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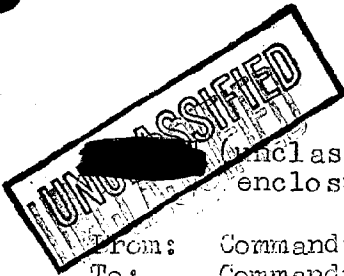
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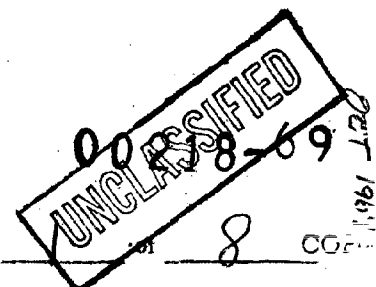
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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

3rd Battalion, 5th Marines

COMMANDERS

LTCOL J. M. TERRY JR  
to 22 Oct 69  
Major D. T. DALE III  
fr 23 Oct 69

SUBORDINATE UNITS

COMPANY E&amp;S

1stLT R. L. CARTER  
to 20 Oct 69  
Capt J. M. CARSON  
fr 30 Oct 69

COMPANY I

Capt W. M. KAY

COMPANY K

1stLT M. E. NEWMAN

COMPANY L

Capt T. E. WILLIAMS

COMPANY N

1stLT J. J. CLAIR III

2. LOCATION. 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines has been operating  
out of Phu Lac (6) for the reporting period.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

ExecO

Major D. T. DALE III  
to 22 Oct 69  
Capt R. A. BEELER  
fr 23 Oct 69

S-1

2ndLT J. P. PULLIN

S-2

2ndLT R. J. HOFFMAN  
to 4 Oct 69  
1stLT R. L. CARTER  
fr 5 Oct 69

S-3

S-3A

Major R. E. MONETTE  
1stLT T. J. MAHLUM  
to 19 Oct 69  
1stLT E. G. LEWIS  
fr 20 Oct 69  
1stLT T. J. MAHLUM

S-3B ✓

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Capt A. H. GOMEZ  
to 30 Oct 69  
Capt K. L. HOCK  
fr 31 Oct 69  
Capt K. L. HOCK  
fr 14 Oct 69 to 30 Oct 69  
Capt R. A. BEELER  
fr 18 Oct 69 to 26 Oct 69

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1stLT W. R. PHILLIPS  
to 120ct69  
1stLT T. W. SUMMERS  
fr 140ct69

SupplyO

2ndLT W. A. BUTLER  
to 60ct69  
1stLT C. B. LOVETT  
fr 140ct69

CommO

1stLT P. D. WILDER

MTN

1stLT W. R. PHILLIPS  
to 280ct69  
2ndLT B. D. FRANKLIN  
fr 290ct69

Chaplain

LTCdr W. F. MAGOR

MedicalO's

LT R. L. CRUMLEY  
LT S. J. MELSON

AirLiaisonO's

Capt J. A. GARVEY  
1stLT B. K. YORKOFF  
to 200ct69  
1stLT R. J. CECKA  
fr 230ct69

5. Average Monthly Strength

USMC

NAVY

OFF  
39

ENL  
1164

OFF  
3

ENL  
53

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of October, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines continued to conduct offensive operations within I Corps Tactical Zone with primary responsibility for security of Liberty Bridge and Liberty Road northeast of the An Hoa Combat Base in Quang Nam Province. In addition to the bridge and road security responsibilities, the battalion conducted extensive rice denial operations throughout it's AOR to deprive the enemy of this vital commodity during the harvest season. Limited search and clear operations were also conducted along with extensive company and platoon patrol activities.

Security for Liberty Bridge presented a difficult problem during the period 6-12 October when the Thu Bon rose approximately 17 feet above normal during extremely heavy rains. The

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bridge was covered by at least six feet of water and the security platoon on the north bank was extracted to high ground by life-line. Four Marines were stranded on an isolated watchtower during the night of 5 October. Rescue attempts by helicopter saved three; however, one Marine was carried away by the current and not recovered.

As a result of flood conditions, convoy operations were halted due to bridge and road damage. The battalion provided a company for security of the An Hoa air approach corridor during this period to guard against enemy anti-aircraft action with the heavy utilization of aircraft resupply. LVT's played an exceptionally important role in the resupply of the battalion and in troop movements during these inclement weather periods.

For the most part, units of the battalion were deployed as follows:

- a. One company providing security for Liberty Road south of 51 grid line.
- b. One company providing security for Liberty Bridge, Northern Cantonment, engineer construction vehicles, and the daily resupply convoy.
- c. One company providing security for battalion CP at Phu Lac (6) and Liberty Road above grid line 51. This company also provided sweep team security.
- d. One company conducting search and clear operations within the battalion's AO.

### PART III

#### SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

##### 1. Topics

A. Strength. The Battalion began the month with a total strength of 40 Marine Off, 1,134 Enl, 3 USN Off, and 53 USN Enl. 3/5 now has a total on board strength of 39 Marine Off, 1,161 Enl, 3 USN Off, and 53 USN Enl.

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

C. Postal. Postal service continued at the same degree of excellence.

D. Discipline. During the reporting period, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines held 3 Special Court Martials and 1 Summary Court Martial.

E. Awards. There were 6 Bronze Star Medals, 28 Purple Heart Medals, 5 Navy Commendation Medals, and 6 Navy Achievement Medals awarded to the Battalion during the month of October.

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F. Internal Management. Administration procedure and proficiency continued to be excellent.

G. Logistics. The overall logistics status for the battalion is satisfactory. Battalion S-4 has supported the battalion while in the field with resupplies on a daily basis.

H. Training.

1. Regimental Indoctrination School. During the month all new personnel reporting to 3/5 attended Troop Indoctrination School held by the 5th Marine Regiment for a five day period.

2. Division Schools. Personnel attended the following schools during October.

NCO Leadership School--7  
 Officer Leadership School--2  
 Staff NCO Leadership School--1  
 Land Mine Warfare School--50  
 HST School--4  
 Basic Infantry Weapons--1  
 Basic Ammo Tech--1  
 Career Planning--1  
 KCS School--1  
 Organic Supply School--1  
 Vietnamese Language School--1

I. Operations

1. The battalion conducted or participated in the following search and clear/search and destroy operations during the reporting period:

a. 30Oct69- Acting on intelligence report from 1st CIT, Company I conducted a pre-dawn cordon operation around Phu Nhuan (3), capturing two VC, four VCI, three VCS (females), one RPG-2 launcher, and numerous documents.

b. 130Oct69- Battalion conducted a three company search and clear operation around Phu Nhuan (1), (2), (3), and My Loc (1) and (2). Company M in the sweep received RPG's and small arms fire from My Loc (1) but failed to make any other significant contacts. Eight VC were detained, one of which was on S-2 blacklist.

c. 19-23Oct69- Company M conducted search and clear and rice denial operations in central and eastern portions of battalion's AO. Company M was attacked on 19Oct69 with RPG's or mortar fire and automatic weapons fire. No other significant contacts except sporadic sniper fire. 800 lbs of rice were captured and several SFD's found.

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d. 23Oct69- Company K inserted ambush of Football Island crossing and captured one VC with Chicom grenades and other gear. He was subsequently identified as a Corporal, 2nd Company, 3rd Platoon, 91st Sapper Battalion.

e. 24Oct69- Company L (Rein) conducted amphibious assault on Football Island by LVT. Results: five VC KIA, three VC KBA, three detainees, 32 boats and 20 bunkers destroyed with no friendly casualties. AO had engine trouble and was absent from area for 22 minutes during which 15-20 VC were seen escaping to Arizona area.

f. 25-27Oct69- Company L helilifted to Hill 119 and began search and clear operations around Alligator Lake. Negative contact made and one 12 man bunker destroyed.

g. 29-31Oct69- Company I crossed the Song Thu Bon vicinity of Football Island, secured LZ Rose for helicopter insertion of 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, then provided blocking force and conducted search and clear operations in northeastern Arizona. As of 31Oct69, Company I results were one NVA KIA, two VC captured, one VCS detained, eight VC KBA, and miscellaneous documents captured with no USMC casualties.

2. From 1-18Oct69, aggressive rice destruction/denial operations were conducted in the battalion's AO. A total of 167,125 square meters of rice were physically destroyed by hand cutting, use of det-cord explosives, and burning with gasoline. An additional 3700 pounds of threshed rice were captured. Use of daylong 81mm H&I fires effectively kept daytime harvest activity in much of the AO under control. Employment of the BC scope from Phu Lac (6) enhanced observation of harvest activity.

3. During this reporting period the battalion began the training and employment of organic recon teams which greatly enhanced intelligence gathering, particularly in the eastern portion of the AO.

4. Beginning in mid-October the battalion instituted a program of training and nightly application of ground surveillance radar equipment to build proficiency in it's utilization. SID controlled ambushes were also employed with negative contact.

5. The battalion continued to employ the LVTE-1 in active anti-SFD operations which were considerably successful in destroying numerous booby traps within the AO.

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J. Enemy, Weather, and Terrain

1. Enemy. During the reporting period, the enemy continued small scale harrassing attacks by fire, increased road mining and SFD activities. Vehicles on Route 540 north of Liberty Bridge detonated mines which resulted on 16 October in the death of several Vietnamese bus passengers and on 18 October in the death of three Marines and critical wounding of a forth, all from Company D, 7th Engineer Battalion. Along Liberty Road, one LVT was destroyed by a mine with four Marine WIA's on 11 October, and on 30 October a 2/5 vehicle with four personnel was ambushed with M-79's and automatic weapons fire resulting in one Marine DOW and three WIA. Other activity consisted of sporadic sniper fire.

2. Weather.

a. Rainfall: Medium to heavy  
 b. Temperature: Avg High 83  
                   Avg Low 78  
                   Avg Sunrise 0635  
                   Avg Sunset 1915

3. Terrain. During the reporting period, the predominant terrain feature was flat lowlands.

K. Significant Casualties Inflicted/Sustained.

<u>Friendly</u>	<u>Enemy</u>
KIA 2	2 NVA KIA (Conf)
WIAE 20	8 VC KBA
WIANE 3	14 VC KIA
DOW 1	0 PROBABLES
NBC 18	2 NVA POW
NBCD 1	3 VC POW
MIA 1	20 DETAINEES
	10 VCI

L. Significant Enemy Munitions Captured/Destroyed.

1. 1 60mm HE round	6 lbs TNT
3 Chicom grenades	20x5.56 rounds
1 Trip flare	200x7.62 rounds
3 M-26 grenades	200x30cal rounds
1 Smoke grenade	8x38cal rounds
2. SFD's: M-26	11 Detonated: 12
105mm	2 Destroyed: 25
155mm	2
60mm	3 Results:
250 lb Bomb	1
5 lb Box Mine	1 USMC KIA 2
50 lb Box Mine	1 WIAE 20
Chicom Grenades	3 WIANE 1
C-Ration Cans w/C-4	8
Other	5

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M. Significant Enemy Fortifications and Buildings Destroyed.

21 Bunkers

N. Significant Enemy Ordnance Captured.

1 AK-47                      1 B-40 Launcher                      1 M-16

O. Significant Enemy Equipment/Food Captured.10 lbs Documents                      3 Packs  
1 Gas Mask                              3700 lbs of RiceP. Supporting Units.

1. Engineers. Company B, 1st Engineer Battalion supported 3/5 during the month of October 1969.

2. Shore Party (HST). HST's were provided by Company B, 1st Shore Party Battalion.

3. Interpreters. Four Interpreters were employed by 3/5 during the reporting period.

4. Amtracks. There were seven Amtracks from the 4th Plt, Company A in An Hoa supporting 3/5 during the reporting period.

5. Tanks. 3/5 had two Tanks supporting it during the reporting period.

6. Kit Carson Scouts. The battalion is now employing nine Kit Carson Scouts.

7. Snipers. The battalion is now employing seven snipers.

Q. Civil Affairs

1. Med Caps. There were 57 people treated during the reporting period.

2. Contributions. 50 lbs of wood was contributed to the villagers of Duc Duc for building purposes.

R. Communications

1. Supported battalion operations with primary use of FM radio communications (AN/PRC-25, AN/PRC-88, AN/PRC-77, and KY-38). AN/PRC-41, AN/PRC-47, and AN/PRC-93's were also used.

2. Installed, operated, and maintained simplex covered teletype circuit from COC to COC via radio relay. Installed

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and operated a simplex covered radio teletype circuit utilizing AN/PRC-25 radio and associated teletype and on-line cryptographic equipment between 5th Marines COC, 2nd Battalion, and 3rd Battalion's CP.

3. AN/PSR-1's and AN/PFS-6's were employed for security of Battalion Command Post.

4. Maintained landline communications within and between the Liberty Bridge Cantonments.

5. Monitored convoy control radio net when convoys from Danang or An Hoa were in the Liberty Bridge area.

6. Conducted a two day communications class for personnel of all four rifle companies. Subjects covered included: Basic communications procedures, message formats, AN/PSR-1, AN/PFS-6, AN/PRC-25, AN/PRC-88, AN/PRC-47, and AN/PRC-41.

#### S. Supporting Arms

1. Air. During the reporting period, the 1st MAW provided air support for the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines as follows:

a. Helicopters flew 43 medevac missions to evacuate 14 emergency, 29 priority, and 14 routine casualties.

b. Helicopter support was used in three troop lifts. The first on 11 October, the second on 19 October, and the third on 25 October.

c. Thirty-one aerial observation mission were flown during the reporting period.

d. Fixed wing air support was used also 23 TAS which were all TACAN and FAC controlled. There were also 26 Beacon controlled air strikes.

e. Fixed wing air support was also utilized through the use of 19 Basketball (flare ships) and one "Spooky" gunship.

2. Artillery. Artillery support for the month of October was provided by the 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. The total rounds fired for the month are as follows: 1,436 HE, 126 WP, and 764 Illumination rounds.

1. Sixty-eight missions were observed, five unobserved, and three were contact missions.

3. 81's. There were 2,980 HE, 278 WP, and 441 Illumination rounds fired by 81's during the month of October.

1. Total fire missions were 348. Total rounds of H&I were 870.

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010001H

012400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0930H	1	Co I, at 913492 while placing security for rice denial operations found 1 SFD Consisting of 20mm round used as a detonator with some type of ordinance concealed underground. Was blown in place and crater analysis proved it to be a Chicom.	
1000H	2	Co. I, at AT913492 upon clearing likely ambush site fired one line charge which set off secondary explosion. Area inspection revealed 81mm round and 30 meters of trench line w/3 underground bunkers. One bunker was designed to accomodate 2 persons and the 2nd would accomodate 3. The third and final bunker would accomodate two persons also.	
1630H	3	Co. I, at AT909486 found 6 c-ration cans being utilized as SFDs. All were packed with composition using pressure det. device All SFDs were blown in place.	

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020001H

022400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0717H	1	Co. I, at AT910499 while establishing O.P. found 160mm illumination cannister filled w/explosive composition with fuze and trip wire attached. Blown in Place.	

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030001H

032400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0830H	1	Co. H&S C.P. at AT905538 while running airstrikes, 8 dud 500 lb. bombs were recorded. Sent out patrols to search for bombs and called Arty mission. Neg results.	
0900H	2	Co. I, at AT899498 apprehended 4 VCI, trying to escape while conducting cordon. All of which were listed on black list. Later during search wounded one VC approx 20 years old hiding in spider hole. Results- 5 VC POWs.	
1045H	3	Co. I, at AT903501 found one B-40 rocket Launcher in a hidden tunnel approximately 4'x5' on riverbank. Also apprehended 4 VCI, 1 male approx 30 years of age and 3 Female approx 20-25 years of age. in formation from POWs revealed that 10-15 VC were in area and departed at 0330H this A.M. Results- 4 POWs 1 B-40 rocket Launcher, and 4-5 pounds of miscellaneous captured documents.	
1145H	4	Co. I, at AT896498 found 250 lb bomb w/ M-26 and trip wire used as detonater. Was blown in place.	
1215H	5.	Co. I, at Liberty Bridge recieved two 155 or 155 lob bomb rounds are preparing Arty attack on suspected lob site.	
1310H	6	Co. Y, at AT905531 while firing interdicting fire 81mm. Destroyed 1 dud bomb and had 1 secondary explosion believed to have been 81mm rd, or larger.	
1800H	7	Co. I, at 906495 while pulling out hit booby trap with LVT-E-1 and blew #9 roadwheel port side. Damaged surveyed for repair.	
1915H	8	Co. Y, at 900538 follow-up from previous spot report 030830H, found one bomb, but fuse had been removed. Was blown in place.	

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042400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1330H	1	Co. K, at AT899505 found 1 female age 18-20 hiding in bunker. Result 1 female detainee.	
1400H	2	Co. I, at Liberty Bridge while firing defensive small arms fire had one explosion which appeared to be a chicom hand grenade tied to a stick floating downstream.	
1545H	3	Co. M, while conducting rice denial at AT916505 had 4 vietnamese civilians approach position requesting medical assistance. 2 Males 1-7 years old and one 12 years old and 1 female age 25 were wounded. They were accompanied by a 40 year old woman who was not injured. Took civilians to AY's position and conducted medevac to german hospital.	
1940H	4	Co. M, at AT915515 recieved stray automatic and RPG fire. Results negative, but had 60mm illum and 81mm illum to check out area.	

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052400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0200H	1	Co. K, at AT909494 had short round from Kilo 60mm H&I impacted in Kilo C.P. Results- 3 USMC NBCE 1 USMC Emergency Evac. Total-4 USMC NBCE.	
1120H	2	Co. M, at AT915505 recieved approximately 12 small arms ammo rounds. Security extended to coordinate with O.P's. Negative	
1127H	3	Co. K, at 908490 found one 105 round half submerged in water laying on small knoll. Round not believed to have been SFD and was blown in place.	
2020H	4	Co. M, at 926526 recieved unknown explosions which landed 25 meters in front. Could have been RPG rounds. Called in 60mm to check out area with illum, and placed lines on 100%. Results negative.	



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060001H

062400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1330H	1	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge while firing mortars in support of Burlap had one short round which impacted within C.P. area. Results- One damaged Mule and several damaged tents. No USMC NBCs.	
1430H	2	Co. I, at AT924531 attempted medevac helo rescue for 4 I co personnel stranded on watchtower by rising water. Resulted in 1 USMC missing and presumed drowned 2 USMC rescued and 1 USMC left on tower.	
1630H	3	Co. I, at 925531 Liberty Bridge tower first rescue attempt abandoned and replaced by search with motor boat. Tower rescue complete.	
1715H	4	Co. I, at 925534 water has continued to rise and has isolated personnel at North end of submerged liberty Bridge. All India personnel being immediately removed by lifeline to India C.P. One NSA generator evaced by flying crane. Other generator abandoned but not yet damaged.	

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080001H

082400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1400H	1	Co. K, at AT907478 while moving to new position observed three suspicious looking Vietnamese males believed preparing foot bridge. Fired one 60mm mortar WP round causing them to run.	
1401H	2	Co. K, Found one 105mm round illum canister filled with ammonium nitrate covered with plastic bag rigged with pressure release detonation. Blew in place.	
1409H	3	Co. K, at AT907478 while moving to night position observed three Vietnamese males harvesting rice. Fired one round 60mm WP and two rounds of HE disbursing them from area.	
1545H	4	Co. I, at AT924538 observed enemy movement at above coordinates. Fired 60mm mortar mission and observed three VC dressed in black PJ's with negative weapons. After first round impacted enemy fled. Had one secondary explosion believed to be 81mm or 82mm mortar round dropped by enemy. Water barrier prevented search of area. Smoke from secondary explosion rose 30 feet and black in color.	
2050H	5	Co. K, at AT903471 while in ambush site set off one SFD believed to be M-26 booby trap of unknown detonating device. Results: 4 USMC WIAE. Follow up report states that booby trap was M-26 rigged in a can with trip wire.	

3d Battalion, 5th Marines  
UNIT

An Hoa, RVN  
LOCATION

070001H To 072400H Oct69  
DATE

RE/TIME/GROUP

NO :

INCIDENT

NEGATIVE SPOT REPORTS RECEIVED THIS DATE.

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092400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0927H	1	Co. Y, at AT913534 Fired 33 81mm mortar rounds having three secondary explosions believed to have been 60mm or 81mm mortar rounds. Unable to search area because of river barrier.	

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102400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1430H	1	Co. K, on patrol at AT915496 spotted 4 VC. Two had packs and two did not. Called in for permission to fire and opened up with M-16. Only one VC was shot suspect taken to LB and turned over to S-2. Results- One Detainee. Wounded.	
1640H	2	Co. L, at Liberty Bridge found one 1x55 drum of unpolished rice. Results-Destroyed.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1230H	1	Co. L, at AT891506 found a 105mm cannister filled with C-4 w/trip wire. Results-Destroyed in place.	
1300H	2	Co. L, at AT891506 found tin can filled with unknown type explosive pressure detonated device. Destroyed in place.	
1415H	3	Co. L, at AT892498 found 500 pounds of rice underground in concrete containers. Results-Destroyed.	
1445H	4	Co. L, at AT895504 found 600 pounds of rice on straw mats. Results-Evacuated to position to retrograde.	
1510H	5	Co. I, at Liberty Bridge tower observed 8-10 enemy at 905538 dressed in black pajamas w/no hats conducted 81mm fire mission at first enemy grid and observed 10 more enemy at 894538 at which another 50 round 81mm fire mission was called. Water barrier prevented checking out area.	
1600H	6	Co. K, at AT909501 on resupply mission LVT A49 hit estimated 50 pound mine packed in styrofoam container set in wheel ruts of road. Detonation blew off idler, 3 roadwheels, and ruptured hull making vehicle complete loss. Vehicle was lead LVT and had only crewmen aboard. Results- 4 USMC WIAE, One LVT being towed to 3rd Bn 5th Marines C.P. area.	
1713H	7	Co. L, at AT891498 observed 2 VC, one carrying a pistol. Fired upon enemy wounding and capturing one. Other enemy fled in a S.E. direction and L Co. advised Co. K to be on the lookout for VC suspect. Results- 1 POW returned to POW Camp.	

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122400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1050H	1	Co. I, at AT905545 began conducting controlled air strikes. 1st bomb impact was at 904537. Correction of add one degree and a 30 meter shift to the north was given. Five bombs for next drop to be spaced 200 meters apart and extending south from initial was given. A/C released 21 500 pound bombs impacting from 904539 to 904543. All were short of target and one bomb hit 200 meters from India Patrol injuring one man with fragmentation in the buttocks. Investigation underway. Results- 1 USMC NBC Priority evac.	
1115H	2	Co. I, at AT906540 at two different occasions observed 2-3 enemy wearing black pajamas in tree line across Song Thu Bon from their positions. Air Strike was called in, and 22 500 pound bombs were dropped. Fired 2-300 S/A rounds into treeline and ran a 25 round 81mm mission. Negative surveillance due to flooded area.	
1410H	3	Co. I, at AT950522 spotted 4 enemy running S.E. and carrying packs and unidentified objects at 945501. Fired 1 81mm W.P. round which was impossible to adjust due to heavy rain. Results-Negative.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0545H	1	Co. K, at AT909479 hit M-26 booby trap trip wire was suspected. Results-1 USMCNE.	
0840H	2	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge spotted 7-8 VN moving in single file along hedge line in open ground. Called 81mm mission 2 rounds W.P. Negative results.	
0911H	3	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge following earlier W.P. mission observed 40-50 VC and VN in black pajamas coming out of large hedge row fleeing in N.E direction carrying large pack and several sacks. One water bull seen carrying large pack was observed. No weapons could be seen. Called Arty mission observed direct hit on 3 VC males. Water barrier preventing area search.	
0955H	4	Co. M, at AT916524 while conducting search Cordon Operation detonated 1 box mine which contained approximately 5 pounds of explosive composition but had very little shrapnel. Results-1 USMC WIA Priority Evac.	
1005H	5	Co. M, at AT907518 recieved approximately 40 rounds of A/W fire and 5 rpg rounds enemy rounds were estimated to have come from five enemy. Called in 81mm rounds mission. Results-Negative.	
1215H	6	Co. Y, at AT934530 found 1 155round rigged in open terrain w/trip wire. Was Blown in place.	
1508H	7	Co. L, at AT889507 found 3 SFDs 2 Chicoms w/trip wire and 1 60mm round w/trip wire. Destroyed in place.	
1615H	8	Co. I, at AT925533 found 1 NVA soldier dressed in khaki shorts killed by S/A fire. Results-1 NVA Confirmed.	
1710H	9	Co. Y- AVG6, search and clear operation at Liberty Bridge having terminated did	



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1710H	9(Cont)	disclosed two male and six female adults who were all without I.D. cards and detained. Will be returned to ITT tomorrow.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
1230H	1	Co. L, at AT885494 found large bunker containing 1 AK-47 w/magazine and rounds M-16 rounds, M-26 hand grenades, captured documents and clothing. During bunker approach USMC detonated SFD w/trip wire resulting in 1 USMC Priority evac.	
1230H	2	Co. L, Late report at AT885494 found 20 M-16 rounds in magazine, 200 rounds 7.62 Linked, 200 rounds 30 Cal linked, 1 M-26 fragmentation grenade, 8 rounds of 38 Special ammo, 2 homemade SFDs, 6 pounds TNT, 1 M-16 rifle, 1 NVA gas mask w/cannister and 3 pounds of documents. All explosive gear destroyed, other gear sent to S-2 rear.	
1700H	3	Co. I, at Liberty Bridge while checking out T.L. recieved incoming Chicom from VC thrown at last man in column forth from heavy terrain. Returned fire with M-79s and approximately 60 rounds of S/A fire. Negative search results. 1 USMCNE WIA.	
1715	4	Co. I, at Liberty Bridge manning front gate recieved ordinance from children consisting of 80 rounds M-16 ammunition, 1 LAW, 4 M-79 rounds, 7 M-26 grenades, 2 trip flares, 1 H.E. 105 round. The Children were paid 3900 Piastres and all ordnanee was destroyed.	
1945H	5	Co. K, and Co. I, at Liberty Bridge recieved several incoming AK-47 rounds from general vicinity of LZ south of perimeter. observed 3 persons moving into brush line west of position. Negative results were recorded, although return fire with all organic were employed.	

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0845H	1	Co. L, at AT900506 detonated pressure release type SFD. Results 1 USMC WIA Priority evac.	
1200H	2	Co. M, at AT890500 point man detonated 155 round w/trip wire. Results- 1 USMC KIA, 3 USMC WIAE.	
1330H	3	Co. M, at AT905475 stopped Vietnamese boy approximately 12 years of age on road and searched same. Found parts of 81mm lunge round and fuze ignitor. Detainee sent to ITT.	
1230H	4	Co. K, at AT913513 observed 5-6 male VN in treeline wearing black pajamas. Shouted warning to same who in turn fled into treeline. Opened fire and searched area with negative results. Approximately one hour later VN male brought in young boy approximately 6 years of age who was wounded in shoulder. Med Evac was called in.	

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Co. Y, at AT938504 Liberty Bridge was firing missions in support of aircraft had 5 Secondary explosions after expending 43 rounds of HE and 3 rounds of WP. Four secondaries had gray smoke and the other displaced white smoke.

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0900H	1	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge while firing mission in support of aircraft had one secondary explosion after expending 6 rounds of HE and 2 WP rounds. Secondary explosion smoke was white and rose 25-30 feet.	
1145H	2	Co. L, at AT937542 while on patrol found SFD which consisted of an M-26 fragmentation grenade placed under a LAW case. It was placed to explode when law was lifted. SFD was blown in place.	
1400H	3	Co. M, at AT904471 had Vietnamese boy bring package to O.P. containing 10 blasting caps, a row of booster cord, and one 60mm HE round. Boy said all were found near strong point. He was given C.M.I. meals due to inavailability of VIP funds. All ordinance destroyed.	
1915H	4	Co. M, at AT909506 observed 2 fires and heard noise made in vicinity of treeline, which sounded like Vietnamese shouting. Fired 81mm mission and marching gun fire on area. Excellent target coverage on area. Will search out area in A.M.	
2100H	5	Co. K, at AT916528 squad ambush heard noise and heavy movement in water and brush along river bank. Fired Artillery mission on suspected enemy position. Will check out area at first light.	

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0630H	1	Co. K, at AT910526 found two persons sitting in grass along path upon entry of ville. Open fired and search of grass area revealed 1 NVA confirmed in green utilities under pajamas. Also detained 6 Vietnamese who stated they knew nothing about NVA being in ville. Results 1 NVA confirmed, 6 detainees.	
0930H	2	Co. I, at AT913509 while on road sweep found 1 pressure type box mine buried in road covered with gravel. Mine was 60 pound type. Also found 2 planted springs set to resemble a dummy booby-trap. Also found 20 propaganda leaflets. Mine blown in place and leaflets will be brought back to C.P. on return of road sweep.	
1250H	3	Co. M, at AT925503 observed several Vietnamese fleeing. Fired several overhead warning shots and gave pursuit. Search disclosed 1 Vietnamese male approximately 40 dressed in white shirt and trousers. Will be sent to ITT.	
1830H	4	Co. L, at AT922558 observed large explosion and dispatched squad to investigate. Found 1 USMC jeep had detonated 155 round set up as mine injuring two persons, one fatally. Personnel were of D Co. 7th Engineers. Also found were 1 M-16, 1 .45 Caliber Pistol, 3 helmets, 3 flak-jackets. Medevac completed and search will continue.	
1945H	5	Co. M, at AT913502 ambush observed 4 figures moving cautiously towards An-Hoa. Ambush initiated S/A fire. Search of area proved negative but tracks indicated enemy fled west.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0715H	1	CO. L, at AT923526 observed movement on road. 15 to 20 rounds were fired at suspected enemy position with M-16s. Search of area at first light revealed 1 homemade pack, 1 60mm round (HE) and 1 M-26. Ordinance will be destroyed and pack will be sent to Average 2 rear. Investigation of pack disclosed several feet of comm wire and a claymore box.	
0845	2	CO. L, at AT922558, follow up spot report to 181830H Oct 69, found one arm, parts of body found last night and one more body. Positive Identification has been made by Engineers. One M-16 serial number 648291 also was found.	
1945H	3	Co. M, at AT924494 recieved a burst of AK-47 fire and 20-30 round burst from an .30 Cal machine gun or a B.A.R. Also took 5 RPG rounds. Two persons were observed at AT924504 and S/A fire, 60mm, 81mm, Claymores, Artillery, and Spooky were employed. Will check out area at first light.	
1950H	4	Co. Y, at AT926528 while M Co. was in contact spotted possible mortar flashes come from AT902518 and K Co. heard mortar tubes come from same grid while on swinger. No action could be undertaken due to close proximity of swinger from K Co.	
2145H	5	Co. M, at AT921492 took 3-5 round burst of AK-47 fire from south. 60mm, Arty and Spooky called in on area where burst was suspected to have come from. Will check out area at first light.	

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202400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0720H	1	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge spotted 4 VC thru VC Scope fleeing in a westerly direction while M. Co was in advance. Sighting was relayed to M Co, but VC were too close to M Co's men to call in 81mm mission.	
0755H	2	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge spotted 4 VC thru VC Scope carrying heavy gear thru treeline. Called in 81mm mission and Tactical Air Strikes on same grid of suspected enemy position. Good Napalm coverage, Negative surveillance.	
0953H	3	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge thru VC scope observed 50-60 VC in rice paddies. Fired 81mm mission on target with excellent coverage. VC fled in North and North East directions. Beacon was requested and ran on target.	
1000H	4	Co. M, at AT923501 while searching Ville found around 800 pounds of rice and one 15 year old Vietnamese male hiding in a bunker. Will bag and retrograde rice and send detainee to rear.	
1030H	5	Co. Y, at AT926528 thru VC Scope observed several VC in vicinity of bunkers. Ran 81mm mission with excellent coverage of target.	
1550H	6	Co. I, at AT909478 tripped SMD which consisted of M-26 w/trip wire attached. Results- 2 USMC WIAE(P)	



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212400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0800H	1	Co. L, at AT925545 found four freshly dug holes in road approximately 10 inches in diameter and 10 inches in depth. All were in vehicle ruts. Suspect previous nights H&I fires on road prevented mining.	
1300H	2	Co. M, at AT968506 detonated one homemade SFD which consisted of c-ration can w/trip wire. Results "2 USMC WIAE" 1 (P) 1 (R).	
1330H	3	Co. I, at AT913502 fired 2 line charges in clearing treeline which resulted in two secondary explosions believed to have been 2 M-26 SFDs.	
1415H	4	Co. M, at AT964506 found 2 SFDs both were M-16 ammo cans packed with explosive composition and rigged with trip wire. Both were blown in place.	
1730H	5	Co. M, at 964507 found 1 60mm round with M-26 placed under round rigged with trip wire in small bush near hill. Blown in Place.	
1925H	6	Co. M, at 965505 recieved 15 fired rounds from AKs. Returned fire with M-16s, 60mm and machine guns. Called in Medevac for wounded Marines. Wounded- 1 USMC WIAE (E) 1 USMC WIAE (P).	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0725H	1	Co. M, at AT965505 while marking target for Tactical Air Strikes recieved approx imately 20 rounds of AK-47 fire. Fired Artillery mission and ran TAS on target.	
0730H	2	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge observed 8 VC moving back into football island from the north shortly after TAS were conducted on the Island. No weapons were observed but all were young males wearing black pajamas moving in single file at a fast pace. 81 mm mission was called in.	
0730H	3	Co. I, at AT912502 detonated SFD which consisted of c-ration can packed with explosive contents w/trip wire. SFD was lying between 2 small mounds. Also found was M-26 in small depression w/trip wire attached. Results from SFD was 1 USMC WIAE (E).	
1130H	4	Co. M, at AT965515 discovered 2 pounds of documents buried along wall of hut which contained several VC and Chinese papers and two I.D. Cards. Villagers said persons who occupied hut had not been there for a while. Documents will be returned to rear.	
1300H	5	Co. K, at AT935505 revealed several buried caches of rice throughout ville some were buried in containers. Also detained 4 VN ages 18-55 females (3) and 1 Male age 65, with 2 children one 5 months and one 4 years old. A total of 500 pounds of rice was gathered and will be sent to rear with detainees tomorrow.	
1600H	6	Co. K, at AT936529 while firing line charges had 8 secondary explosions which were believed to have been 1 105, 6-81mm mortar rounds and 1 60mm mortar round.	
1945H	7	Co. M, at AT964502 recieved approximately 15-20 rounds of AK-47 fire. Returned approximately 150 rounds of S/A fire and ran 60mm and Artillery mission.	

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2105	8	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge while running H&I with 106mm using HE round had secondary explosions in same area of LVTs secondary explosion. (Secret Journal 221600H Oct 69) Negative smoke observed.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0715H	1	Co. K, at Liberty Bridge wounded 1 VC who was carrying Chicom grenade, cartridge belt, and fleeing from hootch in a Northern Direction. Called in medevac will bring gear to rear.	
0750H	2	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge thru VC scope observed 1 VC moving onto Football Island with weapon in the same vicinity that 7-8 were spotted on 22 Oct. K Co, was alerted of enemys position.	
0830H	3	Co. M, at AT926523 fired several overhead shots at 3 Vietnamese fleeing N.E. towards Go Noi Island. Called in Arty mission.	
1200H	4	Co. M, at AT940528 m Found 2 SFDs which consisted of M-26s w/trip wire strung across trail. Also found was a 250 pound bomb intact, but looks like the VC had transported it to its present location. Ordinance destroyed in place.	
2005H	5	Co. K, at AT909496 while in ambush position spotted one person moving toward red line. Fired S/A fire and employed M-26 grenades. Search of area proved negative.	

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240001H

242400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0800H	1	Co. I, at AT887513 observed 15 VC with weapons through VC scope running towards southern tip of Football Island as Lima Co landed on Northern tip. India 3 blocking force in that vicinity was advised and gave fire as VC boarded 4 boats and started across the BON. 1 boat sunk by LAW w/5 VC. Two VC dropped with S/A fire and other VC fled back onto the Island. Bodies not visible. Results - 5 VC KIA. 1 boat sunk.	
1025H	2	Co. L, at 891515 found 9 boats capacity of 8 persons each on river bank. All were destroyed.	
1035H	3	Co. L, at 895515 found 8 additional boats capacity 8 persons each. All destroyed.	
1125H	4	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge observed 4 large boats carrying approximately 20 VC rowing hard for North Bank. AO was alerted who made strafing pass and hit 1st two boats near bank. First boat with only 2 of 5 which were aboard sunk and 2nd boat was sunk but all VC made it to bank.	
1200H	5	Co. L, at 885516 detained 1 Vietnamese female age 35 found in area where 15 enemy were observed fleeing. Detainee believed to know tactical information of enemy strength in area. Will be sent to ITT at first availability.	
1230H	6	Co. L, at AT883514 found 11 wooden boats and 1 tin boat. All boats were destroyed.	
1410H	7	Co. I, at AT896516 apprehended 1 Male Vietnamese 44 years old near boat landing with NVA uniform. Also found fording site 879513 but unusable due to high river. Destroyed 5 boats hidden in tall grass 884515. Detainee will be sent to ITT at first availability.	

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250001H

252400H Oct 69

DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0830H	1	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge while on visual reconnaissance, Average 3, and Mike 6 spotted 3 boats loaded with VC hiding in tall grass along south bank of Football Island. Borrowed use of Helo's .50 Cal. Machine Gun and worked area over. One boat overturned, but no hits on VC were seen due to altitude of Helicopter. 10 VC were pursued onto Football Island by harassing fire.	
0830H	2	Co. M, at AT923529 several popular forces from Hoa Yen PF Plt near northern contonment began fighting among themselves. Several Carbine rounds and at least 1 M79 round were exchanged. S-5 SNCO investigated situation and found 1 PF with the pin on an M-26 pulled and learned that argument had started over a can of beer. Incident was reported to Dai Loc Dist with a worded complaint.	
1130H	3	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge sighted one boat through BC scope on river bank and sunk same through the use of 106 fire.	
1615H	4	Co. K, at AT914494 while on swinger observed several Vietnamese males walking through treeline. When ordered to stop all fled and were fired upon resulting in 1 VC confirmed dressed in blue shorts and white shirt.	

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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0730H	1	Co. K, at AT915492 detonated M-26 with trip wire set as SFD in high grass on flat terrain resulting in 1 USMC WIA(P).	
0820H	2	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge through BC scope observed a squad of VC totaling 11 with weapons at AT905534, 3 of same were wearing green uniforms and the rest had black and gray shorts. One VC was carrying Mortar Plates for Base. One WP round was fired for TAS spotter and VC concealed weapons and acted like rice harvesters when the first bomb dropped VC fled with weapons towards Vu Gia. First drop made direct hit on 3 VC but smoke made firing of bombs unobservable. Unable to search out area due to water barrier. 3 VC KBA.	
1025H	3	Co. L, at AT972483 on sweep of Alligator Lake found one tunnel approximately 12 feet deep and capacity of approximately 12 persons last used about 30 days ago. Tunnel was destroyed.	

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0001H	0001H	1	270001H	JOURNAL OPENED:  3/5 continued Category I & II Operations with their AO. There were no enemy contacts or significant events today.	
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DTG	NO	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
0930H	1	Co. M at AT912506 on road sweep found various propaganda leaflets on sticks along sides of the road. All leaflets turned over to S-2 at Phu Lac 6.	
1000H	2	Co. L, at AT950525 received approximately 10 rounds of S/A fire. Returned fire with organic weapons and saw 3-4 enemy flee S.W. and search of area revealed 1 VC confirmed dressed in Khaki uniform with Chicom on body. 1 VC confirmed, and one male detainee age 45 taken from area where fire originated.	
1325H	3	Co. Y, at Liberty Bridge tank security on Bridge spotted 5 VC crossing river. Fired HE round resulting in two VC KIA.	
1530H	4	Co. L, at AT885505 had 5 VC walk into L Co position and turn and run. After warning open fired and resulted in 1 VC KIA, and one female detainee who had a sum of money in Piastres on her person amounting to about 140.00 in American equivalent.	

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0730H	1	Co. L, at AT88513 spotted one boat moving from bank to bank North to South with 2 VC/NVA carrying rifles. Open fire with M-16'S and M-60 on boat overturning same. Will search out area.	
1000H	2	Co. M, at AT937540 surprised 2 VC on River bank. Both attempted to flee and small arms fire stopped one while the other escaped into tall elephant grass. Both VC had rifles and one VC captured had M-16, with 2 NVA packs, E tool and poncho.	
0745H	3	Co. L, at AT885513 spotted 3 boats on bank and called in A0 who destroyed same.	

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0915H	1	Co. M, at AT887529 observed 7-8 VC fleeing at given grid. Directed Huey gunship on target and gunship reported that all enemy were KBA's.	
1435H	2	Co. L, at AT906496 had jeep traveling on end of convoy ambushed by enemy with M79 RPG fire along with AK-47 fire. Jeep drove off west side of road with 4 personnel aboard. Return fire was given with automatic weapons and 81mm rounds. Medevac called. 3 USMC WIAE (E) 1 USMC WIA (P).	
1630H	3	Follow Up to Spot Report 301435H Oct69 Jeep was 2/5 Vehicle with 1 K 3/5 Marine aboard, and VC had ambush set up with concealed personnel along side of road.	
1715H	4	Co. M, at AT890527 captured 1 VC and 1 NVA while in blocking position. Had 25 pounds of rice, battle dressing and hammock. 2 VC/NVA POWs.	
1715H	5	Co. I, at AT890530 observed 2 NVA attempting to cross open area camouflaged with rice stalks over entire body. Reaction force keeping fire killed one NVA and other one escaped dropping pack in the process. Document in pack revealed that NVA was a Captain belonging to Q76 Bn and also revealed that D60 #38 Units are in area. Pack had 3 enemy notebooks. Results 1 NVA KIA and 2 Captured enemy packs with documents.	