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 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, First Marine Division

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 February to 28 February 1967

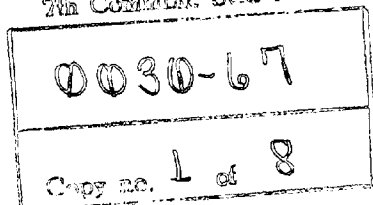
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 (b) FMFPacO 5750.8
 (c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) 7th Communication Battalion Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 February to 28 February 1967

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

7th Communication Battalion

COMMANDER

LtCol W. M. CLELLAND
 1-28 February 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

Captain G. M. MIZER
 1-28 February 1967

Communication Company

Major D. G. BISHOP
 1-28 February 1967

Radio Relay and Construction Company

Major J. W. HENRY JR.
 1-28 February 1967

Communication Support Company

Captain J. N. RODOSTA
 1-28 February 1967

2. LOCATION

1-28 February:

Headquarters, 7th Communication Battalion
 Headquarters Company
 Communication Company
 Radio Relay and Construction Company
 Communication Support Company

CHU LAI, RVN
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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major E. A. HUERLIMANN JR.
1-28 February 1967

Adjutant/S-1

2ndLt R. L. DANIELS
1-28 February 1967

S-3

Captain J. T. HOPKINS JR.
1-28 February 1967

S-4

Major E. A. JENSEN
1-28 February 1967

S-5

Major J. W. HENRY JR.
1-28 February 19674. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 7th Communication Battalion had many significant commitments during the month of February. Radio, radio relay, and radar beacon support to the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines for Operation DESOTO. Radio and radio relay support to 7th Marines for Operation RIO GRANDE. Radio relay support to 1st Battalion, 4th Marines for DECKHOUSE VI. Teletype operators to Reconnaissance Task Force Headquarters (USA) in QUANG NGAI for Operation LEWIS. Communication support to Commanding General, Task Force X-Ray(Forward); 7th Marines; 1st Battalion, 4th Marines; 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines for Operation DESOTO/DECKHOUSE VI.

The efforts of the battalion in the area of Civic Action are progressing well. Two significant events occurred during the "TET" Holiday. A man was discovered to have plague and in serious danger. Medical attention has restored his health. A movie was shown in the evening at THANH LONG for the hamlet as part of Tet festivities there. At present time work is progressing quite well in the building of a new dispensary in XUAN TRUNG. as part of hamlet self help program. Attitude of people is friendly and enthusiastic.

The battalion remained heavily committed in February providing communications for Task Force X-Ray, and continued communication support to the 1st MarDiv, 3rd MarDiv, III MAF, 1st MAW, Chu Lai Defense Command, and 2nd Republic of Korea Marine Brigade.

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PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1 through 10 February 1967

An exchange of personnel was made between this organization and 9th Engineer Battalion MOS's involved 3051's and 3531's. Exchange was made based on RTD's and in connection with the Division mixmaster program.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 170459Z Jan67

1 February 1967

Commanding Officer 7th Comm Bn authorized to promote a total of 75 PFC's to Lance Corporal with date of rank of 1 February.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 210739Z Feb67

2 February 1967

Reported OPSTAT Combat Readiness C3 in officer personnel category based on 75% authorized officer strength and 64% in MOS 2502 as of 021600Z Feb67.

Ref: 7thCommBn msg 030446Z Feb67

12 February 1967

A Battalion formation was held to present Sgt S. M. Smith a meritorious combat promotion to his present rank.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv ltr 1/MFM/ceb over 1422 dtd 8Feb67

19 February 1967

Nine men were transferred to seven Division units. These personnel all had a June RTD or later.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 070511Z Feb67

20 February 1967

Quarterly Combat Readiness Report submitted reflecting loss of flexibility in performance of missions as shortages in MOS 2502 continue. All anticipated commitments can be performed.

Ref: 7thCommBn ltr 3/JTH/wjh ser: 0-22-67

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28 February 1967

Personnel shortages and overages within the battalion as of 28 February are reflected in TAB A, Enclosure (1).
Personnel status non-effective report submitted for February.

Ref: CO 7thCommBn ltr 1/DAJ/jjm over 5213 of 2Mar67

Man days out of country report reflecting month of February totals prepared.

Ref: 7thCommBn msg 060925Z Mar67

2. TRAINING

1 February 1967

Wire Officer and Central Office Installer submitted report on the installation, operation and maintenance procedures of the Central Office Telephone, Manual AN/MTC-9 installed at the 41st Signal Battalion Headquarters (USA) QUI NHON.
(TAB B, Enclosure (1))

2 February 1967

Three (3) enlisted attended 3rd and 4th echelon maintenance on the AN/MRC-83 and AN/TSC-15 conducted at FLSG-Bravo.

3 February 1967

Four (4) enlisted attended generator school conducted by contact team from Marine Corps Supply Depot, Barstow.

6 February 1967

Two (2) enlisted attended Vietnamese Language school on Okinawa.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 091311Z Jan67

One officer, one enlisted attended Embarkation school on Okinawa.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 250933Z Jan67

10 February 1967

S-3 and S-5 attended an intelligence conference held at Task Force X-Ray COC.

Ref: CG TFX msg 040700Z Feb67

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20 February 1967

Switchboard Operation Improvement Training
Schedule submitted for the month of March.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 110521Z Dec66
(TAB C, Enclosure (1))

23 February 1967

Conducted FAM firing on the M-14. Fifty-one
(51) men participated. Weapons were zeroized
and battle sights were adjusted by battalion
armorer.

Ref: CG III MAF msg 171506Z Feb67

24-25 February 1967

Fifty-one (51) enlisted attended NCO Leader-
ship Class conducted by Battalion Executive
Officer.

3. OPERATIONS

5 February 1967

Brig General Terry, CG U.S. Army First Signal
Brigade recieved briefing in Task Force X-Ray
COC briefing room on communications within the
Chu Lai Combat Base and other commitments
performed by 7th Communication Battalion.

Ref: Telecon TFX CEO on 4Feb67

11 February 1967

Activated station on III MAF Command NR 2 in
Support of DECKHOUSE VI.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv msg 090249Z Feb67

13 February 1967

S-3 attended briefing at 7th Marines CP
concerned with Operation RIO GRANDE.

Ref: Telecon with 7th Marines CommO on
12Feb67

14 February 1967

Circuit activated between TFX COC and
Reconnaissance Task Force Headquarters (USA)
in QUANG NGAI in support of Operation LEWIS.

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15 February 1967

Two TT operators provided to RTF Headquarters in QUANG NGAI to operate covered circuit between TFX COC and RTF.

Ref: Telecon Assistant CEO Task Force X-Ray on 15Feb67

17 February 1967

Communication support for Operation RIO GRANDE in form of AN/MRC-83 and operator and one AN/TRC-27 terminal from TFX to 7th Marines.

Ref: 7th Marines FRAG Order 2-67

18 February 1967

Operation LEWIS terminated. Two TT Operators provided to RTF Headquarters requested returned Task Force X-Ray.

Ref: CG TFX msg 180315Z Feb67

21 February 1967

Provided two radio relay teams with AN/TRC-27 for support of Operation DESOTO/DECKHOUSE VI radio relay to be used between 1st Battalion, 4th Marines and 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. Also maintain Chu Lai Terminal on additional radio relay link between CHU LAI - DUC PHO.

Ref: CG TFX msg 200510Z (OpOrder 2-67)

25 February 1967

Activated one AN/MRC-62 radio relay terminal for support of CG TFX for Operation DESOTO/DECKHOUSE VI.

Ref: CG TFX msg 200510Z (OpOrder 2-67)

28 February 1967

As of this date AN/MRC-62 circuit activated on 28 January 1967 between TFX CHU LAI and 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines at DUC PHO in continuous operation in support of Operation DESOTO.

Ref: 7th Marines FRAG Order 1-67

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4. PLANS

2 February 1967

Automatic Dial Switching Facilities survey team consisting of representatives from HQMC and HQMFAC arrived to conduct survey of Task Force X-Ray. Survey questionnaire completed by assistant S-3 and delivered 6Feb67 to team.

Ref: CG III MAF 260146Z Jan67

23 February 1967

Mr. Corporan (GS-15) USA First Signal Brigade arrived for two day conference on Dial Central Office to be installed in CHU LAI.

Ref: Telecon CEO TFX on 23 Feb67.

5. INSPECTIONS

10 February 1967

A Technical Inspection of 7thCommBn Financial Records was conducted. The results were satisfactory with discrepancies. A comment was made that unit has fine financial records.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv ltr 32/WWC/jdn over 5041 dtd 17Feb67

10 February 1967

Technical Inspection of Comm Supt Co held by 5th CommBn. Inspection included all Engineer, Motor Transport and Electronic equipment as well as associated training records, maintenance records and publications. Overall results were satisfactory with minor discrepancies.

Ref: a. 5thCommBnBul 1010 of 15Nov66
b. 5thCommBn memo WAR:raw over 4000 dtd 18Feb67

21 February 1967

A Technical Inspection of 7thCommBn conducted by TFX assistant G-2. Inspected S&C, RPS, S-2/S-3 functions using Command Inspection check off guide. Overall results were satisfactory.

Ref: a. TFXBul 5041 of 23Jan67
b. Telecon with TFX assistant G-2 on 9Feb67
c. TFX ltr 2/ESV/tag over 5041 dtd 25Feb67

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6. LOGISTICS

4 February 1967

9th Engineer Battalion began construction of Command Bunker for 7thCommBn CP. Dimension to be 30x20x8. Six 24x12x10 bunkers and one 30x20x8 bunker to be constructed. One ammo bunker will be built when proper materials arrive. Bunkers to house radio, radio relay, BAS and command facilities.

Ref: a. CG 1st MarDiv msg 260905Z Jan67
b. 7thCommBn ltr 4/EAJ/was over 4423.1
dtd 4Feb67

6 February 1967

Construction commenced on bunker to protect the Central Office Telephone, Manual AN/MTC-9.

11 February 1967

Battalion Supply Officer and Construction Platoon Commander returned from TAD to 3rd FSR and U.S. Army Purchasing Agency, YOKAHAMA, JAPAN. All action completed on purchase of telephone cable and associated hardware for the CHU LAI Combat Base telephone system. Total cost of purchase approximately \$96,000.00.

Ref: 7thCommBn Logistic Summary Report of 28Feb67. (TAB D, Enclosure (1))

12 February 1967

Notification received that 4 AN/MRC-62 Radio Relay sets were shipped to 7thCommBn. Further notification received that 3 AN/MRC-62's were damaged in shipment. The undamaged radio set has not been received as of 28Feb67.

Ref: a. FLSC-Alpha ltr 3/FJH:AAB over 4460
dtd 9Feb67

b. CG MCSC Albany 092231Z Feb67
c. 7thCommBn msg 130419Z Feb67

21 February 1967

Balance of Payment Estimation for purchase of telephone cable has been forwarded to U.S.A.P.A. JAPAN.

Ref: CG III MAF msg 211132Z Feb67

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22,24,28 February 1967

Review of Class II, Type 2 allowance list conducted by CO, XO, S-4, SupplyO and Company Commanders. BnO being revised. Requisitions submitted.

Ref: a. MCO P4415.E
b. DivO P4400.7B

28 February 1967

Non-availability of repair parts for fixed plant teletype equipment and on-line crypto equipment continues to be a major concern.

7. CIVIC ACTION/MEDICAL AID PROGRAM

This Battalion is conducting a vigorous Civic Action program with medical aid and civic action projects being carried on in the hamlets of XUAN TRUNG, AN TAY(1), AN TAY(2) and THANH LONG. The Battalion S-5, Major J. W. Henry Jr., and one corpsman visit these hamlets every afternoon, seven days a week. Two days each week the Battalion Medical Officer accompanies the team to render more extensive care and medication to the more serious cases. The items mentioned below are a cross section of the areas covered and the work accomplished.

1 February 1967

A Special Medcap made to the incapacitated uncle of XUAN TRUNG Vics-Chief Nguyen Liem. S-5 accompanied officer from CHU LAI Defense Command to establish contact with family of dead children victims of an accidental shooting.

Ref: 7thCommBn Daily Civic Action Activity Report dtd 2Feb67

3 February 1967

S-5 accompanied Preventative Medicine Team to visit a 48 year old man suspected of having plague. Doctor confirmed Bubonic Plague and prescribed treatment. If patient lives, he will be out of danger on Tet Eve.

Ref: 7thCommBn Daily Civic Action Activity Report dtd 8Feb67

6 February 1967

A reward of 100\$VN was paid to a Vietnamese youth for delivering an aerial flare dud to 7thCommBn CP.

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7 February 1967

A reward of 100\$VN was paid to a Vietnamese youth for delivering an unarmed aerial flare to 7thCommBn CP.

10 February 1967

During the hours of 1930 and 2130 movies were shown out of door in hamlet of THANH LONG as part of Tet festivities. 300 attended. In appreciation for seeing the movies the men who showed them were entertained at a party that lasted an hour.

Ref: 7thCommBn Daily Civic Action Activity Report dtd 11Feb67

13 February 1967

Work begun on self help program for construction of an extension to the XUAN TRUNG dispensary.

Ref: 7thCommBn Daily Civic Action Activity Report dtd 14Feb67

21 February 1967

Bridge at THANH LONG/XUAN TRUNG is completed and in use. Old bridge would not support wheeled vehicles. Now vehicles up to 3/4 ton can use bridge.

Ref: 7thCommBn Daily Civic Action Activity Report dtd 22Feb67

28 February 1967

During February, 28 Medcap Visits were made and 487 patients were treated.

Ref: Logistic Summary Report (TAB D, Enclosure (1))

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OFFICERS

TAB A - Enclosure (1)

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ENLISTED

MOS	E-9		Cen/E-8		Col/E-7		LtCol/E-6		Maj/E-5		Capt/E-4		Lt/E-3		CWO WO/E-2/1		TOTAL	
	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H
0121											1	0					1	0
0122											0	1					0	1
0141							1	2	4	2	1	4	6	4	2	0	14	12
0441									1	0	0	1					1	1
0849					1	0	0	1									1	1
1141											1	1	1	2	2	1	4	4
1341											1	1	1	2	1	0	3	3
1345													1	0			1	0
1411													3	2			3	2
2111											1	1	1	1			2	2
2511			1	1	3	3	5	4	15	8	23	23	43	97	52	43	147	179
2529			2	1	1	0	2	0									5	1
2531									1	4	4	24	9	32	9	13	23	73
2532											25	13	26	33	9	13	60	59
2533									7	8	25	8	27	9	32	7	91	32
2539			1	1	2	0	2	3									5	4
2541									1	5	3	14	11	10	15	2	30	31
2543			1	1	2	1	4	1	4	4	5	7	10	35	11	9	37	58
2561			0	2	5	4	5	1	11	4							21	11
2811					1	1	2	3	2	0	2	0	2	0			9	4
2812							0	2	1	0	1	0					2	2
2813					0	4			1	1	4	1	2	0	3	0	10	6
2814					0	2	1	1	1	2	1	0					3	5

ENLISTED

MOS	E-9		Gen/E-8		Col/E-7		LtCol/E-6		Maj/E-5		Capt/E-4		Lt/E-3		CWO WO/E-2/1		TOTAL	
	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H	M/L	O/H
2821											0	5	0	4	0	1	0	10
2822											3	6	2	0	3	0	8	6
2823											0	1					0	1
2831											4	14	5	1			9	15
2841											1	20	3	1			4	21
2843											4	0					4	0
2847											2	5	2	0			4	5
2861			1	2	0	2	5	2	22	6							28	12
2862									2	2	1	0					3	2
2863							1	0	1	0							2	0
2867					1	0	3	0	4	1							8	1
3041					1	0	1	1	1	2	3	3	2	7	3	2	11	15
3042											0	1					0	1
3051									1	1	6	2	4	4	3	4	14	11
3371					1	0	1	0	2	2	3	1	4	9	2	2	13	14
3381					0	1											0	1
3516					0	1	1	1	5	2	6	12	8	8	6	1	26	25
3531									3	4	8	9	12	27	33	12	56	52
3537	0	1	1	0	2	0											3	1
8404					1	1	2	1	3	2	5	3	0	3			11	10
9999	1	1	4	4													5	5
TOTAL	1	2	11	12	21	20	36	23	93	60	144	181	185	291	191	110	682	699

SUMMARY OF TRIP TO QUI NHON RVN

Host Unit: 41st Signal Battalion, U.S. Army
 Observed Unit: "B" Co., 41st Signal Battalion, U.S. Army

Commanding Officer: Capt Provasi
 Telephone Officer: 1stLt Nix
 Wire Chief: SFC Peel

1. Purpose. To observe installation, operation and maintenance procedures of the Central Office Telephone, Manual AN/MTC-9 installed at the 41st Signal Battalion Headquarters.

2. Background. Programming of the anticipated installation of the Central Telephone, Manual 1 AN/MTC-9 at Chu Lai prompted this scheduled visit to provide information relative to the planning phases of the Chu Lai installation.

3. General. On 25 January 1967 the party consisting of:

Major Bird - Project Officer (1stMarDiv)
 2ndLt Nelson - Telephone Rep. (Task Force X-Ray)
 WO P. Wemyss - Wire Officer (CommCo, 7thCommBn)
 SSgt M. Rayl - Central Office Installer (CommCo, 7thCommBn)

departed DaNang for Qui Nhon and arrived the same day via Government Air and departed from Qui Nhon on 27 January for the return trip to DaNang.

During the period of the visit no formal presentations were made or requested. All members of the party were given free access to any areas of the installation desired, and the Army telephone personnel were available to answer all questions asked and freely participated in group type discussions as the need arose. The installation consisted of two (2) complete Central Office Telephone, Manual AN/MTC-9's. One being used as a Local Board and the other installed as a Long Distance Board.

4. Installation

a. Site: Their site did not indicate any elaborate preparation for a parking pad for the equipment. Indications showed that maintaining a stable leveling of the vans was not possible due to the running gear sinking into soft earth even with the provided metal bases. Drainage appeared in general to be adequate except in one case where excess cable was laid in a box type trough mounted in the ground which held water and mud residue making poor cable storage. Note here that future site planning cannot be based on dimensions as shown in existing technical manuals. Cubb sides of the vans must face each other and excess doors used for installing the covered connecting vestibule must be in line with each other; this causes a staggered placing of vans and extends pad length by approximately three (3) feet to account for the imbalance in length.

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b. Interconnecting cables

(1) Interconnecting cables in one case were laid on the ground with excess cable grouped in a coffin type covered box buried in the ground. No drainage was provided, for as water and mud accumulated in the bottom causing all cables to lay in moisture most of the time. They admit losing 26 pair cables which could be attributed to this situation. The other installation used the underside of the connecting vestibule for cable routing between vans. Limited space and use of existing web strapping (used to secure vestibule covering) does not provide excess readily for changing cables in my opinion.

c. Subscribers Panel to Frame (MDF)

(1) The Army is using two 400 pair cables to connect their MDF to the subscriber panel located in the MTA-5 van.

5. Operation

a. Operation of switchboards vary little from that of the AN/MTC-1.

b. Their boards were all set up in the standard multiple as delivered and although the boards are at capacity proved adequate for these and most operations.

c. With exception of positions 1 and 9 operators have excess to all drops by either plugging the inboard panel of the position on the left or right of his position. Positions 1 and 9 must cross the operator on their right and left respectively and cover their whole board for access to all drops. This works well and causes very little confusion. Operation of this nature is basically operator training.

d. Noted here is the Army operators are school trained and are MOS'ed as operators.

e. Both male and female Vietnamese operators are used on day watches and have proved highly proficient.

f. They operate two (2) twelve (12) hour watches 0630-1815 and 1815-0630. Watches are constructed as follows:

- (1) Each watch consists of the following:
 - Chief Operator - 1
 - Ass't Chief Operator - 1(Supervisor)
 - Operators on Boards - 9
 - Guard Duty - 2
 - Break Operators - 2
 - Liberty Status - 2

(2) Some watch construction applies to both the long distance and local boards. All positions are manned 24 hours per day except during chow relief at noon meal which they feed in three sittings. Slack traffic period permits this chow relief. By manning all positions around the clock they are able to take advantage of building operator to subscriber personnel service during slack periods there providing extremely good working conditions and relationships which almost eliminates customer complaints during busy hour periods.

(3) Operators get one (1) day off approximately every eight (8) days to use as they see fit. In addition each operator receives a 15 minute break each hour of watch. They have a break room with coffee and reading material available. They must remain in the break area except for head calls. No smoking or eating or drinking is allowed in the board areas. Talking by operators is limited to only that required to perform their job.

(4) Operators work straight day or night watches; changes may be made on request of individuals if two operators agree and it is approved by the Chief Operators and Wire Officer.

g. Chief Operator

(1) Overall supervision of the watch.

(2) Maintains up to date telephone directory and is responsible for providing up to date information for publishing new directories. He is in the reporting chain of command for installation and disconnects and all such orders pass over his desk. He also maintains the rotary file and shares the information desk with the Ass't Chief Operator.

h. Board facing provides no facilities for subscriber identification strips. A 3 digit numbering system has been devised in which drops are numbered 100 to 700.

6. Training

a. Operating training is conducted periodically and consists of 12 one hour periods of instruction covering a 12 day period. Both old and new operators are required to attend. Chief operator conducts instruction and has a syllabus and lesson plan for the instruction. On request this instruction can be made available for our operators. Present planning for the three personnel being sent there for training is a complete training program with each man being used on actual watch for practical operation. The chief operator will also receive application as a chief operator and be provided with the training program data.

7. Supply and Maintenance

a. Investigation into their maintenance problems provided no new problem areas of which we were not already aware of with the AN/MTC-1 here at Chu Lai.

b. Their preventive maintenance program provided no guidance and the Marine Corps program is far superior.

(1) One area that was discussed however was the cleaning of contacts and relays and they recommend that this not be done unless maintenance requires these areas be entered in to. Scheduled cleaning proved to be more of a problem maker than it was beneficial to the system.

c. Running spares are not considered adequate for maintaining equipment. (We have a copy of their recommended changes)

d. DC power supplies BB-46 batteries are not believed to be delivered with the equipment and steps to provide before receipt of equipment would be beneficial.

e. Chances are great that a used board will be provided vice a new one. If this be the case a complete system check is recommended before changeover. SSgt RAYL was walked through a complete system check while there and knows how to effect it.

f. Problem areas for resupply are primarily cords, fuses, and 6 volt lamps.

g. Telephone set 7A-236/FT is recommended for use with this board and can subsequently be connected to dial system. (FSN 5805-503-2774)

8. Administration

a. Administration of these systems is reporting, working procedures, records etc. These were discussed in detail for what benefit might be gained from their procedures and experience.

b. Copies of their SOP's, directories, change over procedures were provided for research and background for establishing Chu Lai Installation procedures.

c. Should consideration be given to augmenting military operators with Vietnamese personnel wages quoted by the Army were as follows: While in training 140 piasters and 240 piasters for trained operators.

9. Conclusions:

1. That the trip was beneficial in all aspects.
2. That procedures learned will benefit the installation.
3. That lessons learned will provide for a better installation than that observed.

Respectfully

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF
(Attention: G-3)

Subj: Switchboard Operation Improvement

Ref: (a) CG 1st MarDiv 110521Z Dec66

Encl: (1) Training Schedule for the Month of March

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

W. M. CLELLAND

Switchboard Training Schedule

DATE	WATCH	CLASS	REFERENCE	HOURS	INSTRUCTOR
6Mar67	1	Operation & Numeral System of the MTC-9	TM-11-5805-288-15 Ch-3 Pg 59-68 Telephone Directory of 7thComm Bn	1	Cpl JACKSON
8Mar67	2	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
10Mar67	Make-Up	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
13Mar67	1	Destruction of Equipment to Prevent Enemy Use	TM-11-5805-288-15 Ch-6 Pg 91	$\frac{1}{2}$	Sgt WATERS
15Mar67	2	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
17Mar67	Make-Up	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
20Mar67	1	Field Wire Ties & Splices	FM 24-20 Ch-3 Pg 15 FM 24-20 Ch-4 Pg 43	1	SSgt PATTON
22Mar67	2	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
24Mar67	Make-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
27Mar67	1	Duties of a Switchboard Operator	Handouts TM-11-2446 TM-11-724/N	1	Cpl FOIGHT
29Mar67	2	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-
31Mar67	Make-Up	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-	-DO-

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
(Attn: G-4)

Subj: Logistic Summary Report

Ref: (a) DivO 4000.19
(b) OG First MarDiv (Rein) 250941ZFeb67
(c) OG First MarDiv (Rein) 280325ZNov66
(d) OG First MarDiv (Rein) 312325ZOct66

Encl: (1) Typewriters; report of

1. The following report covering the month of February 1967 is submitted in accordance with reference (a), (b), (c), and (d).

2. LOGISTIC SITUATION

a. The overall logistical situation is satisfactory except for a few significant problem areas. Repair parts for fixed plant teletype equipment and on-line crypto equipment continues to be non-available. Procedural problems of processing these requisitions by FLSC-B through NSD Chu Lai appear to be solved although no parts have been received to date. On 21Feb67 a liaison visit was made to NSD Chu Lai Stock Control. A 90 day stock level of repair parts is being ordered for stock at NSD Chu Lai. Small items, i.e., those which can be sent via air mail are expected to be received about 20 March 1967. The PU-587, 400 cycle power source for the AN/TSC-15 remains a problem. 4 PU-587's are on priority 2 requisition; 1 is deadlined at FLSC-A; 3 are deadlined at FLSC-B; and 3 remain operational. See comments under paragraph 4c for additional details.

b. On 11Feb67 the Bn Supply Officer and Construction Plt Cdr, Radio Relay and Construction Co returned from TAD to 3dFSR and the U. S. Army Purchasing Agency, Yokohama, Japan. All action was completed on the purchase of telephone cable and associated hardware for the Chu Lai Combat Base Telephone Cable System with the exception of the Balance of Payment Estimation. The total cost of the purchase is approximately \$96,000.00. CG III MAF 211132ZFeb67 advised an affirmative Balance of Payment Estimation has been forwarded to U. S. Army Purchasing Agency, Japan.

c. On 15Feb67 2 Radio Sets, AN/MRC-38 were turned-in to FLSC-B in accordance with instructions received from the Division Supply Officer.

d. 9th Engr. Bn. completed construction on one 30x20x8 command bunker. Six 24x12x10 bunkers for a Bn Aid Station and Communications installations are under construction.

e. Three of four Radio Terminal Sets AN/MRC-62A shipped from MSC Albany were damaged enroute. CO, FLSC-A ltr 3/PJH:asb over 4460 of 9 Feb 1967 is the report of damaged or improper shipment. CO, NSA, DaNang ltr 442/FHK:bn over 4460 Ser. 780 of 24 Feb 1967 is an additional report of damage or improper shipment. The fourth AN/MRC-62A shipped from Albany has not been located and is considered missing. Liaison with the 1stMarDivCEO office on 27Feb67 reveals that IIIMAF and FLC/1stFSR are still searching for the missing AN/MRC-62A. The four PU-463 Generator Components of the AN/MRC-62A's were received at 7th Comm. Bn. on 24Feb67.

3. SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

a. Critical Items

(1) The following items are reported as requested by reference (b).

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>DOC #</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Rifle, M-14	16	08949 09069	10 6	12 02	7030 7033	FLSC-B Repair-3; O/H 4
Pistol, Cal .45	22	06616	22	02	6315	0 pistols are on hand.
Concertina	0					None
Stakes, Barbed Wire	0					None
Battery 6TN	25	03569 04266 00190 05079 05514 08057	2 2 10 4 5 2	13 05 12 12 17 12	6089 6108 6193 6257 6273 7006	Used in 26 M-35 Trucks and 13 PU-482 Generators. On hand stock level is four.
Wire WD-1/TT (MX-306)	0					124 received 11Feb67.
Wire WD-1/TT (DR-8)	0					None
Wire WD-1/TT (RL-159)	448	00216 00241 05284 07006	19 200 100 129	12 12 12 05	6194 6196 6265 6322	None
Lamp Incandescent	0					None

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>DOC #</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>DDO</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Body Armor, Upper Torso						25 received 21 Feb 67.
8470-576-4193	0					None
8470-576-4194	0					15 received 7 Feb 67.
8470-576-4195	0					
Green Towels	1200	04882	1524	05	5136	Partial receipt of 324 on 1 Feb 67.
Green Underclothing	0					None
Tent GP (Med)	66	02148 08105	4 15	02 12	6104 7004	Controlled by G-4; CG 1st Mar Div 010745Z Jan 67. GP under tin roofs. No problem unless displaced.
Calcium Hydrate	0					None
Nitrogen	0					None
Acetylene	0					None
Oxygen	0					None
Helium Technical	0					None
Hydrogen Technical	0					None
Hydrogen Change	0					None
Chlordane	0					None
Lumber 2x4	0					None
Individual Equipment						See CG 1st Mar Div 170035Z Jan 67 (C)
Holster	25	06707	25	02	6318	None
Pocket, Ammo Cal .45	25	06708	25	02	6318	None
Blanket, Bed	93	07682-1 08652	38 55	02 02	6348 7020	None
Carrier, Intrench- ing Tool	19	08645	19	02	7020	None

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>DOC #</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>DDO</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Individual Equipment						See CG 1stMarDiv 170035/Jan67 (C)
Cup, Canteen	32	08648	32	02	7020	None
Hat & Mosquito Net	19	08641	19	02	7020	None
Pan, Mess Kit w/cover	21	08653	21	02	7020	None
Shelter Half Tent	11	08654	11	02	7020	None
Line, Tent Cotton	23	08655.1	23	02	7020	None
Pin, Tent Wood	141	08656	141	02	7020	None
Mattress, Pneumatic	28	08658	28	02	7020	None
Helmet, Steel	32	08885	32	02	7027	None
Individual Clothing						None authorized for stock. Acquisitions are to effect necessary re- placement issues of un- serviceable clothing.
Rain Coat 34R	3	09026	3	12	7033	None
Rain Coat 36R	8	07338 09024 09027	2 1 5	12 12 12	6336 7033 7033	None
Rain Coat 38R	10	08025 09023	2 8	12 12	6365 7033	None
Rain Coat 38L	3	07336 08015	2 1	12 12	6336 6365	None
Rain Coat 40L	1	09022	1	12	7033	None
Rain Coat 44R	1	09020	1	12	7033	None
Boots 9W	5	07316 07377 08005	2 1 2	12 12 12	6336 6336 6365	None
Boots 13R	1	08984	1	12	7032	None

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>DOC #</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Individual Clothing						
Cap Utility (S)	9	09041	9	12	7033	None
Cap Utility (L)	2	09038	2	12	7033	None
Drawers (XS)	6	09013	6	12	7032	None
Drawers (S)	37	08011	37	12	6365	None
Drawers (Med)	47	08014	47	12	6365	None
Drawers (L)	4	09010	4	12	7032	None
Socks (S)	40	08020	16	12	6365	None
		08999	24	12	7032	
Socks (Med)	118	08021	52	12	6365	None
Socks (L)	29	08022	13	12	6365	None
		09000	16	12	7032	
Trousers 32x33	19	08004	19	12	6365	None
Undershirts (XS)	11	08013	7	12	6365	None
Undershirts (Med)	74	07987	74	12	6365	None
Light Weight Utilities	0					None

(2) Repair parts for fixed plant teletype equipment and on-line crypto equipment which are in a critical status.

<u>HIC</u>	<u>FSM</u>	<u>HOUSE NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>DOC #</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>LKH</u>
21635	5905-995-5499	Resistor (for Kw-7)	1	05854	283	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	Part# 08008649	Bracket (for Kw-7)	1	05856	283	02	C1
21635	5930-955-1742	Switch (for Kw-7)	1	06129	298	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6711	Bearing (for TT-334)	80	06130	298	02	C1
21635	5815-591-6703	Shaft (for TT-334)	2	06131	298	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	5910-803-2775	Capacitor (for Kw-7)	1	06139	298	02	C1
21635	5960-881-2052	Diode (for Kw-7)	4	06272	336	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	Part# 154398	Bearing (for UGC-6)	40	06469	308	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	Part# 164511	Lever (for UGC-6)	1	06470	308	02	NED Chu Lai
21635	Part# 154397	Shaft (for UGC-6)	1	06471	308	02	NED Chu Lai

<u>HUC</u>	<u>FSN</u>	<u>ROOM NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>DCC #</u>	<u>DDO</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>LKH</u>
21635	5815-591-6702	Cam (for TT-317)	2	06617	314	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6711	Bearing (for TT-317)	80	06618	314	02	02
21635	5815-591-6703	Shaft (for TT-317)	2	06619	314	02	C1
21635	5905-848-6548	Resistor (for Kw-26)	2	06745	319	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5945-954-3131	Relay (for Kw-7)	4	06746	319	02	C1
21635	5960-503-4034	Diode (for Kw-7)	1	06747	319	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-302-6426	Gear (for TT-171)	1	06858	321	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-877-3187	Switch (for TT-187)	2	06859	321	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-737-0727	Bolt (for TT-331)	2	07165	329	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6711	Bearing (for TT-315)	40	07485	339	02	C1
21635	5815-591-6703	Shaft (for TT-315)	1	07486	339	02	C1
21635	5815-651-6836	Shaft (for UGC-6)	1	07568	341	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-713-3906	Shaft (for UGC-6)	1	07569	341	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5310-706-6933	Shim (for UGC-6)	1	07570	341	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6711	Bearing (for TT-315)	80	07691	350	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6703	Shaft (for TT-315)	2	07692	350	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-591-6702	Cam (for TT-315)	2	07693	350	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-056-7160	Armature (for TT-192)	1	08594	018	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-370-1462	Guide (for TT-192)	1	08595	018	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5315-709-7606	Switch (for TT-334)	1	08596	018	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5315-706-1726	Shaft (for TT-334)	2	08597	018	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-677-5255	Cam Sleeve (for TT-192)	1	09091	041	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-652-1574	Gear (for UGC-6)	3	09779	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-652-6483	Gear (for UGC-6)	3	09780	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-659-3097	Gear (for TT-187)	3	09781	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-659-3098	Gear (for TT-187)	3	09782	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-705-4997	Gear (for UGC-6)	3	09783	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-705-4998	Gear (for UGC-6)	3	09784	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-866-4628	Gear (for TT-331)	4	09785	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	5815-892-9136	Gear (for TT-331)	4	09786	049	02	NSD Chu Lai
21635	Part# ONO50156	Capacitor C-1 (for KY-8)	10	06375	305	05	NSD Chu Lai

b. Significant Problem Areas. Cleaning supplies for the messhall are generally unavailable or in short supply. All items on CO 1st MarDiv Reim 251303ZJan67 are on requisition. Only three of eighteen items listed have been received (disinfectant; detergent; laundry; and rag wiping).

4. MAINTENANCE

a. General Status. The general state of maintenance is satisfactory.

b. Significant Problem Areas. The lack of repair parts in range and depth for the on-line crypto equipments and fixed plant teletype equipment continues to be of major concern.

c. Major Items of Equipment

<u>T/A NR</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>APTH</u>	<u>O/H</u>	<u>OPEN READY</u>	<u>NCRS</u>	<u>NCRM</u>
MOTOR TRANSPORT						
50140	HPCU	1	1	0	1	0
51090	Trk 3/4T M-37	7	7	6	0	1
51120	Trk 2 1/2T M-35	26	26	19	0	7
51480	Trk 2 1/2T M-49	1	1	1	0	0
51670	Trk 3T M-543	1	1	1	0	0
51570	Trk 4T M-38A1	29	29	29	0	0
COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS						
20447	AN/TSC-15	11	10	9	0	1
21954	AN/GHC-125	2	2	2	0	0
22030	AN/MRC-63	6	5	3	2	0
22040	AN/MRC-83	30	30	25	0	5
22050	AN/MRC-87	5	2	2	0	0
22054	AN/MRC-110	3	3	1	0	2
22101	AN/PRC-25	12	12	11	1	0
22104	AN/PRC-41	7	7	7	0	0
22105	AN/PRC-47	15	15	15	0	0
22110	AN/TRC-27	12	12	9	3	0
22190	AN/MRC-62	16	11	11	0	0
22650	SB-22/PT	14	14	14	0	0
22660	SB-86	7	7	6	1	0
22770	AN/GGC-3	14	14	14	0	0
22783	AN/TGC-14A(V)	30	23	19	4	0
NONE	TT-47/UG	*	4	4	0	0
NONE	TT-171C/UG	*	5	4	1	0
NONE	TT-187C/UG	*	6	3	3	0
NONE	TT-192A/UG	*	3	2	1	0
NONE	TT-253A/UG	*	1	1	0	0
NONE	TT-331A/UG	*	2	2	0	0
NONE	TT-332A/UG	*	2	1	1	0
NONE	TT-333/UG	*	4	4	0	0
NONE	AN/UGC-6	*	3	2	1	0
NONE	AN/MTC-1	*	1	1	0	0

* Fixed Plant Teletype Equipment installed in the Chu Lai Communication Center which is on the supply account of HqBn, 1stMarDiv.

GENERATORS

20940	FU-454	3	2	1	0	1
20945	FU-482	13	13	12	0	1
20947	FU-587	11	7	3	0	4

T/A NR	ITEM	AUTH	Q/H	OPER Ready	MORE	NORM
21395	FU-565	4	1	0	0	1

ENGINEER

30340	105CFM Air Compressor	1	1	1	0	0
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COMMENT: AN/TSC-15 and FU-587 400 cycle power source relationship is as follows:

		AN/TSC-15	FU-587
CommJptCo (DaNang)	T/E	6	6
	Q/H	6	2
	D/L	1	1
	Operational	5	1 (on loan Div. CommCo DaNang)
CommCo (Chua Lai)	T/E	5	5
	Q/H	4	5
	D/L	0	3
	Operational	4	2

The net result is that 6 of 9 operational AN/TSC-15's are without a FU-587 power source. See CG 1stMarDiv 231009ZJan67(C), CG 1stMarDiv 310309ZJan67(C), CG 1stMarDiv 151515ZFeb67, and 3dPSR 200600ZFeb67 for additional information on the FU-587 and other 400 cycle power units.

COMMENT: Two of three AN/MRG-110's are deadlined for the RT-524's components. All RT-524's held by PLSG-B were evacuated to 3rd PSR, Chinawa for rapid repair on 4 Jan 67.

5. OTHER SERVICES. No insurmountable problems exist.

6. ADVANCED PLANNING. Three (3) C-43 Butler Buildings are programmed for storage and maintenance facilities in the Bn area. CG 1stMarDiv 260339ZJan67 establishes 2 as number 10 priority and 1 as number 18 priority.

7. OTHER MAJOR ITEMS OF COMMAND INTEREST NOT COVERED IN ABOVE PARAGRAPHS.

a. The 7th CommBn MEDCAP program consisted of 28 visits to the village of Xuan Trung during which 487 patients were treated.

b. The 7th CommBn Mess served an average of 882 rations daily plus an additional 250 mid-rats. Breakdown is as follows:

Breakfast	617	MidRats:	Hot (Messhall)	65
Lunch	965		Cold (Take-out)	187
Dinner	1065			

8. Enclosure (1) is a report of typewriters submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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28 Feb 1967

TYPEWRITERS; REPORT OF11" CARRIAGE TYPEWRITERS

<u>T/E</u>	<u>O/H SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>O/H UNSERVICEABLE</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>OUTSTANDING RQNS</u>
22	19	0	3	RUC 21635, DOC# 07977 DDD 363, FSN 7430-254- 4319, Qty 2, Pri 12, FL30-B, initial issue (CG 1stMarDiv 260535Z Dec66). RUC 21635, DOC #08857, Qty 1, DDD 026, Pri 12, To replace like item CODE X, 15Jan67.

18" - 20" CARRIAGE TYPEWRITERS

<u>T/E</u>	<u>O/H SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>O/H UNSERVICEABLE</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>OUTSTANDING RQNS</u>
2	0 2 2d	0	0	0

Enclosure (1)