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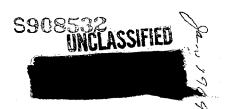
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00234-69 of 9 April 1969 (b) Unit Journal from part IV of the 1st Bn 26th

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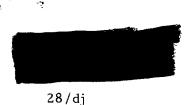
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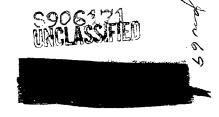
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- 2. By copy hereof, Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade is requested to submit the missing documents to CMC, via the appropriate chain of command, within 30 days.

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LIST OF MISSING DOCUMENTS

- 1. The following documents, listed as supporting documents to the subject chronology, were not included in the materials forwarded to this Headquarters:
 - A. Unit journal from part IV of the 1st BN., 26th Marines Command Chronology
 - B. Appendix 1 of part IV from the SLF/TG 79.5 Command Chronology (Rend. 5.0 7908 532)

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Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D) From:

To:

Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific Via:

Command Chronology for period 1 Jan to 31 Jan 1969 Subj:

(a) MCO 5750.2A Ref: FMFPACO 5750.8 (b)

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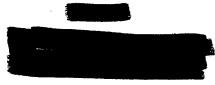
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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF and
Fleet Marine Force, SEVENTH Fleet (CTF 79)
FPO, San Francisco 96602

Command Chronology

1 Jan 1969 to 31 Jan 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

SUBORDINATE UNITS

1. DESIGNATION

9th Marine Amphibious Brigade/TF 79

1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Headquarters Company/TG 79.0

Communications Support Company (Rein) TG 79.1

26th Marines

RLT-26 (Rear)/TG 79.2

First Battalion Thirteenth Marines

Marine Aircraft Group 15/TG 79.3

Special Landing Force Alfa/TG 79.4

Special Landing Force Bravo/TG 79.5

Provisional Service Battalion/TG 79.8

2. LOCATION

1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69: Okinawa

Maj J.C. CREGAN
1Jan69 to 31Jan69

BGen J.E. WILLIAMS

Capt R.K. GREENOUGH
1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Col C.W. HUNTER
1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol R. DELACRUZ 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

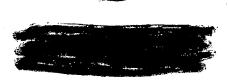
LtCol J.B. CANTIENY 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

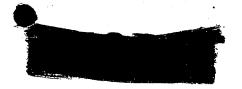
Col C.T. CORCORAN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Col J.F. MCMAHON 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Col R.R. WILSON 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Col W.C. DOTY
1Jan69 to 31Jan69





3. STAFF OFFICERS

Chief of Staff

Staff Secretary

Aide-de-Camp

Sgt Major

G-1

Adjutant

äG-1

Chaplain (Protestant)

Chaplain (Catholic)

G-2

AG-2

G-3

AG-3

Air Officer

Col J. LÖWMAN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Capt J.R. FURLEIGH 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

1stLt G.R. YOUNG 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

SgtMaj F.W. BLISS 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Maj W.H. GROESBECK 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Maj R.E. DOLAN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Capt R.H. AMBROSE 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Cdr G.W. FULFER 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Lt F.J. GILL 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

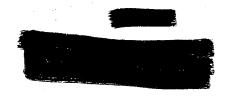
LtCol A.L. LUMPKIN 1Jan69 to 26Jan69 LtCol C.A. JORGENSON 27Jan69 to 31Jan69

1stLt E.J. BOYSER 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol G.C. KLIEFOTH 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol W.M. KULL 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Maj D.E. JACOBSEN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69



G-4

AG-4

Brigade Surgeon

Medical Admin Officer

Comptroller.

Communications-Electronics Officer

LtCol S.B. MCARTHY 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol R. MCARTHUR 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Capt R.W. JONES 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LCdr J.R. SOLLMAN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

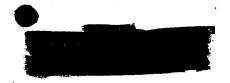
LtCol V.A. RUV0 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol R.C. STOCKTON 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

January

	USMC AG	OFF NA	USMC ENL	NAVY OFF	N AV Y ENL	
HqCo, 9th MaB	74	6	447	6	8	
CommSptCo	13	0	194	0	1 .	
ProvServBn	3 2	0	705	. 1	18	
RLT-26	28	0	675	3	42	
MAG-15	104	139	1672	ĕ	22	
SLF A	. 60	53	1945	7	614	
SLF B	67	43	2125	6	69	
1/13	29	· Ŏ	433	3	9	
26 Mar	65	3	1590	4	52	
5th 155 Guns	11	Ŏ	159	0	6	
Total	483	244	9945	36	296	



PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of January 1969, the 9th MAB continued to fulfill its assigned mission. Besides the in-country operations, there was the continuous requirement to: rehab personnel and equipment, train and replace personnel, and plan for contingencies.

During 1-7 January BGen J.E. WILLIAMS CTF 79/CG 9th MAB conferred with CTF-76 to approve the initial plan for Operation BOLD MARINER. After assuming Opcon of HMM-164 and BLT 3/26, CTG 79.5 conducted training/rehab at sea and continued planning for Operation BOLD MARINER. TG 79.4 was engaged in Operation VALIANT HUNT during this period. General WILLIAMS, aboard the Eldorado attended an informal Change of Command ceremony 6 Jan, visited the Chief of Staff and G-3 of III MAF on 10 January, and participated in the presail conference aboard the Eldorado on 11 Jan. Concurrent and parallel planning with III MAF, the Americal Division, TF 76 and TF Cooksey proceeded satisfactorily for Operation BOLD MARINER.

Operation BOLD MARINER commenced on 13 January with BGen John E. WILLIAMS commanding the landing force. This unique operation included: cordon and clearing operations, coordinating supporting arms using Army artillery, massive evacuation of a civilian populace in support of III MAF accelerated Pacification Campaign, and both civilian and troop medevacs. was the first Brigade size amphibious assault conducted by TF 79 and considered the largest since the Inchon landing in Korea. RAdmiral BEHRENS; CATF, BGen WILLIAMS; CLF, and BGen COOKSEY; Cmdr TF Cooksey conferred daily during the operation. On 22 January, LtGen BUSE; CG FMFPAC, VAdm BRINGLE; COMSEVENTH-FLT and LtGen STILLWELL; Acting CG III MAF visited CTF 76/ CTF 79 and CTF Cooksey aboard the USS Eldorado and were briefed on Operation BOLD MARINER.

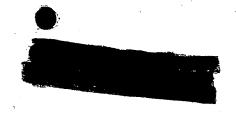
On 24 January BLT 3/26 was chopped to Task Force Cooksey and simultaneously control was returned to TF 79.5. The 9th MAB staff returned to Okinawa. BLT 2/26 was backloaded by 241200 hrs and off loaded Danang Harbor on the 25th for chop ashore to III MAF.

On 26 January BGen WILLIAMS departed Okinawa to attend the

7th Fleet scheduling conference at Baguio R.P.I.

During period 30 Jan - 1 Feb 12 aircraft of VMFA-122 departed MCAS Iwakuni to conduct 45 day air to air/air to ground training deployment. BLT 2/26 remained ashore under Opcon 1st Mar Div in Operation LINN RIVER. BLT 3/26 continued search and clear operations with TF Cooksey.





PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. FMF organizations committed to combat and the SLF
- a. For details of actions involving 9th MaB units committed to combat, see the Command Chronology of subordinate units attached as appendices hereto.
 - b. Casualties inflicted upon the enemy:

KIJ	(Conf)	KIA (Prob)		POW
164		20		17

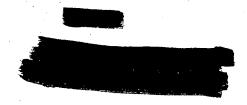
c. Casualties sustained:

KI A	 A. IW	.•	MIA
31	131		0

- * Casualties listed here are those sustained during this period by 9th MAB units while under the operational control of the 9th MAB or 9th MAB subordinate units. Casualties sustained while Opcon to III MAF or subordinate units thereof are reported by the in-country unit concerned.
- d. The following awards were presented/recommended for presentation during the month of January:

Navy Cross	1
Legion of Merit	2
Silver Star	. 4
Distinguished Flying Cross	5
Bronze Star Medal	11
Air Medal	16
Navy Commendation Medal	25
Navy Achievement Medal	25
Purple Heart	217
Certificate of Commendation	Ö
Foreign Awards	0
Letter of Appreciation	1

- 2. FMF organizations not committed to combat.
 - a. Personnel





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(1) Special Services

Two hundred books (paperback) and a varied number of magazines were boxed and delivered weekly via the 9th MAB courier to the 26th Marines and the two SLFs.

(2) Career Advisory

Reenlistment by career categories for the month of January was as follows:

<u>1st Term</u>			Career		<u>Total</u>
32.					55.3
29.0%	*	•	100.0%		80.0%

(3) Education

Enrollment and course completion during the month of January were as follows:

Enrollment	Course Completion
15.0%	9.0%

(4) Marine Corps Association Membership

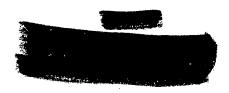
Participation within the Marine Corps Association in the month of January for officers was 49.4%. Staff NOC participation showed 30.6%. Average for both staff and officers was 38.2%.

(5) Savings Bonds

Total participation in the Savings Bond Program for the month of Jan was 66.5%.

(6) Legal

General	Courts-Martial Tried	6
Article	32 Investigation	2
Article	32 Investigations Reviewed	3
Special	Courts-Martial Tried	8
	Courts-Martial Reviewed	5
	Courts-Martial (BCD) Reviewed	3
Special	Courts-Martial (NON BCD) Reviewed	10



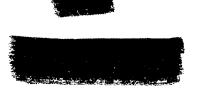
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Lawyers off 131t CO's subordinate unit CO's	

(1) During the month of Jan 1-31 1969, G-3 Training, 9th MAB continued in its role of providing training support to the units of the 9th MAB. The support consisted of scheduling schools, firing ranges and other training areas.





PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

APPENDICES

- Command Chronology of Supporting Units

 - (1) Staff Sections CTF 79, 9th MAB Command Chronology
 (2) HqCo TG 79.0, 9th MAB Command Chronology
 (3) CommSptCo, TG 79.1, Command Chronology
 (4) 26th/Marines Regiment, Command Chronology
 (5) RIT-26 (Rear), TG 79.2 Command Chronology
 (6) 1st Bn, 13th Marines Command Chronology
 (7) MAG-15, TG 79.3, Command Chronology
 (8) SLF/TG 79.4, Command Chronology
 (9) SLF/TG 79.5, Command Chronology
 (10) ProvServBn, TG 79.8, Command Chronology

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- B. News Releases
 - Release Number 1-69 (1)
 - Release Number 2-69
 - (2) (3) (4) Release Number 3-69 Release Number 4-69

 - Release Number 5-69
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 - Release Number 7-69
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 - (10) Release Number 10-69
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From: Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1-31 January 1969

Ref: (a) BrigO 5750.1C

1. Location: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

2. Organizational Data

- a. Commanding General Brigadier General John E. Williams (1-31Jan69)
- b. Aide-de-Camp First Lieutenant G.R. Young (1-31 Jan 69)
- c. Chief of Staff Colonel John Lowman (1-31Jan69)
- d. Staff Secretary Captain James R. Furleigh (1-31 Jan 69)
- e. Sergeant Major Sergeant Major Frank W. Bliss (1-31Jan69)

3. Narrative Summary

a. During the month of January BGen Williams participated in Operation Bold Mariner from 10-24 January 1969 as Commander of the Landing Force TF-79. On 26 January BGen Williams departed for the Philippines for a planning conference.

4. Sequential listing of significant events

- a. 5 Jan 69 BGen Williams departed for Subic Bay
- b. 6 Jan 69 BGen Williams returned from Subic Bay
- c. 10 Jan 69 BGen Williams departed for Vietnam
- d. 24 Jan 69 BGen Williams returned from Vietnam

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e. 26 Jan 69 - BGen Williams departed for Republic of Philippines for a planning conference in Baguio

Very respectfully,

PARKER B. GRIFFITH

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

1A/ras 5720

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology (U)

Ref: (a) Brig0 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Command Chronology (@-1) for the month of January 1969

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

R. H. AMBROSE

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CHRONOLOGY

Part I

1. Designation

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Maj W. H. GROESBECK 1-31 JAN 1969

G-1

2. Location

1-31 January 1969; Okinawa

3. Staff Officers

Assistant G-1

Capt R. H. AMBROSE 1-31 JAN 1969

Personnel Officers

Capt D. O. O'DELL 1-31 JAN 1969

1stLt J. E. GARAVAGLIA 1-31 JAN 1969

Civil Affairs/Communit Relations Co-

ordinator

1stLt W. R. YOUNG 1-31 JAN 1969

Legal Officer

Maj L. G. BOHLEN 1-31 JAN 1969

Provost Marshall

1stLt W. R. YOUNG 1-31 JAN 1969

Adjutant

Maj R. E. DOLAN 1-31 JAN 1969

S&C Officers

1stLt G. P. THOMPSON 1-31 JAN 1969

1stLt G. P. OSPER 1-31 JAN 1969

Career Advisory/Education/Special Services Officer

1stLt W. R. YOUNG 1-31 JAN 1969

Informational Services Officer

CWO-3 W. F. DRISCOLL 1-31 DEC 1969

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Chaplain (Protestant)

Cdr G. W. FULFER 1-31 JAN 1969

Chaplain (Catholic)

Lt F. J. GILL 1-31 JAN 1969

4. (C) Average Monthly Strength:

	USMC AG	off Na	usmc Enl	navy off	navy Enl
HqCo	74	6	447	6	8
CommSptCo	13⊱	O	1 34	Ü	T
ProvServBn	32 :	0	7 05	1	18
RLT-26	28	0	675	3	42
MAG-15	104	139	16 7 2	6	2 2
SLFA	60.	53	1945	7	64
SLFB	67	43	2125	6	69
1/13	29	0	433	3	9
26 MAR	65	3	1590	4	57
5th 155Guns	11	0	15 9	0	6
TOTAL	483	244	9945	<u> 36</u>	296

Part II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Normal staff functioning for the ACofS, G-1

Part III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. FMF organization not committed to combat.
 - a. Administration
- (1) The following awards were presented/recommended for members of the Ninth Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF.

Navy Cross-1
Silver Star Medal-4
Legion of Merit-2
Distinguished Flying Cross-5
Bronze Star Medal-11
Air Medal-16
Navy Commendation Medal-25
Navy Achievement-25
Purple Heart Medal-217
Certificate of Commendation-0
Letter of Appreciation-1
Foreign Awards-0

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- (2) Casualty Reporting
 - (a) Thirty one members of this command were killed in action.
- (3) Legal The following legal work was performed.

General courts-martial tried-6 Article 32 investigations-2 Article 32 investigations reviewed-3 Special courts-martial tried-8 General courts-martial reviewed-5 Special courts-martial (BCD) reviewed-3 Special courts-martial (Non-BCD) reviewed-10 Summary courts-martial reviewed-11 Vacation of suspension reviewed-2 Admin Board representations-0 NJP Appeals reviewed-1 Admin Discharge reviewed-8 Investigations reviewed-21 Legal Assistance cases handled-41 Offense/Incident reports-13 Lawyers off island assisting subordinate unit CO's-5

(4) Special Services

(a) Two hundred books and a varied number of magazines were delivered via 9thMAB courier to 26th Marines and to the two SLF*s.

(5) Career Advisory

(a) Reenlistment by career categories from the 1st through the 31st of January 1969 was as follows:

1st Term	Career	<u>Total</u>
20.0%	100%	80.0%
32.	•	553

(6) Education

(a) Enrollment and Course Completion during the month of January were as follows:

Enrollment	Course Completion
15.0%	9.0%

(7) Saving Bonds

(a) Total participation for the period was 66.5%

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- (8) Marine Corps Association
 - (a) Officer participation 39.2%
 - (b) Staff NCO participation 14.5%
 - (c) Total participation 23.5%
- (9) <u>PMO</u>
 - (a) Offense/Incident reports 35
 - (b) Traffic Violations 9

b. Medical

(1) The Brigade VD rate for this period was 16.83% per 1000 men for Okinawa based Units.

c. <u>Community Relations</u>

- (1) Provisional Service Battalion
- (a) Two Water Trailers permanetly assigned to Kin Village T. B. Hospital to supplement their water supply. Water tankers are dispatched daily to refill the trailers.
- (b) People to people Education Activities in this area have been a continuation of the English language assistance classes at Ishikawa High School.
 - (2) Marine Air Control Squadron-8
- (a) This month's functions were devoted to the English language classes for the children of the Nago high school and intermediate level. Three enlisted instructers are employed once weekly in this endeaver.
 - (3) Headquarters Company
- (a) Headquarters Motor transport supplied three truck loads of lumber to the elementary school at Afuse. The lumber is to be used to construct a wood shop at the school.

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2/jpm. 5750 10 February 1969

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From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

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

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2

(b) FMFPacO 5750.8

(c) Brig0 5750

Encl: (1) G-2 Section Command Chronology

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

C. A. JORGENSON

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Staff Officers:

a.	Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 LtCol A. L. LUMPKIN LtCol C. A. JORGENSON	1-27 January 1969 28-31 January 1969
Ъ.	Assistant G-2 lstLt E. J. BOYSER	1-31 January 1969
c,	Combat Intelligence Officer lstLt J. B. BROOKS lstLt D. J. KALINOWSKI GySgt J. A. DARR	1-31 January 1969 13-31 January 1969 1-31 January 1969

ENCLOSURE (1)

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

l. Briefs:

- a. This section conducts daily Intelligence/Operations Briefs for officers and staff NCO's in transit, to RVN. During January, 250 officers and 82 staff NCO's were briefed.
- b. Four Special Intelligence Briefs were conducted for the Commanding General and the Chief of Staff.

2. Intelligence Training:

a. Participated in on the job training during actual combat operations.

3. Combat Intelligence:

- a. Published and distributed 4 issues of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade Weekly Intelligence Summary.
 - b. Produced an Intelligence Estimate on Batangan Peninsula.
 - c. Participated in Joint Intelligence Center Operations with CTF 76.
- d. Participated in Combined Holding and Interrogation Center Operations in conjunction with TF Cooksey.
- e. Published daily intsum during the period 13 January 1969 to 26 January 1969 in connection with operat ion Bold Mariner/Russell Beach.

4. Counterintelligence:

a. Staff Counterintelligence conducted 1 informal Defense Against Mechanical Entry (DAME) survey on the 9th MAB briefing room, recommending maintenance work to G-4.

5. Administration:

a. In addition to routine administration tasks, the G-2 section initiated eighteen Personnel Security Clearances, issued forty five Certificates of Clearance, and processed fifty personnel accesses to facilities within the brigade.

6. Trips, Inspections, and Liaison Visits

- a. Provided OPSEC briefing to CINCPAC OPSEC Liaison Team on 16 January.
- b. Provided 1 officer and 1 staff NCO to CTF 76 as the intelligence advance party for Operation Bold Mariner/Russell Beach on 1 January 1969.

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c. Provided CTF 79 Joint Intelligence Center - Intelligence Section Staff to CTF 76 during period 4 January - 26 January 1969.

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PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

1 January 1969	Provided 1 officer and 1 staff NCO to CTF 76 as the intelligence advance party for Operation Bold Mariner/Russell Beach
3, 9, 17, and 28 January 1969	Special Intelligence Briefs were conducted for the Commanding General and the Chief of Staff
4, 11, 18, and 25 January 1969	Published Weekly Intelligence Summary
4 - 26 January 1969	Provided CTF 79 Joint Intelligence Center Intelligence Staff Section to CTF 76
13 - 26 January 1969	Published daily intsum in connection with Operation Bold Mariner/Russell Beach
16 January 1969	Provided OPSEC briefing to CINCPAC OPSEC Liaison Team

ENCLOSURE (1)

HEADQUARTERS
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
FP0, San Francisco 96602

3/dcb 5750 26 Mar 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

To: Commanding General, Ninth Marine Amphibious Brigade

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Jan to 31 Jan 1969

Ref: (a) Brig0 5750.1C with change 1

Encl: (1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a) enclosure (1) is hereby submitted:

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HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

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Part I

Organizational Data

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

AG-3

Air Officer

Artillery Officer

Operations/NGF Liaison Officer

Plans Officer

Training Officer

LtCol G.C. KLIEFOTH 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol W.M. KULL 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Maj D.E. JACOBSEN 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Maj J.M. UPDYKE 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LCDR D.J. MONTGOMERY 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

LtCol C.A. JORGENSON 1Jan69 to 26Jan69 Maj G.R. HART 27Jan69 to 31Jan69

1stLt J.F. ROMEO 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

Part II

Narrative Summary

From 1-31 Jan the G-3 Section conducted training, contingency planning, and supervised matters pertaining to Aviation, Naval Gunfire, Artillery, and the Mares Forstat. On 1 January the advance staff of TF 79 went aboard the USS Eldorado to plan for Operation BOLD MARINER. The remainder of the staff joined them in Subic Bay on 5 January to complete planning and publish the order for the exercise.

BOLD MARINER commenced on 13 January, was the first Brigade size amphibious assault conducted by TF 79, and considered the largest such assault since the Inchon landing in Korea.

On 24 January, BLT 3/26 was chopped to Task Force Cooksey, the Army element in the joint exercise. Simultaneously, control was returned to TF 79.5, (the SLF), and the 9th MAB staff returned to Okinawa.

G-3 Representatives from 9th MAB/TF 79 attended the Seventh Fleet Employment and Scheduling Conference at Baguio, R.P.I. from 26-31 January.

Part III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

None

Part IV

Supporting Documents

- 1. Air Input
- 2. Plans Input
- 3. NGF Input
- 4. Training Input
- 5. CTF-79 Weekly Summary msg 050105Z Jan 69
- 6. CTF-79 Weekly Summary msg 121412Z Jan 69
- 7. CTF-79 Weekly Summary msg 250600Z Jan 69
- 8. r CTF-79 Weekly Summary msg 260135Z Jan 69

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

3/lrv 5750 24 March 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Air Officer, G-3

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology: Air input for

Ref: A C/S, G-3 memo 3/dcb over 1000 of 11 Oct 68

1. In response to reference (a) the following input is submitted.

PART I

Maj D.E. Jacobsen 1 January 69 - 31 January 69

PART II

During the period 1 January 69 - 31 January 69 G-3 Air continued in it's mission of providing administrative, logistic and training support for Marine on-Island units. During the period 5 January to 25 January 1969 G-3 Air provided augmentation and participated in support of operation Bold Mariner, Quang Ngai Province, RVN.

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VERY RESPECTFULLY, D.E. JACOBSEN

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

3/jmg 5750 24 Mar 1969

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From: Plans Officer, G-3 Section To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology Information for Jan 1969

1. The following information was obtained from LtCol C.A. Jorgenson, presently the Ass't C of S, G-2, who had been the Plans Officer up to the 26 Jan 1969.

Part I

Organizational Data

Plans Officer

LtCol C.A. Jorgenson 1 Jan 69 to 26 Jan 69 Maj G.R. Hart 27 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69

Ass't Plans Officer

None

Part II

Narrative Summary

None

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Sequential Listing of Significant Events

Continued Draft of 120 and 101 Plans, also participated in Operation BOLD MARINER.

Part IV

Supporting Documents

None

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HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

3/dcb 5750 24 Mar 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Naval Gunfire Officer

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology for Jan 1969; submission of

Ref: (a) G-3 memo 1000 of Der 1969

l. In response to reference (a) the following input is provided.

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Naval Gunfire Liaison Officer

LtCmdr D.J. MONTGOMERY 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

SFCP Subic: Ninth MAB NGF Team, Subic provided the following spotting services to NGFS ships, Seventh Fleet.

SHIP

DATES

EXERCISE CONDUCTED

USS PORTERFIELD (DD-682)

6,7, & 8 Jan

SID, Z-44-G (MOD)

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. On 3 Jan 1969, Sgt L.D. WILLOUGHBY, 2043554/0331, USMC was detached from duty with SFCP, Subic and departed on emergency leave.
- 2. On 6 Jan 1969, Lt D.M. COLVERT, 645619/1000, USN departed TAD in connection with amphibious operation BOLD MARINER.

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3. USS PORTERFIELD provided services for training 3/26 SFCP personnel on 6,7 and 8 January. Ship experienced many gunnery problems, limiting training received by SFCP personnel.

4. On 11 Jan 69, Cpl C.M. STEPATH, 2269251/2533, LCpl J.J. OTT 2337738/2531, Pfc H. SILVERSTEIN 2431676/2531 and Pfc H.C. WILLIAMS 2540737, all USMC, departed TAD in connection with amphibious operation BOLD MARINER.

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HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FIF FPO San Francisco 96602

3/JFR/hwc 5750 5 Feb 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: G-3 Training To: G-3 Operations

Subj: Command Chronology for period'l January 1969 to 31 January 1969

Ref: (a) Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 letter 3/deb 1000 of 11 Oct 68

Encl: (1) 1 January through 31 January Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	MANLE AND RALK
Training Officer	lstLt J.F. ROMBO 1 Jan - 31 Jan
Asst. Training Officer	lstLt C.C. BUSICK 1 Jan - 20 Jan
Briefing Officer	lstLt C.C. BUSICK

Training NCO GySgt H. GONZALEZ 1 Jan - 31 Jan

Asst. Training NCO SSGT J.D. CRIDER 1 Jan - 31 Jan

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Training

(1) During the period 1 Jan through 31 Jan 1969 G-3 Training 9thMAB continued in its role of providing training support to the organizations of the 9thMAB. The support consisted of scheduling schools, firing ranges, and other training areas.

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Schools. The following is a list of the schools and courses attended by 9thMAB during the period 1 through 31 January 1969:

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2. Military Assistance Program. (3) officers from the Nationalist China Marine Corps completed training on WCN 313 Comm Equipment Repair during the period 9 Dec 68 - 6 Jan 69. Host unit was Comm Spt Co. (1) enlisted from the Nationalist China Marine Corps completed training on WCN 316 Comm Equipment Repair during the period 9 Dec 66 - 6 Jan 69. Host unit was Comm Spt Co. (3) officers from the Nationalist China Marine Corps completed training on WCN 312(1) Staff Procedures at Bn and Regt Levels during the period 10-24 Jan. Host unit was RET-26(Recr). (3) enlisted Marines from the Republic of the Philippines are presently receiving training on WCN 304 Comm Center. C Host unit is Comm Spt Co. The names, ranks, service numbers and countries of the students are as follows:

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3. Parachute Training. The Air Delivery Platoon of MAS Company, Frow Serv Bn conducted parachute jumps at the Moniton Training Area on 7, and 14 Jan 1959.

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- 4. Special Ventons Arching 14833. (5) enlisted Marinus from 5th 155 Gun Birg completed training on the 1133 at Comp Marcon during the period 31 Dec through 10 Jun 1969. The training was conducted by Sub Unit Walanno Company 3rd FSR.
- 5. <u>Maval Gunfire Training</u>. USS Porterfield(DD-682) provided services for training 3/26 Shore Fire Control Party (SFCF) personnel on 6, 7 and 8 Jan 69.

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TROOP MEDEVACS, AND MASSIVE EVACUATION OF CIVILIAN POLULACE IN SUPPORT OF 111 MAF ACCELERATED PACIFICATION CAMPAIGN.
3. (S) TG 79.4 CONTINUED PLANNING FOR BOLD MARINER
4. (S) TF 79.5 ONE CH-46 FROM HAM 164 CRASHED IN LZ ASMORE. A/C LOST
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CEL ON 22 JAN, LIGEN BUBE, OG FNFPAC, VADNEBRINGLE, SOMERVERTA-FLY AND LIGEN STILLWELL, ACTING GG III MAR WYSTED OF TOVOTF TO ND OTO COOKSEY ABOARD USS ELDORADO AND VERSIBATEFED ON OPERATION

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CS) ON 23 JAN, WITHDRAVAL PLANS FOR BETERS WERE PROMULGATED OLLOWING JOINT CONFERENCES WITH TF 76, IF TO AND TF COOKSEY OMNAND AND CONTROL AGENCIES. ON RECEIPT OF APPROVAL FROM DOMESTHER ON 24 JAN, WITHDRAVAL ORDER WAS EXECUTED AND SLATER WAS RECONSTITUTED IN ITS MOMENT COMMAND STRUCTURE ABOARD RG ALFA AS OF 241040 H JAN 69, CTO 79.5 WAS DESIGNATED OLD ONCURRENT WITH RELIEF OF CTF 79 AS CLF, AND BLT 3/26 WAS CHOPPED OF CG 1/1 MAP FOR SIMULTANEOUS GROP TO CG AMERICAL DIV FOR ONTINUATION OF OPERATION BOLD MARINER, BEEN SILLIANS SHIFTED TF 79 FLACKADMIN TO MINTH MAB HIS, CAMP MARSEN, OKINAWAL FRECTIVE 2417001.

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HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

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25 FEB 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 January to 31 January 1969

Ref: (a)

- (a) MOD 5750.2
- (b) FMFPacO 5750.8
- (c) BrigO 5750.1C

Encl: (1) G-4 Command Chronology

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.
- 2. This memorandum becomes unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY 1 January to 31 January 1969

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Part I Organizational Data

Staff Officers

a.	Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 LtCol S. B. MCCARTY JR.	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
b.	Assistant G-4 LtCol R. MCARTHUR	2 Jan - 31 Jan 69
C.	Assistant G-4 (Logistics) Major E. G. LOVE	l Jan - 31 Jan 69
d.	Assistant G-4 (Avn) Major M. R. CONROY	l Jan - 31 Jan 69
e.	Logistics Officer Capt L. C. VETTER Capt R. C. ROUGHGARDEN lstLt P. W. BELLINI lstLt R. A. UPDAW	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69 1 Jan - 31 Jan 69 1 Jan - 31 Jan 69 13 Jan - 31 Jan 69
f.	Embarkation Officer Major R. J. REGAN	l Jan - 31 Jan 69
g.	Supply Officer LtCol H. G. SHAKLEE	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
h•	Assistant Supply Officer Capt H. B. LANIS	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
i.	Ordnance Officer Major J. E. C. LEAVITT JR.	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69

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j.	Assistant Ordnance Officer CWO-2 J. V. NELSON	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
k.	Motor Transport Officer Capt L. G. KINZER	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
1.	Brigade Surgeon Capt R. W. JONES	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
m.	Medical Admin Officer LtOmdr J. R. SOLLMAN	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69
ň.	Food Services Officer GySgt R. L. SHELTON	1 Jan - 31 Jan 69

Part II Narrative Summary

LtCol MCCARTY, Major LOVE, Major LEAVITT, Major REGAN, Capt HOUGGARD, and Capt ROUGHGARDEN were TAD to CTF 79 and participated in Operation Bold Mariner from 5-29 Jan 69. A Brigade Inspection Team comprised of the G-4 cognizant sections inspected 5th 155 Gun Battery at Dong Ha. Capt LANIS attended the Aviation Supply Officers Conference at Iwakuni and Atsugi. The Embarkation section staged the USS VALLEY FORGE LFORM at Tengan Pier for loading aboard the USS HAMPSHIRE CITY (EST 819) for transfer to Subic Bay.

One hundred and one hospital corpsmen reported to Brigade during the month, with thirty four being reassigned to 9th MAB units in Vietnam. The Brigade received two Dental Corps Officers, three Medical Corps Officers, and two Chaplain Corps Officers during January. One Dental Corps Officer, two Medical Corps Officers, and one Chaplain Corps Officer were detached during the same period.

Part III Sequential Listing of Significant Events

1-12 Jan 69	Major LOVE TAD to Subic Bay
1-10 Jan 69	lstLt WISE attended 1st Marine Division Supply Officers Conference
2 Jan 69	LtCol MCARTHUR reported for duty
2-22 Jan 69	Capt Roland JONES TAD to CTF 79 to participate in Operation Bold Mariner
5-29 Jan 69	LtCol MCCARTY, Major LEAVITT, Major REGAN, Capt HOUGGARD and Capt ROUGHGARDEN TAD to CTF 79 to participate in Operation Bold Mariner

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13 Jan 69	1stLt R. A. UPDAW reported for duty
13-15 Jan 69	Teams from Brigade Supply, Embarkation, and Motor Transport inspected CommSuptCo
13-17 Jan 69	Capt KINZER TAD to RVN
13-18 Jan 69	Major CONROY TAD to RVN
13-29 Jan 69	Major LOVE TAD to CTF 79 to participate in Operation Bold Mariner
17 Jan 69	lstLt WISE TAD w/Brigade Supply terminated
19-21 Jan 69	Capt VETTER TAD to RVN
26 Jan - 2 Feb 69	LtCol MCCARTY and Major REGAN attended Commander, SEVENTH Fleet Scheduling Conference at Baguio, Luzon R.P.
27-29 Jan 69	LtCol SHAKLEE, CWO NELSON, Lt BELLINI, MSgt SKINNER, MSgt ARTZ, GySgt BOWSER, SSgt BLACK, and HM1 PARKS comprised Brigade Inspection Team which inspected 5th 155 Gun Battery
29 Jan 69	Capt LANIS TAD to Aviation Supply Officers Conference at Iwakuni and Atsugi
31 Jan 69	

Part IV Supporting Documents

Chronologies of G-4 Cognizance Sections

1. Ordnance
2. Supply
3. Motor Transport

4. - Embarkation

5. - Medical

6. Food Services

Enclosure (1)



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS HEADQUARTERS, 9TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE, FMF FPO, SAN FRANCISCO 96602

IN REPLY REFER TO

8/drm 8000 5 Feb 1969

From: Ordnance Officer

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) Brig0 5750.10

1. In accordance with reference (a) the following Command Chronology is submitted:

PART I

Ordnance Officer

JAMES E. C. LEAVITT JR. Major

22 August 1968 to present

PART II

- 1. Major LEAVITT and Cpl MULLINS were TAD with 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF on Operation BOLD MARINER from 5 January 1969 to 29 January 1969.
- 2. SSgt SMTTH was on a courier run from 9 January 1969 to 11 January 1969.
- 3. PFC L. A. MATTHEWS Jr. reported to Brigade Ordnance from Brigade Adjutant for duty. (Replacement for Cpl MULLINS)
- 4. CWO-2 NELSON conducted Nuclear Safety Council meeting. Minutes of the meeting were submitted to CG, copy to FMFPAC and MAG-15.
- 5. CWO-2 NELSON was TAD with Brigade Inspection Team from 27 January 1969 to 30 January 1969. 5th 155 Gun Battery was the unit inspected. Inspection report was submitted to Brigade Inspector.

PART III

- 5 January 1969 Major LEAVITT and Cpl MULLINS TAD to Operation BOLD MARINER.
- 9 January 1969 SSgt SMTH departed on courier run.
- 11 January 1969 SSgt SMITH returned from courier run.
- 13 January 1969 PFC MATTHEWS reported aboard for duty.

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- 23 January 1969 CWO-2 NELSON conducted Nuclear Safety Council meeting.
- 27 January 1969 CWO-2 NELSON TAD to RVN.
- 29 January 1969 Major LEAVITT returned from TAD.
- 30 January 1969 CWO-2 NELSON and Cpl MULLINS returned from TAD.

J. E. C. LEAVITT JR.

OFFICE OF THE SUPPLY OFFICER 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

21/aht 5750 4 Feb 1969

From: Supply Officer

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 Jan to 31 Jan 1969

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2A

(b) FMFPac0 5750.8

(c) BrigO 5750.1C

Encl: (1) Brigade Supply Office Command Chronology for Jan 1969

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

SHAKLEE

PART I

ORGANIZATION DATA

- 1. Not applicable
- 2. Not applicable
- 3. Brigade Supply Officer

LtCol H. G. SHAKLEE (1 Sep 68-)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Captain HOUGGARD and GySgt SELLARDS were TAD to CTF 79 and participated in operation "Bold Mariner" during the period 5-29 Jan 1969.

Captain LANIS and MSgt SKINNER, Brigade Supply Management Assistence Team, inspected Communications Support Company during the period 13-15 Jan 1969. A grade of Satisfactory with discrepancies was assigned.

1stLt WISE attended the 1st Marine Division Supply Officers Conference hosted by that command in RVN during the period 2-10 Jan 1969. The purpose of the conference was to discuss supply problems encountered by the 1st Marine Division and supported units. While in RVN Lt WISE conducted liaison concerning supply matters with: 5th 155MM Gun Btry, BLT 1/26 and Headquarters Company, 26th Marines.

Captain LANIS, MSgt SKINNER, and SSgt REED, Brigade Supply Management Assistence Team, conducted an informal inspection of MACS-8 during the period 23-27 Jan 1969. MSgt SKINNER participated in the inspection 23-24 Jan 1969. The inspection was conducted at the request of the Commanding Officer, MACS-8 to assist him to prepare for forth coming Field Supply Analysis Office-3 (FSAO) inspection scheduled to begin 18 FEB 1969.

1stLt WISE, OIC Supply Management Assistence Team, TAD terminated by MAG-15 and reassigned to WMGR for duty, 17 Jan 1969.

LtCol SHAKLEE and MSgt SKINNER inspected Supply functions of 5th 155MM Gun Btry during the period 27-29 Jan 1969. A grade of Satisfactory with discrepancies was assigned.

Captain LANIS TAD to attend Aviation Supply Officers Conference at Iwakuni and Atsugi commencing: 29 Jan 1969. He is expected to return on 7 Feb 1969.

PART III

- Not Applicable
 FMF organization not committed to combat

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2-10 Jan 69	1stLt WISE attended the 1st Marine Division Supply Officers Conference.
5-29 Jan 69	Capt HOUGGARD and GySgt SELLARDS participated in operation "Bold Mariner".
13-15 Jan 69	Brigade Supply Management Assistence Team inspected ComSptCo.
17 Jan 69	1stLt WISE TAD teminated and reassigned to VMGR-152.
23-27 JAN 69	Brigade Supply Management Assistence Team conducted informal inspection of MACS-8.
27-29 Jan 69	LtCol SHAKLEE and MSgt SKINNER inspected supply functions of 5th 155MM Gun Btry.
29 Jan 69	Capt LANIS TAD to attend Aviation Supply Officers Conference at Iwakuni and Atsugi.

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Not applicable

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

35/rey 11240 5 Feb 69

From: Brigade Motor Transport Officer To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 January to 31 January 1969

Ref:

- MCO 5750.2 (a)
- (b) FMFPac0 5750.8
- Brig0 5750.10 (c)

Encl: (1) Brigade Motor Transport Officer Command Chronology

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

Capt. USMCR

PART I

- 1. N/A
- 2. N/A
- 3. Brigade Motor Transport Officer Captain L. G. KINZER (1-31 Jan 69)
- 4. N/A

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the period 13-17 Jan 69 the Brigade Motor Transport Officer traveled to RVN (1/26) to deliver reporting materials & clear up problems concerning the Quarterly Density Report of Prime Movers, Trailers and Shop Sets to be submitted by 1st Bn 26th Marines. During the period 15-16 Jan 69 the Brigade Motor Transport Chief inspected the motor transport assets of Communication Support Company. During the period 26-30 Jan 69 the Brigade Motor Transport Chief and the Brigade Roadmaster traveled to RVN for the purpose of inspecting the motor transport assets of 5th 155 Gun Btry.

PART III

- 1. N/A
- 2. N/A
- 3. 13-17 Jan 69 Capt KINZER to 1st Bn 26th Mar to deliver reporting materials & clear up problems concerning Quarterly Density Report Of Prime Movers, Trailers and Shop Sets
- 15-16 Jan 69 MSgt ARTZ inspected CommSuptCo M.T. assets
 - 26-30 Jan 69 MSgt ARTZ & SSgt BLACK to RVN to inspect M.T. assets of 5th 155 Gun Btry

ENCLOSURE (|)

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

39/dml 5700 5 Feb 1969

From: Brigade Embarkation Officer
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Subj: Command Chronology, 1 Jan 1969 - 31 Jan 1969

Ref: (a) BrigBul 5750.10

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the following Chronology is submitted:

PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Embarkation Officer

Robert J. REGAN MAJOR USMC 14 June 1968 - 31 Jan 1969

PART II NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of January, events other than normally conducted office routine were as follows:

Major REGAN left on the advance party to RVN for Operation "Bold Mariner". Major REGAN and Cpl LANGE participated in Operation "Bold Mariner" aboard the USS ELDORADO (LCC 11). GySgt BOWSER and Sgt HUNTER inspected Communication Support Company and GySgt BOWSER inspected 5th 155 Gun Battery in RVN. Major REGAN attended Commander Seventh Fleet Scheduling Conference at Baguio, Luzon, R.F. Staged the USS VALLEY FORGE LFORM at Tengan Pier for loading aboard USS HAMPSHIRE CTY (LST 819) for further transfer to Subic Bay.

PART III SEQUENTIAL LISTINGS of SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 Jan Major REGAN leaves on advance party to RVN.

6 Jan Cpl LANGE departed for Subic Bay to embark

in USS ELDORADO.

6 - 25 Jan Major REGAN and Cpl LANGE participated in Operation "Bold Mariner".

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Jan 1969

13 - 15 Jan

26 Jan - 2 Feb

27 - 30 Jan

31 Jan

Inspected Comm Supt Co, grade sat
w/discrepancies.

Major REGAN attended Scheduling Conference.

Inspected 155 Gun Btry, grade sat w/discrepancies.

USS VALLEY FORGE LFORM staged on Tengan Pier.

Very Respectfully,

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO San Francisco 96602

16/d1k 5700 6 FEB 1969

From: Brigade Surgeon

To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2

(b) FMF PACO 5750.8

(c) BrigO 5750.1C

Encl: (1) Medical Section Command Chronology for the Subject period

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

Very respectfully,

R. W. JONES

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

- 1. Not Applicable.
- 2. Not Applicable.
- 3. STAFF OFFICERS

Brigade Surgeon

CAPT Roland W. JONES, MC USN 1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969

Medical Administrative Officer

ICDR John R. SOLLMAN, MSC USN 1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The Brigade Surgeon's Office accomplished all normal administrative matters for Navy personnel of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF, for the month of January 1969.

One hundred one Hospital Corpsmen reported to the Brigade during the month and one hundred eight were detached during the same period. Fifty-three Hospital Corpsmen were brought aboard with ADCON of 1st Battalion 26th Marines. Thirty-four Hospital Corpsmen were reassigned to 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade units in Vietnam during the month in conjunction with normal rotation and combat losses.

The Brigade received two Dental Corps Officers (220X), three Medical Corps Officers (210X), and two Chaplain Corps Officers (410X) during January 1969. Two Medical Corps Officers (210X), one Dental Corps Officers (220X), and one Chaplain Corps Officer (410X) were detached during the same period.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 January 1969 for the period.

A negative report is submitted

2 January 1969 CAPT Roland W. JCNES, MC USN departed Okinawa TAD to CTF 76, III MAF as member of CTF 79 staff for Operation Bold Mariner.

3. January 1969 to 21 January 1969 for the period.

A negative report is submitted

22 January 1969 CAPT Roland W. JONES, MC USN returned to Okinawa from TAD assignment to CTF 76, and III MAF, after completing TAD assignment and resumed his normal duties.

23 January 1969 to 25 January 1969

A negative report is submitted

for the period.

26 January 1969 HML H. I. PARKS, USN departed Okinawa TAD to 5th 155 Gun Battery with Brigade Inspection Team.

27 January 1969 for the period.

A negative report is submitted

28 January 1969 HMC H. T. MCGOWAN, USN departed Okinawa TAD to 1/26, 2/26, 1/13, Hq. 26th Mar, K/4/13, and 1st Marine Division on matters concerning Navy Personnel administration and medical matters.

29 January 1969 for the period.

A negative report is submitted

30 January 1969

HM1 H. I. PARKS, USN returned to Okinawa from TAD assignment to 5th 155 Gun Battery, after completing TAD assignment and resumed his normal duties.

31 January 1969 for the period.

A negative report is submitted

PART IV

Not Applicable.

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HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

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25 FEB 1909

Food Service Officer

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Subj: Command Chronology for the month of January 1969

(a) BrigO 5750.1B Ref:

1. In accordance with reference (a), the below Chronology is submitted.

PART I

ORGANIZATION DATA

Food Service Officer

R. L. SHELTON, GySqt

1 January - 31 January 1969

PART II

Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

- 1. Made frequent visits to 9th MAB messhall. They were found to be in satisfactory condition. All operated within their monetary allowance.
- 2. On 30 January, accompanied Mess Administrator CWO J. L. HILL, on a food service inspection of PSB Messhall #2324. Messhall #2324 was found to be in satisfactory condition.
- 3. On 24 January attended a Menu Planning board Meeting, at Camp Courtney for the month of March 1969.

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FINANCIAL STATUS FOR 9th MAB MESSHALL FOR JAN 14, 1969

	MESSHALL 2324 PSB	MESSHALL 3629 RLT 26	RLT 26 O MESS	CONSOLIDATED
Total Rations Due	40138	23594	4908	68640
Total Rations Feed	27870	20046	395 1	51867
Total Credits	36,565,44	26,300.35	5,183,71	68,049,50
Total Expenditures	33,032,83	25,632,25	5,128.32	63,793,40
Closing Inv Jan 1969	9,173,53	8,426,69	1,537,12	19,137,34
Closing Inv Dec 1969	9,648,96	9,839,11	1,115,13	20,603,20
Percent Inv Jan 1969	25%	32%	29%	28%
Reserve	3,532,61	668,10	55,39	4256,1 0
Overexpended				
Average Cost of Feeding 1 Man 1 Da	y 1.20	1.35	1.19	1.24
Ration Value Jan 1969	1.312	1.312	1.312	1.312

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO. San Francisco 96602

10/gwp 5750 3 Feb 1969

From: Communication-Electronics Officer

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology (Communication)

Ref: (a) Brig0 5750.10

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following data for the month of January is submitted.

PART I

Organizational Data

1. Communication-Electronics Officer LtCol R. C. STOCKTON 1Jan69 to 31Jan69

2. Asst Communication-Electronics Officer CWO(3) R. L. CLAY
1Jan69 to 31Jan69
Maj R. B. MASON
1Jan69 to 31Jan69

PART II

Narrative Summary

1. The Communication-Electronics Office has conducted routine business during the period 1-31 January 1969. Planning comprised the bulk of the section's activities.

PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

1-29 Jan 1969 LtCol R. C. STOCKTON, Major R. B. MASON, MGySgt A. E. BENJAMIN, and Sgt S. T. BAGGETT participated in CTF 79 Operation "BOLD MARINER".

27-31 Jan 69 CWO(3) R. L. CLAY and GySgt T. E. JOHNSON inspected 3/26.

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R. C. STOCKTON

HEADQUARTERS 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF FPO, San Francisco 96602

50/lek 5700 17 Feb 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, Comptroller

To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF (Attn: G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for Period 1-31 January 1969.

Ref: (a) BrigO P5750.1C

Encl: (1) Comptroller Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), enclosure (1)

is submitted herein.

VICTOR A. RUVO

CHROPOLOGY FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1969

PART I

COMPTROLLER

LTCOL. VICTOR A. RUVO

BUDGET OFFICER

CAPT. HOWARD C. WOLFE

PART II

Significant fiscal transactions during the month were as follows:

- a. BPW 01 Flight Operations. No funds were received during this reporting period.
- b. BPN 08 Aviation Consolidated Allowance List (Supply Officer 's Stores). No funds were received during this reporting period.
- c. BEN 09 General Aviation Collatoryl Equipment. No funds were received during this reporting period.
- d. BPN 21 Appropriated TVD. Funds in the amount of \$55,000 were received during this reporting period. New total OPTAR to date is \$145,000.
- e. BPN 50 Aviation Intermediate Maintenance. No funds were received during this reporting period.
- f. BFN 11 Maintenance of Aviation Expeditionary Equipment. Funds in the amount of \$180,000 were received during this reporting period. New P.E. total to date is \$526,800.
- g. <u>BPN 11 O&M,MC</u>. Funds in the amount of \$236,900 were received during this reporting period. New P.E. total to date is \$753,900.
- h. BFN 11 0&M,MC OPBUD. Funds in the amount of \$600,000 Were received during this reporting period. NTO to date is \$5,230,200.
- i. BPN 10 OPBUD Medical and Dantal. Funds in the amount of \$132,000 were received during this reporting period. NTO to date is \$212,200.

PART III

NEGATIVE

PART IV

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ENCLOSURE (1)

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
FPO San Francisco 96602

6/JCC/rws 5750 21 Feb 1969

From: Commanding Officer

To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF

(Attn: G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for Period 1 - 31 January 1969

Ref: (a) MOO 5750.2A

(b) FMFPA 00 5750,8

(c) Brig0 5750.10

Enel: (1) Command Chronology Report

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

B. R. HOLMES
By direction

to

Jan 69

6/JCC/rws 5750 21 Feb 1969

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY 1 - 31 January 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Major J. C. CREGAN

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

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ATTACHED UNITS

- 1. UNIT None
- 2. LOCATION N/A
- 3. OFFICERS N/A
- 4. AVERAGE STRENGTH

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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 91 officers and 298 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:

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b. Training.

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

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Rifle	<u>Pistol</u>	Rifle	Pistol
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PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

. 1. None.

Enclosure (1)



COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY (REIN) 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FPO San Francisco, California 96602

LPL/ghk 0479025 4 Feb 69

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From: Commanding Officer

To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (Attn: G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 January to 31 January 1969

Ref:

(a) MCO 5750.2A

(b) FMFPAC 0 5750.8

(c) BrigO 5750.lc

Encl: (1) Communication Support Company Command Chronology

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

2. This letter becomes unclassified upon detachment of enclosure (1).

R. K. GREENOUGH

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COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY (REIN) 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FPO San Francisco, California 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 January to 31 January 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

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

Captain R. K. GREENOUCH
1 January 1969-31 January 1969

2. LOCATION

1 January 69-31 January 69: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Not Applicable

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENTH

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PART II

NARRATIVE STATEMENT

On the 5th and 6th of January 1969, 51 Enlisted and 3 Officers of this unit deployed to the Republic of Vietnam to participate in OPERATION BOLD MARINER. The Deployed group spent 24 days in Vietnam returning on the 29th and 30th of January 1969.

Due to deployment of personnel to participate in OPERATION BOLD MARINER GMS Training for the month of January was revamped. Under the direction of the Commanding Officer, certain sessions and classes were cancelled and certain personnel were exempted from GMS Training. Technical MOS Training was conducted on schedule for all personnel not deployed.

On 13 and 14 January, the Commanding Generals Inspection of this unit was conducted. The Motor Transport Section passed with "Outstanding-no Discrepencies". The other sections passed with "Satisfactory with Minor Discrepencies". The Unit as a whole passed with "Satisfactory with Discrepencies".

On 20 January, Three Republic of the Philippines Marine Corporals reported to this unit for 5 weeks of operational communications training under The Marine Corps Military Assistance Training (MAT) Program.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

5-6 January 69

Personnel Deployed on OPERATION BOLD MARINER

13-14 January 69

Commanding Generals Inspection

20 January 69

Philippine Marines (3)
Arrived for MAP Training

29-30 January 69

Personnel Returned From OPERATION BOLD MARINER

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE
COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None

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HEADQUARTERS

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

3/MB:JAF/jlr 5750 28 Feb 1969

From: Commanding Officer

1oT Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

(Attn: AC of S, G-3)

Subj : Command Chronology for period of 1 January to 31 January 1969

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2

(b) FMFPac 5750.8 (c) Brig0 5750.10

Encl.: (1) Provisional Service Battalion Command Chronology.

In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.

HEADQUARTERS

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

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION	COMMANDER					
Provisional Service Battalion 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade	Colonel W. C. DOTY 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
SUBORDINATE UNITS						
Headquarters and Service Company Provisional Service Battalion 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade	Captain R. C. HUGHES 1 Jan 69 to 17 Jan 69					
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Supply Company Provisional Service Battalion 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade	Major R. C. KARGOL I Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
Maintenance Company Provisional Service Battalion 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade	Major W. G. FICERE Jr. 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
Truck Company Provisional Service Battalion 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade	Captain R. J. JARLOWSKI 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
2. 1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969, Camp Hansen, Okinawa.						
3. STAFF OFFICERS						
Commanding Officer	Colonel W. C. DOTY 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
Executive Officer	Major W. G. GOUTY 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
S-I Adjutant	1stLt. B. J. GRIGGS 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
S-2/S-3	Major M. BEARDEN 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					
S-4	Captain E. P. ROTCHFORD 1 Jan 69 to 31 Jan 69					

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN	usn	
	OFF.	ENL.	OFF.	ENL.	
Headquarters & Service Co.	16	225	1	14	
Supply Company	8	158	0	2	
Maintenance Company	5	195	0	0	
Truck: Company	4	118	0	0.	

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period covered by this report, Provisional Service Battalion continued normal supply and maintenance functions. Progress continued on repair of Provisional Service Battalion Sub-Unit material returned from Viet Nam.

On 17 January 1969, Provisional Service Battalion represented the U.S. Marine Corps in a Joint Services Review in honor of Lt. General F. T. UNGER, the out going High Commissioner of the Ryuku Islands. Provisional Service Battalion provided a total of 320 men, and the Battalion Staff. The ceremony was held at Hamby Field, Sukuran.

During the month of January, Provisional Service Battalion began initial planning for a Battalion Landing Team Rehab, to be conducted in the Phillipines. The Rehab is scheduled during April, 1969.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1-31 Jan 1969: Initial planning for BLT Rehab.

17 Jan 1969: Provisional Service Battalion represented the U.S. Marine Corps in a ceremony honoring departure of the High Commissioner of the Ryuku Islands.

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OFFICIAL RELEASE

kube school Release No: 1-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional informations call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa, Jan. 3—The Kube School in Hencke Village awarded Lieutenant Colonel Rufino DelaCruz, commanding officer, Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear) (RLT-26), with a Letter of Appreciation thanking the Marines of that unit for the construction and engineering work they have performed at Kube School recently.

Koichi Shinzato, the principal of Kube School, presented the letter personally during a visit to Camp Schwab on December 24.

LtCol. DelaGruz accepted the letter for the members of Company A,
5th Engineer Battalion, the RIT-26 unit which did the work at the school.

The letter cited the Marines for their continuing friendship and offerts in promoting Ryukyuan-American Community Relations.

RIT-26 is a unit of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.

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Marines Aid Air Force Release No. 3-69 By: Sgt. Russ Cavender

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KADENA AFB, Okinawa, Jan. 4 — "Tell it to the Marines!" That's exactly what Air Force Technical Sergeant Charles Hawes, Assistant Non-Commissioned Officer-in-Charge, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section (EOD), 418th Munitions Maintenance Squadron, did when he encountered trouble last month.

Hawes, an ex-Marine EOD man himself, had been instructed to have his experts clear an old (World War II) ammunition dump just outside Kadena on U. S. Army land.

The air force had placed the site off-limits, posted warning signs and patrolled it regularly since early 1945, when it was desided the area was unnecessary for further operations and too hazardous to enter.

Them, just before Christmas last year, the air force decided to install a mobile aircraft guidance system on the site to land aircraft more safely during foul weather. As a result, the EOD section was instructed to find the quickest and safest method of clearing away the hazardous WMII ammunition.

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Following instructions, Hawes called Marine Regimental Landing
Team-26's "A"-Company, 5th Amtrac Battalion for assistance. He asked
company commander, First Lieutenant Henry W. McGee, if the Marines would
help his men clear the site with an LVTE-1 Amphibious Tractor, specially
designed to clear mines from beachheads during Marine amphibious assaults.

The answer was of course, "Yes!" Once necessary preparations were made, Marine Second Lieutenant John H. Benz, company executive officer, and Air Force Technical Sergeant Paul U. Merical, EOD Section NCOIC, were assigned as project supervisors.

On Dec. 16, the Marines and their saber-toothed INTE-1 (which) looks like an enclosed flat-bottomed boat with wheels) landed and the situation was well in hand. Working closely with airmen assigned to the project, the crew of the giant tractor plowed the area for four days, unearthing more than 250 rounds of ammunition, ranging from 50-caliber machine gun shells to 105-mm high explosive artillery rounds. Despite heavy rains, causing the INTE-1's long teeth to clog up every few sweeps, the project was deemed a success Dec. 20 and the area was declared safe.

Technical Sergeant Miracal, pleased with the results, remarked:

"The Marines saved us months of work, clearing the site quickly and without incident." Pointing to the LVTE-1, he said, "That monster is ideally suited for this type of work and the Marines who run it did their jobs well. They gave us all the cooperation we could have asked for."

In closing he remarked, "It's a good thing TechSgt. Hawes came up with the solution to our problem or we might never have finished the job."

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Nago Honors Marines Release No. 4-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional informations call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa, Jan. 6 — About 20 Marines from the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade's Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear) (RIT-26) were guests of the mayor of Nago Dec. 30 for a dinner party held in homor of Marines who worked on the large civil affairs program known as the Nago Hilltop Project.

The Marines had worked on the project for more than four months, clearing and leveling a large area of hilly terrain to be used as the Northern Technical High School and Northern Industrial High School a few miles north of Nago.

The government of the Ryukyu Islands was scheduled to take over the work on the project at the beginning of this year.

First Lieutenant Richard A. Updaw, commanding efficer of Campany *A, *

5th Engineer Battalion, RIT-26, and Staff Sergeant J. Williams, non-commissioned officer-in-charge of Marines working there, were both presented letters of appreciation by Mr. Kamesuke Oshiro, the mayor of Okimawa's third largest city.

"I, and all the people of Nago, would like to express our deepest

appreciation for everything you have done for us," Mr. Oshiro said when presenting

the letters to the two Marines. "This type of coordination is very good for

helping relations between our people. Thank you very much."

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OFFICIAL RELEASE

sanatorium Release No: 5-69 By: LCpl. Dave Tarver For additional information: call CWO3 W.F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Jan. 2—Kin Village Tuberculosis Sanatorium was visited once again by Marines from the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade's Provisional Service Battalion, Dec. 31, for the continuation of project RENOVATE, a project which calls for the reconditioning and improvement of the living conditions for the 450 patients of the sanatorium.

Getting underway with the second phase of the four-step project, 17 Marines from Service Platoon, Headquarters and Service Company, led by Second Lieutenant H.N. Kleis, delivered six picnic tables and benches to the patients of the sanatorium.

"The benches and tables," said It. Kleis, "will take the place of the damp ground, giving the patients an opportunity to mit outside comfortably and enjoy the fresh air.

It. Kleis and his men also started work on the kitchen and cooking facilities of the sanatorium by first pulling out stoves for repair and cleaning. Stove hoods were also removed for either repair or replacement.

Next in line for the project is the replacement of windows and window frames, repair of the heating system, and finally replacement of the water line from the village water tank to the hospital.

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The inital phase of project RENOVATE was kicked-off Dec. 6 when 17 volunteers from Service Platoon, armed with hand saws and rakes held a clean up of the facility's grounds.

According to Lt. Kleis the project should be completed within six months, but the battalion plans to conduct projects similar to this on a continuing basis at the hospital.

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Nakadomari People-to-People Program Release No. 6-69 By: Sgt. Russ Cavender For additional informations call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4,310

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Jan. 8 — The school children of Nakadomari Junier High and Elementary School will have a new woodshop in which to learn elementary carpentry skills this spring thanks to the combined efforts of the Nakadomari Parent-Teachers Association and the Marines of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) and 3rd Force Service Regiment (3rd FSR).

First Lieutenant D. T. Harris, officor-in-charge of 3rd FSR!s Preservation, Packaging and Packing Platoon initiated the project late last December. Since his platoon had just received a new metal building for storage purposes, he set to work trying to find a useful purpose for its 20-by-forty foot wooden predecessor.

Hitting upon an idea he had acquired from an island newspaper, he called First Lieutenant Robert Young, 9th MAB community relations officer, for assistance.

His idea, briefly, was to give the solidly constructed structure to some deserving Ryukyuan organization which had need of it. In addition, he explained, the platoen had several large stacks of lumber to donate to the organization selected. This could be used to supplement the project he suggested.

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Just that type of material to supply the Nakadomari Village school for a woodshop. After making a brief inspection of the building, he found it soundly constructed and large enough to house the activity, and placed several calls to coordinate the project.

First he called Mr. Shoho Oshiro of the American-Ryukyuan Cultural Center in Ishakawa to inform him that the building was available. Since he did not speak Japanese and the members of the Nakadomari PTA did not speak a great deal of English, he asked Mr. Oshiro to set up a delivery date, time and place.

Receiving the necessary information in a return call from Mr. Oshiro, he called 9th MAB's Provisional Service Battalion for assistance in moving the huge building from its present location to Nakademari Village. PSB scheduled its large flatbed truck and driver, Cpl. Kenneth Scott for the operation. The battalion also provided a large grame to unload the structure once it had reached its destination.

Next Lt. Young contacted 3rd FSR's Engineer Support Platoon to lift the building onto the flatbed at its present site. Staff Sergeant Arthur Craker, operations chief, was assigned the task of supervising the loading. Four fork lifts, used to move heavy packages in storing were set aside to complete the loading phase.

Once the loading, transporting and unloading phases were organized, It.

Young called the Army's 62nd Military Police Company, Sukiran to arrange an escert and plan the 20-mile route which the wide, bulky load would take to the new site.

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Careful attention was given to the clearance height and width of the load to insure no damage to civilian property during the trip, and Army Sergeant Willis Wooten was assigned the task of insuring the convoy arrived safely.

The project got underway Jam. 3, as planned. Under the supervision of Lt. Harris and SSgt. Craker the structure was lifted from its foundation by one 15,000-pound and three 6,000 pound capacity fork lifts.

Next 3rd FSR Marines cleared the debris from beneath the structure and loaded two thirty-foot length, eight-inch thick beams onto the flighted. These kept the weight of the combersome cargo in the center of the truck and off the tires.

Once this was finished, Cpl. Scott backed the flatbed under the load and the four fork lift drivers lowered the structure gently into position. Satisfied the load was stable, Cpl. Scott gave the go-ahead. With Sgt. Wooten leading the way, the curious procession started its long journey to the schoolsite.

Sgt. Wooten held up traffie on both sides of Highway #1 while the flatbed made its turn at the rear gate.

Once off base the entourage moved slowly north up the four-lane highway toward its destination, taking up two lanes of traffie. Reaching Kadena Circle, Cpl. Scott slowed to a crawl to clear parked care and everhanging wires without mishap. He admitted later the building was the largest load he had ever transported. Continuing through the outskirts of Kadena, the huge mobile structure attracted a great deal of attention from padestrians and drivers alike.

Once outside of Kadena it was smooth sailing until the convey reached a small bridge one-mile north. There, as already estimated, the wide load had only inches of clearance on either side. At a small's pase, Opl. Scott managed to erose the span with only one minor mishap. The top of the building brushed a lamp post and damaged it slightly.



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As soon as the convey had cleared the bridge, Sgt. Wooten pulled them off the road to allow following traffic, which was now backed up for more than a quarter of a mile, to pass. Continuing 15-minutes later, the sonvoy prepared itself for the roughest part of the trek.

Ahead lay hair-pin turns and the hilliest and narrowest stretch of Highway #1. The major concern was negotiating this two-lane road without losing the awkward load.

Thanks to the combined driving skills of Sgt. Wooten and Cpl. Scott, the danger proved to be negligible, and the convoy arrived safely in Nakadomari Village, where it pulled off to the left side of the road to a predetermined temporary site.

There they were met by Mr. Oshiro; Mr. Choshin Tokuyama, Nakadomari head teacher; Mr. Seibun Henna, Nakadomari PTA Chairman; several of the village officials and the PSB crane.

The structure was unloaded carefully and gently placed out of the way of passing traffic. Amid smiles of thanks the Marines, who had completed their phase of the operation, departed; leaving the final phase to the Nakadomari PTA, which began renovating the building immediately so their children would be better prepared than they to meet an industrial future.

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ordnance school grad Release No: 7-69 By: LCpl M. Gerstenberger For additional information: call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Jan. 9 — Forty Marines graduated on January 3 from two separate three-week courses held at 3rd Force Service Regiment's Ordnance School.

The first such graduation of the year for both the Basic Infantry
Weapons Repair Course and Ammunitions Technicians Course was marked
with a new Ammo Course record.

Iance Corporal Gary S. Wigal, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division, was the honorman with a 99.20 final average.

Corporal Kenneth P. Peirce, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, finished first in the Weapons Course with a 96.76 average.

Presenting the diplomas and addressing the graduates was Major James E. C. Leavitt, ordnance efficer, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.

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unusual promotions Release No: 8-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional information: call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa, Jan. 16—Lately, some promotions around the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade have been, to say the least, unusual.

Two temporary first lieutenants, presently stationed at Regimental Landing Team-26, went through complicated promotion ceremonies which allowed them to remain just that — temporary first lieutenants.

Actually, in both cases the complications were merely a formality that will allow the two ex-enlisted Marines, who held temporary commissions, to retire as officers.

But when you follow the formalities step by step your head tends to spins

1stlt. Ted L. Munday was reverted to the rank of gunnery sergeant,

discharged from the Marine Corps, resworn into the Marine Corps as a permanent
warrant officer, and then sworn in as a first lieutenant again, all within a

time period of about three minutes.

Following this ceremony, 1stLt. Henry W. McGee was reverted to warrant officer, resigned his warrant officer commission, was redesignated a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve and promoted to first lieutenant again.

This took only about two minutes because so little red tape was involved.

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MATCU-66 Feature Release No: 9-69 By: Sgt. Russ Cavender For additional information call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

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MCAF, FUTEMA, Okinawa, Jan. 16 — Okinawa's only completely helicoptertransportable Marine ground control approach unit makes its home here.

The unit, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade's Marine Air Traffic Control
Unit-66 (MATCU-66), is actually a portable aircraft control tower plus radar
guidance system which can be disassembled and reconstructed anywhere within
a matter of days. It is designed specifically to safely land and and launch
aircraft from a temporary landing field in direct support of Marine infantry
units, but is equally adaptable to replace any modern aircraft tower, no
matter how complex.

According to Captain Arden E. Romsos, MATCU-66 officer-in-charge, the unit's sole function while stationed on Okinawa "is to prepare itself for actual use in combat in case of enemy contingency or attack in the Far East.

Once in combat, its main job is to provide aircraft pilots with continuous visual and radar air-ground control and insure the safe, fast flow of air traffic in any assigned control area.

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"Since the basic MATCU system was integrated into the Marine Corps aviation program earlier this decade, it has proved itself invaluable in Vietnam, while working in corfunction with Shortened Airfields for Tastical Support (SATS) at Phu Bai, Chu Lai and Dong Ha. Not only can the unit be assembled quickly in difficult terrain, it can also be readily moved to another location when, and if, a permanent air control tower is set up at it's present location."

All radar operators and technicians reporting to MATCU-66 already possess the basic skills required to do their work; having already attended at least 16 weeks of intensive training at San Diego, Calif.

Most have attended more advanced courses or worked with stateside MATCU or control tower units as well.

But since the system is complex and ever-changing, all spend the majority of their time here mastering their trade and brushing up on the basics. Since the air facility already has a control tower and the necessary radar equipment to handle incoming or outgoing aircraft, MATCU-66 Marines have no present tactical function. Consequently they spend their days training themselves, attending lectures, taking verbal and written tests on phases of the unit's operation and putting their knowledge to work in practice drills.

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Among the subjects MATCU-66 operators study are; aircraft communication jargon; methods of identifying aircraft within a zone of responsibility; procedures to follow to relay weather information, altimeter changes, headings, speed and final approach patterns to the aircraft; and immediate action drills to follow in case any part of the system fails in an emergency.

Technicians review repair procedures to follow in case part of the equipment breaks down, learn installation and how to incorporate modern changes into the unit's electronic system.

The rest of the time goes to disassembling and reconstructing the unit's gear, which includes four interlocked radar vans (which form a tracking and guidance complex), a portable aluminum control tower and three radar parabolas (long-range, medium-range and precision).

With this constant advanced training program, it's no wonder that these Marines feel sure that they will be able to perform their combat roles effectively and efficiently should any emergency arise.

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5th tank battalion Release No: 10-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional informations: call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa, Jan. 22—The Marine Base called Camp Schwab that is the home of Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear) (RLT-26) has a beach that is about a mile long and ideally suited for training exercises involving tracked vehicles.

Company "A", 5th Tank Battalion, a sub-unit of RIT-26, uses the beach as a proving grounds when training their four-man tank crews.

Early in the morning, when it's barely light enough to see, a tank will appear on the crest of the most distant hill on the beach, carefully negotiating its way down a piece of difficult terrain.

When it reaches the bottom of the hill there is a long flat area of sandy beach and the vehicle immediately picks up speed. It moves fast, over 30 miles per hour, surprisingly fast considering the bulky 52-ton steel body that makes up an M-48 A3 tank.

Then there's another hill — this one is covered with thick underbrush.

Again the tank slows down as it crosses the rough, unfamiliar area. It stops,

backs up, and turns in different directions as the driver makes himself

familiar with the maneuverability of the vehicle.

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Tank crewmen in the Marine Corps go to school for four weeks at Camp Pendleton, California. After that that they learn by on-the-job training of the sort conducted here.

Besides the driver there are three others in a tank crew. The senior man, the tank commander, acts as an overall supervisor and coordinator of the team.

The gunner handles the big 90mm gun that protrudes from the turret.

In addition this type of tank has a 30 caliber and a 50 caliber machinegun as part of its arsenal.

A loader assists the gunner in the operation of the guns. Together a good gun crew can fire 10 to 12 rounds a minute from the big turret gun. There are eight different types of rounds that can be fired from the 90mm gun. It has a range of up to 11 miles and sits on a moveable turret that can be operated electrically or hydraulically.

when one four-man crew has completed a run up and down the beach the vehicle returns to the tank park and another crew takes over the operation of the vehicle.

All the crew become increasingly familiar with every aspect of their job and RIT-26's Company "A", 5th Tank Battalion, a unit of the deployable 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, has continued its mission of training tank crews for duty in the Far East.

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linear line charge Release Ne: 11-69 By: ICpl. Dave Tarver For additional information: call CWO3 W.F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa. Jan. 17—Marine crews of the big armored troop carriers at this base are learning to work the new device on their tractors and answer an age old military puzzle.

The puzzle is "how to breach an enemy mine field quickly, and without getting anyone killed or injured."

The answer came with the development of the linear line charge, a sausage linked line 305 feet long, containing 1700 pounds of high explosive Composition—4 (C-4). The charge is tied to a modified Sidewinder missile, which is used to deliver the payload to its target when fired from the Amphibious tractor.

This revolutionary device has all but eliminated the hazardous job of mine probing along the beachheads.

During a recent training exercise held at Camp Schwab, Marines from "A" Company, 5th Amphibious Tractor Battalion (Amtrac), teamed up with Marines from "A" Company, 5th Engineer Battalion for operation BOOM, the practical application and firing of a linear line charge device.

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"The primary purpose of this exercise," explained Gunnery Sergeant Charles
L. Golden, 1st Platoon Commander, 5th Amtrac Bn., "is to train the crews of the
LVTE-1 Amtracs in the handling, loading, and actual firing of linear line charge
devices from Amphibious tractors."

The C-4 is a plastic type explosive which burns at the rate of 26.000 feet per second, and is linked together forming a line 305 feet long. The explosive is packaged in a pallet, a metal box weighing 1390 pounds. A modified Sidewinder missile is used to carry the explosive in on target. The line charge and its components are lowered into the body of an amtrac where it will be readied for firing.

Corporal Henry B. Nunley, Crew Chief of the LVTE-1 Amtrae, supervised the cent loading of the linear line charge aboard his tractor.

"In order to load the C-4 and container," explained Cpl. Nunley, "it is first lowered onto the lock cage of the Amtrac by use of an overhead crane. Once this is accomplished the pallet is locked in place and lowered into the body of the tractor."

With the C-4 safely aboard the Amtrac, Engineers from "A" Company, 5th Engineer Battalion take over the tedious job of connecting the line charge to the modified Sidewinder missile.

Gunnery Sergeant M. Vega, Company "A", 5th Engineer Bn., explains, "Our purpose is to see that the missile gets off the tractor and in on its target.

"Our job consists of hooking up-all electrical connections from the line charge to the missile. "The most important connection, or hook-up, is the 1/4 inch cables which tie the line charge to the Sidewinder missile. "These cables must be drawn tight around the missile, their purpose is to act as a guidance system."

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Once the connections are made and the cables tight, the missile is lowered into its firing grooves atop the LVTE-1 Amtrac and raised to a 45 degree angle to ensure maxium distance. Now the linear line charge is ready for firing.

Using the count-down method, the missile is fired, and trailing behind, is a line 305 feet long resembling a kite tail.

Laid out in a straight line the charge is ignited, Operation BOOM is over, a mine field is cleared, and a path 60 feet wide and 305 feet long awaits Marines as they come ashore.

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amphibious landing Release No: 12-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional information: call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP SCHWAB, Okinawa, Jan. 23--About 100 Marines from various units of Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear) conducted an amphibious landing demonstration for 87 Japanese Air Defense Cadets who visited Camp Schwab on Jan. 22.

The demonstration, which was one part lecture and one part amphibious assault was made more realistic by the use of simulated naval gunfire and close air support.

Seven amphibious tractors pushed toward Camp Schwab's Orawan beach on line as the explosions were being detonated.

Marines in full battle dress charged from personnel-carrying amtracs as soon as they hit the beach.

Navy Corpsmen also took part in the demonstration as they tended to the simulated casualties.

"Imagine this is a small part of a much larger operation," said Lieutenant Colonel Rufino DeLaCruz, commanding officer of Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear), when speaking to the cadets.

The unit is part of the deployable 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade which is headquartered at Camp Hansen.

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The operation was planned, supervised and conducted by Second Lieutenant Thomas F. Fuller, operations officer for Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear). The operation served as a preview for a larger amphibious landing demonstration to be held Feb. 11 at the Marine Corps base. That demonstration will also be for the benefit of the Japanese Air Defense Cadets.

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ordnance graduation (gilchrist)
Release No: 13-69
By: Cpl. Graham Ross

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CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Jan. 28—A total of 54 students graduated from each of two Ordnance School courses during ceremonies held at Camp Hansen January 24.

The 3rd Force Service Regiment School conducts the two three-week courses concurrently, one for weapons repairmen and one for ammunition technicians. Twenty-seven graduated from each class, both conducted for the first time this year.

Tance Corporal H. P. Gilchrist, of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing finished first in the Weapons Repair Course with a 97.12 average and Lance Corporal U. S. Jankowski of Force Logistics Command topped the Ammo Course with a 97.00 final average. Both men are presently serving in Vietnam.

Lieutenant Colonel L. I. Fein, commanding officer, Maintenance Battalion, 3rd FSR gave the graduation address and presented the diplomas to the students.

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OFFICIAL RELEASE

neo graduation (ingraham) Release No: 14-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional information: call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Jan. 28—The Non-Commissioned Officers School at Camp Hansen graduated 92 students during ceremonies held on January 25 for the first course completed this year.

Winning the leadership award and finishing first in the class was

Lance Corporal John T. Ingraham who is stationed at Camp McTureous.

Seventy per cent of the students are presently serving in Vietnam and came here to attend the three-week course.

Colonel R. L. Simmons, the executive officer of the Marine Corps Air Facility at Futema gave the graduation address.

The Non-Commissioned Officers School conducts the course to help further the capabilities of young servicemen who have demonstrated leadership ability.

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silver star (cox)
Release No: 15-69
By: Gpl. Graham Ross

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CAMP HANSEN, Ckinawa, Jan. 28—A Navy Corpsman who seized an injured Marine's rifle and returned fire in successful defense of a number of wounded Marines was presented the Silver Star Medal - the nation's third highest combat award - on January 25, during a ceremony at Camp Hansen.

Hospitalman 3 Dale W. Cox, 21, of Kalona, Iowa, who is presently serving with the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) at Camp Hansen, received his award from Brigadier General John E. Williams, Commanding General, 9th MAB, in recognition of his actions last August 18 while he was serving as a corpsman with Company "E", 2nd Battalion, Seventh Marine Regiment in the area of Quang Nam Province in the Republic of Vietnam.

On that day HM3 Cox's unit came under intense enemy fire which wounded several Marines at the outset. He exposed himself repeatedly to the enemy fire as he rushed to attend the wounded and unhesitatingly shielded them with his own body while treating their wounds and moving them to positions of relative safety.

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Finally, when he spotted some of the North Vietnamess soldiers who were delivering the hostile fire, he grabbed a rifle belonging to an injured Marine and returned fire at the enemy. By doing this he enabled the evacuation of the casualties to be completed.

"His heroic actions and sincere concern for the welfare of his companions inspired all who observed him and were instrumental in saving the lives of numerous Marines," said the citation that accompanied the award. "Hospitalman Cox upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service."

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letters of appreciation Release No: 18-69 By: Cpl. Graham Ross For additional informations call CWO3 W. F. Driscoll phone 28-4310

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa, Feb. 8—January was a rewarding month for the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.

The Brigade, which has a highly active civil affairs program, was awarded four letters of appreciation by four entirely different Okinawan organizations in recognition of a number of civil affairs projects that were completed recently.

On January 18 Lieutenant Colonel Rufino DeLaCruz, commanding officer of 9th MAB's Regimental Landing Team-26 (Rear), accepted a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Camp Schwab Marines. It was from the people of Henoko in recognition of work done by the Marines in clearing land on the building site of the new Henoko city hall auditorium. The presentation was made during ceremonies held dedicating the building.

LtCol DeLaCruz and the RLT-26 Marines received another citation on January 30 from the Kushi School for work performed clearing a large area of land on the school grounds.

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On January 29, Colonel John Lowman, Jr., chief of staff, 9th MAB, accepted two letters of appreciation on behalf of Brigadier General John. E. Williams, Commanding General, 9th MAB.

In the city of Ishikawa, Principal Seisho Maedo of the Shiromae Elementary School presented a letter of appreciation to 9th MAB for 300 feet of chainlink fencing and piping donated to the school.

In Naha that afternoon, Col. Lowman accepted another letter for 9th MAB at the annual meeting of the Island-Wide Social Welfare Committee for help performed by 9th MAB at the Kin TB Sanitorium.

The Brigade provided an emergency generator to operate hospital equipment during a recent power failure. Also they donated six picnic tables and chairs for use by patients at the hospital.