

HEADQUARTERS
7th Motor Transport Battalion
Force Logistic Command, FMFPac
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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3 Oct 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, Force Logistic Command, FMFPac
(Attn: AGofS, G-2)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 September to 30
September 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8

Encl: (1) September 1967 Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 September 1967 to 30 September 1967

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. UNIT DESIGNATION

7th Motor Transport Battalion
Force Logistic Command, FMFPac
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COMMANDER

Maj S. H. BATCHELDER
1Sep67-10Sep67

Maj L. D. THOMAS
11Sep67-30Sep67

Subordinate Units

Headquarters & Service Company

Capt J. D. PARRIS III
1Sep67-30Sep67

Company "A"

1stLt G. T. STARKWEATHER
1Sep67-30Sep67

Company "B"

Capt J. L. BARKER
1Sep67-30Sep67

Company "C"

1stLt G. S. MOKISSOCK
1Sep67-30Sep67

Transport Company

Capt T. G. MARTINSON
1Sep67-30Sep67

2. LOCATION

1Sep67-30Sep67, DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

S-1/Adjutant

WO-1 I. L. KUNI
1Sep67-30Sep67

S-2/S-3

Capt R. W. SMITH
1Sep67-30Sep67

S-4/Supply Officer

2ndLt R. E. KESLER JR.
1Sep67-30Sep67

S-5

Capt J. D. PARRIS III
1Sep67-30Sep67

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
21	360	0	0

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During this reporting period, 7th Motor Transport Battalion remained under the operational and administrative control of Force Logistic Command, DaNang, RVN. Company "B" remained in the Phu Bai TAOR in direct support of Force Logistic Support Group ALPHA. On 3 September three (3) M52A2/127 were destroyed at Dong Ha, during a Rocket/Mortar attack. During the period 4-28 September vehicles of 7th Motor Transport Battalion transported 242 tons of all classes of supplies in support of Operations Swift and Shelbyville.

2. The Operational Summary shown herein includes all elements of 7th Motor Transport Battalion during the reporting period.

a. Number of trips	4,348
b. Miles traveled	133,182
c. Personnel transported	21,165
d. Cargo transported (tons)	37,020

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. 1 September Cpl E. H. CLARK III, "A" Company, was awarded Meritorious Mast by the Battalion Commander for Meritorious Service.
2. 3 September three (3) M52A2/127 were destroyed at Dong Ha during a Rocket/Mortar attack.
3. 10 September GySgt E. B. BICKLEY, Transport Company, was awarded Meritorious Mast by the Battalion Commander for Meritorious Service.
4. 10 September Cpl D. E. BOUDREAU, "C" Company, was awarded Meritorious Mast by the Battalion Commander for Meritorious Service.
5. 11 September Maj L. D. THOMAS assumed duties as Commanding Officer vice Maj S. H. BATCHELDER detached 12 September.
6. 1-30 September 1stSgt E. J. JACKSON, "B" Company; LCpl M. VERDUSCO, "B" Company; LCpl F. W. LILLEY, "B" Company; Sgt J. A. JOHNSON, H&S Company; and PFC F. J. SCHWEITZER, H&S Company, were presented the Purple Heart Medal for wounds received during Rocket/Mortar/Artillery attacks on Dong Ha, Phu Bai and Red Beach, DaNang, RVN.

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7. 4-28 September in support of Operations Swift and Shelbyville, 7th Motor Transport Battalion hauled 242 tons of various classes of supplies.

PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. BnBul 1650 of 1 Sep 1967
2. BnBul 1650 of 10 Sep 1967
3. BnBul 1650 of 10 Sep 1967
4. BnO 1301.6 of 11 Sep 1967
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6. NOTAL

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BnBul 1650
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 1 Sep 1967

BATTALION BULLETIN 1650

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast

Ref: (a) MCO P5000.3; MARCORPERSMAN, par. 8052
 (b) MCO P5000.3; MARCORPERSMAN, par. 15114.1f

1. Purpose. To publish a Meritorious Mast, held in accordance with reference (a).

2. Meritorious Mast. A Meritorious Mast was held for Corporal Earl H. CLARK III 2957411/3531 U. S. Marine Corps, on 1 September 1967 at Headquarters, 7th Motor Transport Battalion, for meritorious service as follows:

"During the period 26 April 1966 to 1 September 1967 you have performed your assigned duties in Company "A" in an exemplary manner. Duties performed during the above period were: driver, company dispatcher and section leader of the 2nd Section, 2nd Platoon.

Throughout your entire 18 months tour in the Republic of Vietnam you have shown extreme enthusiasm, superb leadership and professional competence. Of particular note was the period 1 October 1966 to 15 December 1966 in which you served as company dispatcher, a billet normally held by a Sergeant. With no prior experience in dispatching, your immediate enthusiasm and willingness to learn enabled you to rapidly adjust to the situation at hand, resulting in an outstanding performance.

Upon reassignment as section leader, you have demonstrated the ability to plan ahead and organize your men into an efficient and smooth operating force. During periods of adverse weather conditions and at a time when your section was extremely short handed, you accomplished your duties with extreme competence and resourcefulness, never leaving loose ends for others to complete. Your constant supervision has led to an outstanding degree of performance of your men and vehicles of the 2nd Section, 2nd Platoon.

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By your own initiative, professional competence, leadership and devotion to duty, you have set an outstanding example for your subordinates to follow and have been most commendable to your superiors."

3. Action. The Commanding Officer, "A" Company will comply with the provisions of reference (b).

4. Self-cancellation. 1 March 1967.

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DISTRIBUTION: "A"

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SHB/avd
10 Sep 1967

BATTALION BULLETIN 1650

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast

Ref: (a) MCO P5000.3, MARCORPERSMAN, par. 8052
(b) MCO P5000.3, MARCORPERSMAN, par. 15114.1f

1. Purpose. To publish a Meritorious Mast, held in accordance with reference (a).

2. Meritorious Mast. A Meritorious Mast was held for Gunnery Sergeant Edward B. BICKLEY 608447/3537 U. S. Marine Corps, on 10 September 1967 at Headquarters, 7th Motor Transport Battalion, for meritorious service as follows:

"Since joining this Battalion on 11 September 1966, you have exhibited initiative, drive and leadership qualities to an extremely high degree. Your professional knowledge, coupled with a keen and sincere desire to accomplish your Company's, as well as your Battalion's mission, has resulted in a very high rate of vehicle availability while working under the most adverse conditions. On 31 January 1967 Transport Company began to phase in the M52A2 multi-fuel tractor and the M127 trailer, and phase out of the M54. At that time only you and three other Marines were licensed to operate tractor trailers. A training program was initiated by you, for the drivers, and within a period of about one month, and while still meeting all operational commitments, all drivers within Transport Company were licensed to operate the new tractor trailer and had a basic working knowledge of the multi-fuel engine.

Your professional competence, high degree of motivation and thoroughness in completion of assigned tasks provide an excellent example to your superiors and subordinates alike, and is in keeping with the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps."

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3. Action. The Commanding Officer, Transport Company will comply with the provisions of reference (b).

4. Self-cancellation. 10 March 1968.

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1. Purpose. To publish a Meritorious Mast, held in accordance with reference (a).

2. Meritorious Mast. A meritorious Mast was held for Lance Corporal Daniel E. BOUDREAU 2231776/3531 U. S. Marine Corps, on 10 September 1967 at Headquarters, 7th Motor Transport Battalion, for meritorious service as follows:

"During the period 1 August - 31 August 1967 while performing mess duty at the Headquarters and Service Battalion Mess Hall you were assigned the duties of Chief Messman.

As Chief Messman the duties incumbent upon you included the overall cleanliness of the mess hall and supervision of all messmen, which duties are normally assigned to a food service specialist of a higher rank.

By energetic resourcefulness and resolute application of leadership principles you competently organized and supervised the messmen in your charge overcoming the adverse conditions inherent in field mess operations thereby achieving a sanitation rating of excellent assigned by the Force Logistic Command Sanitation Officer.

Your exemplary performance of duty during this period reflects great credit upon yourself and this Command."

3. Action. The Commanding Officer, Company "C" will comply with the provisions of reference (b).

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4. Self-cancellation. 10 March 1968.

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BnO 1301.6
1/ILK/avd
11 Sep 1967

BATTALION ORDER 1301.6

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Assumption of Command

Ref: (a) Navy Reg., art. 0503
(b) FLCSO 204-67

1. Purpose. To publish an Assumption of Command as required by reference (a).

2. Cancellation. BnO 1301.5

3. Directive. I have assumed the duties of Commanding Officer, 7th Motor Transport Battalion, Force Logistic Command, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, FPO, San Francisco 96602, this date, as directed by reference (b). All effective orders and directives issued by my predecessors remain in effect.

L. D. Thomas
L. D. THOMAS

DISTRIBUTION: "A" plus CG, FLC

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