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Encl: (1) 9thMAB Command Chronology

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

  
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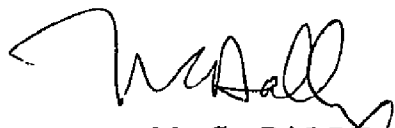
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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF and  
Fleet Marine Force, SEVENTH Fleet (CTF 79)  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

Command Chronology

1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

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## PART I

## ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

9th Marine Amphibious Brigade/TF 79      BGen J. E. GLICK  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company/TG 79.0	Capt C. L. DAUGHERTY Jr. 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Communications Support Company (Rein) TG 79.1	Capt R. D. BLOOMFIELD 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Regimental Landing Team 26/TG 79.2	Col J. J. PADLEY 1 August 1967 to 11 August 1967 Col D. E. LOWNDS 12 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Regimental Landing Team 26 (Fwd)	Col J. J. PADLEY 1 August 1967 to 11 August 1967 Col D. E. LOWNDS 12 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Regimental Landing Team 26 (Rear)	LtCol R. D. ALEXANDER 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Marine Aircraft Group 15/TG 79.3	Col C. KIMAK 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Special Landing Force/TG 79.4	Col J. A. CONWAY 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Special Landing Force/TG 79.5	Col J. G. DIONISOPOULOS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Provisional Service Battalion/TG 79.8	LtCol R. M. SEARLES 1 August 1967 to 7 August 1967 Maj W. M. OLIVER 8 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

2. LOCATION

1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967:      Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Chief of Staff      Col R. R. AMERINE  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Staff Secretary	Capt P. M. BURTON 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Aide-de-Camp	1stLt R. D. KOEHLER, Jr. 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Sergeant Major	SgtMaj R. D. PERKINS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1	LtCol E. V. EASTER 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant G-1	Maj P. E. DUFFY 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Adjutant	Capt C. WIEDEN 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Adjutant	2ndLt E. F. CHIN 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Personnel Officer	Capt E. P. RICHTER 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Personnel Officer	1stLt D. H. STEVENS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967  2ndLt D. W. KELLY 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Civil Affairs Officer	1stLt R. J. SEXTON II 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
S&C Officer	2ndLt R. E. POSTALWAITE 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Registered Publication Officer	1stLt H. A. HENTZ 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2	Capt E. B. BURLESON, Jr 1 August 1967 to 28 August 1967 Capt H. S. JOLLEY 29 August 1967 Maj J. V. KNAPP 30 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant G-2  
Capt W. B. MAYBERRY  
1 August 1967 to 20 August 1967  
Capt H. S. JOLLEY  
21 August 1967 to 28 August 1967  
30 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Combat Intelligence Officer  
2ndLt F. MAYNARD  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant Combat Intelligence  
2ndLt R. D. TEMPLETON  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Special Intelligence Officer  
Capt W. B. MAYBERRY  
1 August 1967 to 20 August 1967  
Capt H. S. JOLLEY  
21 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3  
LtCol B. F. MEYERS  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant G-3  
LtCol T. W. BURKE  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Operations Officer  
Maj W. M. THURBER  
1 August 1967 to 10 August 1967  
Maj L. C. WITT  
30 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant Operations Officer  
Capt D. W. DADISMAN  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Plans Officer  
Maj L. J. NAQUIN  
1 August 1967 to 25 August 1967  
Maj R. T. MACPHERSON  
26 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Training Officer  
Maj E. G. MILONE  
1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Assistant Training Officer  
Capt I. J. CAHILL (RAInf)  
1 August 1967 to 23 August 1967

Air Officer	LtCol J. H. RINEHART 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Air Officer	Maj C. U. GEBSEN 1 August 1967 to 4 August 1967
Artillery Officer	Capt J. E. DICKINS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
NBC Officer	Capt J. E. DICKINS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Naval Gunfire Officer	LCdr J. R. LOMAX 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4	Col E. MUELLER 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant G-4	LtCol H. ENGLISCH 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Logistics Officers	Maj J. A. COMO 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967 Maj R. F. MODOY 1 August 1967 to 12 August 1967 Capt G. J. COOPER 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967 Capt W. R. SMITH 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Aviation Logistics Officer	Maj R. J. WIEDEMAN 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Embarkation Officer	Capt P. J. SAMUELS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Embarkation Officer	None
Supply Officer	Maj C. W. OAKS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Supply Officer	2ndLt E. T. RICHARDS 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

Ordnance Officer	Maj W. L. LONG 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Aviation Ordnance Officer	None
Motor Transport Officer	Capt K. S. COURTNEY 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Brigade Surgeon	Capt S. M. MORGAN 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Medical Admin Officer	LCdr M. H. COON 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
<u>The</u> Comptroller	LtCol V. J. PROSS 1 August 1967 to 5 August 1967 Maj P. P. PIRHALLA 6 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Communications-Electronics Officer	LtCol L. A. GUBB 1 August 1967 to 10 August 1967 Maj J. A. SHEPARD 11 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Assistant Communications-Electronics Officer	Maj J. A. SHEPARD 1 August 1967 to 10 August 1967
Brigade Informational Services Officer	Maj A. M. STEWART 1 August 1967 to 3 August 1967 2ndLt P. A. BERGER 4 August 1967 to 13 August 1967 Capt J. L. KERSHNER 14 August 1967 to 31 August 1967
Brigade Chaplain	Cdr L. L. McDONALD 1 August 1967 to 31 August 1967

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	August					
	USMC		USN		Other	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
HqCo (79.0)	79	400	5	8	1	0
CommSpt Co	4	180	0	3		
RLT 26	70	1723	8	32		
MAG 15	226	2037	6	34		
SLF "A"	120	1702	9	84		
SLF "B"	110	1592	9	91		
ProvServBn	38	828	1	18		



## PART II

## NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of August, the 9th MAB continued to perform the assigned missions of intra-theater rotation of selected ground and aviation units, rehabilitation of equipment, replacement of personnel, training of rotating squadrons and contingency planning as the Fleet Marine Force component of the SEVENTH Fleet.

RLT-26(Fwd) continued in the defense of the Khe Sanh vital area and combat outposts and participated in Operation ARDMORE. The 1st Battalion, 13th Marines participated in Operation ARDMORE in direct support of RLT-26(Fwd) at Khe Sanh, Vietnam.

Special Landing Force, TG 79.4 conducted Operation BEACON GATE in conjunction with Operation COCHISE in the Quang Nam and Quang Tin Provinces, ICTZ, RVN during the period 7-10 August 1967. On 16 August 1967 the ARG/SLF sailed for Subic Bay, R. P. for upkeep. BLT 1/3 and HMM-362 remained in-country on Operation COCHISE under the operational control of 1st Marine Division and 1st MAW respectively. Operation COCHISE was terminated on 27 August 1967 and on 29 August 1967 BLT 1/3 and HMM-362 were reembarked aboard the ARG shipping.

Special Landing Force, TG 79.5 conducted Operation KANGAROO KICK from 1-3 August 1967 in the Quang Tri/Thua Thien Provinces, ICTZ, RVN. During the period 4-21 August 1967, BLT 2/3(-) and a detachment of HMM-265 participated in Operation FREMONT under the operational control of the 4th Marines and 1st MAW respectively. Meanwhile the ARG/SLF returned to Subic Bay, R. P. for upkeep. On 22 August 1967 BLT 2/3(-) and the detachment of HMM-265 reembarked aboard the ARG shipping and on 27 August 1967 commenced Operation BELT DRIVE in Quang Tri Province, ICTZ, RVN. The operation was terminated on 5 September 1967.

## PART III

## SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

## 1. FMF organizations committed to combat and the SLF.

a. Combat Missions assigned: RLT-26(Fwd) participated in Operation ARDMORE in the Khe Sahn area of Quang Tri Province, RVN (Annex 3 to Appendix A). 1st Battalion, 13th Marines participated in Operation ARDMORE in direct support of RLT-26(Fwd) (Annex 3 to Appendix A). SLF TG 79.4 conducted Operation BEACON GATE/COCHISE in the Quang Nam and Quang Tin Provinces, I CTZ RVN during the period 7-15 August 1967 (Annex 5 to Appendix A). SLF TG 79.5 conducted Operation KANGAROO KICK during the period 1-3 August 1967 along the Quang Tri/Thua Thien Province boundary, I CTZ, RVN. Then from 27 August 1967 until 5 September 1967 SLF TG 79.5 conducted Operation BELT DRIVE in Quang Tri Province, I CTZ RVN (Annex 6 to Appendix A).

## b. Casualties inflicted on the enemy:

KIA(Conf)  
120

KIA(prob)  
223

## c. Casualties sustained:

KIA  
17

WIA  
143

d. A detailed analysis of new technique employed, command relations, equipment, logistics, civic action, administration, personnel intelligence, communications, fire support, air support, and weather for Operation ARDMORE is found in RLT-26(Fwd) Command Chronology which is included in RLT-26 (Rear) Command Chronology (Annex 3 to Appendix A).

e. A detailed analysis of new techniques employed, command relations, equipment, logistics, civic action, administration, personnel intelligence, communications, fire support, air support, and weather for Operation BEACON GATE/COCHISE is found in the After Action Report for Operation BEACON GATE/COCHISE which is appended to SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology (Annex 5 to Appendix A).

f. A detailed analysis of new technique employed, command relations, equipment, logistics, civic action, administration, personnel intelligence, communications, fire support, air support, and weather for Operations KANGAROO KICK and BELT DRIVE are found in the After Action Reports for Operations KANGAROO KICK and BELT DRIVE which are appended to SLF 79.5 Command Chronology (Annex 6 to Appendix A).

## 2. FMF organizations not committed to combat.

a. Personnel

(1) The officer of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 continued normal staff functioning during the month of July.

(2) Awards

(a) The following awards were presented/recommended for members of the 9th MAB.

Navy Cross	4
Legion of Merit	1
Distinguished Flying Cross	1
Silver Star	8
Bronze Star	5
Air Medal	258
Navy Commendations	7
Secretary of the Navy Commendation for Achievement	3
Purple Hearts	146
Letters of Appreciation	6
Certificate of Commendation	8
Treasury Department Citation	1
Letter of Commendation	3
Commendation for Achievement	1
Treasury Department Highest Award	1
CNO Annual Aviation Safety Award	1
Foreign Awards	3

(3) Special Services

230 paperback books and magazines were boxed and delivered to RLT-26(Fwd) and the two SLFs.

(4) Career Advisory

Of Marines eligible to reenlist, 55.5% 1st term and 100% career reenlisted.

(5) Education

Enrollment in correspondence courses was 25.4% during August and course completion was 7.6%.

(6) Marine Corps Association Membership

Marine Corps Association Membership in August was 65.6% Officers and 26.6% SMCs.

(7) Saving Bonds

Savings Bonds participation rose to 82.2% in August.

(8) Medical

The brigade VD rate was 9 per 1000 men.

(9) Legal

The following legal work was performed:

Legal Assistance Cases	43
NJP Appeals reviewed	0
Summary Courts-Martial	4
Special Courts-Martial reviewed (non BCD)	4
Special Courts-Martial reviewed (BCD)	5
General Courts-Martial reviewed	1
Investigations reviewed	9
Offense/Incident Reports processed	39
Traffic Violations processed	63

b. Intelligence

During this period, the G-2 section has collected and correlated intelligence data with emphasis on the coastal areas of the Republic of Vietnam. Particular attention was paid to those areas that were prospective SLF targets. The section continued to conduct daily intelligence orientation briefing for officers in transit to RVN. A total of 192 officers were briefed.

c. Training

(1) During the period 1-31 August 1967, Headquarters, 9th MAB continued in its role of providing training support to the units of 9th MAB. This support required the scheduling of schools, firing ranges and other training requirements not available to units from within their own resources.

(2) OJT Four officers and four enlisted marines of 9th MAB performed OJT with III MAF during the month of August in the following fields: G-3 Operations, supply operations, shore party operations, infantry weapons repair, and communications operations. Details of OJT is included in Appendix D.

(3) Schools. A retraining program in occupational field 03 was conducted during the periods of 24 July to 19 August 1967. 389 marines were retrained during this period. 372 or 96% satisfactorily completed the training and were assigned to the First and Third Marine divisions. Details of this training are reflected in Appendix D.

(5) Military Assistance Program. Training was conducted for 1 enlisted man from the Thailand Marine Corps during the periods 27 July 1967 to 19 August 1967. Training was in the tracked vehicle field.

d. Logistics

Significant tasks under taken by the G-4 and cognizant staff sections are as follows:

(1) A conference was held regarding the BLT layette to improve status of supplies and equipment for future rehabilitation efforts.

(2) The average cost of feeding a man per day in the 9th MAB mess halls was determined to be \$1.211. The total number of rations fed was 62,886 with a total expenditure of \$76,173.94.

e. Embarkation

The embarkation continued to coordinate the loading and unloading of LFORM as required.

f. Community Relations

(1) MACS-6

(a) Maintenance and preservation was continued on the Henoko village school.

(2) Headquarters, BLT-26 (Rear)

(a) Two English classes were conducted at the Ryukyuan-American Cultural Center in Nago; a 1400 class for beginners and a 1500 class for the advanced students.

(b) On 6 August 40 children were hosted at Camp Schwab. During the morning the children painted pictures of the off-shore islands and in the afternoon went swimming.

(c) A letter of appreciation was received from Sister Francesca BROCCARDO of the Seibi Home Orphanage in Japan for the RLIT's contribution of \$448.69. This donation amounted to almost half of the entire Marine donation from Okinawa.

(d) One visit was made to the Leper Colony during the month and a donation of soap, salt, vitamins, dolls and basketballs was given to the director for distribution.

(e) The kindergarten at Henoko is being repainted and new window panes and shutters are being installed.

(f) Co "A" 5thMTBn retrieved a tractor belonging to the Henoko Gen. Partnership Company.

(3) Provisional Service Battalion

(a) \$18,00 was donated for the support of the Seih Home Orphanage, Yamanaka, Japan.

(4) Brigade Chaplain

(a) Weekly English classes for approximately 20 children continued.

(5) 3d Marine Division Band

(a) On 27 August the Band played a concert for the All-Okinawa Regional Track Meet.

g. Communications-Electronics

The Communication-Electronics Office conducted normal routine business during the period 1 August 1967 through 31 August 1967. Planning and inspections comprised the bulk of the section's activities.

h. Financial

During the month, aviation funds were received from FMFPac as follows:

a. BPN 01 Flight Operations requirements were budgeted at \$1,250,584 by FMFPac. Actual funds received was \$1,020,000 or 82 percent. An additional \$253,000 was requested to support VMGR-152 (\$157,000) and VMFA-314 (\$96,000) for the remainder of the quarter. Partial funding of \$100,000 was received to support the above requirements. It is estimated that \$141,000 vice \$153,000 is still required in this Project.

b. BPN 08 Aviation Consolidated Allowance List (Supply Officer's Store) has not as yet been funded. It is anticipated funding for this quarter will be effected during September.

c. BPN 09 General Aviation Collateral Equipment was funded at 100 percent of the budget.

d. BPN 21 Aeronautical TAD funds received was \$19,220 and deficit spending authority of \$7,000 permitting obligations of about 70 percent of the budgeted amount for this quarter. This project was reevaluated and the least essential requirements were re-programmed to support more essential items which were not known at the time the budget was submitted. The net result of this reevaluation is that an additional grant of \$16,802, which includes the \$7,000 deficit spending authority, is required to support this project for the last half of this quarter.

e. Aviation Maintenance BPN 50 was funded in the amount of \$107,000 or about 68 percent of the amount budgeted, \$160,329. A \$20,000 withdrawal was effected against the 9th MAB grant due to a shortage of maintenance funds in the First MAW.

### 3. Chronological Listing of Events.

- 1 August 1967 - Operation KANGAROO KICK commenced.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.5 Command Chronology Annex (6)  
to Appendix A
- 1-2 August 1967 - CG 9th MAB attended the 7th Fleet Scheduling Conference in Yokosuka, Japan.
- 1-4 August 1967 - FMFPAC inspection of all 9th MAB ground units on Okinawa.  
Ref: CG, FMFPAC msg 060814Z Jul 67. Annex (1)  
to Appendix B.
- 1-31 August 1967 - RLT-26(Fwd) participated in Operation ARDMORE.  
Ref: RLT-26(Rear) Command Chronology Annex (3)  
to Appendix A.
- 3 August 1967 - Operation KANGAROO KICK terminated.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.5 Command Chronology Annex (6)  
to Appendix A.
- 4-21 August 1967 - BLT 2/3 participated in Operation FREMONT under OpCon of 3rd MarDiv.
- 5 August 1967 - GMC visited 9th MAB.
- 7 August 1967 - Operation BEACON GATE commenced.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology Annex (5)  
to Appendix A.

- 7 August 1967 - Major W. M. OLIVER relieved LtCol R. M. SEARLES as Commanding Officer, Provisional Service Battalion.  
Ref: ISO News Release 62-67. Annex (1) to Appendix C.
- 8 August 1967 - MajGen. FINN, USARYIS, visited CG 9th MAB.
- 10 August 1967 - 1st Battalion, 13th Marines FDC assumed tactical and technical control of artillery fire of the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines.  
Ref: RLT-26(Rear) Command Chronology Annex (3) to Appendix A.
- 11 August 1967 - Operation BEACON GATE/COCHISE commenced.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology Annex (5) to Appendix A.
- 12 August 1967 - CG, 9th MAB presented to the CO Truck Company, PSB, the Minute Man flag in recognition of achieving 90% Savings Bond participation by Truck Company personnel.  
Ref: ISO News Release, 62-67, Annex (2) to Appendix C.
- 12-14 August 1967 - CG 9th MAB visited CG, 1st MarDiv, CG 3d MarDiv, CG, FLC, BLT 2/3, CTG 79.4, Commander of Task Force X-Ray and III MAF in RVN.
- 15-18 August 1967 - CTF 79 visited USMACTHAI, JUSMAG, SEATO, RTA, RTN, RTMC, and various other military commands in Thailand.  
Ref: COMUSMACTHAI 290243Z Jul67. Annex (2) to Appendix B.
- 16 August 1967 - Operation BEACON GATE terminated.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology Annex (5) to Appendix A.
- 17 August 1967 - VMFA-323 effected intra-theater rotation with VMFA-314.  
Ref: MAG-15 Command Chronology Annex (4) to Appendix A.
- 17-27 August 1967 - BLT 1/3 participated in Operation COCHISE under OpCon of Task Force X-Ray while ARG/SLF in Subic Bay, R.P. for upkeep.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology Annex (5) to Appendix A.
- 25 August 1967 - Assistant J-5 CINCPAC, RADM COUSINS visited 9th MAB.



- 25 August 1967 - Resumption of the BLT/SLF Rotation Program delayed until November 1967.  
Ref: BLT-26(Rear) Command Chronology Annex (3) to Appendix A.
- 27 August 1967 - Operation COCHISE terminated.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.4 Command Chronology Annex (5) to Appendix A.
- 27 August 1967 - Operation BELT DRIVE commenced.  
Ref: SLF TG 79.5 Command Chronology Annex (6) to Appendix A.

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## PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

## Appendices

## A. Command Chronologies of Supporting Units

(1) - HqCo, TG 79.0, 9thMAB, Command Chronology

(2) - CommSpt Co, TG 79.1, Command Chronology

(3) - RLT-26, TG 79.2, Command Chronology  
*RLT-26 (Rev)**File  
sep* (4) - MAG-15, TG 79.3, Command Chronology

(5) - SLF TG 79.4, Command Chronology

(6) - SLF TG 79.5, Command Chronology: This document covers the period 1 August - 5 September 1967 so as to include the entire Operation BELT DRIVE.

(7) - ProvServ Bn, TG 79.8, Command Chronology

## B. Documenting Messages

(1) - CG FMFPAC msg 060814 July 1967.

(2) - COMUSMACTHAI msg 290243 July 1967.

## C. ISO News Releases

(1) - 62-67

(2) - 63-67

## D. Training Statistics

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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF  
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Encl: (1) Command Chronology Report

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

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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF  
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 to 31 August 1967

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Enclosure (1)

## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. DESIGNATION

## COMMANDER

Headquarters Company  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

Captain C. L. DAUGHERTY JR

ATTACHED UNITS1. UNIT

3rd Marine Amphibious Forces Drum and Bugel Corps (1-9Aug67)  
3rd Marine Division Band (8-31Aug67)

2. LOCATION - 1 to 31 August 1967: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. OFFICERS - Commanding Officer Captain C. L. DAUGHERTY JR

4. AVERAGE AUGUST STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
79	400	5	8	1	0

## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. This unit's activities for the period covered by this report were those of administrative and training support for the members assigned and attached to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company of 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF, FPO San Francisco 96602.

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. FMF organizations not committed to combat.

a. Personnel.

(1) The T/O for Headquarters and Headquarters Company is 62 Officers and 189 enlisted men. Due to units attached and other assigned personnel responsibilities, the average strength of this unit has considerably exceeded the T/O manning level. The average strength attached units included is as follows.

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
80	416	5	8	1	0

b. Training.

(1) Requalification firing for this period is as follows:

<u>OFF</u>		<u>ENL</u>	
<u>RIFLE</u>	<u>PISTOL</u>	<u>RIFLE</u>	<u>PISTOL</u>
2	4	31	4

## PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None.

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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade  
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Encl: (1) Communication Support Company Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions contained in references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.
2. This letter becomes unclassified upon detachment of Enclosure (1).

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade  
FPO San Francisco, California

Major R. D. BLOOMFIELD

1 August 1967 - 31 August 1967

2. LOCATION

1 August 67 to 31 August 67: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Not applicable

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC			USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
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## PART II

NARRATIVE STATEMENT

Extensive GMS and MOS training was conducted on both the company and platoon level during the period 1-31 Aug 67 in order to maintain a state of combat readiness despite the continued high rate of personnel turnover. During August the command transferred out 3 officers and 46 enlisted personnel while joining no officers and 21 enlisted personnel.

An FMFPac inspection was held 1-4 Aug 67 and a Brigade inspection 21-26 Aug 67. All deficiencies noted have been corrected or corrective action is being taken.

A field exercise was conducted 28-29 August by Radio Relay Platoon in the form of the Split Bay Typhoon Shot. Personnel were reviewed in all equipment and were familiarized with new techniques and procedures.

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Fifteen hours of basic Vietnamese language instruction was conducted by Wire Platoon during the month of August.

Command Communication was provided by this command for the Commanding General, FMFPac during his visit to WESTPac based units from 28 August thru 5 September 67.

A gas chamber exercise was conducted on 21 August 67.

## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 Aug - 4 Aug	FMFPac inspection
21 Aug - 26 Aug	Brigade inspection
21 Aug	Gas Chamber exercise
28 Aug - 29 Aug	Split Bay Typhoon Shot by Radio Relay Platoon
28 Aug - 5 Sep	Command Communications for CG FMFPac WESTPac visit

## PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE  
COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None

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Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FMF  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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5750  
22 Sep 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (Attn: AC of S  
G-3)  
Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Aug to 31 Aug 1967  
Ref: (a) BrigO 5750.1C  
Encl: (1) Provisional Service Battalion Command Chronology  
1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.

*W. M. Oliver*  
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*Aug 67*

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FPO San Francisco, California 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 Aug 1967 to 31 Aug 1967

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## PART 1

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

LtCol. R. M. SEARLES  
1 Aug - 7 Aug 1967

Major W. M. OLIVER  
8 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters and Service Company  
Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Major W. L. HAMMACK  
1 Aug - 15 Aug 1967

Major I. C. HILL  
16 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

Supply Company  
Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Captain R. C. SCHAMAY  
1 Aug - 9 Aug 1967

Major J. M. WINBERG  
10 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

Maintenance Company  
Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Major R. B. THROM  
1 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

Truck Company  
Provisional Service Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Captain W. L. SNYDER, Jr.  
1 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

2. 1 Aug - 31 Aug 1967, Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer

LtCol. R. M. SEARLES  
1 Aug - 7 Aug 1967

Major W. M. OLIVER  
8 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

Executive Officer

Major W. M. OLIVER  
1 Aug - 7 Aug 1967

ENCLOSURE (1)

Executive Officer

Major R. R. POWELL Jr.  
8 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

S-1/Adjutant

2nd Lt. D. F. JOHNSON  
1 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

S-2/S-3

Major R. R. POWELL, Jr.  
1 Aug - 7 Aug 1967Major A. V. ROCHA  
8 Aug - 31 Aug 1967

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Major J. C. THORP  
1 Aug - 31 Aug 19674. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Headquarters and Service Company	18	222	1	17
Supply Company	10	256		1
Maintenance Company	6	246		
Truck Company	<u>4</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>18</u>
	38	828		

ENCLOSURE (1)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period covered by this report the Provisional Service Battalion performed its normal garrison supply and maintenance operations in support of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.

In addition, those items of information listed in Part III of this report are considered particularly significant to higher headquarters.

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1-4 Aug 1967: An inspection of the material maintenance procedures and mount-out supplies was conducted by CG, FMF PAC on units of Provisional Service Battalion. (Ref: CG, FMF PAC msg 060814Z Jul 67)
- 1-31 Aug 1967: Staff assistance and supervisory personnel were provided to K-4-12 and other 9th MAB units to assist in correcting existing supply and maintenance deficiencies.
- 1-31 Aug 1967: The following promotions were effected within Provisional Service Battalion:
- |       |    |
|-------|----|
| Cpl   | 89 |
| L/Cpl | 19 |
| PFC   | 1  |
- 1-31 Aug 1967: 3 of 3 eligible personnel were reenlisted within Provisional Service Battalion.
- 7 Aug 1967: Change of Command Ceremony held in honor of LtCol. R. M. SEARLES.
- 8 Aug 1967: Major W. M. OLIVER assumed Command of Provisional Service Battalion.
- 8 Aug 1967: Coordinated the off-loading of LFORM from the USS Seminole. (Ref: CG, FMF PAC ltr 39:MOD:jlc of 24 March 1967)
- 12 Aug 1967: CG, 9th MAB presented to the CO, Truck Company the Minute Man flag in recognition of achieving 90% Savings Bond participation by Truck Company personnel.
- 13 Aug 1967: A Maintenance Contact Team was dispatched to Subic Bay, Phillippines to repair Combat Equipment in hands of the SLF. The team returned on 22 August 1967.
- 14 Aug 1967: 89 supply personnel, MOS 3051, sent TAD to RVN for a period of 30 days to augment and provide assistance to the Force Logistics Command. (Ref: CG, FMF PAC msg 100204Z Aug 67)
- 14 Aug 1967: Coordinated the off-loading of LFORM from the USS Ogden. (Ref: CG, FMF PAC ltr 39:MOD:jlc of 24 March 1967)

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- 16 Aug 1967: Modification to all organic M-14 rifles required by TI-02648A - 35/9 completed.
- 18 Aug 1967: A Medical Administration Inspection was conducted by the 9th MAB Medical Administration Officer.
- 21 Aug 1967: A Battalion General Military Subjects School was established during Aug 67, with the first class convening on 21 Aug 1967. All personnel of the rank of Sergeant and below who fail a GMS proficiency evaluation test must attend.
- 31 Aug 1967: A fire occurred in Bldg. T-157, Maintenance Company Warehouse resulting in approximately \$8,000.00 damage to the building and equipment. The cause of the fire was determined to have been faulty electrical wiring.

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FM RL7-26 (REAR)  
TO ALL UNITS RL7-26 (OKINAWA)  
P 060814Z JUL 67  
FM: CG NINTH MAB  
TO RL7-26 (REAR)  
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INSPECTION BY CG, FMFPAC

1. AN INSPECTION OF MATERIAL MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES AND MOUNT OUT SUPPLIES OF THE GROUND ELEMENTS OF THE BRIGADE WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE FORCE INSPECTOR DURING THE PERIOD 31 JULY THROUGH 4 AUGUST 1967.
2. FUNCTIONAL AREAS TO BE REVIEWED INCLUDE: COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS, ENGINEER, MOTOR TRANSPORT, ORDINANCE, MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLY AS RELATES TO MAINTENANCE, MOUNT-OUT SUPPLIES, MEDICAL AND DENTAL. PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT/UTILIZATION, TECHNICAL TRAINING AND EMBARKATION WILL ALSO BE EXAMINED.
3. RESULTS OF THIS INSPECTION WILL FURNISH CG, FMFPAC WITH A "HARD LOOK" APPRAISAL OF THE BRIGADE. THEREFORE, UNITS CAN

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MANDERS ARE REQUESTED TO EXERT A HIGH DEGREE OF COMMAND ATTENTION IN ORDER TO REFLECT THE HIGH STANDARDS OF READINESS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE BRIGADE.

4. REQUESTS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AS REQUIRED IN PREPARATION FOR THE INSPECTION WILL BE COORDINATED BY THE BRIGADE INSPECTOR.

SGEN J. E. GLICK SENDS.

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ENROUTE CHAO PHYA HOTEL VIA SEDAN.

1145-1245

LUNCH AT CHAO PHYA HOTEL.

1245-1300

ENROUTE TO CAPITAL HOTEL VIA SEDAN.

1300-1430

DEPUTY CHIEF JUSMAG BRIEFING.

1430-1445

ENROUTE HQ NACTHAI VIA SEDAN.

1445-1500

CALL ON MG HAL D. MCCOWN, USA, COMUSMACVTHAI.

1500-1630

NACTHAI BRIEFING.

1630-1715

P722 BRIEFING.

1715-1745

ENROUTE TO CHAO PHYA HOTEL VIA SEDAN.

(FROM BANGKOK)

WEDNESDAY (16 AUG)

0700-0715

ENROUTE TO DON MUANG AIRPORT VIA SEDAN.

0715-0840

ENROUTE TO UTTAPAO VIA MARINE ACFT.

0840-0915

BRIEFING AND TOUR UTTAPAO.

0915-0930

ENROUTE PORT AREA VIA SEDAN.

0930-1000

JOCC BRIEFING AND TOUR OF PORT AREA.

1000-1015

ENROUTE HQ JUSMAG VIA SEDAN.

1015-1045

CALL ON RADM JUNAAT WONGPENSRI, RTN, CO.

SATTAPHI NAVAL STATION.

1045-1200

ENROUTE RMC AGERS VIA SEDAN.

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1200-1205

CALL ON RADM SOPHON SUYARNSETTANONG, RTN,

COMMANDANT, RMC.

1205-1205

BRIEFING AND TOUR MARINE CORPS BASE.

1205-1300

LUNCH.

1300-1400

ENROUTE UTTAPAO VIA SEDAN.

1400-1400

FLIGHT TO DON MUANG AIRPORT VIA MARINE ACFT.

1400-1500

ENROUTE CHAO PHYA HOTEL VIA SEDAN.

1500-

OPEN TIME.

(FROM BANGKOK)

THURSDAY (17 AUG)

0600-0700

BAGGAGE PICKUP AND CHECK OUT OF HOTEL.

0700-0745

BREAKFAST AT HOTEL.

0745-0815

ENROUTE TO DON MUANG AIRPORT VIA SEDAN.

0815-0900

ENROUTE TO MORATHAPAF VIA MARINE ACFT.

0900-0915

CALL ON MG EDWARD P. BLANCH, USA, CG.

USARUPTHA.

0915-1000

BRIEFING AND TOUR USARUPTHA.

1000-1145

LUNCH USARUPTHA.

1145-1200

ENROUTE MORATHAPAF VIA SEDAN.

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CALL OF MR WILLIAM O. LINDLEY, USA, SENATOR  
COMMISSIONER 7/13TH AT HANOI  
BRIEFING 7/23/67  
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EMBASSY VIENTIANE  
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Release No: 62-67  
Change of Command  
By: L/Cpl T.J. Coleman

Additional Information  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, August 7—(ISO) Bronze Star holder Major William M. Oliver assumed command of Provisional Service Battalion

During a formal change of command ceremony at Camp Hansen today.

He relieved Lieutenant Colonel Robert M. Searles, who commanded the Battalion since March 7. Searles has been assigned to the Defense Supply Agency, Cameron Station, Alexandria, Va.

Marine commanders and staff officers from Okinawa-based units attended.

As a second lieutenant in Feb. 1952, Oliver served at the Personnel Department, Headquarters, Marine Corps until his transfer to Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla. in July 1952.

Upon completion of his schooling, the major reported to the 1st Battalion, Eleventh Marines in Korea as a battery executive officer until his return to the United States in March of 1954.

Arriving in the U.S., Oliver joined the 2nd Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, N.C. to serve with the Tenth Marines, later becoming the commander of Battery H.

In 1957, Oliver began a two-year tour as Inspector Instructor of a Marine Reserve artillery unit. During 1960 he commanded Battery C, 1st Battalion, Twelfth Marines on Okinawa.

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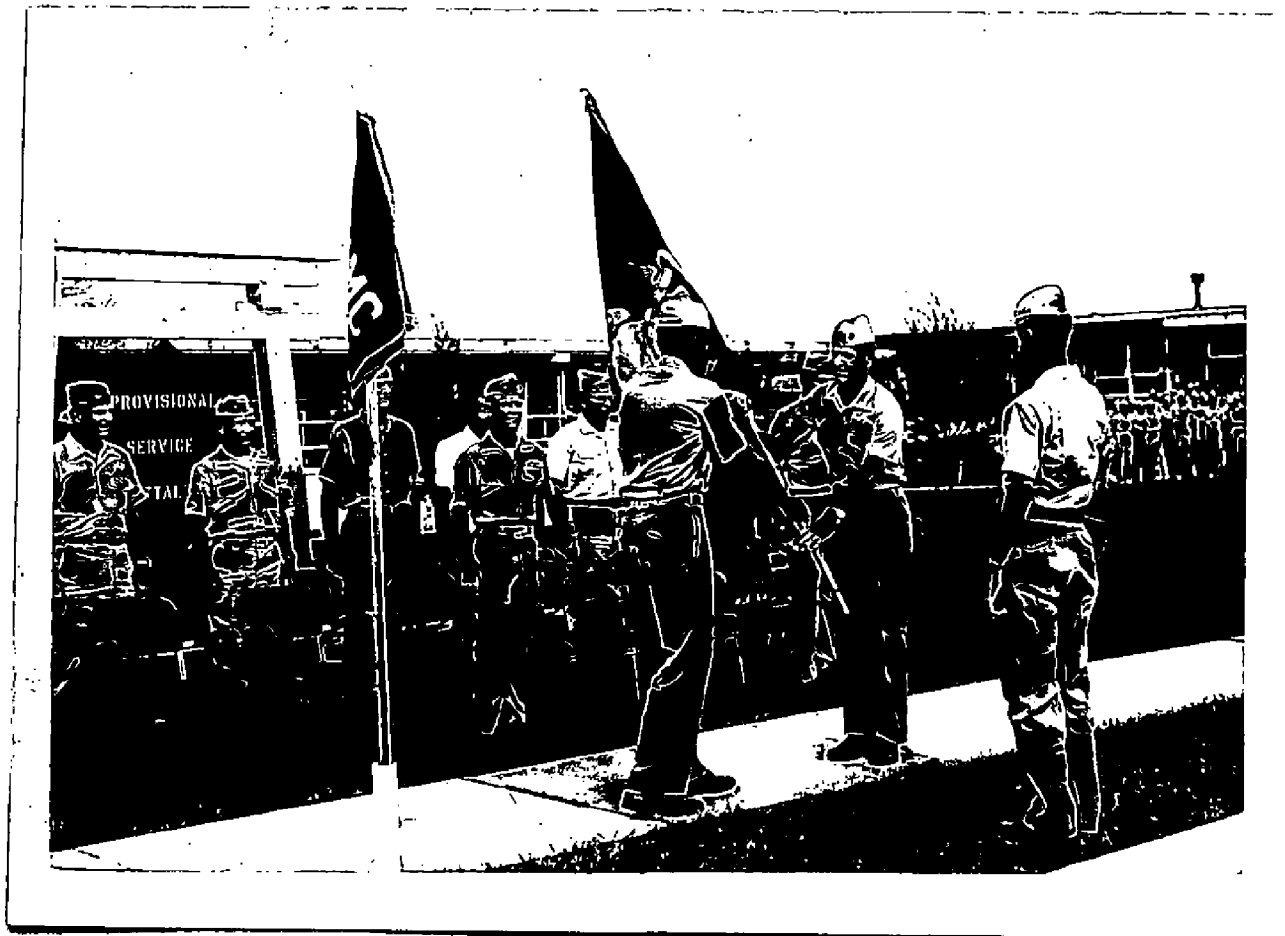
During the next seven years, Oliver held various command and staff assignments on the East Coast. He assumed the role of Executive Officer, Provisional Service Battalion in March of this year.

Major Oliver's wife, the former Ann T. Soltys of Grand Haven, Mich., and their daughter, live at 1341 Franklin St., Grand Haven, Mich.

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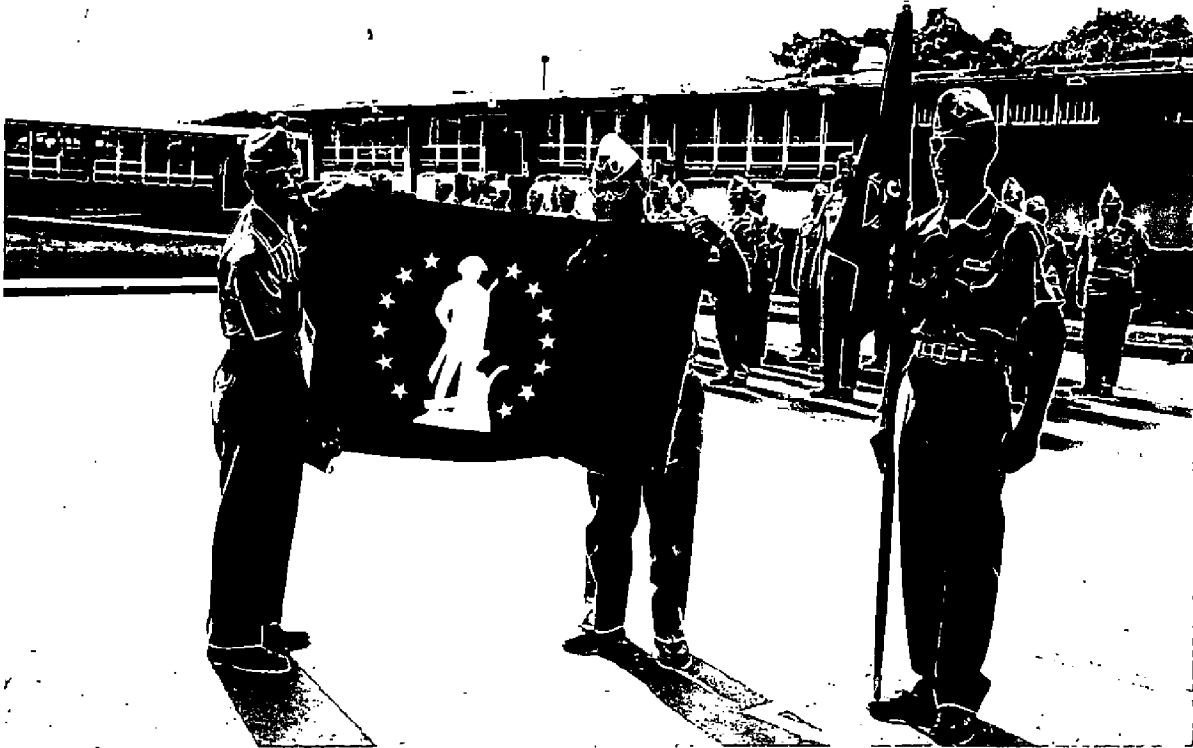
CONGRATULATIONS - LtCol. Robert M. SEARLES, outgoing commander of Provisional Service Battalion, presents the battalion colors to Major William M. OLIVER (right) during a formal change of command ceremony at Camp Hansen.

(Official USMC photograph) By: L/Cpl M. R. Wolfe





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MINUTEMAN AWARD - Brig. Gen Jacob E. GLICK (left), Commanding General of 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, presents the Minuteman Award to Capt. William L. Synder, Commanding Officer of Provisional Service Battalion's Truck Company which had over 95% participation in the U.S. Savings Bond Program since last August.

(Official USMC photograph) By: Cpl. S.M. LEIGHTY.

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## Appendix D

Training Statistics1. OJT with III MAF

a. Total of four officers and four enlisted men participated in OJT with units of III MAF during the period. Training received encompassed the following.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
G-3 Operations	1	2
Supply Operations	1	
Shore Party Operations	1	
Infantry Weapons Repair		1
Communications Operations	1	1

2. Schools. The following is a listing of the schools and courses utilized by 9th MAB during the period 1-31 August 1967.

<u>School</u>	<u>Students</u>
Registered Publications School	9
Communications Security/CRYPTO	6
Vietnamese Language	12
Driver Training	14
Career Advisor	1
Projector Operator	6
NCO Leadership	52
Embarkation School	13/118

3. Retraining Program. The following is a listings of numbers trained in the occupational field 03 and dates transferred.

<u>MOS</u>	<u>Number Trained</u>
0311	173
0331	100
0341	49
0351	50
TOTAL	372

<u>Date Departed</u>	<u>Number of Personnel</u>
14Aug67	134
25Aug67	134
26Aug67	71
29Aug67	33
TOTAL	372

Training Statistics, 9th MAB

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