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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code A03D)
Via: (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division
(2) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

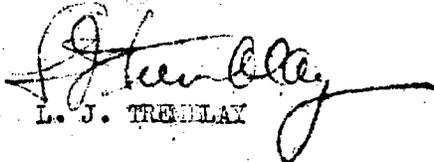
Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1-31 May 1969

Ref: (a) MCO P5750.1A
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8A

Encl: (1) 9th Motor Transport Battalion Command Chronology

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

2. Downgraded at three year intervals. Declassified after 12 years, DOD DIR 5200.10.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May to 31 May 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

9th Motor Transport Battalion

LTCOL L. J. TREMLAY (14Nov68)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company
 "A" Company
 "B" Company
 "C" Company
 Transport Company

1stLt. R. LOCURTO (12May69)
 1stLt. T. R. PRITCHETT (22Apr69)
 1stLt. J. A. PANNETON (22Jan69)
 Capt. T. V. ALLEN (25Feb69)
 1stLt. L. L. HOWARD (3May69)

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1969: Dong Ha RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer
 S-3
 Adjutant
 S-4
 Medical

Major R. DAVIS (18Feb69)
 1stLt. B. A. ROWE (11Apr69)
 CW2 J. N. BURGESS (8Sept68)
 1stLt. T. D. BUCKLEY (1Jun69)
 Lt. H. FORBURG (1Jun69)

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>ARVN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
24	374	1	7	0	1

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1-31 May 1969, this Battalion participated in three hundred and twelve (312) tactical movements and three hundred and seventy nine (379) Rough Rider operations in support of the Third Marine Division and FLSC-B. During the same period this Battalion has driven 117,188 miles, transported 11,649 tons of supplies and 42,930 troops.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- a. Combat mission assigned: To provide medium and heavy transportation support in reinforcing and augmenting the organic land transport capabilities of the major elements of a Marine Expeditionary Force in the amphibious assault and subsequent operations ashore.
- b. Significant convoys ran:
- (1) Ten (10) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 1May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (2) Twenty-six (26) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 1May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
 - (3) Thirty-four (34) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 2May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (4) Thirty-four (34) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 2May69, to Vandegrift ~~Combat~~ Base in support of 9th Marines.
 - (5) Twelve (12) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 4May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (6) Thirteen (13) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 5May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
 - (7) Thirteen (13) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 5May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (8) Sixteen (16) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 6May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (9) Twenty-two (22) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 7May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
 - (10) Sixteen (16) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 9May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
 - (11) Nine (9) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 9May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 9th Marines.
 - (12) Twenty-three (23) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 11May69, to G-2 in support of ARVN.
 - (13) Sixteen (16) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 11May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.

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- (14) Seven (7) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 13May69, to Mai Loc in support of 3d Marines.
- (15) Twenty-five (25) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 13May69, to Con Thien in support of ARVN.
- (16) Eleven (11) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 14May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marines.
- (17) Seventeen (17) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy 16May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Marine Division.
- (18) Thirteen (13) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 19May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (19) Twenty (20) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 19May69, to C-1 in support of ARVN.
- (20) Thirty-six (36) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 20May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
- (21) Twenty-four (24) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 21May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (22) Thirty-four (34) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 22May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines. This convoy, while at Vandegrift Combat Base awaiting return to Dong Ha, received enemy mortar fire resulting in three (3) WIA minor and one (1) WIA MDEEVAC.
- (23) Fourteen (14) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 23May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (24) Eighteen (18) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 24May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (25) Eleven (11) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 25May69, to Da Nang in support of 3d Marine Division.
- (26) Thirty-four (34) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 26May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
- (27) Forty-seven (47) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 26May69, Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers and 4th Marines.
- (28) Twenty-three (23) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 27May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (29) Sixteen (16) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 28May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.

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- (30) Thirteen (13) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 29May69, to A-4 in support of 3d Marines.
- (31) Thirteen (13) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 29May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers and 4th Marines.
- (32) Forty-one (41) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 29May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 4th Marines.
- (33) Twenty-four (24) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 30May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of ARVN.
- (34) Sixteen (16) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 30May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 11th Engineers.
- (35) Twenty (20) vehicles participated in a tactical convoy on 31May69, to Vandegrift Combat Base in support of 3d Engineers.

c. Casualties inflicted on the enemy: None

d. Casualties sustained: 1 MIA (MEDEVAC)
3 MIA (M)

New techniques employed: None

f. Command Relations: ADCON/OPCON to Third Marine Division

g. Equipment: During the month of May there were no major equipment problems.

h. Logistics: Logistics support is considered adequate.

i. Civic Action:

(1) We provided one 5-ton for hauling gravel for a new pig sty. We also maintain a daily sloop run for existing pig sty. English classes were conducted twice a week with about 20 persons attending each session. There were eight (8) Medcaps held and approximately 700 Vietnamese people were treated.

j. Administration: There are no administration problems at this time.

k. Personnel: At present there are no personnel problems.

l. Intelligence: None

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m. Communications: The loss of two (2) radio vehicles, one (1) AN/MRC 109 (7Dec68) and one (1) AN/MRC 83 (15May68), has detracted from our convoy control communications capability, but thus far has had no adverse effect on the unit's performance of its assigned mission.

n. Weather: Hot, dry and dusty.

o. Fire support: None

p. Air support: None

q. Activations/deactivations/redesignations: None

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

INDEX OF STAFF JOURNALS

SERIAL NUMBERDATE TIME GROUP

✓ 1.	050530
✓ 2.	080008
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✓ 5.	110240
✓ 6.	170507
✓ 7.	210302
✓ 8.	220019
✓ 9.	220530
✓ 10.	300004
✓ 11.	301120

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DRAFTER 3/JRS/MPW
SNG 8-3 PHONE 3384
CNO WJ

ROUTINE 050530 11 MAY69

FROM: CO NINTH ME BN
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV (ATTN: SC-10)

UNCLAS E F T O

SQUAD LEVEL RADIO, AN/PRC-88 UTILIZATION

A. CG MSG 040044Z MAY69 (C)

1. IAW REF A, NEG SUBMITTED.

2. SUBJ RADIO NOT ON HAND OR RATED THIS COMMAND

CC: 634 RELEASED BY [Signature] TIME 05/1110 11 MAY69

CFO

WJ

DRAFTER R.G. LOURTO
SECTION 4 PHONE 3684
CWO *WLC*

ROUTINE 080068 3 MAY 69

FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMFPAC
TO: CG THIRD FORSTRECT

INFO: CO NINTH MOTOR TRANSPORT BN

REQUISITION

UNCLASS E F T O

REF: (A) ¹³⁰ 0100.15D

1. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00001/M28020/9123/5814/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

9TH M.T. BN "A" CO.

2. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00001/M28020/9123/5815/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

9TH M.T. BN "B" CO.

3. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00001/M28020/9123/5816/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

9TH M.T. BN "C" CO.

4. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00001/M28020/9123/5817/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

9TH M.T. BN "D" CO.

5. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00001/M28020/9123/5818/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

6. 9TH M.T. BN "R&S"

6. A05/MFU/1/8345-262-3703/EA/00005/M28020/9123/5819/N/BN/C/DL/
BLNK/BLNK/12/BLNK/BLNK

CGN

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[Signature]
G. S. TREMBLAY

TIME *03/1245H*

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WLC

J. N. Burgett
DRAFTER J. N. BURGETT
SEC S PHONE 3281
CNO WC

490513

ACQUITTANCE 2 MAY 69

FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV (REIN) INF
TO: CG CAMP LETTER

BT

UNCLAS E F T O

REF: HATTIS 2/48002/3531 USMC

1. HPI REP AND W/O SSB AND ORIGINAL ORDS. REQ SEARCH BE CONDUCTED SUBJECT ITEMS AND FWD THIS COO.

BT

CGM 1010 RELEASED BY *[Signature]* E. J. TRIMMAY, LTJG TIME 0711Z 69

ADJ

WR

OPEN 1256 DW REQ REL

090535

DRAFTER *J. N. Bennett*
SRS *A. H. JURGENT*
SNO *A. V.* PHONE *2041*
SNO *W.*

ROUTING ~~SECRET~~ 1 MAY 69

FROM: CG THIRD MARINE (RUCM) UNIT
TO: CG MCDR SHERRO

BT

UNCLAS F E T O

REF: MEMORANDUM NO. SEMF 254821/3516 WMD

1. SEMF CDS SR AND USE SHERRO ON MAY 1969.
2. SEMF CDS SHERRO WERE HIM UPON SEPARATION THIS COMD.

BT

DATE 1059 DRAFTER BY *J. N. Bennett* TITLE 07/1350H

ADJ

DIV REGREL

J. N. Bennett 091010H
CAS *W.*

CCN 1250

J. N. Buzgett
DRAFTER J. N. BIRCHETT
SEC SA PHONE 3284
CWO we

PRIORITY 110240 2 MAY 69

FROM: CG MINTH MTEN
TO: CG THIRD MARDIV (ACTN: 63)

UNCLASSIFIED

OF ORDER 19-69

1. OF ORDER RECEIVED 9 MAY 1969.

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DRAFTER J. N. BURGETT
SEC S-1 PHONE 3284
CWO

ROUTINE 170507 Z MAY 69

FROM: CO, NINTH MTEN THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF
TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF

REQUEST FOR RELEASE

FROM: CG, THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF
TO: CO, CAMP BUTLER
INFO: CO, NINTH MTEN, THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF

BT

PFC DONALD M. SMITH 2514023/3531 USMC
PFC ALFREDO GONZALEZ JR. 2469241/3531 USMC

1. PFC SMITH RPT ABD W/O PR, HR, SRB, REQ SEARCH BE CONDUCTED SUBJECT ITEMS AND FWD THIS COMD.
2. PFC GONZALEZ ABD W/O PR, REQ SEARCH BE CONDUCTED SUBJECT ITEM AND FWD THIS COMD.

BT

CCN _____ RELEASED BY L. J. TREMLAY, LTCOL TIME _____

J. N. Burg
DRAFTER J. N. BURG
SNO 5-1 PRIORITY 220
CNO PAC

PRIORITY 220300 Z MAY 69

FROM: CG, NINTH AFTR, THIRD MARIY (REIN) BAF
TO: CG, THIRD MARIY (REIN) BAF

SUBJ: TYPE KL-38 IMPLEMENTATION (U)
UNCLAS E F T O

REF: (a) CG THIRD MARIY MSG 180906Z MAY69

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE (a), A NEGATIVE REPORT IS SUBMITTED.

BT

J. Tremblay
3144 RELEASED BY LTJG J. TREMBLAY, LTJGOL TIME 19/1040
CEO PAC

J. N. Ruzette
DISTRIBUTION
SEC *Sec* PHONE *221*
CNO *221*

NUMBER *24/18* 2 MAY 69

FROM: CG, NORTH MAIN, WILD MARDIV (BETH) IMF
TO: CG, WILD MARDIV (BETH) IMF (ATTN: DIV 000)
INFO: CG, NORTH MAIN, WILD MARDIV (BETH) IMF

BT

UNCLAS E F T O

SUBJ: DISINSTRUCTIONS FOR TEMPORARY CESSATION OF OFFENSIVE OPERATION (U)

1. CONFIDENCY 091010Z MAY 69 (S)

2. REF (A) RECEIVED 10 MAY 1969.

BT

COI 3480

RELEASED BY *[Signature]* H. J. TRIMMAY, LTJGOL

TIME

23/1430H

COC

G-2 AB

244530Z

J. N. Burnett
DRAFTER *A. H. BURGESS*
SEC *SI* FILE *3281*
CWO *PBC*

ROUTINE *244530Z* 3 MAY 69

FROM: CG, THIRD MARINE (REIN) BMT
TO: CG, MCD, CAMP LEFEBRE
CO, TBS, QUANTICO, VA.

BT

UNCLAS E F T O

2NDLT ASHTON S. BILLARD 0107981/3501 USMCR

1. SSM RPT AID W/O OQR. REQ SEARCH BE CONDUCTED SUBJECT ITEM AND FWD THIS COMD.

BT

COM *3533* RELEASED BY *[Signature]* L. J. TREMBLAY, LTJG TIME *19/0850H*

[Signature]

ADJ

DIV

REL

P2

T. B. Hickley
DRAFTER T. B. HICKLEY
SECTION IN SUP 9/11 F803 368
CWO Shaw

ROUTINE 300004 2 MAY 69

FROM: CG THIRD MANDIV (REIN) RAPPAC
TO: CG THIRD FURSEREGT RAPPAC

INFO: CO NINTH MOTOR TRANSPORT BN

MILSTRIP RECCICILATION

UNCLAS E F T O

REF: (A) MCO 44C .15D

1. AFI/ARI/T/6730-395-2016/SE/00001/426020/3101/2204/D/EN/D/BL/BLNK/
S92/05/BLNK/4A

LAST STATUS AFI/ARI/9126

BT

CC: 4418 RELEASED BY L. J. TREMLAY, LTRJL TIME 29/01

SUPPO

Shaw

DRAFTER J. N. BURGETT
 SEC S-1 PHONE 3284
 CWO _____

PRIORITY 301120 H MAY 69

FROM: CO, NINTH MTEN, THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF
 TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF (ATTNL G-3)

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TASK ORGANIZATION

A. DIVO 3100.1D

1. IAW REF A, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

UNIT: 9TH MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
H&S CO	DONG HA	7/72
"A" CO	DONG HA	3/72
"B" CO	DONG HA	3/75
"C" CO	DONG HA	3/77
"T" CO	DONG HA	4/87

GP-4

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