

HEADQUARTERS
7th Motor Transport Battalion, FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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9 Jan 1967

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

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1Dec66 to 31Dec66

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: (1) December 1966 Command Chronology

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

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Dec 66

PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

7th Motor Transport Battalion
FPO, San Francisco, Calif 96602

COMMANDER

Maj S. H. BATCHELDER
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters & Service Company

Capt H. D. JACKSON
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

Company "A"

2ndLt W. W. NEILL
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

Company "B"

1stLt J. T. DUNN
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

Company "C"

Capt P. S. BRADLEY
1Dec66 - 17Dec66

Capt T. I. PITTMAN
18Dec66 - 31Dec66

Transport Company

2ndLt J. P. DOODY
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "A"
9th Motor Transport Battalion

2ndLt J. C. NELLIS
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

Transport Company
9th Motor Transport Battalion

Capt W. R. MURPHY
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

2. LOCATION

1Dec66 - 31Dec66: DA NANG, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

S-1/Adjutant

2ndLt J. E. SOMMERHAUSER
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

Enclosure (1)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1Dec66 TO 31Dec66

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Capt J. L. BARKER
1Dec66 - 31Dec66

S-4/Supply Officer

1stLt R. M. HUTCHINSON
1Dec66 - 21Dec66Capt D. J. CALLAGHAN, JR.
22Dec66 - 31Dec66

Battalion Medical Officer

Lt D. L. STOUT USNR
1Dec66 - 31Dec664. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
15	350

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	7

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the subject period covered 7th Motor Transport Battalion (-) continued operations under administrative/operational control of 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF. Transport Company and Company "B", 7th Motor Transport Battalion continued operational control, Task Force X-Ray Chu Lai, RVN.

The operational summary information shown below is not to include detached elements of 7th Motor Transport Battalion, but to include attached units.

	<u>TACTICAL</u>	<u>LOGISTICAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Number of Trips	1765	11844	13609
b. Miles Traveled	23232	120080	143312
c. Personnel Transported	3746	28444	32190
d. Cargo Transported (Tons)	2394	87402	89796

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

3 Dec Convoy comprised of 7 task vehicles of Transport Company 9th, 1 task vehicle of C Company 7th and 7 task vehicles of A Company 9th transported 41 tons of Class II from 3rd Shore Party Battalion (AT 982745) to 3/7 CP (AT 920580). Con-

voy departed SP (AT 984726) at 031100H and returned to SP (AT 984726) at 031640H.
 Convoy received 15-20 rounds of SA fire from vicinity of (AT 943669) while stopped at (AT 942669). Vehicles sustained no damage, no fire was returned.

- 10 Dec Rough Rider convoy comprised of 22 task vehicle of C Company 7th transported 15 tons of Classes I, IV and V to Chu Lai RVN. Convoy departed SP (AT 984726) at 101015H and returned to SP (AT 984726) at 121830H.
 Convoy stopped at 121520H due to impassable 15 foot break in the road at (BT 101515). While stopped convoy received 50-60 rounds of SA sniper fire from vicinity (BT 105515), approximately 50 rounds of SA fire was returned. One Vietnamese civilian was injured due to sniper fire and was evacuated by helicopter. Security troops were provided by Kilo Company 3/1.
- 20 Dec A tactical Rough Rider convoy comprised of 10 task vehicles of Transport Company 9th, 6 task vehicles of A Company 7th, 5 task vehicles of A Company 9th transported 50 tons of Class II supplies from (AT 984726) to FLSG-B Chu Lai RVN. Convoy departed SP (AT 984726) at 200835H and returned to SP (AT 984726) at 211515H. Operational control and security provided by Alpha Company 1/1.
- 28 Dec Provided transportation for 927 troops from parent units to III MAF Amphitheater and return to parent unit CP's in conjunction with the USO Show.
 Transported 276 1st Marine Division replacement troops to Marine Air Freight, Da Nang.
 Transported 190 1st Marine Division replacement troops to parent unit CP's.
 Transported 167 3rd Marine Division replacement troops to Marine Air Freight, Da Nang.
- 29 Dec Transported 700 3rd Marine Division replacement troops to Marine Air Freight, Da Nang.
 Transported 357 1st Marine Division replacement troops to Marine Air Freight, Da Nang.
 Transported 200 1st Marine Division replacement troops to parent units.
 Transported 352 11th Motor Transport Battalion troops and 50 tons of organic supplies to 11th Motor Transport Battalion CP.

PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Supporting Documents

- a.✓ SITREP 154-66, period 030001H to 032400H
- b.✓ SITREP 163-66, period 120001H to 122400H
- c.✓ BSO No. 132-66 dtd 2Dec66
- d.✓ BSO No. 150-66 dtd 15Dec66
- e.✓ BSO No. 151-66 dtd 22Dec66

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7th Motor Transport Battalion, FMF
APO, San Francisco, California 96602

3/JLB/trh
3500
3 Dec 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (rein), FMF (SC-3)

Subj: SITREP 154-66, period 030001H to 032400H

1. Unit Operations. Convoy comprised of 7 task vehicles of Transport Company 9th, 1 task vehicle of C Company 7th and 7 task vehicles of A Company 9th transported 41 tons of Class II from 3rd Shore Party Battalion (AT 982745) to 3rd Battalion 7th Marines CP (AT 920580). Convoy departed SP (AT 984726) at 031100H and returned to SP (AT 984726) at 031640H.

2. Contacts. Convoy received 15-20 rounds of SA fire from (AT 943669) while convoy was stopped on Hwy #5 at (AT 942669). There was no fire returned.

3. Battalion Readiness. 7thMEBn remains in direct support of the 1st Marine Division. Following is a summary of vehicle availability:

Total vehicles on hand	114
Total deadlined	13
Total available for support of 1st Marine Division on 4 December 1966	101
Total vehicles utilized on 3 December 1966	88

J. L. BARKER
By direction

TAB A

HEADQUARTERS
7th Motor Transport Battalion, PAF
APO, San Francisco, California 96602

3/JLB/trh
3500
12 Dec 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Main), PAF (SC-3)

Subj: SITREP 163-66, period 120001H to 122400H

1. Unit Operations. Rough Rider Convoy comprised of 22 tank vehicles of C Company 7th transported 15 tons of Classes I, IV and V. 52 security personnel were provided by Kilo Co., 3/1. Convoy departed SF (AF 984726) at 101015H and returned to SF (AF 984726) at 121830H.
2. Contacts. At 121520H rough rider convoy had stopped at (SF 101515) due to a 15 foot break in the road. While convoy was stopped they received 50-60 rounds of sniper fire from SF 105515. Convoy returned approximately 50 rounds of SA fire. One Vietnamese was injured and was MED Evaced by helicopter.
3. Battalion Readiness. 7thMTRB remains in direct support of the 1st Marine Division. Following is a summary of vehicle availability:

Total vehicles on hand	114
Total deadlined	15
Total available for support of 1st	
Marine Division on 13 December 1966	101
Total vehicles utilized on 12 December 1966	95

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By direction

TAB B

HEADQUARTERS
7th Motor Transport Battalion, FME
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

1/JES/mcc

TAB C

BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER
NUMBER.....132-66

1. The following reassignments are effected. Service Records, Pay Account, and Embosses Metal Plate will be entrusted to the individual or delivered by hand to the unit to which assigned on the effective date of transfer.

NAME	UNIT	ED	REPORT TO
2ndLt J. P. DOODY	: H&S Co	: 20Nov66	: CO, Trans Co fordu
092032/3502 USMCR	:	:	:
2ndLt M. W. NEILL	: H&S Co	: 22Nov66	: Co, A Co fordu
091596/3502 USMCR	:	:	:

2. The following assignments are effected.

NAME	UNIT	ED	REMARKS
2ndLt J. B. SOMMERHAUSER	: H&S Co	: 22Nov66	: Pri du as CO H&S Co vice 2ndLt M.W. NEILL 091596/3502
097935/0130	:	:	: reassigned ADD Battalion Adjutant
2ndLt J. P. DOODY	: Trans Co	: 1Dec66	: Pri du as CO Trans Co vice Capt J. H. CARTER 088795/
092032/3502 USMCR	:	:	: 3502 transferred
2ndLt M. W. NEILL	: A Co	: -do-	: Pri du as CO "A" Co vice Capt T. C. KOELING III
091596/3502 USMCR	:	:	: 088883/3502 tranferred
2ndLt J. B. SOMMERHAUSER	: H&S Co	: 22Nov66	: ADD Bn MessO, Hq Comdt, Bn SpeServO, BnFireSecurityO
097935/0130	:	:	: Bn AthleticO, Bn Industrial RelationsO, Bn GuardO
:	:	:	: Bn EducationO vice 2ndLt M.W. NEILL 091596/3502
:	:	:	: reassigned
2ndLt G. T. STARKWEATHER	: A Co	: -do-	: ADD Bn Motor Vehicle Accident InvestigationO vice
094037/3501 USMCR	:	:	: 2ndLt M. W. NEILL 091596/3502 reassigned

TAB C

S. H. BATCHELDER
Major, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding Officer

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1/JES/ddw
15 Dec 1966

TAB D

BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER
NUMBER 150-66

1. The following reassignment is effected. Service Record, Pay Account, and Embossed Metal Plate will be entrusted to the individual or delivered by hand to the unit to which assigned on the effective date of transfer.

NAME	UNIT	ED	REPORT TO	BY
SSgt MCGOVERN, L. 1389229/3537	: C Co	: 15Dec66	: CO, H&S Co fordu w/S#	: 1300 : 15Dec66
PFC MELLO, R. C. 2148656/3531	: -do-	: -do-	: CO, H&S Co fordu	: -do-
LCpl ESPINOZA, T. H. 1968939/3531	: H&S Co	: -do-	: CO, C Co fordu	: -do-

2. The following assignment is effected.

NAME	UNIT	ED	REMARKS
Capt PITTMAN, T. O. 088950/3502	: C Co	: 18Dec66	: Pri du as CO C Co vice Capt P. S. BRADLEY 080694 : USMC

3. The following reduction was effected.

NAME	UNIT	TO	DATE OF RANK	REMARKS
PFC CARTER, T. L. 2262895/3531	: C Co	: Pvt	: 14Dec66	: Auth Art 15, UCMJ

S. H. BATCHELDER
Major, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding Officer

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22 Dec 1966

TAB E

BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER
NUMBER151-66

1. The following assignments are effected.

NAME	UNIT	ED	REMARKS
Capt D. J. CALLAGHAN Jr. 088794/3002	: H&S Co:	22Dec66	: Asg Pri Du as Bn S-4 vice 1stLt
1stSgt S. J. NELSON 4540089/9999	: -do- :	-do-	: R. M. HUTCHINSON Jr. 089955/3002
HMC B. E. CLARK 7988970 USN 8404	: -do- :	-do-	: Asg Add Du as Bn Enl Asst to Bn S-5
	: -do- :	-do-	: Asg Add Du as Bn Hospitalman Asst to
	: :	:	: Bn S-5

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