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7th Engineer Battalion (Rein) FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF (Attn: Field Historian)

Subj: Command Chronology; period 1 April 1970 to 30 April 1970

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(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2C

Encl: ✓(1) April Command Chronology

1. In accordance with references (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

7th Engineer Battalion (Rein), FMF

LtCol W. G. BATES

SUBORDINATE UNITS

| <u>UNIT</u> | <u>COMMANDER</u> | <u>Period Individual Occ-</u> <u>upied Billet</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| HqCo | 1stLt F. H. HUNNES | 11Mar70 - 30Apr70 |
| ServCo | Capt W. M. BRINK | 11Jan70 - 30Apr70 |
| Co "A" | 1stLt M. K. NEREM | 21Jan70 - 30Apr70 |
| Co "B" | Capt K. R. VANCE | 12Sep69 - 30Apr70 |
| Co "C" | Capt M. E. MUNDY 1stLt S. M. CHASE | 08Sep69 - 30Apr70 05Apr70 - 30Apr70 |
| Co "D" | Capt J. F. BRENNAN | 20Mar70 - 30Apr70 |

ATTACHED UNITS

| | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Bridge Co | 1stLt D. NICOLOSI Jr. | 11Mar70 - 30Apr70 |
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2. LOCATION

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>Date arrived in Country</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 7th Engineer Battalion | 06 Aug 1965 | Danang, RVN |
| 1st Bridge Company | 08 Dec 1965 | Danang, RVN |

3. STAFF OFFICERS

| <u>Section</u> | <u>Officer</u> | <u>Period Individual Occ-</u> <u>upied Billet</u> |
|----------------|-------------------|--|
| ExecO | Maj R. GLEESON | 01Nov69 - 30Apr70 |
| S-1/Adj | Capt T. E. DARNER | 22Nov69 - 30Apr70 |
| S-2 | 1stLt H. G. RUDGE | 29Dec69 - 30Apr70 |

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| <u>Section</u> | <u>Officer</u> | <u>Period Individual Occ- upied Billet</u> |
|----------------|------------------------|--|
| S-3 | Maj N. F. MITCHELL | 26Oct69 - 30Apr70 |
| S-4 | Maj F. C. PLOWMAN | 23Sep69 - 30Apr70 |
| S-5 | 1stLt P. J. YAKAMAVAGE | 24Feb70 - 30Apr70 |
| Supply Off | Capt T. A. BEWLEY | 29Jan70 - 30Apr70 |
| SgtMaj | SgtMaj J. J. FERNANE | 13Jan70 - 30Apr70 |

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

| <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
| 48 | 1005 | 2 | 22 |

5. PERSONNEL GAINS AND LOSSES

| <u>GAINS</u> | | | | <u>LOSSES</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | | <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | |
| <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 7th Engineer Battalion continued support of the III Marine Amphibious Force within the Danang area. The Battalion continued maintenance responsibility of 70.0 miles of road and conducted daily minesweeps of 25.5 miles of road. The Battalion maintained six (6) water points in the Danang area producing 4,754,000 gallons of water.

Company "A", 7th Engineer Battalion, continued maintenance of Route 540 and Route 30 for class 50 traffic and maintenance of Route 540 from AT 899774 to AT 912743, Route 542 and Route 544. Company "A" also conducts daily minesweeps on Route 545.

Company "B", 7th Engineer Battalion, continued expedient maintenance of QL-1S from the Cau Do river (QL-1B) to the Cau Lau river. Company "B" conducts minesweeps of Route QL-1S from AT 999707 to BT 042621.

Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalion, continued maintenance of Route 540 from AT 912743 to AT 927608. Company "C" conducts daily minesweeps of Route 540 from AT 943663 to AT 927608.

Company "D", 7th Engineer Battalion, continued upgrading of Route 540 from AT 927608 to AT 874460 for class 50 traffic and upgrade of Route 4W from AT 878572 to AT 911577. The area of Route 4E east of Hill 37 was inaccessible due to the current tactical situation. Company "D" conducts daily minesweeps of Route 540 from AT 927608 to AT 925533.

III MAF WORK ORDERS OUTSTANDING 1 APRIL 1970

III MAF msg - Support III MAF with tactical bridge support as required. (CG, III MAF msg 281310Z May 69)

III MAF msg - Provide one (1) EIMCO in support of EOD for maintenance of range disposal area.

III MAF msg 171056Z - Provide one (1) cable layer tractor and 550 grader for the Danang Barrier.

III MAF 1185 - Construct (15) "SEE-MOR" lights for 1/26.

III MAF 1187 - Construct (10) "SEE-MOR" lights for 3/1.

III MAF 1197 - Add necessary lighting to Liberty Bridge.

III MAF 1213 - Construct (18) head shower at Hill 10.

III MAF WORK ORDERS COMPLETED DURING APRIL 1970

III MAF ltr 15.9/wlc over 4760 10 Feb - Erect revetment at Div Comm.

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- III MAF 1207 - Construct one (1) 40' tower for 5th Marines at An Hoa.
- III MAF 1215 - Construct one (1) 50' tower for 2/5.
- III MAF 1216 - Construct six (6) fuel berms for MAG-16.
- III MAF 1216 - Construct three (3) fuel berms at An Hoa for MAG - 16.
- III MAF 1210 - Construct four (4) "SEE-MOR" lights for Headquarters Bn.
- III MAF 1219 - Construct two (2) 30' towers for the 2nd ROK Marine Brigade.
- III MAF 1220 - Relocate water point on Hill 37.
- III MAF 1221 - Perform necessary vertical construction for III MAF headquarters.
- III MAF 1231 - Remove old Tuy Loan Bridge and replace with 216' steel stringer bridge.
- III MAF tele conversation of 1 Apr 70 with FEO - Remove section of Armco revetment wall at III MAF's old CP.
- III MAF msg 110220Z Apr 70 - Repair aircraft maintenance ramp for 212th Aviation Battalion at Marble Mountain.
- III MAF 1235 - Rebuild cantonment for 1/5 on Hill 34.
- III MAF 1237 - Construct two (2) armories with overhead storage for 1/5 on Hill 34.

III MAF WORK ORDERS ISSUED IN APRIL 1970

- III MAF tele conversation of 1 Apr 70 with FEO - Remove section of Armco revetment wall at III MAF's old CP.
 - III MAF 1232 - Rewire Golden Gate and London Bridges.
 - III MAF msg 15.4/mnv over 111003Z Apr 70 - Provide engineer assistance for construction of road near Quan Nam (2).
 - III MAF msg R110220Z Apr 70 - Repair aircraft maintenance ramp for 212th Aviation Bn at Marble Mountain.
 - III MAF 1235 - Rebuild cantonment for 1/5 on Hill 34.
 - III MAF 1236 - Install plumbing for hot water heaters on Hill 34.
 - III MAF 1237 - Construct two (2) armories with overhead storage for 1/5 on Hill 34.
 - III MAF ltr 15.4/mnv over 4760 20 Apr 70 - Construct one (1) infiltration gallery for 5th Special Forces.
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1. Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

a. Personnel and Administration. During the month of April, seventeen (17) administrative discharges were processed.

b. Enemy, Weather and Terrain. The weather, for the most part, was sunny and warm during the month of April. The weather was conducive to both horizontal and vertical construction.

c. Enemy Activities.

TIME

010035H Company "D" reported that they received 4 or 5 82mm rounds in their CP. Negative casualties or damages.

010725H Company "B" personnel found one (1) 105mm HE round without booby-traps. Blown in place. BT 019671

010800H Vietnamese children gave Company "D" sweep team (1) 60mm illumination and (1) M-79 round. They were paid 300 piasters and the rounds blown in place. AT 913591.

010830H Company "B" personnel found Vietnamese leaflets approximately 6" x 1 1/2" in size. Company "B" personnel turned leaflets in to Battalion S-2. BT 031642

010839H Vietnamese child turned in to Company "C" mine sweep team (1) M-67 grenade. Vietnamese child was given a receipt and the grenade was blown. AT 942672

010850H Company "B" personnel found (1) barricade consisting of grass, rocks and (3) booby-trapped 60mm rounds. The rounds were blown in place. BT 035634

011040H Company "B" personnel found (2) barricades, booby trapped with (2) 60mm HE rounds. Company "B" personnel blew barricades and rounds in place. BT 037633

011145H A command detonated mine was blown while (2) 7th Engr Bn M-51 trucks and a jeep were passing. Personnel dismounted and discovered the wires to the mine. While trailing the wires, another command detonated mine was blown resulting in (4) casualties. Area was swept and (1) VC claymore and (2) BA 386 batteries were found. BT 026650

011700H Company "D" reported receiving (2) incoming mortar rounds approximately 10 meters outside the wire at their CP. AT 921579

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| <u>TIME</u> | <u>INCIDENTS</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> |
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| 012035H | Company "D" reported receiving (1) unknown size rocket outside the wire. Company "D" fell out on 100% alert. No casualties. | AT 921579 |
| 020800H | Company "B" personnel found (1) 155mm HE round. Negative booby-traps and blown in place. | BT 025658 |
| 020825H | Vietnamese child turned in (1) M-79 dud round and (1) 20mm round to sweep team leader. Child was given 100 piasters and the rounds were blown in place. | AT 913592 |
| 020845H | Company "B" personnel found (1) road block consisting of sandbags, rocks, dirt, bushes and concertina. There was (1) M-26 booby-trapped with a pressure release. Company "B" personnel blew in place. | BT 037634 |
| 021020H | Company "B" personnel found (1) 60mm HE round on left shoulder of road. Negative booby-traps and round was blown in place. | BT 035634 |
| 030730H | Company "B" personnel found (1) M-79 HE round on east side of road. Negative booby-traps and was blown in place. | BT 024658 |
| 030835H | Vietnamese child gave Company "D" personnel (1) 81mm illumination round and (1) M-26 grenade. All were blown in place. | |
| 030910H | Company "C" personnel found (1) M-79 round on side of road. Negative booby-traps round was blown in place. | AT 931622 |
| 040215H | Two (2) men were observed in the wire at Bunker 4 at Company "D" CP. They were taken under fire with negative results. | AT 921579 |
| 040230H | Company "D" CP reported observing the impacting of rounds 100 meters west of the wire. Company "D" fell out on 100% alert. | AT 921579 |
| 040815H | Vietnamese children gave Company "D" personnel (1) M-79 round. Round was blown in place. | AT 913593 |
| 042115H | Approximately (20) AK-47 rounds fired from the north into Company "D" CP. Negative casualties, negative alert status, negative fire returned. | AT 921579 |
| 050815H | Company "B" personnel found (1) M-26 grenade with negative booby-traps on side of road. Blown in place. | BT 039625 |

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| <u>TIME</u> | <u>INCIDENTS</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> |
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| 050835H | Two (2) Vietnamese children brought Company "A" sweep team (2) W.P. dud rounds. Rounds were blown in place. No payment made to Vietnamese. | AT 943665 |
| 052230H | Company "D" CP received incoming sniper rounds from the north. Guard personnel spotted possible source and returned fire. Negative casualties and negative results. | AT 921579 |
| 052315H | Company "D" CP received (1) 60mm round to the southeast inside of the wire. Also receiving intermittent ground probes from the north and south. No injuries damages or results. | AT 921579 |
| 060235H | Company "D" CP received (2) unknown size mortar rounds and approximately 25 rounds of small arms fire. Company "D" personnel fell out on lines. Negative casualties or damages. | AT 921579 |
| 060800H | (2) Vietnamese children gave mine sweep team (2) M-26 grenades. Negative booby-traps. Children were given an IOU to be paid off tomorrow. Grenades were blown in place. | |
| 061000H | Markers were found pointing out main and alternate OP's and several trip flares. M-79 H & I will be used tonight, also increased patrolling. | AT 935772 |
| 070205H | Received (2) rounds overhead near guard post. Fire was returned, M-79 illumination used. Negative damages, injuries, results. | AT 948781 |
| 070935H | Vietnamese child gave mine sweep team (1) time fuze. Company "D" personnel blew in place. | AT 922532 |
| 071455H | A 25 lb rock mine exploded between (2) vehicles. Mine had pressure type detonator. Negative injuries, damage. Road was reswept, negative findings. | AT 923565 |
| 071602H | Company "D" personnel found (1) time fuze. Fuze was blown in place. | AT 921579 |
| 081500H | Two (2) Vietnamese children gave Company "D" personnel (1) 105 round with negative booby-traps. Company "D" dispatched personnel to blow round in place. | |
| 090800H | Company "D" mine sweep team received (6) rounds small arms sniper fire from ville area approximately 100 meters southeast. Negative injuries, negative fire returned, sweep continued with negative further incidents. | AT 942653 |

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| <u>TIME</u> | <u>INCIDENTS</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> |
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| 090800H | Two (2) Vietnamese children gave Company "C" sweep personnel (2) M-26 grenades, negative booby-traps. Each Vietnamese child was paid 200 piasters and the grenades were blown in place. | AT 942653 |
| 090820H | One (1) Vietnamese gave Company "C" personnel (1) 105 HE round, negative booby-traps. Vietnamese was paid 300 piasters and the round was blown in place. | AT 942653 |
| 091610H | Company "C" personnel, while working on culvert on Route 540S, found M-79 dud round. 7th Engineer Battalion Roadmaster picked up demolition team at Company "C" CP. Demolition team blew round in place. | AT 942688 |
| 100740H | Company "B" personnel found (1) M-26 fragmentation grenade and (1) 81mm HE round. M-26 was booby-trapped (pressure release). Company "B" personnel blew in place. | BT 033643 |
| 100845H | Company "D" mine sweep team found (1) M-26 grenade on west side of road. M-26 was not booby-trapped. Blown in place. | AT 924554 |
| 101700H | Vietnamese children gave Company "B" roadmaster (2) dud M-79 rounds. Company "C" was called to blow in place. No money was paid. | AT 941641 |
| 130820H | Company "C" mine sweep personnel found (3) C-rats cans buried 1" down in middle of road approximately 15 meters apart. (1) can was blown, the others were found to be full of sand. | AT 942668 |
| 140745H | Vietnamese gave Company "D" mine sweep team (1) 60mm illumination round. Round was blown in place. | AT 922601 |
| 140845H | A Vietnamese gave Company "C" mine sweep team (1) LAAW. Vietnamese was paid 300 piasters. LAAW was blown. | AT 933624 |
| 141100H | While working on culvert. Company "D" personnel reported that a fire fight began in the ville. Company "D" personnel did not return fire. They did contact 3/5 for security. | AT 900571 |
| 142315H | Company "D" received incoming rockets. Two (2) personnel treated on the spot, (1) emergency medevac called in. | AT 926527 |
| 150730H | Vietnamese civilian gave Company "D" mine sweep team (1) M-26 grenade. Company "D" blew in place. | AT 913592 |

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| <u>TIME</u> | <u>INCIDENTS</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> |
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| 160820H | Company "C" found (1) M-26 grenade without firing mechanism. Lying beside road. Blown in place. | AT 944674 |
| 170820H | Company "C" personnel found (1) dud M-79 round about 15 meters off right side of road. Negative booby-traps blown in place. | AT 943683 |
| 171900H | Marine on LP, received a minor wounded when he was struck by a small piece of shrapnel from an explosion of undetermined origin. | AT 937773 |
| 210730H | Company "A" mine sweep team found (2) M-26 grenades. Both were blown in place. | AT 887826 |
| 212100H | OP-6 was fired upon by an automatic weapon, Before this happened, they were fired upon by (4) M-79 HE rounds. Negative damages or injuries. | AT 937773 |
| 220720H | Vietnamese child turned in (1) M-79 dud round to Company "C" mine sweep team. Round was blown in place. | AT 942688 |
| 230645H | Vietnamese showed Company "A" mine sweep team (1) LAAW, not booby-trapped was taken to Check point 6 and blown in place. | AT 903790 |
| 230737H | Company "B" personal found (1) M-26 under a brick about 2 1/2' from east shoulder on road. Pin was pulled with brick holding spoon on. Company "B" personnel blew in place. | BT 034643 |
| 242015H | Company "D" CP took (2) automatic rifle bursts approximately 10 minutes apart. Negative damage, injuries, fire returned. | AT 921579 |
| 250300H | Company "B" personnel found (1) chicom on left side of road. Negative booby-traps, blown in place. | BT 036633 |
| 250710H | Vietnamese child gave Company "D" mine sweep team (1) M-79 round and (1) 81mm war head. Both were blown in place. | |
| 260655H | Company "B" mine sweep team found (1) M-79 HE round on by-pass approximately 3' in from left shoulder of road. Blown in place. | BT 004698 |
| 260655H | Vietnamese farmer gave 2nd CAG a mine and gave Company "A" mine sweep team a LAAW. Neither was booby-trapped. Both were blown in place. | AT 945582 |

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| <u>TIME</u> | <u>INCIDENT</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> |
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| 260945H | 7th Engineer Land Clearing reported finding (4) LAAW's, (2) of which were booby-trapped with trip wire. Blown in place. | AT 972586 |
| 261400H | 7th Engineer Land Clearing reported finding (1) 20 lb rock mine with pressure type fuse, (3) M-79 rounds. None were booby-trapped, all were blown in place. | AT 985585 |
| 261505H | 7th Engineer Battalion reported finding (1) M-79 and (1) 81mm HE round. Negative booby-traps, blown in place. | AT 989582 |
| 270750H | Company "B" personnel found (1) M-79 HE round with negative booby-traps. Blown in place. | BT 036628 |
| 270800H | Company "B" personnel found (1) B-40. Negative booby-traps, blown in place. | BT 037628 |
| 270900H | 7th Engineer Battalion found (2) 20 lb rock mines, pressure type with pottery cups over tops, 5" to 6" deep about 10' apart. One (1) on each side of road. Blown in place. | AT 969604 |
| 271010H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) M-26 grenade and (1) M-79 round. Negative booby-traps, taken to AT 894585 and blown. | AT 984583 |
| 271045H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) claymore not booby-trapped. Blown in place. | AT 968594 |
| 271400H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) 60mm HE round not booby-trapped. Blown in place. | AT 969592 |
| 271430H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) 105 round and (2) M-79 round not booby-trapped. Blown in place. | AT 986584 |
| 271500H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (59) M-79 HE rounds; (1) 60mm illumination round, (27) Beehives, (6) LAAWS, (6) 60mm HE rounds, (1) 8" howitzer round, (200) M-60 rounds, (75) M-16 rounds, (1) 105 HE round all within a 20' radius. All were blown in place. | AT 976588 |
| 272350H | OP-6 reported receiving several rounds of small arms fire and having trip flares set off. Returned fire, will check during daylight hours. | AT 937773 |
| 280725H | Company "C" personnel found (2) M-79 rounds off right side of road and Vietnamese children gave them (1) chicom. Negative booby-traps. Vietnamese children given receipt for 400 piasters. Ordnance was blown in place. | AT 943693 |

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| TIME | INCIDENT | COORDINATES |
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| 280735H | Two (2) Vietnamese children gave Company "D" mine sweep team (2) M-79 rounds. Both rounds blown in place. | AT 922565 |
| 280855H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) M-79 round on right side of road and (1) 60mm HE round on left side of road. Negative booby-traps, both rounds blown in place. | AT 968596- 968589 |
| 280915H | Vietnamese children pointed out (1) M-26 grenade to Company "B" personnel. M-26 was placed in ground with pin pulled. Company "B" personnel blew in place. | BT 035629 |
| 281010H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) 81mm HE round and (1) M-79 round. Negative booby-traps, blown in place. | AT 972586 |
| 281320H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (3) M-79 rounds and (4) LAAWS. All were blown in place. | AT 975586- 976587 |
| 281345H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) 81mm HE round and (1) M-79 grenade and (1) M-79 round. | |
| 281810H | Company "D" CP received (4) 82mm mortar rounds hitting southeast of the compound outside of wire. Friendly forces located source and are engaged in counter mortar fire. | AT 921579 |
| 290730H | Company "B" reported Vietnamese children turned in (1) M-79 HE round, (1) M-26 grenade. Negative booby-traps, blown in place. | BT 035629 |
| 290805H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) M-79 round and (1) M-79 round. Neither round was booby-trapped. Both were blown in place. | BT 011567- 000568 |
| 290950H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported that mine sweep team found (1) M-79 in road. Negative booby-traps. Blown in place. | AT 974584 |
| 291015H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) 155 round and (1) 60mm W.P. round. Neither round was booby-trapped. Both were blown in place. | AT 994574 |
| 291200H | 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding (1) booby trapped LAAW, (1) M-72 rocket, (1) 60mm round and (1) M-26 grenade. All were in a 20 - 30' radius. All rounds were blown in place. | AT 994571 |

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291430H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 997570
(2) M-79 rounds. Neither round was booby-trapped, both
blown in place.

291615H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 996571
(1) 60mm HE round. Negative booby-traps and blown in
place.

292135H OP-6 reported that (3) trip flares were set off. They AT 937776
fired (9) M-79 HE rounds with negative results.

292335H OP-6 reported that a trip flare was set off. Fired AT 937776
(5) M-79 rounds with negative results.

300050H Company "D" reported that the entire north abutment AT 919598
of Marshall Bridge was destroyed by fire and demolitions
60' of bridge was destroyed. Company "D" personnel
attempting to extinguish fire at this time.

300735H Company "C" personnel found (2) dud M-79 rounds on AT 954695
left side of road. Rounds were blown in place.

300800H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding BT 011567-
(1) 81mm illumination round and (1) 81mm HE round 003566
and (1) M-79 round. None of the items were booby-
trapped, all were blown in place.

300915H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 994571
(1) 60mm illumination round, (1) 155 HE round and (2) 997568
81mm illumination round. Negative booby-traps, all
blown in place.

301000H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 996568
(2) 81mm illumination and (1) 81mm HE rounds. Negative
booby-traps, all were blown in place.

301050H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 999568
(1) 105 HE round. Negative booby-traps and were blown
in place.

301115H Company "D" reported being notified by Anthill of 122 AT 925576
mm rocket. Sent Company "D" personnel to blow rocket
Rocket was blown in place. Crater measured 7' deep
x 14' diameter.

301355H Company "D" reported finding (1) bangalore torpedo. AT 919598
Blown in place with a secondary explosion.

301415H 7th Engineer Battalion Land Clearing reported finding AT 999569
(1) 105 round and (1) 81mm HE round. Negative booby-traps
and blown in place.

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5750d. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

(1) Officer Assignment - See TAB A, Enclosure (1)

(2) Operations 1 - 7 April 1970

(a) Horizontal Construction - During the first seven (7) days of April, the Battalion hauled 3,869 cubic yards of rock, 1,446 cubic yards of fill and 163 cubic yards of asphalt. The breakdown follows. Route QL-1S received 1,239 cubic yards of CBR and 163 cubic yards of asphalt in support of MCB-121 upgrade operations. CBR in the amount of 2,273 cubic yards was spread and compacted on the An Hoa road, and 1,446 cubic yards of laterite fill were placed and compacted on Route 4W. In addition, 30,000 gallons of oil were spread on the Battalion's lines of communication. Four (4) EIMCO tractors are working on Go Noi Island in an effort to make this area suitable for resettlement. Two (2) EIMCO tractors are working toward the same goal at Phu Loc (6). Forms are being laid for new curbing and additional light poles are being emplaced on Liberty Bridge. The new 216' steel stringer bridge across the Tuy Loan River is progressing well with two (2) of six (6) spans in place.

(b) Vertical Construction - The drainage project for 2nd CAG near Hoi An is nearing completion. The six (6) fuel berms at MAG-16 are in the initial construction stages.

(c) Engineer Comments

(1) 3 April 1970 - 1st Bridge Company has completed installation of a 350' M4/M16-floating bridge spanning the An Tan (BT 067498).

(2) 5 April 1970 - A total of 19 revetment for the 212th Aviation Battalion have been completed thus ending this project.

(3) 6 April 1970 - A 50' observation tower has been completed for the security on Liberty Bridge.

(3) Operations 8 - 14 April 1970

(a) Horizontal Construction - The Battalion hauled a total of 4,776 cubic yards of rock, 1,700 cubic yards of fill, and 245 cubic yards of asphalt during the second week of April with the distribution as follows: MCB-121 received 2,807 cubic yards of CBR in support of their upgrade operations on Route QL-1S. They also received 245 cubic yards of asphalt. The expansion and upgrade of Route 540 received 2577 cubic yards of CBR, while Route 4W received 1700 cubic yards of laterite fill. Oil in the amount of 27,000 gallons and 37,400 gallons of water were distributed on our lines of communication. The Battalion began a new game of "tractors to the winds" during this period. Four (4) tractors continued work on Go Noi Island. The number of tractors working on the Phu Loc (6) resettlement project was increased from two (2) to four (4). Three (3) EIMCO's were sent to support the 2nd

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ROK Marine Brigade on a tactical land clearing near Hoi An. Finally we detached four (4) tractors to assist 9th Engineers in their land clearing operation being conducted on Barrier Island. The Tuy Loan Bridge is progressing well with four (4) spans in place. Both Golden Gate and London Bridges are being rewired for new lighting.

(b) Vertical Construction - The renovation of some (70) odd SEA huts for 1/5 on Hill 34 was begun. The six (6) fuel berms for MAG-16 are nearing completion.

(c) Engineer Comments

(1) 12 April 1970 - The 1st Bridge Company completed the dismantling of the 350' M4/M4T6 floating bridge at An Tan. They then moved the bridge up Route QL-1S and installed it across the Vinh An River.

(4) Operations 15 - 21 April 1970

(a) Horizontal Construction - Our trucks and pans hauled 7,088 cubic yards of earth products during this seven (7) day period. MCB-121 received 2,072 cubic yards of asphalt for their upgrade of QL-1S. A volume of 4,096 cubic yards of CBR were spread and compacted on Route 540. Route 4W received 920 cubic yards of laterite fill. Oil and water in the amounts of 28,000 gallons and 65,100 gallons respectively were spread on our lines of communication. The number of tractors working at Phu Loc (6) has now increased to six (6). There are still four (4) tractors at Barrier Island and three (3) tractors with the 2nd ROK Marine Brigade.

(b) Vertical Construction - In addition to the seventy (70) SEA huts being renovated for 1/5 on Hill 34, thirty-two (32) strong backs and one (1) 10' by 48' ammo bunker have been added to the work order. The twenty (20) head shower being constructed on Hill 10 is progressing slowly because of difficulty in obtaining the necessary plumbing fixtures.

(c) Engineer Comments

(1) 17 April 1970 - The four (4) EIMCO tractors working on Go Noi Island worked a total of 128 tractor hours in clearing 9.6 acres and building a berm around the area.

(2) 20 April 1970 - The six (6) fuel berms for MAG-16 were completed.

(5) Operations 22 - 30 April 1970

(a) Horizontal Construction - A total of 6,541 cubic yards of earth products were hauled during this nine (9) day period. Route QL-1S received 1,526 cubic yards of CBR and 840 cubic yards of asphalt in support of MCB-121's upgrade and paving operations. A total

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of 4,175 cubic yards of CBR were spread and compacted on the An Hoa road. Quantities of 40,400 gallons of oil and 81,400 gallons of water were distributed on our lines of communication. Our three (3) tractors continued land clearing on Barrier Island in conjunction with the 9th Engineer Battalion.

(b) Vertical Construction - Another addition to the work being done for 1/5 on Hill 34 is in the construction phase. Two (2) armories with overhead storage space are being built in an existing Butler building. Also, four (4) 4 - hole heads are being built. An Armco revetment previously torn down at Camp Horn in order to relocate some trailers is being rebuilt.

(c) Engineer Comments

(1) 23 April 1970 - The Phu Loc (6) land clearing project was completed with 360 tractors hours and an estimated 50,000 cubic yards of earth moved.

(2) 26 April 1970 - Ten (10) EIMCO tractors began clearing land for 200 meters on either side of Route 1-D and Route 4E in support of MCB-62's road upgrade project on these routes.

(3) 29 April 1970 - The 216', six (6) span, steel stringer, Class 15 bridge across the Tuy Loan river was completed with opening ceremonies held on this date.

e. PLANS

(1) Continue general support of all units within the 1st Marine Division TAOR, or as assigned by III MAF Headquarters.

(2) Continue maintenance of assigned roads within the 1st Marine Division TAOR as directed by III MAF Headquarters.

(3) Continue expedient maintenance of Route QL-1S.

(4) Continue upgrading of Route LTL 4 from Route 540 to Hill 65.

(5) Continue maintenance of Route 545.

(6) Continue upgrading Route 540 to An Hoa.

(7) Continued upgrading of Route 30.

(8) Continued maintenance of Route 544.

(9) Continued maintenance of Route 542.

(10) Continue maintenance of Route 10.

(11) Land Clearing on Route 4 from Route 540 to Route 1-D.

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(12) Begin upgrading Route LTL 4 from Route 540 to Route 1-D.

(13) Land Clearing on Barrier Island.

f. TRAINING

(1) 2 Officers attended Officer Leadership School (1stMarDiv)

(2) 1 Staff NCO attended Staff NCO Leadership School (1stMarDiv)

(3) 1 personnel attended Embarkation School (Okinawa)

(4) 22 personnel attended Landmine Warfare School (1stEngrBn)

(5) 1 Officer attended Registered Publication System School
(1stMarDiv)

(6) 2 NCO attended NCO Leadership School (1stMarDiv)

(7) 1 person attended Vietnamese Language School (III MAF)

(8) 1 person attended Basic Ammo Tech School (Okinawa)

(9) 1 person attended Career Planner School (Okinawa)

(10) 4 personnel attended Special Weapons School (Okinawa)

g. LOGISTICS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY

(1) Administrative

(a) 1 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Chain Saw.

(b) 1 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Tank
Fabric.

(c) 5 April 1970 - Received one (1) M-149 Water trailer
from CONUS.

(d) 6 April 1970 - Code H was given to One (1) P-158.

(e) 7 April 1970 - Received one (1) M-123 from Bridge
Company.

(f) 10 April 1970 - Invoiced one (1) M-172A1 to 9th Engr
Bn.

(g) 12 April 1970 - Invoiced two (2) RFK 60 to 1st Engr
Bn.

(h) 15 April 1970 - Received two (2) 550 graders from
CONUS.

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- (i) 18 April 1970 - Received two (2) TD-15 from CONUS.
- (j) 20 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-54.
- (k) 20 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-172A1.
- (l) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-107.
- (m) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-107.
- (n) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-107A1.
- (o) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-105.
- (p) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) M-105.
- (q) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Flood Light Unit.
- (r) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Air Compressor.
- (s) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Tester Coil.
- (t) 22 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Tester Distributor.
- (u) 26 April 1970 - Code H was given to one (1) Chain Saw.
- (v) 27 April 1970 - Received one (1) PU 720 from CONUS.
- (w) 28 April 1970 - Received one (1) Lube Unit from CONUS.
- (x) 28 April 1970 - Received one (1) M-199 from CONUS.

7th Engineer Battalion (AC 21300)

During the month of April, Battalion Supply processed 162 priority 02, 216 priority 05, and 1945 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 879 receipts from due, 879 issues from due and 94 issues from stock.

1st Bridge Company (AC 21335)

During the month of April, 1st Bridge Supply processed 28 priority 02, 35 priority 05 and 23 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 85 receipts from due, 57 issues from due, and 29 issues from stock.

Medical

The Battalion Aid Station treated 953 Military, 3 Vietnamese and 8 Civilian workers.
The Dental Clinic treated 280 Military, 0 Vietnamese and 12 Civilian workers.

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Motor Transport

7th Engineer Battalion (AC 21300)

Approximately 187,702 miles were logged in on the Battalion Motor Transport Vehicles during the month of April. There were 33,817 tons of earth products hauled 11,230 tons of general cargo and 26,817 passengers.

Maintenance

The Battalion Motor Transport Maintenance received 160 work orders, completed 128 work orders, and 30 work orders to FSR during the month of April. The Battalion Heavy Equipment Maintenance received 84 engineer work orders, completed 74 and sent 28 to FSR during April. Eleven items returned from FSR and 19 were Code H during April.

Messing

The Battalion Messhall continues to provide four (4) meals daily except Sunday. The fourth meal being Mid-rations for duty personnel. On Sundays and holidays a brunch is served replacing breakfast and dinner.

h. CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION

(1) Civil Affairs

- (a) The medcaps provided treatment for 140 people.
- (b) Gave out 10 General WALT Scholarships in our CAAOR.
- (c) Construction of market place in Tung-Son is currently under way and is about 80% completed. Completion date is estimated to be 19 May 1970.
- (d) The village of Hoa Thanh has acquired enough materials from District to begin construction of Hospital facility at Ab Ngai reconstructing an already existent building. No estimated completion date at this time.
- (e) Gave the village of Hoa Thanh all excess materials in the S-5 warehouse. This consisted of farm tools, athletic equipment, carpenters tools, blacksmith tools, a small amount of clothing, blankets, feed (swine), and a small quantity of foodstuffs. These materials were given to the village chief for distribution to all hamlets.
- (f) Conducted liaison with 10th POLWAR and 29th Civil Affairs concerning sorghum projects within our CAAOR.

(2) Personal Response

- (a) There have been no Personal Response classes held during the month of April.

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(3) PSYOPS

(a) There were two movies held in An Ngai Dong hamlet with approximately 250 people each time participating.

(b) There was one movie held in Hoa Ninh with approximately 150 people participating.

(c) There was one movie held in Phu-Thuong with approximately 250 people participating.

(d) There were two movies held in An Ngai Tay with approximately 350 people participating at each movie.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- ✓ 1. Officer Assignments, See TAB A of Enclosure (1)

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| <u>NAME</u> | <u>SERNO/MOS</u> | <u>RANK</u> | <u>PRIMARY DUTY</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------|
| <u>"C" COMPANY</u> | | | | |
| MUNDY, M. E. | 097485/1302/0430 | Capt | CoO | 26Aug70 |
| ACORD, R. E. | 0109267/1302/1320 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 3Jan71 |
| HANDEL, W. M. | 0108211/1302 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 25Sep70 |
| KNUTSON, K. P. | 0111182/1302 | 2ndLt | PltCmdr | 26Dec70 |
| SASSANO, R. J. | 0108645/1302/1310 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 14Sep70 |
| CHASE, S. M. | 0105390/1302/9940 | 1stLt | CoCmdr | 28Oct70 |

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| <u>"D" COMPANY</u> | | | | |
| BRENNAN, J. E. | 087475/1302/6709 | Capt | CoCmdr | 3Mar71 |
| BARB, R. A. | 0108878/1302/1390 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 19Oct70 |
| HILL, P. H. III | 0108504/1302 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 25Oct70 |
| GARLISCH, G. R. | 0110606/1302 | 2ndLt | PltCmdr | 3Dec70 |
| PHILLIPS, W. H. | 0111186/1302 | 2ndLt | PltCmdr | 26Dec70 |
| CAROWAY, D. L. | 0110799/1310 | WO | PltCmdr | 21Sep70 |

1ST BRIDGE COMPANY

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|------------------|-------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| NICOLOSI, D. JR. | 0107965/1302 | 1stLt | CoCmdr | 9Jul70 |
| MCCUE, W. S. | 0108718/1302/1310 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 19Sep70 |
| DEMARCO, M. J. | 0108585/1302 | 1stLt | PltCmdr | 14Sep70 |
| AYCOCK, L. E. | 0110536/1301/1310 | 2ndLt | PltCmdr | 3Mar71 |
| KINGSBURY, D. J. | 0107427/3002 | 1stLt | SupO | 20Aug70 |
| MARINACCI, N. J. | 0111051/1301 | 2ndLt | PltCmdr | 3Mar71 |

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|-----------------|-------------|----|------------|---------|
| MELSON, S. J. | 743523/2105 | Lt | BnSurgeon | 9Jul70 |
| FLETCHER, J. R. | 687152/4105 | Lt | BnChaplain | 24Jan71 |
| CAMPBELL, L. G. | 708267/2200 | Lt | BnDentist | 9Jan70 |

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