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3rd Battalion, 7th Marines  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: CG, 1st Marine Division, FMF

Via: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines  
Commanding Officer, 7th Marines

Subj: Command Chronology; month of January 1967

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Ref: Marine Corps Order 5750.2a

- Encls: (1) Copy, Battalion Operation Order 1-67  
(2) Copy, Battalion Administration Order 1-67  
(3) Overlay indicating positions of units at 312400H January 1967

1. In accordance with reference (a), the Command Chronology for the month of January 1967 is submitted.
2. A Commander's Narrative of Significant Events has been included in the Command Chronology.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY, 3RD BATTALION, 7TH MARINES, JANUARY 19671. Organizational Data.

- a. Location: DAI LOC, RVN, New District, RVN, DUC PRO, RVN
- b. Period Covered: 1-31 January 1967
- c. Commanding Officer, Staff and Chief Subordinates:

Commanding Officer	LTCOL R. J. O'LEARY
Executive Officer	MAJOR F. G. BAIDERSOM 1-25 Jan 1967
	MAJOR R. C. RICE 26-31 Jan 1967
Adjutant	2ndLT W. L. KELLER, JR.
Personnel Officer	2ndLT K. J. WILKINSON
S-2	CAPT. L. J. CULMER
S-3	MAJOR F. V. WHITE, JR.
AIO	CAPT L. A. GIBSON
S-4	CAPT A. L. ORR
Supply Officer	2ndLT G. C. RAMBUSH
MFO	2ndLT J. A. WILSON
Bn Surgeon	LT R. P. McCAULEY (MC) USN
Bn Chaplain	LT JG D. W. PEDERSEN (ChC) USN
Comm O	CAPT C. W. ROSS
Civil Affairs O (S-5)	1stLT S. A. MILLER
Ans Co.	CAPT J. W. HEARY 1-25 Jan 1967
	2ndLT D. R. MICHA DS 26-31 Jan 1967
Co I	CAPT E. M. CLARK
Co II	CAPT D. D. DUBOIS
Co L	CAPT E. BOYD 1-25 Jan 1967
	CAPT J. W. HEARY 26-31 Jan 1967
Co M	CAPT K. W. JOHNSON

- d. Attachments as of 312400n January 1967: See Annex A of Enclosure (1).
- e. Average Monthly Strength During Period:
 

USMC	32 Officers	USN	3 Officers
	1214 Enlisted		51 Enlisted

2. Sequential Listing of Significant Events, Especially As They Relate to:

a. Personnel. The total number of personnel on hand within 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines as of 31 January 1967 was 1323. The total effective strength on 31 January 1967 was 1277. During the month of January, 118 new personnel were joined to this unit, while 105 were dropped from the rolls. A total of 6 have rotated, 119 were KIA, 29 KIA, and 11 were evacuated as non-battle casualties. A total of 24 non-battle casualties were returned to duty by 31 January 1967.

b. Administration. No unusual or significant problem areas were noted.

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c. Intelligence. Intelligence of a meaningful nature was not received. Initial intelligence gained in the DUC Pao area on Operation DUSOFO was unrated. From 26 January to 31 January, the evaluation of intelligence from sources in the DUC Pao area was indefinite and appropriate liaison was made to facilitate future evaluation.

d. Training.

(1) Formal training consisted of: (1) a two-day indoctrination on the M-16 rifle was conducted by a 1st Marine Division contact team for selected personnel of the battalion. Training consisted of nomenclature, functioning and familiarization firing. Twenty-five M-16 rifles were issued to the battalion to provide capability for indoctrinating additional personnel. (2) a two-day lecture/demonstration of the Manpack Personnel Detector (Chemical) was given by a 1st Marine Division team. Two such devices were issued to the battalion for tactical usage when appropriate.

(2) Informal infantry training was conducted on the company level and included, in particular, training carried out in the Combined Action Companies OPCOM to 3rd Bn, 7th Marines in the Dai NUC Pao. Marines and Popular Forces engaged in reciprocal language training, weaponry, and scouting and patrolling DUT.

(3) One officer attended the one-week JUSMPO Advisory Orientation in Saigon.

e. Special Operations.

(1) Frequent company and platoon size sweeps were conducted; extensive small unit patrols and ambushes continued throughout the battalion month.

(2) Operation COMDO, (internal battalion unclassified code name), a battalion (-) search and destroy operation, was conducted west of Hill 65 in the Dai NUC Pao on 9-10 January.

(3) On 27 January, 3rd Bn, 7th Marines initiated Operation DUSOFO in DUC Pao, Quang Nam Province; this operation continued through the end of the month.

f. Nuclear, Biological, Chemical, or other special types of warfare.

g. Command and Control. During the period 010001d Jan to 220800h Jan the 3rd Bn, 7th Marines was OPCOM, 9th Marines, and ADCOM 1st Marine Division; from 220800h Jan through the end of the month: OPCOM Task Force 2-day and ADCOM 7th Marines. 3rd Bn, 7th Marines assumed OPCOM Company M, 3rd Bn, 5th Marines at 311730h January in conjunction with Operation DUSOFO. Lieutenant Colonel R. J. O'Neil was in command throughout the month.

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h. Close Combat. The actions engaged in on Operation COMBON and Operation DESORO constituted the most significant close combat. (See sub par 3d (6))

i. Fire Support.

(1) Battery "C", 1st Bn, 11th Marines continued to provide outstanding fire support to 3rd Bn, 7th Marines in the DAI LOC PAOR. During the first two weeks of January, the battery fired 47 observed fire missions resulting in 14 VC KIA (conf) and 22 VC KIA (prob). Observed missions were fired on interdiction targets of boat traffic on the SOG VC GIA and in support of Operation COMBON.

(2) Battery "H", 2nd Bn, 12th Marines was in direct support of the battalion at the MI DAMANG PAOR. One observed fire mission was conducted resulting in one VC KIA (conf).

(3) Battery "I", 3rd Bn, 11th Marines was assigned in direct support of the battalion upon displacement to MUI DAMG on 27 January in support of Operation DESORO. Battery "I's" four-gun battery, with reinforcing fires from one platoon of 155mm howitzers (ARVN) located at MUI DAMG, provided the battalion with consistently outstanding fire support during the initial phases of Operation DESORO. From 27 January to 31 January, on Operation DESORO, 43 observed and 40 unobserved fire missions were fired in support of the battalion. A total of 372 rounds HE, 223 rounds AP, 5 rounds smoke and 3 rounds illumination were fired, resulting in 25 VC KIA (conf), 10 VC KIA (prob) and extensive structural damage to fortified hamlets in the vicinity of MUI DAMG.

j. Logistics. From 1-31 Jan, the logistics support of 3rd Bn, 7th Marines was accomplished with few serious problems. Significantly, the battalion executed three successful displacements: a tactical move from the DAI LOC PAOR to the MI DAMANG PAOR; an administrative move from the MI DAMANG PAOR to a staging area at CHU LAI; and a tactical move from CHU LAI to the DUC PAO area, Quang Nam Province, to initiate Operation DESORO.

(1) The move from DAI LOC to MI DAMANG, completed on 10 Jan, was ordered to facilitate logistical support by displacing closer to the air and sea facilities at DAMANG; dependence on weather and uncertain road conditions was a serious problem in the DAI LOC area during the monsoon season. Minimum essential equipment was carried by all hands; other equipment was staged at 3rd Shore Party Battalion. MSG Alpha repaired organic weapons and equipment on a priority basis. The vehicular move, beginning on 12 Jan with advance liaison parties, was completed sufficiently to assume tactical control and responsibility over the PAOR on 15 Jan.

(2) The administrative move to CHU LAI was accomplished by KC-130 air-lifts of personnel beginning on 22 Jan with Co M and an advance Battalion Command Group. Co L completed the movement on 24 Jan. Again, minimum combat essential gear was carried by all hands. Most of the battalion's equipment, including that previously staged at 3rd Shore Party Battalion, was transported to CHU LAI by LSP, arriving there on 27 Jan. While at CHU LAI, the administrative plan was developed for supporting Operation DESORO by establishing an

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LSA at DUC PHO. Refitting, redistribution and issue of equipment to the battalion was also accomplished while elements of the battalion remained at CHU LAM. The tactical movement to the DUC PHO area commenced on 26 Jan with Co L(-) displacing by motor march to QUANG NAM airfield and thence by helicopter to DAI LANG.

(3) Logistically, Operation DUC PHO, with its requirement for establishment of an LSA, was unique in that terrain and the tactical situation demanded all support be accomplished by helicopter. By D plus 3 (31 Jan) the logistical build-up was lagging from the anticipated 50 tons per day.

k. Air Defense. None

1. Close Air Support. Fixed-wing aircraft strikes were extensively used in the initial stages of Operation DUC PHO, beginning 26 January and continuing through the end of the month. Fixed-wing aircraft provided daily preparation and supporting fires using mixed ordnance, primarily directed at entrenched Viet Cong in heavily fortified positions. Close air support aircraft were controlled by aerial observers, tactical air controllers airborne, ground forward air controllers or combinations of the three. MAG 11, MAG 12 and MAG 13 provided the fixed-wing support during Operation DUC PHO with 50 attack missions. Details of close air support missions in support of operations are described in par 3.

m. Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations/Pacification.

(1) 3rd Bn, 7th Marines assisted with the registration, control and movement of approximately 230 families from areas west of Hill 65 to DAI LOC area.

(2) Co L began an aggressive CA program 12 January in hamlet of DUYEN SON (1). Co L assisted with renovating a dispensary, construction of public showers, latrines, and distribution of clothing and soap.

(3) Public showers were constructed in the hamlet of TAM HOA from 8-15 January.

(4) From 8-12 January, 250 pounds of clothing, 200 bars of soap and 700 pounds of rice were distributed within DAI LOC District. In addition, 30 bags of cement were provided for DUYEN SON (4) and TAM HOA.

(5) Assistance continued to be provided the TUY LOAN (MIEN DUC District) Public Health project at AF 945699. The project included activation of public health showers, methane generators, improvements on the dispensary and distribution of lanterns.

n. Commander's Narrative of Significant Events.

a. 3rd Bn, 7th Marines was relieved of tactical responsibility for the DAI LOC PHO by the 2nd Bn, 4th Marines, and simultaneously assumed tactical responsibility for the DAI LANG PHO from the 2nd Bn, 4th Marines at 151500Z Jan.

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the battalion retained OPCO over the NV Damang LAO for approximately one week prior to administrative displacement to CAU LAI and further tactical displacement beginning 27 Jan into the DUC PHO area, JONG NGAI Province, to commence Operation DLSORO.

b. Within the DAI LOC LAO and the NV Damang LAO, intensive small unit patrolling and ambushing was conducted. Artillery interdiction of traffic on the SOG VU GIA west of DAI LOC continued. Contact was infrequent in the NV Damang LAO.

c. On 27 January 3rd Bn, 7th Marines initiated Operation DLSORO, which continued through the end of the month. Contact with Viet Cong forces varied from light to heavy; details are contained in sub par d (b) below.

d. Significant events which occurred during the month are developed below in chronological order.

(1) During New Year's truce period, approximately 100 separate crossings of suspected VC supply boats were observed moving both north and south on the SOG VU GIA from an OP on hill 65 (DAI LOC); armed VC were not sighted.

(2) Co K, conducting Phase I of Operation GOLDOR, reported negative enemy contact during a reconnaissance-in-force of the high ground northwest and west of hill 65 from 5 January through 8 January.

(3) An A4 "Skyhawk" crashed at the western foot of hill 65 at 1024h on 5 January. Co I provided immediate security around the aircraft. The pilot was successfully picked up at AF 873568 by helicopters after successfully ejecting from the aircraft by parachute. Co I directed 90MM fire on 5 VC who attempted to approach the pilot from the south bank of the SOG VU GIA; result 5 VC KIA (prob).

(4) Operation GOLDOR was a two-phased battalion (-) search and destroy operation of the BAI PHA, LA PHA, LAU PHUNG and LOC PHUNG hamlet complexes west of hill 65 to Grid Line 20 in DAI LOC District. During Phase I, Co K conducted a recon-in-force of the high ground from vic AF 9263 to vic AF 8258 during the period 5-8 January; Co K then moved into pre-planned blocking positions astride suspected VC withdrawal routes to support Phase II of the operation. Phase II began at 090730h Jan with Co I moving from hill 65 westward, guiding route 14. Upon Co I's movement, Co K twice observed groups of armed VC fleeing objective area westward. Artillery fire brought to bear resulted in 4 VC KIA (prob). Co I, sweeping westward, came under heavy semi-automatic and automatic weapons fire from an estimated force of 30 VC in concealed positions at AF 820552. Co I engaged VC with 60MM mortar fire, small arms, and artillery blocking fires to west. VC broke contact. Co I pursued and completed the destruction of 3 friendly KIA and 6 KIA. A SHADOHAI platoon of Co M was heli-lifted to positions on hill 52 west of VC positions to exploit the contact. Co I continued to move to preassigned blocking positions from vic AF 822575 to vic AF 803587, receiving sporadic sniper fire from VC positions to southwest. Following landing of platoon SHADOHAI, Co I continued westward sweep, surprising group of ten armed VC attempting to flee south by boat across SOG VU

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GIA. Co I took VC under fire when VC were approximately 200 meters offshore; results: 10 VC KIA. Co K's search of treeline at AF 811568 resulted in one detainee. Upon landing at Hill 52, SP4 R00M1A platoon observed undetermined number of VC fleeing north vic AF 205562. Platoon engaged VC at long range with M-60 fire and directed fixed-wing aircraft on target areas. Lowering cloud ceiling and extreme range made accurate surveillance of target area impossible. From Hill 52 the platoon also took four armed VC fleeing westward at AF 206555 under fire. Two VC were dragged off by others. Contact resulted in two VC KIA (prob). In two additional daytime contacts, Co I captured one VC POW wearing green utilities found hiding in a cave at AF 804556, and took under fire with small arms two more fleeing VC at AF 807567 (two VC KIA (prob)). Co I conducted sweep westward to vicinity of previous air strikes with no further contact, and repositioned east of Hill 52, 800 meters south of Co K, at AF 805558 for night defense. Co I search of the N. MIA hamlet complex produced considerable quantities of VC medical gear. At approximately 1900H, Co K, in defensive positions at AF 805558, came under brief, but heavy small arms attack from unknown number of VC; attack included several rifle grenades or 60mm. Co I and Co K coordinated return of 60mm mortar and heavy volume of small arms on VC positions at AF 804556 and AF 803557; results of this brief action: four friendly MIAs and three VC KIA (prob). VC broke contact. On morning of 10 January, Co K was helilifted from vic nighttime positions to company combat base vic Dai LOC. Co I displaced by foot to Hill 65.

## Results of Operation:

	USMC		VC
KIA	3	KIA (conf)	10
WIA	10	KIA (prob)	11
		Detainees	1
		POWs	1

(5) A four-man daytime observation post of Co L at Hill 22 (Dai LOC) was attacked by an estimated squad or larger size enemy force at 111400H January; results: 3 USMC KIA and one USMC DD, four individual weapons and one RUC-25 captured by enemy. Enemy forces were pursued by reaction force from Co L, but contact could not be regained.

## (a) Operation DEBONO (Jan 27-31)

(a) 27 January - Co L (-) and Battery I (-), 3rd Bn, 11th Marines executed helilift from Joint AAI LSA to MUI Base to relieve designated AAVs on position. Aircraft reported receiving sporadic sniper fire. 3rd Bn(-), 7th Marines displaced by mortar march to JUNG AAI LSA.

(b) 28 January - Co M, followed by remainder of Co I and the main body of the battalion command group and attachments executed helicopter assault to LZ vicinity MUI Base at 0600H. The helicopter lift was completed at 1135H with the arrival of Co I. All units received sporadic sniper fire from the periphery of the LZ (vic BS 815395). During daylight hours Co L and M/S Co personnel reported receiving sporadic sniper fire from several concealed positions vic MUI Base perimeter. Co M, moving northeast from LZ to secure obje-

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ive hamlet of SAMUNG SAM, received sporadic but continuous sniper fire from several VC positions. Continuing the attack, Co M maneuvered one platoon and the command group to the west side of the SAMUNG SAM to positions vicinity BS 820393 (HAM PU (2)) where the unit became engaged with an undetermined number of VC in well-concealed, mutually supporting, fortified bunkers. Using supporting arms extensively, Co M pressed the attack to BS 822394, where heavy volume of enemy fire from N and NE, including .50 caliber, precluded the evacuation of wounded marines from open areas by helicopter. Co M finally evacuated friendly casualties to a secure LZ under cover of darkness and repositioned units for night defense west of SAMUNG SAM. Co I reported light sniper contact during the day in its advance to night positions vic VILAM BIAH (1) (BS 806391). Naval gunfire, artillery and fixed-wing strikes were directed on the fortified hamlet of HAM PU (2) during night in preparation for continuation of the attack by Co M and Co I on 29 January.

(c) 29 January - Co K executed helilift to MUI BAN to relieve designated MVA unit on position. During movement from positions in VILAM BIAH (1) BS 806391 eastward across the SAMUNG SAM, Co I continually received sporadic but accurate sniper fire from several concealed VC positions to the north and east. Pressing the attack, Co I seized HAM PU (1) (vic BS 816398), finding body of one VC KIA (conf) enroute. At 0915h, a Provincial Reconnaissance Unit directed attack aircraft on two groups of armed VC moving northward on trail at BS 704340 resulting in seven VC KIA (conf) and 11 VC KIA (prob). Co M reconnoitered southern bank of the SAMUNG SAM for fording sites during the morning and was advised by the Kit Carson scout attachment that Co I's approach to HAM PU hamlet complex would be the least vulnerable. At 1055h Co K's Naval Gunfire Spot Team, observing from an OP on MUI BAN, directed naval gunfire against 17 armed VC at BS 890324, killing 8 VC KIA (conf) and 8 VC KIA (prob). Co I, continuing the attack eastward, engaged 5 VC snipers, killing one VC KIA (conf) at BS 817403. Co M, fording the SAMUNG SAM at BS 823392, received moderate sniper fire from the southern flank, the MUI BAN hamlet complex, BS 831395, and VC positions in the HAM PU (2); BS 820393, hamlet area, but pressed the attack. Searching the west bank of the SAMUNG SAM, Co M found 2 VC KIA (conf) from napalm strikes. During Co M's movement into the objective hamlet, lead elements were continually subjected to VC harassment and sniper fire, usually from long range; and periodically bursts of .50 caliber fire were experienced. Co M and Co I completed the search of the hamlet complex and consolidated positions for night defense in the vic BS 822403.

(d) 30 January - At 300005h Jan Co M and Co I occupying positions in SAMUNG SAM (BS 822403), received six incoming 60MM mortar rounds from VC positions to the northeast. 81MM, 105MM and 160MM, delivered against suspected positions, was immediate and effective, and no further rounds were received. Co M conducted a thorough search and used demolitions to destroy VC fortifications in HAM PU hamlet; in two contacts the company killed one VC KIA (conf) and 3 VC KIA (prob). At BS 823402 Co M patrol found a VC land mine foundry, which included 500 pounds of cast shrapnel, 700 pounds of large uncut metal pieces, one 81MM mortar end; assorted files, mine molds, hammers, tray and cloth-covered pumping sticks. Items were photographed and destroyed. Co I continued the attack to the southeast at 0945h after preparatory fires were delivered against suspected VC locations vic BS 834400 and vic BS 823397. Prep fires included 105MM

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and 5-inch naval gunfire. At 1015H, Co I began encountering continuous heavy sniper fire from the M1 MCM hamlet complex vic BS 830395 as the lead elements advanced. Co I directed napalm and 500 pound bomb strikes along with UA-LB suppressive fires, against enemy positions located from BS 831398 to 829392. Support also included 81mm and 105mm from Co L's positions on LUI D.L.G. At 1100H, 51 rounds of 105mm were delivered on VC in a trenchline; the MO on station confirmed 4 VC KIA. Just prior to the fire missions, one UA-LB was forced down at the Battalion CP by battle damage. By 1330H, Co I was bogged down in deep rice paddies just west of the M1 MCM fortified hamlet, in close contact with an unknown size VC force in concealed positions. The situation remained essentially the same until 1655H when, after the decision was made to reposition Co I westward because of ammunition shortage and darkness, the VC took Co I under heavy fire, including .50 caliber fire from four directions. VC firing positions included BS 805403, BS 831397, BS 828394 and BS 828392. Co I's position was located at BS 825395 and extended northeast. Co M moved to a position to the east of Co I, redistributed ammunition to Co I and supported its repositioning by fire; M.S. Co sent out a patrol overland with ammunition resupply for both Cos I and M. At BS 825400, Co I's Bravo Command Group was unable to move due to ammunition shortage, wounded on hand, and enemy fire from the north. Fixed-wing attacks with 500 pound bombs and napalm, and 105MM howitzer artillery missions were directed to cover Co I's repositioning, while naval gunfire was delivered against enemy positions on the north bank of the Long Tan Ch. Due to the wet, muddy terrain, India's displacement was very difficult. Co M secured a casualty collection point and landing zone vic BS 825400. Co I consolidated its casualties at approximately 2000H. Medical evacuation was completed by 2200H. Co M and Co I consolidated positions for the night. Damage assessment of the M1 MCM hamlet complex was approximately 60 per cent destruction by 325 naval rockets and 125 5-inch shells from naval gunfire, 485 rounds 105mm M and 105 rounds 105mm AP and approximately 40 to 50 tons of fixed-wing ordnance.

(e) 31 January - Co M, continuing observation of VC movements in vicinity of M1 D.L.G, discovered two VC with weapons attempting to infiltrate the northern side of the M1 D.L.G hill complex and took the VC under fire with small arms, killing one VC KIA (conf) and one VC KIA (prob); the M1 observation post also engaged VC fortifications in area. Co M continued a deliberate search of the M1 VC hamlet complex and discovered an elevating and traversing mechanism from an M-60 machinegun and a container with a "star" imprint. MO's on station directed supporting arms against known and suspected VC locations and killed three VC KIA (prob) fleeing from the M1 MCM hamlet complex. At 2200H, the Battalion CP and LSA area came under simultaneous small arms and 60mm mortar attack; the VC fired approximately 40 rounds of 60mm mortar rounds from suspected locations vicinity BS 815403 and conducted a heavy probe of perimeter. The perimeter defense turned back the VC attack, killing two VC (conf) and three VC KIA (prob); 81mm counter-mortar concentrations and 105mm concentrations were delivered against possible VC exfiltration routes as the VC force broke contact and withdrew. Contact could not be regained. Captured equipment included two Russian rifles, several grenades and bamboo trench charges. Evidence indicated that the attack had been led by a support-type unit.

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Totals for Operation DASHO through 312400H January 1967:

USMC  
KIA - 11  
MIA - 55

VC  
KIA (conf) - 32  
KIA (prob) - 29

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### Operation Order 1-67

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam, 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014, Sheets 6738 I & II; 6838 III & IV.

(b) TF X-RAY Op Plan 1-67

Time Zone: Hotel

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

### 1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex B to Ref (b), and current INTSUMS.
- b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 1st Mar Div and Task Force X-RAY provide reinforcing and supporting forces as required. Task Force X-RAY exercises operational control.

(2) 2nd Div ARVN maintains operational units within QUANG NGAI Province. QUANG NGAI Military Sector provides two RF companies in DUC PHO area, located at District Hq and on NUI DAU, BS 8037. Popular Forces units located at BS 800394, 819391, 809378, 816363, 830337, 863315.

(3) Artillery.

(a) 3rd Bn, 11th Marines provides one Btry(-), with FDC capability, FO teams, NGF teams and liaison teams.

(b) 2nd Div, ARVN maintains one platoon of 155mm howitzers on NUI DAU.

(4) Air. 1st MAF provides rotary wing and fixed wing support as required, to include aerial delivery of specified supplies and equipment.

(5) Naval Gunfire. CTU 70.8.9 provides Naval Gunfire support ships required; initially one DD and one IFS will be D/S 3rd Bn, 7th Marines.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization); attachments effective on order Task Force X-RAY.

2. MISSION. 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines deploys to area of NUI DAU/ DUC PHO/ NUI DANG, QUANG NGAI Province, RVN, to relieve designated ARVN forces; to establish and maintain control of NUI DANG and NUI DAU positions; to react rapidly to enemy forces threatening DUC PHO District Headquarters; to conduct unilateral or coordinated search and destroy operations; to establish control over assigned TAOR; and to carry out other missions as assigned.

### 3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of Operation. Annex B (Operations.)
- b. Company I(Rein).

(1) On D-1, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) On order, on D-Day, execute helicopter assault into LZ to be designated in DUC PHO/NUI DANG area; conduct S&D operations in assigned zone.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations north and northwest of VINH BINH(1) (BS 800395) on order.

- c. Company K(Rein).

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- (1) On D-Day, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.
- (2) On order on D-1, execute helicopter displacement into positions on NUI DAU, BS 8732. Occupy and defend positions; relieve 4th Bn, 4th Regt, 2nd Div ARVN in place.

(3) Coordinate defense of entire NUI DAU complex with ARVN and RF forces remaining thereon.

d. Company L(Rein).

(1) On order, on D-1, occupy NUI DANG, BS 8138, with a force of up to two platoons(rein); occupy and defend NUI DANG and area immediately surrounding.

(2) Provide security for USMC units located at NUI DANG.

(3) At L-hour on D-Day, conduct patrol from NUI DANG, to establish strong point at BS 813379, and screening patrols in vicinity thereof.

(4) On order, on D-Day, execute helicopter assault with remainder of company; establish patrols and security for Bn CP and LSA.

(5) Be prepared to support operations of Co's I and M by fire.

e. Company M(Rein).

(1) On D-1, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) At L-hour on D-Day, execute helicopter assault into LZ to be designated in DUC PHO/NUI DANG area; conduct S&D operations in assigned zone.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations in TAN TU(2) vic BS 820395, on order.

f. Btry I(-), 3rd Bn, 11th Marines. Direct Support.

(1) On D-2, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) On order on D-1, occupy firing positions on NUI DANG, BS 8138.

g. Co. 1st Recon Bn.

(1) On order, occupy positions to be designated; provide reconnaissance over approaches to main Battalion positions.

h. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day: 28 Jan 67

(2) L-Hour: 0800.

(3) All units report commencement of all displacements; arrival at destination; commencement of helilift; arrival in LZ; completion of lift.

(4) Flash reports on enemy contact, receiving or inflicting casualties, or any significant events.

(5) Position reports at least hourly when on the move.

(6) Use of Riot Control Agents authorized; report use to this Hq immediately.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Admin Order 1-67.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications. Annex C (Communications-Electronics)

b. Command Relations.

(1) CG, Task Force X-Ray retains operational control over 3rd Bn (Rein), 7th Marines while operating in the DUC PHO area.

(2) LF and PF units under OPCON DUC PHO District Chief. Direct Liaison with District Chief is authorized 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines.

(3) Coordination with Province or 2nd Div ARVN forces via Task Force X-Ray.

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c. Thrust Points: any auto - 8037  
 any flower - 7740  
 any sport - 8040  
 any vegetable - 8142  
 any U.S. city - 8539  
 any beer - 8235  
 any cigarette - 8337  
 any soft drink - 8631  
 any fruit - 9030

d. Command Posts.

- (1) 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines establish Bn CP in DUC PHO/NUI DANG area, vic BS 815385.  
 (2) Subordinate units report when established.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL O'LEARY

*F. G. Balderston*

F. G. BALDERSTON  
 Major, U.S. Marine Corps  
 Executive Officer

ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization  
 B - Operations  
 C - Communications (Distributed Separately)  
 Z - Distribution

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H&S Co (-)  
Det, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
Det, Hq Bn  
Det, 9th ITT, FMF  
Det, 7th CIT, FMF  
Det, Civ Afs Unit (AA)  
Sqd, MP Co.  
Det, MASS 3  
Clr Plt (rein), Co D, 1st Med Bn  
Det, 7th Comm Bn (RR Tm)  
Co (-), 1st SP Bn  
Plt (-), Co, Engr Bn

Co I (REIN)

CAPT. CLARK

Co I  
Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co.  
Sqd, Plt, Co Engr Bn  
Team, 1st Scout Dog Platoon

Co K (REIN)

CAPT DORMAN

Co K  
Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
2nd Sect, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co  
2nd Sect, 106mm RR Plt, H&S Co  
Det, Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines (NGF Spot Tm)  
FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
Sqd, Plt, Co, Engr Bn

Co L (REIN)

CAPT HENRY

Co L  
Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
Sqd, 3rd Sect, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co  
3rd Sect, 106mm RR Plt, H&S Co  
Det, Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines (NGF Spot Tm)  
FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines

Co M (REIN)

CAPT JOHNSON

Co M

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Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co  
FAC Tm, H&S Co.

Btry I(-) 3rd Bn, 11th Marines

CAPT MORGAN

Btry I(-)  
Det, Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines

Co (-), Det, 1st Recon Bn

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1. **MISSION.** 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines deploys to area of NUI DAU/DUC PHO/  
NUI DANG, QUANG NGAI Province, RVN, to relieve designated ARVN forces; to  
establish and maintain control of NUI DANG and NUI DAU positions; to react  
rapidly to enemy forces threatening DUC PHO District Headquarters; to conduct  
unilateral or coordinated search and destroy operations; to establish control  
over assigned TAOR; and to carry out other missions as assigned.
2. **CONCEPT.** 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines phases into operation area as follows:
  - a. **D-2.**
    - (1) Co(-), Arty Btry(-), Det, 7th Comm Bn, displace by motor convoy  
to QUANG NGAI airfield, BS 608721.
    - (2) Advance party to NUI DANG by helicopter from TF X-RAY Admin Pad.
  - b. **D-1.**
    - (1) Co (-), Arty Btry(-), Det, 7th Comm Bn; deploy by helilift to  
NUI DANG, BS 8138, replace ARVN unit located thereat.
    - (2) Bn(-) displace by motor convoy to QUANG NGAI airfield.
    - (3) Advance party to NUI DAU by helicopter from TF X-RAY Admin Pad.
  - c. **D-Day.**
    - (1) Bn(-) executes helilift to area of NUI DANG/DUC PHO; establishes  
CP and LSA; commences two-company S&D operation.
    - (2) Co(-) displaces by motor convoy to QUANG NGAI airfield.
  - d. **D+1.**
    - (1) Co(Rein) executes helilift to NUI DAU, replaces 4th Bn, 4th Regt,  
2nd Div, ARVN.
    - (2) Bn(-) continues operations in NUI DANG/DUC PHO area.

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1. MISSION.

- a. 3rd Bn, 7th Mar will provide:
  - (1) TF X-Ray Command Net
  - (2) TF X-Ray Tactical Net
  - (3) 3rd Bn, 7th Mar TAC
  - (4) 3rd Bn, 7th Mar Admin
  - (5) 81 COF
- b. Rifle Co's will establish Co nets.
- c. Arty liaison team will establish appropriate Arty & NGF nets.
- d. HST will establish HST nets.
- e. DET 7th Communications Bn will provide radio relay communications with TF X-Ray.
- f. Air liaison team will provide appropriate TAR & FAC nets.
- g. Wire & telephone communications will be established at first opportunity.

2. CONCEPT.

- a. D-2. Initiate TF X-Ray TAC Net with one PRC-47 to accompany advance party of L Co(-) to NUI DANG. Advance party of MRC-62 team also accompany advance party of L Co(-).
- b. D-1. Initiate TF X-Ray Command, Battalion TAC, Battalion Admin, 81 COF, FSCC, TAR, upon order.
- c. D-1. Establish radio relay via MRC-62 at NUI DANG ASAP.
- d. D-1.
  - (1) Establish TF X-Ray TAC and Command Nets on order with PRC-47.
  - (2) Lay wire from CP to MRC-62.
  - (3) Establish FM communications with TF X-Ray ASAP via MRC 109 and delete HF nets.
  - (4) Establish Message Center ASAP.
  - (5) All other supporting elements establish nets as appropriate.

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(b) TF X-RAY Op Plan 1-67

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Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

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1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex B to Ref (b), and current INTSUMS.
- b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 1st Mar Div and Task Force X-RAY provide reinforcing and supporting forces as required. Task Force X-RAY exercises operational control.

(2) 2nd Div ARVN maintains operational units within QUANG NGAI Province. QUANG NGAI Military Sector provides two RF companies in DUC PHO area, located at District Hq and on NUI DAU, BS 8037. Popular Forces units located at BS 800394, 819391, 809378, 816363, 830337, 863315.

(3) Artillery.

(a) 3rd Bn, 11th Marines provides one Btry(-), with FDC capability, FO teams, NGF teams and liaison teams.

(b) 2nd Div, ARVN maintains one platoon of 155mm howitzers on NUI DAU.

(4) Air. 1st MAW provides rotary wing and fixed wing support as required, to include aerial delivery of specified supplies and equipment.

(5) Naval Gunfire. CTU 70.8.9 provides Naval Gunfire support ships as required; initially one DD and one IFS will be D/S 3rd Bn, 7th Marines.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization); attachments effective on order Task Force X-RAY.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Marines deploys to area of NUI DAU/ DUC PHO/ NUI DANG, QUANG NGAI Province, RVN, to relieve designated ARVN forces; to establish and maintain control of NUI DANG and NUI DAU positions; to react rapidly to enemy forces threatening DUC PHO District Headquarters; to conduct unilateral or coordinated search and destroy operations; to establish control over assigned TAOR; and to carry out other missions as assigned.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Annex B (Operations.)

b. Company I (Rein).

(1) On D-1, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) On order, on D-Day, execute helicopter assault into LZ to be designated in DUC PHO/ NUI DANG area; conduct S&D operations in assigned zone.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations north and northwest of VINH BINH(1) (BS 800395) on order.

c. Company K (Rein).

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(1) On D-Day, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.  
 (2) On order on D-1, execute helicopter displacement into positions on NUI DAU, BS 8132. Occupy and defend positions; relieve 4th Bn, 4th Regt, 2nd Div ARVN in place.

(3) Coordinate defense of entire NUI DAU complex with ARVN and RF forces remaining thereon.

d. Company L(Rein).

(1) On order, on D-1, occupy NUI DANG, BS 8138, with a force of up to two platoons(rein); occupy and defend NUI DANG and area immediately surrounding.

(2) Provide security for USMC units located at NUI DANG.

(3) At L-hour on D-Day, conduct patrol from NUI DANG, to establish strong point at BS 813379, and screening patrols in vicinity thereof.

(4) On order, on D-Day, execute helicopter assault with remainder of company; establish patrols and security for Bn CP and LSA.

(5) Be prepared to support operations of Co's L and M by fire.

e. Company M(Rein).

(1) On D-1, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) At L-hour on D-Day, execute helicopter assault into LZ to be designated in DUC PHO/NUI DANG area; conduct S&D operations in assigned zone.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations in TAN TU(2) vic BS 820395, on order.

f. Btry I(-), 3rd Bn, 11th Marines. Direct Support.

(1) On D-2, displace by motor march to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(2) On order on D-1, occupy firing positions on NUI DANG, BS 8138.

g. Co. 1st Recon Bn.

(1) On order, occupy positions to be designated; provide reconnaissance over approaches to main Battalion positions.

h. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day: 18 Jan 67

(2) L-Hour: 0800.

(3) All units report commencement of all displacements; arrival at destination; commencement of helilift; arrival in LZ; completion of lift.

(4) Flash reports on enemy contact, receiving or inflicting casualties, or any significant events.

(5) Position reports at least hourly when on the move.

(6) Use of Riot Control Agents authorized; report use to this Hq immediately.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Admin Order 1-67.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications. Annex C (Communications-Electronics)

b. Command Relations.

(1) CG, Task Force X-Ray retains operational control over 3rd Bn (Rein), 7th Marines while operating in the DUC PHO area.

(2) LF and PF units under OPCON DUC PHO District Chief. Direct Liaison with District Chief is authorized 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines.

(3) Coordination with Province or 2nd Div ARVN forces via Task Force X-Ray.

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c. Thrust Points:

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any sport	-	8040
any vegetable	-	8142
any U.S. city	-	8539
any beer	-	8235
any cigarette	-	8337
any soft drink	-	8631
any fruit	-	9030

d. Command Posts.

(1) 3rd Bn(Rein), 7th Marines establish Bn CP in DUC PHO/NUI DANG area, vic BS 815385.

(2) Subordinate units report when established.

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 Det, Hq Bn  
 Det, 9th ITT, FMF  
 Det, 7th CIT, FMF  
 Det, Civ Affs Unit (AA)  
 Sqd, MP Co.  
 Det, MASS 3  
 Clr Plt (rein), Co D, 1st Med Bn  
 Det, 7th Comm Bn (RR Tm)  
 Co (-), 1st SP Bn  
 Plt (-), Co, Engr Bn

Co I (REIN)

CAPT. CLARK

Co I  
 Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
 FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co.  
 Sqd, Plt, Co Engr Bn  
 Team, 1st Scout Dog Platoon

Co K (REIN)

CAPT DORMAN

Co K  
 Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
 2nd Sect, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co  
 2nd Sect, 106mm RR Plt, H&S Co  
 Det, Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines (NGF Spot Tm)  
 FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines  
 Sqd, Plt, Co, Engr Bn

Co L (REIN)

CAPT HENRY

Co L  
 Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
 Sqd, 3rd Sect, 81mm Mort Plt, H&S Co  
 3rd Sect, 106mm RR Plt, H&S Co  
 Det, Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines (NGF Spot Tm)  
 FO Tm, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines

Co M (REIN)

CAPT JOHNSON

Co M

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Det, HST, Co, 1st SP Bn  
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Btry I(-) 3rd Bn, 11th Marines

CAPT MORGAN

Btry I(-)

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Co (-), Det, 1st Recon Bn

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over assigned TAOR; and to carry out other missions as assigned.

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a. D-2.

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(2) Advance party to NUI DANG by helicopter from TF X-RAY Admin Pad.

b. D-1.

(1) Co(-), Arty Btry(-), Det, 7th Comm Bn; deploy by helilift to  
NUI DANG, BS 8138, replace ARVN unit located thereat.

(2) Bn(-) displace by motor convoy to QUANG NGAI airfield.

(3) Advance party to NUI DAU by helicopter from TF X-RAY Admin Pad.

c. D-Day.

(1) Bn(-) executes helilift to area of NUI DANG/DUC PHO; establishes  
CP and LSA; commences two-company S&D operation.

(2) Co(-) displaces by motor convoy to QUANG NGAI airfield.

d. D+1.

(1) Co(Rein) executes helilift to NUI DAU, replaces 4th Bn, 4th Regt,  
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(2) Bn(-) continues operations in NUI DANG/DUC PHO area.

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  - (2) TF X-Ray Tactical Net
  - (3) 3rd Bn, 7th Mar TAC
  - (4) 3rd Bn, 7th Mar Admin
  - (5) 81 COF
- b. Rifle Co's will establish Co nets.
- c. Arty liaison team will establish appropriate Arty & NGF nets.
- d. HST will establish HST nets.
- e. DET 7th Communications Bn will provide radio relay communications with TF X-Ray.
- f. Air liaison team will provide appropriate TAR & FAC nets.
- g. Wire & telephone communications will be established at first opportunity.

2. CONCEPT.

- a. D-2. Initiate TF X-Ray TAC Net with one PRC-47 to accompany advance party of L Co(-) to NUI DANG. Advance party of MRC-62 team also accompany advance party of L Co(-).
- b. D-1. Initiate TF X-Ray Command, Battalion TAC, Battalion Admin, 81 COF, FSCC, TAR, upon order.
- c. D-1. Establish radio relay via MRC-62 at NUI DANG ASAP.
- d. D-Day.
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(f) Task Force X Ray Admin Plan 1-67  
(g) Task Force X Ray OP Plan 1-67

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1. GENERAL. This order provides administrative instructions to accompany Operation Order 1-67 which tasks 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar to establish TACR in the DUC PHO Complex.

a. Assumption. That all resupply will be via helicopters; that the initial logistical support area will be located at QUANG NGAI.

2. SUPPLY

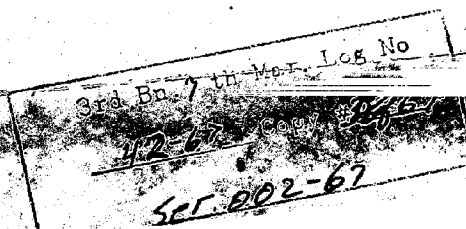
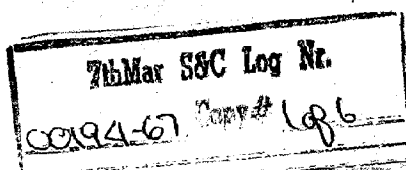
a. Supply Source

(1) 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar request supplies from FLSG Bravo prior to departure CHU LAI.

(a) Prescribed Load

1. Class I - 4 MCL's/fuel bar, trioxane, per individual upon arrival DUC PHO.
2. Class II - Essential T/E and T/A items. Three (3) days salt tablets. Three days halazone tablets.
3. Class III - Fuel tank 3/4 full and 3 DOS. Packaged lubricants as required.
4. Class IV - None except as determined absolutely essential by unit commanders.

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5. Class V - Basic allowance.

6. Water - two (2) full canteens per individual; one full five gallon can water for every five men.

b. Supplies and Equipment Available

(1) Prescribed loads. From unit held supplies; reference (a) applies.

(2) FLSG-Bravo - In accordance with reference (a).

(3) FLSG-Alpha - For airdrop delivery see Annex B (Air Delivery) to 1st MarDiv Administrative Order 301-66.

c. Control and Distribution

(1) 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar. Unit distribution from LSA at QUANG NGAI area after commitment of Battalion until establishment of LSA at DUC PHO.

d. Supply Levels

(1) Units maintain following levels of supplies at positions in TAOR:

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
I	3 days
II	5 days
III	1 day
IV	B/A plus
	4 DOA small arms
	4 DOA 81mm
	10 DOA 105mm illum
	4 DOA 105mm HE/WP
	4 DOA 3.5" Rocket
	4 DOA 106mm RR

e. Resupply

(1) Request resupply through HST furnishing direct support. HST request resupply initially from QUANG NGAI and, when established, from DUC PHO LSA.

f. Logistical Support Units

(1) Resupply from FLSG-Bravo

(2) Emergency resupply anytime.

(3) Air Drop - see Paragraph 2b(3)

g. Transportation of Supplies

(1) By organic motor transport to QUANG NGAI

(2) From QUANG NGAI to DUC PHO by helicopters.

(3) From LSA DUC PHO to units in TAOR.

(a) Organic transportation to units when possible.

(b) By helicopter to isolated units.

(4) Trailer loads will be transferred to mules at QUANG NGAI.

(5) Helicopters will be assigned in support of the LSA on a continuing basis for resupply.

h. Captured Material. In accordance with reference (e).

i. Salvage

(1) Units on unit distribution advise LSA of location, nature and amount of salvage for collection.

j. Excess Material. Any material in the area of operations, determined to be in excess of units needs, will be returned to the LSA.

3. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION.

a. Initially evacuation of casualties will be via helicopter direct to ship offshore. If ship is not available direct to CHU LAI. On order, about 1st clearing Platoon lands in DUC PHO. Location to be announced. Units will evacuate casualties through clearing platoon for emergency treatment, surgery and further evacuation as required.

b. See reference (e) for additional details.

4. TRANSPORTATION

a. Surface

(1) Highway. Organic transportation will be used for resupply from Task Force X-Ray to QUANG NGAI.

(2) Air

(a) Helicopters will be provided by 1st MAW.

(b) Helicopters will be available on a two hour standby for initial deployment and resupply.

(c) Upon establishment TAFDS and five (5) DOS Class III (A) at DUC PHO LSA 1st MAW provides four (4) helicopters direct support 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar.

5. SERVICEa. Functions

(1) Construction/Engineer. See Annex F (Engineer) Ref (g)

(2) Maintenance

(a) 1st and 2d echelon maintenance by units.

(b) Backup 2d echelon and limited 3d echelon motor transport, ordnance, electronics and engineer maintenance to be provided initially at QUANG NGAI LSA and, when established, at DUC PHO LSA.

b. Assignment of responsibilities

(1) 1st Shore Party Battalion

(a) Provide support as required to the Logistic Support Units at QUANG NGAI LSA and DUC PHO LSA (when activated).

(b) Be prepared to establish BSA when directed. See Annex D (Beach Support Area Plan).

(2) 1st MT Bn

(a) Provide sufficient transportation to move 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar from assembly area to Task Force X-Ray Administrative Helo Pad on two hours notice.

c. Request to Supporting Commands

(1) CG 1st MAW

(a) Provide helicopters for resupply, medical evacuation, and tactical troop lifts.

(b) Provide Landing Zone Control Unit personnel to support the HST's.

(c) After establishment of TAFDS at DUC PHO and five (5) DOS Class III (A) 1st MAW provides four (4) helicopters direct support 3d Bn (Main), 7th Mar. At least two helicopters remain in TACR during hours of darkness for rapid reaction med-evac missions.

(2) FLSG-Bravo

(a) Provide Logistic Support Units to establish and maintain Logistic Support Areas at QUANG NGAI and DUC PHO. Supply Levels in accordance with Annex A (LSA Level of Supplies).

(b) Provide overflow 2d and limited 3d echelon electronic, engineer, motor transport, and ordnance repair capability initially at QUANG NGAI LSA and, when established, at the DUC PHO LSA.

(c) Provide limited float of Comm-Elect and items and accessories for emergency resupply.

(d) Provide recharging capability of BB 454 batteries at the DUC PHO LSA.

(3) FLSG-Alpha. Be prepared to provide supplies for air drop as required.

d. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Units report location of supply, maintenance, medical and dental support facilities to this Headquarters when established.

(2) When directed by this Headquarters and within capabilities, assist indigenous and other allied forces in accomplishing logistic tasks.

(3) HST provides FLSG-Bravo with a daily dump status for LSA's at QUANG NGAI and DUC PHO. Report to be provided by 1900as of 1800.

6. PERSONNEL. Annex B (Personnel)

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION. Annex C (Civil Affairs/Civic Action)

8. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Upon deployment, units will send representatives to LSA at DUC PHO to recover individual equipment. Personnel assigned to LSA collect and assume custody of individual equipment and weapons of evacuated personnel.

b. Rear Area Defense

(1) Disperse all installations and use revetments where terrain offers no protection.

(2) Special attention to defense against guerrilla attacks and acts of sabotage.

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ANNEXES:

- A - LSA Supplies
- B - Personnel
- C - Civil Affairs/Civic Action
- D - Beach Support Area Plan

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Annex A (LSA Supplies) to Administrative Order 1-67.

1. FISC-Bravo is requested to maintain 10 DOS all classes of supplies at LSA QUANG NGAI.
2. FISC-Bravo is requested to maintain the following levels of supplies at LSA DUC PHO when established.

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DOS</u>
I	
MCI w/fuel trioxane	13
B	5
A	2
Total	<u>20</u>
Sundries	5
II Batteries	15
III	20
IV	as requested
V	20

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APPENDIX:

- 1 - Build-up of LSA at DUC PHO

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Appendix 1 (Build-up of Supplies DUC PHO LSA) to Annex A (LSA Supplies) to Admin Order 1-67.

1. Delivery of supplies to DUC PHO LSA must be accomplished entirely by helicopters. Availability of helicopters, weather and the ability of material handling equipment to rapidly clear supplies when landed in the LSA will determine the rate at which stockage objectives can be obtained in the LSA.
2. In order to provide balanced support to units operating in the TAOR, careful phasing of all classes of supplies into the LSA must be accomplished.
3. On order, FLSG-Bravo is requested to phase in supplies to LSA DUC PHO as follows:

<u>PHASE</u>	<u>OBJECTIVE</u>
I	Open LSA and build up 5 DOS CL I, II, III and V
II	Deliver the initial Class IV Field Fortification Material package to the LSA while maintaining 5 DOS level of CL I, II, III and V
III	Insert TAFDS (3-10,000 gal fuel bags) and build up CL III (A), to 5 DOS while maintaining 5 DOS CL I, II, III and V
IV	Build up CL I, II, III, and V to 15 DOS while maintaining CL III (A) at 5 DOS
V	Build up CL III (A) to 15 DOS while maintaining CL I, II, III, and V at 15 DOS
VI	Commence selective introduction of additional CL IV Field Fortification Materials as required and continue to build up CL I, II, III, III (A), and V to 20 DOS

4. Initial CL IV Field Fortification Material Package. See Tab A (Class IV Field Fortification Material) to Appendix 1 (Buildup of Supplies DUC PHO LSA) to Annex A (LSA Supplies).

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A - Class IV Field Fortification Material

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TAB A (Class IV Field Fortification Material) to Appendix 1 (Buildup of Supplies DUC PHO LSA) to Annex A (LSA Supplies to Admin Order 1-67).

1. Initial Package of Class IV Field Fortification Material.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
Metal Stakes (2')	3672 ca
Metal Stakes (5')	4680 ca
Barbed Wire (100 meter rolls)	1296 ca
Concertinas	1002 rl
Sandbags (100 bag/pkg)	1120 pk

2. Delivery to commence when directed and after 5 EOS of Class I, II, III, V has been achieved at DUC PHO LSA.

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Anex B (Personnel) to Administrative Order 1-67

Ref: (a) DivAMINO 301-66  
 (b) CLICO 1050.1  
 (c) DivO 5720.4  
 (d) ICCI 5830.1  
 (e) CLICO 1640.1  
 (f) DivO P3800.1  
 (g) CLIC msg 070523Z Dec 66  
 (h) DivO P3040.1  
 (i) FMFPacO P3040.  
 (j) DivO 1650.

Time Zone: H

1. GENERAL

a. Task Force X-Ray continues operational control of designated units. ADCON remains with parent organization.

b. Personnel and administrative procedures remain unchanged. All administrative matters will be conducted in accordance with instructions issued by normal administrative command. The provisions of reference (a) apply.

c. Only internal administrative matters pertaining to operations will be submitted to this Headquarters.

2. STRENGTHS, RECORDS AND REPORTS

a. Deploy at strength as directed.

b. Maintain records and submit reports in accordance with existing directives.

3. REPLACEMENTS. No change.

4. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER

a. No change to normal disciplinary procedures.

b. Personnel will conduct themselves in an exemplary manner at all times to reflect credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

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Policies and procedures governing personal conduct will be in accordance with reference (b).

c. Special incident reports will be submitted in accordance with references (c) and (d).

d. Stragglers

(1) Organizations will be responsible for stragglers within their zone of responsibility.

(2) Military Police Detachment will conduct straggler control operations as required.

(3) The Chu Lai Detention Facility operated by Task Force X-Ray Provost Marshal will be used solely for those situations outlined in reference (c).

e. Detainees and POW's

(1) All captives will be handled in accordance with reference (f) and current COMUSMACV directives.

(2) Classification and disposition instructions for detainees will be conducted in accordance with current COMUSMACV directives and reference (g).

5. CASUALTY REPORTING AND GRAVES REGISTRATION. No change. Reference (a), (h) and (i) apply.

6. MORALE AND PERSONAL SERVICES

a. Decorations and Awards. In accordance with reference (j).

b. Leave and Liberty. No change in leave policy as established by current directives.

c. Postal Service. No change. A mobile post office will be established if feasible.

d. Religious Services

(1) Time and place of religious services to be announced.

(2) Chaplains within organic resources will be used to administer to casualties. One Catholic and one Protestant Chaplain will be provided in the Logistic Support Area.

c. Informational Services

(1) Instructions and procedures regarding release of public information remain under the cognizance of COMUSMACV. By agreement with COMUSMACV, the Commanding General, III MAF has releasing authority over the information programs of all U. S. Armed Forces elements in the Army of Vietnam I Corps Area.

(2) Instructions and procedures are contained in Annex F to reference (a).

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS AND MILITARY GOVERNMENT. Annex B of reference (a) and provisions contained in Annex C (Civic Action).

8. PERSONNEL PROCEDURES. Personnel procedures will be accomplished by parent organizations and/or the rear elements of units committed to the operation.

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- REF: (a) Force Order 5081.1  
 (b) Force Order 5081.1A  
 (c) 1st Mar Div Order 5800.2  
 (d) Force Order 5080.2  
 (e) MACV Directive 525-3  
 (f) Task Force X-Ray OP Plan 1-67

Time Zone: H

### 1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (INTELLIGENCE) to Ref. (f).
- b. Friendly Forces

(1) Detachment (AA) Platoon from 29th CA Company provides personnel for conducting survey of area to gain information pertinent to Civil Affairs/Civic Action program in accordance with reference (a).

(2) USMACV Sub-Sector Advisor team located at PUC PHO.

(3) USAID Province Representative, QUANG NGAI Province, has capability of providing information concerning refugee control and resettlement.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Marines conduct Civil Affairs/Civic Action operations in support of combat operations to control movement of non-combatants and to provide them with medical treatment, food, shelter and clothing as necessary and as dictated by the tactical situation.

### 3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. In support of combat operations, primary effort will be directed toward providing essential assistance to populace to maintain order and to meet the minimum needs for survival of civilians left homeless or seeking refuge as a result of tactical operations.

- b. 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Marines

(1) Initiate a civic action program in assigned areas of operations when tactical situation permits. Degree to which civic action will be accomplished is dependent upon tactical situation, population density, and attitude of populace.

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(2) Be prepared on order to execute or assist with the following in support of combat operations:

(a) Population control.

(b) Medical assistance to civilians. Civilians requiring medical treatment of emergency life saving nature will be evacuated to QUANG NGAI Civilian Hospital. MEDCAP teams may perform minor medical treatment in objective areas, resources, personnel, and time permitting.

(c) Operation of assembly areas for refugee and evacuee control.

(d) Coordinate with U. S. Army Civil Affairs Teams as required and available.

#### c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Initiate immediate liaison with MACV Sub-sector Advisor (RUC PHO) and his staff to gain information concerning the area.

(2) Captured VC rice that is not contaminated will be evacuated for return to GVN control. Unit commanders will not destroy this rice unless it is considered absolutely impossible to evacuate it. In these circumstances, permission to destroy rice must be obtained from Task Force X-Ray Headquarters prior to destruction. Evacuation will be accomplished as follows:

(a) Rice bags or a suitable substitute will be provided to unit from LSA on request.

(b) Rice will be evacuated to the nearest district headquarters. Receipts will be obtained in possibility exists that the rice may be owned by persons other than VC. In this connection, liaison should be established with appropriate GVN officials prior to delivery.

(3) Civic Action Situation Reports will be submitted in accordance with reference (c).

(4) Claims will be investigated and processed in accordance with reference (c).

#### 4. LOGISTICS

##### a. Civilian Assistance

(1) Civic Action commodities will be requested through this Headquarters in accordance with reference (d).



- (2) Sufficient MEDCAP supplies and other commodities to execute an effective initial civic action program should be maintained on hand.

b. Sociological

- (1) Public Health. Assistance will be provided to civilian personnel as operations, supplies, and personnel permit.
- (2) Refugees
  - (a) Refugees will not be evacuated from area of operations without their consent, and approval of the appropriate GVN officials such as district or province chief or designated representatives.
  - (b) Commanders will direct handling of non-combatants in accordance with reference (e) and establish standards of care to prevent disease and unrest.
  - (c) Care and support of refugees will be provided from supplies received for civic action purposes through civic action channels.
- (3) Arts, Monuments, and Archives. Commanders will insure that troops are especially careful not to damage, deface, or remove cultural property such as religious structures, graves, tombs, archeological, historic, scientific, and artistic objects and collections.
- (4) Cultural Relations
  - (a) Maximum respect for customs, traditions, and desires of the people will be enforced within the requirements of military situation.
  - (b) Use of Churches, pagodas, temples, and other religious structures for military purposes is prohibited.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL. See Annex C (COMMUNICATIONS) to OPERATION ORDER 1-67.

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Annex E (Beach Support Area Plan) to Admin Order 1-67

1. BSA will be established north or south of the SONG TRA CAU inlet contingent upon the following:

- a. Tactical situation permits.
- b. Beach conditions permit.
- c. Coastal shipping available.

2. Purpose of the BSA

- a. Landing and transfer point for all classes supply.

(1) Delivery of supplies to BSA by coastal shipping and landing craft.

(2) Transfer of supplies to DUC PHO LSA by helos.

- b. Class III (A) supply point.

(1) Stock level to be determined by supporting MAG.

(2) TAFDS at DUC PHO LSA will continue to serve as Class III (A) supply point for helos assigned D/S 3d Bn (Rein), 7th Mar until Class III (A) supply point is BSA becomes operational.

3. BSA to be operated by 1st Shore Party Battalion.

4. Appropriate naval support as requested.

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