23/3371 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Sergeant ROBERTS for his outstanding performance of duty with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Forward Command Post on Hill 510 from 2 March 1971 to 23 March 1971. Sergeant ROBERTS was the driving force behind the establishment and maintenance of a Field Mess which provided the Marines of Hill 510 with hot meals, thereby contributing immeasurably to their morale and overall combat effectiveness. Sergeant ROBERTS' professional competence, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, H&S Company is directed to have the appropriate entry made in Sergeant ROBERTS' Service Record Book. A copy of this Meritorious Mast will be forwarded with Sergeant ROBERTS' next fitness report.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal Walter T. KATES
261 08 36/3371 USMC

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19

1. Purpose. To award meritorious mast To Lance Corporal Walter T. KATES 261 08 36/3371 U. S. Marine Corps

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal KATES for his outstanding performance of duty with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Forward Command Post on Hill 510 from 2 March 1971 to 23 March 1971. Lance Corporal KATES was the driving force behind the establishment and maintenance of a Field Mess which provided the Marines of Hill 510 with hot meals, thereby contributing immeasurably to their morale and overall combat effectiveness. Lance Corporal KATES' professional competence, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, H-5 Company is directed to have the appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal KATES' Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Corporal Donald BELLAMY
247 24 66/3371 USMC

Ref: (a) MC0 1650.19

1. Purpose. To award meritorious mast to Corporal Donald BELLAMY
247 24 66/3371 U. S. Marine Corps

2. MERITORIOUS MAST

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Corporal BELLAMY for his outstanding performance of duty with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Forward Command Post on Hill 510 from 2 March 1971 to 23 March 1971. Corporal BELLAMY was the driving force behind the establishment and maintenance of a Field Mess which provided the Marines of Hill 510 with hot meals, thereby contributing immeasurably to their morale and overall combat effectiveness. Corporal BELLAMY's professional competence, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, H&S Company is directed to have the appropriate entry made in Corporal BELLAMY's Service Record Book.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Corporal Steven G. SMITH
259 18 91/3371 USMC

Ref: (a) MC0 1650.19

1. Purpose. To award meritorious mast to Corporal Steven G. SMITH
259 18 91/3371 USMC

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Corporal SMITH for his outstanding performance of duty with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Forward Command Post on Hill 510 from 2 March 1971 to 23 March 1971. Corporal SMITH was the driving force behind the establishment and maintenance of Field Mess which provided the Marines of Hill 510 with hot meals, thereby contributing immeasurably to their morale and overall combat effectiveness. Corporal SMITH's professional competence, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, H-3 Company is directed to have the appropriate entry made in Corporal SMITH's Service Record Book.

4. Self-Cancellation. 26 September 1971.

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1. FOR FIVE YEARS THE FIRST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES, HAS CAMPAIGNED IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. STARTING IN THE MANGROVE SWAMPS OF THE RUPP SAN SPECIAL ZONE IN THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES WITH THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE, AND ENDING TO THE DMZ, 1/5 MARINES HAVE ENGAGED AND BEAT THE ENEMY AT EVERY TURN.
2. YOU WERE THE FIRST ELEMENT OF THE FIFTH MARINES TO SEE COMBAT IN VIETNAM, NOW YOU ARE THE LAST BATTALION OF THAT ILLUSTRIOUS REGIMENT TO REDEPLOY. YOUR BATTAL RECORD AS WELL AS YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN CIVIC ACTION HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING.
3. ON YOUR DEPARTURE I EXTEND THE BEST WISHES AND THE DEEPEST RESPECT OF ALL III MAF FOR YOUR UNFLAGGING EFFORTS IN EVERY MISSION ASSIGNED TO YOU. GOOD LUCK AND GOD SPEED

LT GEN ROBERTSON

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