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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY



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(5) S-5 Chronology
(6) Air Support Chronology
(7) Medical and Dental Chronology
(8) Communication-Electronics Chronology
(9) Fire Support Chronology
(10) Supporting Documents (with original only)

1. In accordance with reference (a), the 9th Marines Command Chronology for period 1-30 June 1966 is submitted.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Reporting Unit. 9th Marines, 3d Marine Division

2. Reporting Period. 1-30 June 1966

3. Date of Submission. 15 JULY 1966

4. Commanding Officer

Colonel Edwin H. SIMMONS 1-30 June 1966

5. Location of Command Post During Reporting Period

Period. 1-15 June 1966 (AT 994723)
15-30 June 1966 (AT 969620)

6. Maps. AMS series L7014 Sheets 6640 I, III and IV and Sheets 6540 I and II

7. Staff Assignments

a.	Executive Officer	1-21 June	None assigned
		22-30 June	LtCol P. C. TRAMMELL
b.	S-1	1-30 June	Capt D. S. RILLING
c.	S-2	1-11 June	Maj C. WARD
		12-30 June	Capt G. R. GRIGGS
d.	S-3	1-30 June	Maj V. T. BLAZ
e.	S-4	1-30 June	Maj D. S. TOLLE
f.	S-5	1-30 June	1stLt J. M. STONE

8. Subordinate Commanders

a.	Headquarters Company	1-30 June	Capt L. D. DERRYBERRY
b.	1st Battalion, 9th Mar	1-30 June	LtCol R. E. JONES
c.	2d Battalion, 9th Mar	1-23 June	LtCol W. F. DONAHUE
		24-30 June	LtCol J. J. HESS
d.	3d Battalion, 9th Mar	1-21 June	LtCol P. C. TRAMMELL
		22-30 June	Maj G. R. GRIMES

9. Attachments

a. Liaison Team, I Corps, RVN 1-30 June 1966

b. Interpreter Team, III MAF 1-30 June

c. Platoon, 29th Civil Affairs Company, U.S. Army 16-30 June 1966

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1. Personnel.

a. Monthly Strengths (average).

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAVY OFF	NAVY ENL
101	2972	11	185

b. Casualties. Although casualty figures declined from those reported in May, they continued to reflect the Regiment's increased tempo of activity. As shown by the following statistical breakdown of the month's casualties, mines and booby traps accounted for an appreciably larger share of casualties in June than in previous months:

	Mines/Booby Traps			Mortars/Grenades			S/A Fire			Total		
	KIA	WIA EVAC	WIA RTD	KIA	WIA EVAC	WIA RTD	KIA	WIA EVAC	WIA RTD			
Apr	22	97	86	9	38	12	3	28	10	34	163	108
Percent	64.5	59.5	79.2	26.6	23.2	11.1	8.7	17.2	9.3			
May	42	109	65	2	40	32	31	67	15	75	216	112
Percent	56.2	50.5	58.6	2.7	18.5	28.4	41.4	30.8	13.4			
Jun	31	134	64	1	15	12	13	24	4	45	173	80
Percent	69.0	77.5	80.0	2.2	8.6	15.0	28.8	13.9	5.0			
Total (1Jan-1Jul)	116	524	363	31	142	126	79	213	66	226	879	555
Percent	51.2	59.5	65.4	13.7	16.2	22.7	35.1	24.3	11.9			

d. Replacements Received. The number of replacements received during June boosted the chargeable strength of the Regiment to a level slightly higher than the previous month. At the end of the month the Regiment had 68.2 of its authorized officer strength and 82 percent of its authorized enlisted strength. All three battalions changed commanders during the month. LtCol Richard E. JONES relieved LtCol William F. DOEHLER in the 1st Battalion; LtCol James J. HESS relieved LtCol William F. DONAHUE in the 2d Battalion; and Major George H. GRIMMES assumed command of the 3d Battalion when LtCol Paul C. TRAMMELL returned to fill the vacant billet of Regimental Executive Officer.

e. Personnel Summary. Although the Regiment showed a slight increase in enlisted personnel strength during the month, the shortage of officers persisted.

2. Informational Services. Informational Services personnel attached to the Regiment continued to emphasize Fleet Home Town News Stories, again surpassing a monthly total of 1000 stories; also, photographic coverage of these stories increased notably.

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3. Special Services. During the month, the Regiment hosted "Showtime", a USO Variety Show, which was viewed by over 500 personnel from throughout the 3d Marine Division. An excellent performance, the show had a noticeable positive effect on morale. In addition, units within the Regiment were visited by television celebrity Frank SUTTON, former heavyweight boxing champion, Archie MOORE, and move star John WAYNE. All three celebrities were warmly received by Marines in the field.

4. Discipline.

a. No unusual disciplinary problems.

b. Courts-martial.

Completed	Pending
GCM - 2	GCM - 0
SPCM - 9	SPCM - 1
SCM - 2	SCM - 0

c. Regimental Commanders' Officer Hours - 3

d. Battalion Commanders' Officer Hours - 13

e. Company Commanders' Officer Hours - 22

5. Morale, P.X., Postal Affairs, Liberty and R&R.

a. Morale. Morale within the Regiment remained excellent.

b. Post Exchanges. P. X. facilities continued to service the 1st Battalion and Regimental Command Post (Rear) in a highly satisfactory manner.

c. Postal Affairs. Mail delivery and pick-up remained satisfactory.

d. Liberty and R&R. The city of DANANG remained off-limits for liberty purposes. The Regiment received and allocated equally among the battalions the following R&R quotas:

Okinawa - 68
Bangkok - 37
Hong Kong - 24
Tokyo - 46
Manila - 10
Singapore - 8
Taipei - 24
Penang - 3
Kuala Lumpur - 3

Returnees from R&R reported the program working smoothly and expressed their satisfaction with it.

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6. Administration. The occupation of a forward and rear Regimental Command Post increased the time required to process administrative matters and caused some problems meeting deadlines set by Division for submission of service record books of medical evacuees and special interest correspondence; however, these problems are being solved as administrative procedures adjust to the new situation.

7. Chaplain's Activities.

a. Reporting aboard on 1 June, LCDR Thomas A. KENNY relieved Chaplain Robert C. FRANKLIN as Regimental Chaplain on 4 June.

b. Each Sunday of the month both Catholic and Protestant services were held at Regimental Headquarters. Total attendance: Catholic, 158 and Protestant, 64 (Chaplain Roger HANSEN of 2d Battalion, 12th Marines conducted the Protestant services). Additionally, the Regimental Chaplain celebrated nine Sunday Masses at units without Catholic Chaplains, including 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 3d Tank Battalion, Force Logistics Command, and 2d Battalion, 3d Marines. Total attendance for these Masses: 249

c. The Regimental Chaplain scheluded two Masses every Tuesday at An Hoa for the 3d Battalion which over the month were attended by 244 persons. Although Operation LIBERTY reduced the availability of some units, company-sized units were visited and Mass celebrated whenever possible.

d. Wounded personnel of the Regiment at the 3d Marine Division Field Hospital and the Station Hospital, Naval Support Activity, Danang East were visited regularly.

e. The Regimental Chaplain attended each weekly Division Chaplain's meeting. On 11 June, the Regimental Chaplain briefed the Force Chaplain, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. On 18 June, the Regimental Chaplain assisted the Bishop of Danang in administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to military personnel of the Danang area.

f. Construction on the new Regimental Chapel began in earnest this month: the foundation was poured on 5 June, and as of 30 June, the wooden structure was one-third completed.

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S-2 CHRONOLOGY

1. Area of Operations

a. The month of June saw a reduction in the area comprising the 9th Marine Regiment ZOA. The reduction was affected on the 15th of June and resulted from the return of the 1st Battalion and 3d Battalion, 1st Marines, to their parent regiment and the transfer of their respective ZOA to the 1st Marines. The present ZOA as of 30 June 1966 includes that portion of the DANANG TAOR bounded generally by east-west grid line 65 on the north, by the SONG VINH DIEN on the east, by the SONG THU BON/SONG KY LAM on the south and by the SONG YEN on the west. In addition to the above, the 9th Marines continues to retain responsibility for the AN HOA area (that area in which Operation GEORGIA was conducted during April and May 1966 and to which reference is made in the Command Chronology for those months). The change in the Regimental ZOA reduced the area by approximately forty-four square miles to its present size of one hundred thirty-four square miles.

b. A complete description of the area of operations may be found in the May 1966 Command Chronology.

c. Weather

(1) The weather for the month continued to be influenced by the southwesterly flow of low level winds and was typified by the frequent occurrence of afternoon or evening thunderstorms. The temperature continued within the normal range for the month between 75° and 100°. Despite the small increase in the amount of precipitation, the weather did not exert an appreciable or prolonged effect on operations or trafficability during this month.

(2) Weather Summary

Number of days with measurable rainfall	13 days
Total rainfall	5.25 inches
Maximum rainfall during 24 hour period	1.85 inches
Maximum temperature during June	102°
Minimum temperature during June	71°
Average winds during June	ENE 7.5 kts.
Number of days with less than 5 miles visibility.	0

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2. Viet Cong Dispositions and Tactics

a. Order of Battle Intelligence. The order of battle for June remained generally unchanged from the previous month concerning the disposition of identified Viet Cong units within and adjacent to the Regimental ZOA. Current estimates place the total Viet Cong strength at 1,400 men, which are organized into elements of two Main Force battalions (800 men), four independent Local Force companies (500 men) and special mission units (approximately 100 men).

b. Tactics.

(1) A review of enemy contacts during this reporting period (see table below) reflects increases in three of the five categories listed. The decreases in the other categories bear significance also and will be discussed below.

	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Sniping.....	31	45	114	29
Small unit contacts.....	268	304	354	419
Major unit contacts.....	3	3	4	1
Mortar activity.....	11	13	19	26
Mines/Grenades/Booby Traps...	72	95	122	157

(2) The above figures do not reflect, necessarily, an increase in the number of Viet Cong operating in the ZOA, but can be attributed rather, to the cumulative effect of increased Marine offensive operations and the Viet Cong reactions thereto.

(3) Operation LIBERTY, a 3d Marine Division effort, commenced on 7 June and terminated on 30 June. The 9th Marines' participation in Operation LIBERTY was a significant contributing factor toward the overall increase in the number of incidents. This operation is covered in detail in the Operations portion of this chronology.

(4) The Viet Cong continued to exploit those items of ordnance which they captured from the ARVN on 9 April (see April Chronology). There was a total of 157 mine/booby trap incidents, the preponderance of which occurred within a two thousand meter belt straddling Highway #14 across the southern portion of the Regimental ZOA. This mined area was most likely designed to provide a protective shield for the Viet Cong who, until the commencement of Operation LIBERTY, were free to operate at will south of Highway #14. As the advance of Marines progressed to the south through this mined area, the mine/booby trap incidents reduced sharply.

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(5) The number of incidents involving the Viet Cong employment of mortars increased appreciably during the month also. All but six of the incidents were unaccompanied by any coordinated infantry attack. The infantry attacks which did accompany six of the mortar attacks consisted of small arms fire directed at the mortar target from intermediate to long range. In no case was an attempt made to penetrate or overrun Marine positions.

(6) The Viet Cong activities during this reporting period were characterized by their reluctance to engage Marine units in an effort to achieve decisive results. Only one major unit contact was reported for June giving plausibility to the thesis that, due to the momentum of Operation LIBERTY which uprooted and drove out the Viet Cong from what had been relatively a secure operating area, the Viet Cong were unable to gain any degree of initiative. Also the employment of Marine artillery throughout the month showed a marked increase (see Section 9 of this chronology for supporting arms) and subjected the Viet Cong to the constant threat of mass retaliation should they expose themselves in a large unit for prolonged engagement.

(7) The decrease in sniping incidents is significant in that, considering the probability that the majority of snipers are hamlet guerrillas rather than members of main force or local force units, it gives credence to the fact that the guerrilla is being deprived of the security and freedom which he had enjoyed previously. This reduction may also indicate a decrease in the number of guerrillas due to attrition caused by Marine operations and his being conscripted into regular units.

d. Significant Actions. There was one incident recorded of major significance based on the number of Viet Cong estimated to be involved and the amount of ordnance expended by the Viet Cong. At 212200H June, Company G and Company H, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, deployed in company defensive positions with approximately six hundred meters separating them, reported receiving heavy small arms fire and 60mm mortar fire into their respective perimeters. It was estimated that at least fifty Viet Cong engaged the Marines from four separate locations. It was estimated that a total of eighty-five mortar rounds were received by both companies. The Marines returned small arms fire, 60mm and 81mm mortar fire and two hundred twelve 105mm artillery rounds. The Viet Cong fire terminated and contact was broken. Marine casualties were eleven WIA(none of which required medical evacuation). Viet Cong casualties were one KIA(confirmed) and eleven KIA(probable).

e. Significant Events. On 1 July 1966, a Viet Cong surrendered to Marines, bringing with him a U.S. rifle, caliber .30 (M-1) and one hundred twenty rounds of ammunition. He had in his possession a CHIEU HOI surrender leaflet. Though this event is not within the period of time covered by this report, it bears a great significance to the

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operations for the month of June and, more specifically, to Operation LIBERTY. The returnee stated that he was a squad leader of the R.21 Company, R.20 Battalion. He said that his primary motive for defecting from the Viet Cong was that he felt the inevitability of his being killed by the Marines coupled with the realization that the Viet Cong were not achieving victory. He indicated that his battalion was running short of supplies and that food rations were being reduced continually. The morale of his unit is low and he intimated that many of his comrades were seeking ways to defect. He implied that recent Marine operations were the cumulative cause of the above in that, as the Marines advanced and sanitized the hamlet areas destroying completely all possible aids to the Viet Cong and encouraging the people to evacuate their hamlets, the Viet Cong were denied the resources and assistance of the populace and were unable to evade the Marines by mingling with villagers. Major Viet Cong units were forced to retreat south of the SONG THU BON/SONG KY LAM. In short, Operation LIBERTY had exacted a sizeable toll from the Viet Cong, not only in casualties, but also in terrain, local support of the populace and, most importantly, it deprived them of control of an area from which they were able to derive a significant measure of their subsistance.

3. Viet Cong Casualties (1 June - 30 June 1966)

Category	Number
VC KIA(Confirmed)	141
VC KIA(Probable)	116
VC Captured	3
Returnees	2

4. Intelligence Sources. The primary source of information continued to be the frontline units in contact with the Viet Cong and the civilian populace. Other sources of intelligence remained the same as previous months.

5. Electronic Surveillance Devices

	AN/TPS-21	SID-150	INFRA-RED
Headquarters Company, 9th Mar	2	8	6
1st Battalion, 9th Mar	2	22	16
2d Battalion, 9th Mar	2	20	15
3d Battalion, 9th Mar	2	30	17

APPENDIXES
S-2 INTSUMS #151-180

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S-3 CHRONOLOGY

1. GENERAL. The 9th Marines continued KY LAM CAMPAIGN into the month of June. On 7 June, the 3d Marine Division inaugurated Operation LIBERTY which directed all units in the DANANG TAOR to conduct maximum aggressive operations to destroy VC forces and facilities and to defend vital installations.

2. OPERATION LIBERTY.

a. In the 9th Marines zone of action, Operation LIBERTY was executed by the same units that had been involved in the KY LAM campaign which had commenced during the first of May.

b. During the month, the 9th Marines conducted a vigorous offensive operation in its zone of action in the DANANG TAOR and a holding operation in the AN HOA area. Conduct of operations in the DANANG TAOR was characterized by continuous aggressive assaults against VC forces and facilities, supported to the maximum extent possible by all available combat and combat service resources. Operations by front line battalions were closely controlled and coordinated and were patterned after conventional linear tactics. A systematic and deliberate effort was maintained to locate and to destroy promptly and thoroughly all VC forces and facilities encountered.

c. Operations in the DANANG TAOR by front line battalions were conducted with each battalion (1/9, 2/9 and 1/1) operating with five companies, three forward along the MLR and two to the immediate rear, one of which was designated a one-hour alert company and the other designated the security company. Operations forward of the front lines (uncleared area) were conducted aggressively and imaginatively using all available supporting arms to insure potent and immediate strikes against the enemy. The cordon and search technique was employed against several objectives. Operations behind front lines north of the SONG CAU DO (semi-cleared area) were of the COUNTY FAIR type, working in conjunction with local military and paramilitary units. In AN HOA, a reinforced two-company battalion (3/9) conducted holding and reconnaissance operations. All forward units of the Regiment reached the SONG KY LAM ahead of schedule. Operation LIBERTY terminated at 30 1800H.

3. MODIFICATION OF ZONE OF ACTION. The 9th Marines zone of action was modified significantly during this reporting period. On 9 June, the 3d Marines assumed responsibility for that area of the 9th Marines zone of action located west of the SONG YEN and south of the SONG TUY LOAN on the west flank of the zone of action. On 15 June, the 1st Marines assumed responsibility for that portion of the 9th Marines zone of action located east of the SONG VINH DIEN and generally north of east-west grid line 66. On the same date, the 1st Marines resumed operational control of the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and the 3d Battalion, 1st Marines. An overlay depicting the area discussed above reflecting the modified

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boundaries is appended to Enclosure (10).

4. TASK ORGANIZATION. On 15 June, concomitant with the assumption of responsibility for areas previously held by the 9th Marines, the 1st Marines resumed operational control of its 1st and 3d Battalions which had been under operational control of the 9th Marines since they arrived in the DANANG TAOR on 31 May and 22 May respectively. On 3 June, operational control of remaining elements of the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines were chopped to their parent battalion. On 15 June, the 9th Marines had operational control of its three organic battalions--two in the DANANG TAOR and one in AN HOA.

5. COMMAND POST DISPLACEMENT. The 9th Marines Command Post displaced from vicinity (AT 998725) to (AT 970260) and was co-located with the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines on Hill 55. The Regiment continued to maintain an administrative area at its former command post location. In conjunction with the displacement of the regimental headquarters, responsibility for the coordination of rear area defense for the sector previously under cognizance of the 9th Marines was transferred to the Commanding Officer, 3d Tank Battalion.

6. AREA INSTALLATIONS/IMPROVEMENTS. As a result of Operation LIBERTY, approximately 40 square miles of land were recovered from the VC and returned to the Government of South Vietnam. The extension of 9th Marines influence to the SONG KY LAM permitted the construction of a 60-ton pontoon bridge by the 1st Bridge Company vicinity (AT 963604) which was opened for traffic on or about 18 June. During the month of June, the 3d Engineer Battalion constructed a road linking Hill 55 with Highway 14 vicinity (AT 968583).

7. CASUALTY RECAPITULATION AND NATURE OF CASUALTIES. During June, 9th Marines and supporting units killed a total of 141 Viet Cong (confirmed), and 116 KIA (probable). During the same period, 9th Marines casualties numbered 45 killed or died of wounds, 173 wounded and evacuated, 80 wounded and returned to duty. Of total Marine casualties, 77% resulted from mines and booby traps, 9% from mortars and grenades and 14% from small arms fire.

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 June LtCol. Richard E. JONES relieved LtCol. William J. DOEHLER as CO 1st Bn, 9th Marines. At 1500H 1st Bn, 1st Marines assumed responsibility for east flank battalion zone of action from 2d Bn, 4th Marines. (SITREP & FRAG O 152-66).

2 June 9th Marines conducted five company clearing operations and nine platoon clearing operations against light resistance in the ZOA. (SITREP & FRAG O 153-66).

3 June Rough Rider (8) conducted by remaining elements of 2d Bn, 4th Marines to HUE PHU BAI. Remaining elements of 1st Bn, 1st Marines conducted return trip of Rough Rider (8) to DANANG. Chopped OPCON remaining elements 2d Bn, 4th Marines to 4th Marines at 1300H. Assumed OPCON remaining elements 1st Bn, 1st Marines at 1830H. (SITREP & FRAG O 154-66).

4 June COUNTY FAIR (16) commenced in PHONG NHUT (2) vic (BT 035601). COUNTY FAIR (17) commenced in hamlets of BEN DAU and THANH AUYEN vic (AT 8346-8446-8547). (SITREP & FRAG O 155-66). COUNTY FAIR (16) concluded in PHONG NHUT (2) vic (BT 035601). Results: One VC KIA, Five VCC.

5 June COUNTY FAIR (17) concluded in BEN DAU and THANH XUYEN hamlets. Negative results. COUNTY FAIR (18) commenced in hamlet of QUANG LOC TAY (4) (BT 057594). (SITREP & FRAG O 156-66).

6 June COUNTY FAIR (18) concluded in hamlet of QUANG LOC TAY (4) vic (BT 057594). Results were nine VCC. (SITREP & FRAG O 157-66).

7 June Operation LIBERTY commenced 0800H. Company objectives E-1 vic (BT 063627), E-2 vic (BT 110650), C-1 vic (BT 025604), W-1 vic (AT 925573), W-2 vic (AT 935575) and W-3 (AT 962576) were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 158-66).

8 June One Commando platoon of the 51st ARVN Regiment was deployed to 2d Bn, 9th Marines zone of action to participate in clearing and COUNTY FAIR operations in coordination with 2d Bn, 9th Marines. Company objectives E-3 vic (BT 110650), W-3 vic (AT 961595), W-6 vic (AT 965587), and W-1 vic (AT 978609). (SITREP & FRAG O 159-66).

9 June 3d Marines assigned responsibility for that portion of 9th Marines zone of action west of SONG YEN and northwest of SONG VU GIA. 2d Bn, 9th Marines assumed OPCON Company M, 3d Bn, 9th Marines. Company objectives E-4 vic (BT 071629), E-5 vic (BT 079635), E-9 vic (BT 095643), W-02 vic (AT 973598), W-04 vic (AT 953590) and W-05, vic (AT 942588), were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 160-66).

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10 June The 1st Bn, 51st ARVN Regiment deployed into the east flank Battalion's zone of action, while the 4th Bn, 51st ARVN Regiment deployed into the regimental rear area battalion zone of action for combined USMC/ARVN operations. Company objectives W-08 vic (AT 960586), W-07 vic (AT 942583), W-010 vic (AT 984590) were attacked and seized. Battalion objective C-1 vic (AT 9860-9960-9859-9860-BT 0059-0660) was attacked and seized by 2d Battalion, 9th Marines utilizing three rifle companies in the initial assault with fourth company to be helilifted into objective area on order. (SITREP & FRAG O 161-66).

11 June LtCol Emerson A. WALKER assumed command of 3d Bn, 1st Marines from LtCol James R. YOUNG. At 1100H Company objectives W-3 vic (AT 939576), W-4 vic (AT 951580), W-1 vic (AT 915573), W-2 vic (AT 925575), W-5 vic (AT 962578), W-6 vic (AT 976580), C-7 vic (BT 038602) were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 162-66).

12 June Company objectives E-11 vic (BT 061605), E-12 vic (BT 075613), E-13 vic (BT 086618), E-14 vic (BT 095626), E-18 vic (BT 106628), E-16 vic (BT 116633), C-2 vic (BT 012606), W-11 vic (AT 956571) and W-12 vic (AT 973574) were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 163-66).

13 June Company G, 2d Bn, 9th Marines was helilifted to blocking positions vic (BT 1758-1958) in conjunction with ARVN forces conducting search and destroy operation vic (BT 1756-1850-1956-1757). Company objectives W-15 vic (BT 101634), C-2 vic (BT 012606), W-9 vic (AT 925565), W-10 vic (AT 944570), W-7 vic (AT 907565), W-8 vic (AT 915565) were attacked and destroyed. (SITREP & FRAG O 164-66).

14 June Company objective C-2 vic (BT 012606) attacked and seized. A total of five USMC/ARVN platoon clearing operations were conducted. (SITREP & FRAG O 165-66).

15 June 1st Marines resumed OPCON of 3d Bn, and 1st Bn, 1st Marines and responsibility for their respective zones of action. Company G, 2d Bn, 9th Marines was retracted by helicopter from QUANG NAM Sector search and destroy operations vic (BT 9857). 9th Marines regimental headquarters displaced to Hill 55 vic (AT 968616). (SITREP & FRAG O 166-66).

16 June 9th Marines assumed OPCON of 5th platoon, 29th Civil Affairs Company. Civil affairs platoon deployed to 3d Bn, 9th Marines zone of action vic AN HOA operating base. Company objectives W-17 vic (AT 915557) and W-15 vic (AT 958560) were attacked and destroyed. (SITREP & FRAG O 167-66).

17 June Companies E and H, 2d Bn, 9th Marines established blocking positions vic (BT 0265-0159) in support of combined clearing operation vic (BT 0159-0158-0259-0258-0257) with ARVN forces from QUANG NAM Sector. Company objective W-18 vic (AT 929555) attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 168-66).

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18 June 9th Marines assumed responsibility for DIEN BAN checkpoint vic (BT 055588). (SITREP & FRAG O 169-66).

19 June Company objectives W-16 vic (AT 950552), C-5 vic (AT 995590), C-9 vic (BT 013567) and C-4 vic (AT 984580) were attacked and seized. (STIRET & FRAG O 170-66).

20 June Company objectives W-24 vic (AT 936551), W-19 vic (AT 906548), W-20 vic (AT 914548), and W-25 vic (AT 939546) were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 171-66).

21 June Pontoon bridge vic (AT 963604), 260 feet long and with a capacity of 60 tons was opened. Company objectives W-22 vic (AT 927545), W-23 vic (AT 927540), and W-21 vic (AT 919542) were attacked and seized. Companies C and H, 2d Bn, 9th Marines were simultaneously mortared at 2000H. The destroyer, USS MORTON, fired two missions at suspected VC escape routes following the mortar attack on Company H, 2d Bn, 9th Marines.

22 June Three forward companies of 1st Bn, 9th Marines reached Phase Line Green in Operation LIBERTY. Company objectives C-10 vic (BT 019572), C-14 vic (AT 996564), and C-8 vic (BT 005567) were attacked and seized. COUNTY FAIR 19 vic PHONG LUC (3) vic (BT 015629) commenced. Major G. H. GRIMES assumed command of 3d Bn, 9th Marines from LtCol P. C. TRAMMELL. At 1100H LtCol TRAMMELL resumed duties as Executive Officer, 9th Marines.

23 June LtCol J. J. HESS assumed command of 2d Bn, 9th Marines from LtCol W. F. DONAHUE at 1400H.

24 June COUNTY FAIR (19) vic PHONG LUC (3) (BT 017621) concluded at 1300H. Results were one VC KIA, one Springfield rifle .30 caliber, and eight VCS apprehended. Company objectives C-11 vic (BT 034577) and C-15 vic (BT 021659) were attacked and seized. Company M, 3d Bn, 9th Marines executed helilift from 2d Bn, 9th Marines CP to vic (AT 987573). (SITREP & FRAG O 176-66).

25 June 3d Marines assumed responsibility for area bounded by trail vic (AT 928580) on east, Highway #14 on south to SONG AI NGHIA on west and north. Company objective C-12 vic (BT 050596) were attacked and seized. (SITREP & FRAG O 176-66).

26 June Three forward companies or 2d Bn, 9th Marines searched Phase Line Green at 1500H. (SITREP & FRAG O 177-66).

27 June Retraction of 10 LVT's from AN HOA Operating Base vic (AT 8747) to 1st AMTrac Bn CP completed at 1800H. (SITREP & FRAG O 178-66).

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28 June 9th Marines conducted six company size deliberate clearing operations encountering light resistance. (SITREP & FRAG O 179-66).

29 June 9th Marines conducted five company size deliberate clearing operations encountering light resistance. (SITREP & FRAG O 180-66).

30 June 3d Bn, 9th Marines resumed OPCON Company K at 0945H. 9th Marines conducted five company size clearing operations encountering light resistance. (SITREP & FRAG O 181-66).

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S-4 CHRONOLOGY

1. Logistics. The Force Logistic Support Group (Alpha) is the primary source of supply and maintenance support for all units of the 9th Marines. All classes of supplies and maintenance support beyond the capability of the units are provided by FLSG(A). Motor vehicle transportation beyond the unit's capability is provided by the 3d and 9th Motor Transport Battalions. Air transportation is provided by elements of Marine Aircraft Group 16.

a. Supply.

(1) Supply point distribution was in effect for the 1st and 2d Battalions during the reporting period and unit distribution was effected by those battalions to their forward compaines. Unit distribution was provided to the 3d Battalion by FLSG(A) during the reporting period.

(2) On 23 June 1966, Force Logistic Support Group (Alpha) relieved "B" Company (-), 3d Shore Party Battalion and a Force Logistics Support Unit was established. This unit assumed control of and commenced operating the Class I, III, IV and V dumps at An Hoa in support of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines.

b. Transportation

(1) The primary means of transportation for units of the 9th Marines are organic vehicles. Motor vehicle transportation beyond the capability of the units is provided by the 3d and 9th Motor Transport Battalions. Helicopter transportation is provided by elements of Marine Aircraft Group 16 to support the requirements of internal resupply, tactical troop movement, medical evacuation, and reconnaissance missions for forward units of the 9th Marines.

(2) The 3d Battalion, 9th Marines, logistically supported by a Force Logistic Support Unit (FLSU), continues to be resupplied by Air Force C-123 aircraft, with flights originating at the Danang Air Base to An Hoa. Additionally, the C-123's transport replacement personnel to An Hoa, and personnel on offical business to and from An Hoa. These flights also carry cargo, and are not used exclusively for passengers. During the reporting period a total of 201 C-123 airlifts were made to An Hoa, lifting a total of 1,707,636 pounds of cargo in support of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines and its supporting units.

c. Engineer Projects

(1) The 9th Marines Command Post displaced to Hill 55 in the vicinity of coordinates 970622 on 15 June 1966. A temporary encampment project consisting of 20 tropical huts for the Regimental Headquarters, in addition to a double hut for a mess area, is currently under construction on Hill 55, with approximately 60% of the project completed.

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(2) Defensive positions are continuing to be constructed around the perimeter of the 9th Marines Command Post area. A double apron fence is currently being constructed around the perimeter, to be backed by concertina wire.

(3) The 1st Battalion, 9th Marines constructed the following prefabricated bunkers during the month of June: four 12' x 24' x 8', twelve 8' x 12' x 8' and one 8' x 8' x 8'.

(4) The temporary encampment project for the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines is 99 percent completed. Estimated completion date is 1 July 1966.

(5) The 3d Battalion, 9th Marines constructed one 8' x 12' x 24' bunker to be used as a communications facility. A command bunker consisting of two 12' x 24' x 8' bunkers joined in an 'L' shape is currently under construction. Work on the Battalion's encampment facilities commenced on 29 June when approxmiately two percent of the construction materials and an 18 man Seabee Detachment were lifted to An Hoa. Limited construction of this cantonment is underway. An increasing quantity of building materials for the 3d Battalion's encampment is to be lifted to An Hoa commencing 1 July 1966.

d. Evacuation and Hospitalization. There has been no significant change is the method of evacuation and hospitalization. Casualities requiring treatment beyond the capability of the organic medical facilities of the battalions and the Headquarters Company Medical Section, are evacuated to "C" Company, 3d Medical Battalion and/or U. S. Naval Hospital, Navy Support Activity, Danang for treatment or futher evacuation to hospital facilities located out of country.

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S-5 CHRONOLOGY

1. General.

a. The month of June was characterized by the stabilization of the political situation in the DANANG area resulting in improved lines of communication between the 9th Marines and GVN military and non-military agencies. Throughout the month the 9th Marines were able to work closely with ARVN and GVN officials in civic action and related matters. Four COUNTY FAIR operations and one ARVN/USMC cordon and search operation were conducted during June netting two VC KIA. 15 VC captured, 15 VCS detained for questioning and the recovery of one individual weapon. Normal MEDCAP and commodity distribution were continued with increased GVN participation at the district, village and hamlet level.

b. On 15 June the First Marine Regiment assumed civic action responsibility for HOA LOI, HOA CHAU, HOA DA and HOA THAI Villages in the Five Mountains Pacification Area of HOA VANG District leaving the 9th Marines with civic action responsibility for HOA PHUOC Village. At the same time the 9th Marines relinquished to the 1st Marines civic action responsibility for those portions of DIEN BAN and HIEU NHON Districts lying between the VINH DIEN River and the South China Sea.

c. On 16 June the 9th Marines assumed operational control of a platoon of the U. S. Army 29th Civil Affairs Company. The platoon was deployed to the AN HOA area in general support of 3d Battalion, 9th Marines to begin a survey of the area.

2. Areas of Activity.

a. Education: Until 15 June the 9th Marines continued support of five elementary schools with 660 students in attendance. Support included paying teachers' salaries in cash or commodities and providing security, books, school kits, roofing and paint. Throughout the month GVN sponsored schools received aid in the form of school kits, books, lumber, roofing and whitewash. MEDCAP teams visited schools frequently.

b. (1) Public Works: Continuous medical assistance was made available to civilians at three permanent civilian aid stations while MEDCAP teams made daily visits to hamlets and schools throughout the 9th Marines zone of action. MEDCAP teams of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines actively participated in the public health programs of DUC DUC District and the AN HOA industrial complex.

(2) Roads: Road building and repairing were limited to those projects related to logistical or tactical necessity.

(3) Irrigation: No irrigation projects were undertaken.

(4) Markets: No market construction was performed.

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c. Contact with GVN Official: Wherever possible all civic action was coordinated with local officials. The 9th Marines maintained liaison with the DIEN BAN, DUC DUC, HIEU DUC and HOA VANG District Chiefs on operational matters as well as subjects related to education, public works and refugees.

3. Statistical Summary.

a. Commodity Distribution:

(1) Wheat	2880 lbs
(2) Rice	5150 lbs
(3) Soup	10 cases
(4) Candy	276 boxes
(5) Soap	1916 bars
(6) Clothing	309 lbs
(7) Textile kits	3
(8) School kits	276
(9) Textbooks	1000 sets
(10) Whitewash	260 lbs
(11) Cement	12 bags
(12) Roofing	150 sheets

4. Psychological Operations.

a. General: During the last half of June psychological warfare operations took on increased importance in the 9th Marines zone of action because of the push southward to the KY LAN and SONG THU BON Rivers. The 9th Marines were operating in a relatively fresh area and were coming in contact with a population that required indoctrination as to the reasons for Marine presence and the behavior expected of them during Marine operations. It was considered expedient to exploit the shock of the Marine advance by presenting the CHIEU HOI program to the population and local guerillas. In this connection special tapes were made using an appeal from a local returnee (QUY CHANH) combined with news of VC setbacks, popular Vietnamese music and an explaination of the CHIEU HOI program. The population was advised to save the lives of its VC friends and relatives by persuading them to take advantage of the CHIEU HOI program. The tapes, in various combinations were broadcasts throughout the 9th Marines zone of action using a portable loudspeaker system obtained during June.

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b. Statistical Summary:

(1) I Corps Audio Visual Team	5 Presenta tions
(2) Night land broadcasts	8
(3) Aerial broadcasts	5
(4) Leaflets dropped	400,000

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AIR SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY

1. Operational Highlights

a. The arrival of the CH-46A helicopter signaled the ability to lift a large amount of troops in one wave. On 20 June 1966 Golf Company was lifted to a landing zone at (AT 990578) in one wave utilizing these helicopters.

2. Helicopter Support

a. Daily helicopter resupply to the 1st and 2d Battalions continued throughout the reporting period.

b. Eight company-size helilifts were conducted in support of 9th Marines operations during June.

c. In two separate incidents a UH-34D and a CH-46A were forced to land due to damage incurred hostile small arms fire. Both landed in friendly landing zones and were later flown out after being repaired.

3. Fixed Wing Support

a. The main fixed wing effort during the month was directed toward providing escort for helicopters during resupply and troop lifting missions.

b. Twice during the month a Battalion ALO controlled an airstrike while airborne in a UH-1E helicopter.

c. USAF C-123 aircraft continued to support 9th Marines operations in the AN HOA area.

4. Personnel and Equipment

a. Major R. D. KLEIN assumed the duties as Regimental Air Liaison Officer on 20 June 1966.

b. Each Battalion has a shortage of one Forward Air Controller. Each Battalion will operate with one ALO and one FAC until sufficent replacements become available.

c. The Regimental TACP continues to remain at T/O strength. One MRC-87 is deadlined at FLSG and one has an inoperable ARC-55.

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MEDICAL CHRONOLOGY

1. Significant Events

a. Headquarters Company, 9th Marines established a forward CP on Hill 55 this month with elements of other units of the 9th Marines. However, at the present time the Regimental Aid Station will remain in the rear CP. 1st Battalion, 9th Marines has established an Aid Station in the vicinity of Hill 55, and personnel attached to the forward CP utilize the services of that medical facility. Patients needing definitive treatment or hospotalization for short durations are sent back to the rear CP for disposition by the Regimental Surgeon.

b. 3d Battalion, 9th Marines estanlished a rear echelon in the 9th Marines Regimental CP area. Instead on setting up another Battalion Aid Station in this atea the medical section consolidated with the Regimental Aid Station and both are functioning as one unit.

2. New Developments

a. The month of June brought about further changes in combining Aid Stations in the rear Regimental CP. Laboratory facilities were set up by 1st Battalion, 9th Marines Battalion Aid Station in their administrative section. These facilities were shared by the Regimental Aid Station and the Battalion Ais Station of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines, both of which are operating from the same enclosure. The laboratory is able to perform such tests as urinalysis, blood counts, hemoglobin counts, and venersal disease smears. The purpose for this development of the laboratory was to alleviate some of the burden put on the already over worked facilities of the Division Field Hospital.

b. In addition to the above, a ten bed hard deck tent was set up by the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines to be used also by the combined Regimental Aid Station. This had been developed to care for those Marines recently discharged from the Division Field Hospital or from the Station Hospital, East Danang for follow-up care and observation before returning to the field for duty.

3. Problem Areas. None noted.

4. MEDCAP

a. Monthly requisitions for MEDCAP suppliss for use by elements of the 9th Marine Regiment was submitted in accordance with current directives to III MAF Civil Affairs Officer. Upon receipt of the medical supplies, they were distributed to the Battalion Aid Stations and other units according to their requirements.

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5. Patient Statistical Data

a. The number of patients seen this month was an increase of eight from the prior month. This was due to the consolidation of the Regimental Aid Station. The Regimental Aid Station provides minor surgical care and follow-up in addition to routine sick call. Any serious injury or illness is evacuated to either the Division Field Hospital or the Station Hospital, East Danang for definitive treatment. In addition, thosecases which are resistant to treatment are sent to the Division Field Hospital or the Station Hospital, East Danang as referrals. The Regimental Aid Station is geared to take care of our CP, and it operates separately from other units.

b. The following is a breakdown of patients statistical data. Number of patients seen, 256; referrals to the Division Field Hospital and the Station Hospital, East Danang, 13; admissions to the sick list, 4; and dental referrals. 16.

c. The majority of routine treatment included skin disorders, upper respiratory infections, diarrhea, and ear infections. Emergency treatment consisted of lacerations, contusions, burns, and sprains. However, these disorders have not impaired functional capacity of the unit.

6. Innoculations and Prophylactic Medical Administered

a. Total immunizations for the month of June were 324, and total malarial chemorprophyaxix administered was 800.

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COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS CHRONOLOGY

1. Regimental CP Displacement. On 15 June the new Regimental CP officially opened on Hill 55 and the old CP site was designated the Regimental Rear Area.

a. Radio Relay. A four channel AN/MRC radio relay link was established between Hill 55 and Division Headquarters. In addition to existing seven channel AN/TRC-27 radio relay link between Hill 55 and AN HOA, two other links were established. One connecting Hill 55 with the Regimental Rear Area and the other connecting Hill 55 with 2d Battalion, 9th Marines. This provided both primary and back-up communication channels to increase the reliability and flexibility of the tlelphone system.

b. Wire. Two main cable lines were installed employing metal telephone poles. These poles were set in 5 to 7 ft. holes blown with 15 pound shape charges. A total of 107 poles were set between Hill 55 and the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines CP. This hasty pole line construction became necessary to support the weight of the cable lines and deny easy access to lines by the VC. During the latter part of the month a wireman died of wounds received when he set off a land mine while trouble shooting wire lines. Addtional precautions are now being taken to minimize the risk of further detonations.

c. Message Center. Though the Reginental Communication Center remained in the rear area, a small nessage center section was established on Hill 55 co-located with 1st Battalion, 9th Marines Communication Center. This provided the Regimental Staff ready access to all operational and administrative message traffic.

d. Radio. All existing radio circuits were brought forward leaving a ststion on the Regimental Tactical Net in the rear area. The echelonment of the radios worked out smoothly and the rear station has sinee been placed on a stand-by basis.

2. Communications Center. During the month of June 4,900 messages were processed. The communications guard for 3d Battalion, 3d Marines and 1st Battalion, 3d Marines and 1st Marines was dropped on 15 June. The Regimental Communication Center currently guards for 1st Amtrac Battalion, 3d Tank Battalion, 3d AT Battalion and 9th MT Battalion as well as its organic infantry battalions and the direct support artillery battalion. On line teletype circuits are working with 1st, 2d and 3d Battalion, 9th Marines, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines and 3d Marine Division. Helicopter courier service between Division Headquarters and Battalion CP's in addition to the REGIMENTAL REAR AREA continues on a daily basis.

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3. Radio. Continuous training and operation of the communication central AN/TSC-15 is being conducted in the REGIMENTAL REAR AREA. It is anticipated that this equipment will be relocated on Hill 55 when the Communication Center shifts forward. The normal 400 cysle power source for this equipment is presently being backed-up by a PU 346 generator. If this proves to be a satisfoctory power arrangement, it is anticipated that appropriate recommendations for changes to the T/E will be submitted to Headquarters Marine Corps.

4. Personnel. At the present time there are only 13 men short in the communication MOA field throughout the Regiment, however an additional 50 men rotate in July. The 2511 wiremen and the 2531 radio operator are the most critical MOS shortage. To assist the Regiment in maintaining the communication Center in the rear seven men have been assigned TAD for 30 days from units being served by the Communication Center.

5. Power Distribution. In view of the build up on Hill 55 the present 30 KW generator will not be sufficient to provide the required power. The 60 KW generator now located in the rear area will be brought out to replace the 30 KW as soon as the power lines are installed. The rear area's power distribution will then be modified to accomodate the 30 KW generator.

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FIRE SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY

1. Artillery

a. Operation Liberty. Operation Liberty which commenced on 7 June and terminated 30 June 1966 was supported by an aggressive employment of artillery fire. The 605 targets of opportunity engaged and the 21,958 rounds directed, surpassed that of all previous reporting periods. Preparation fires in support of the drive to the KY LAM River was the highlight of the directed fires. In addition to the direct support weapons, reinforcing artillery (155mm How, 155mm gun, 8" How) was employed to a great extent. Thirty-five objective areas were neutralized with heavy volumes of fire prior to the infantry assaults.

b. Significant Events. In consonance with the realignment of the 9th Marines ZOA, the 2d Battalion, 12th Marines relocated certain position areas. The battalion command post displaced to vicinity (AT 989649) and Btry D/2/12 displaced to vicinity (AT 968618). Mortar Btry 3/12, previously attached, was chopped to its parent command at HUE-PHU BAI.

c. Number/Type of Missions Fired During June 1966

H&I	2169
Observed Missions	509
Unobserved Missions	89

d. Number of Rounds Fired by 2d Battalion, 12th Marines

8"	62
155mm	1250
105mm Howitzer	20,646

e. Observation Posts. On 15 June 1966, the 2d Battalion, 12th Marines relinguished operational control of the observation post on Marble Mountain vicinity (BT 075710) to the 1st Battalion, 11th Marines and the observation post on Hill 327 vicinity (AT 973737) to the 12th Marines. Plans are in progress to establish two new observation posts within the 9th Marines ZOA at vicinity (AT 915582) and (AT 963608).

f. H&I Fires. During the period 1-30 June 1966 H&I fires were conducted nightly. Most missions were fired "one gun, one round" two or three times at random during the night. About 60% were fired "fuze quick" and 40% were fired "fuze VT".

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2. Naval Gunfire

a. Significant Events. On June 13, 1966 a NGF Spot Team was deployed with Company G, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines in support of a joint USMC/ARVN Quang Nam Special Sector clearing operation vicinity (AT 1958). The destroyer USS MORTON, armed with 5"/54 cal. guns was utilized in a supporting role to good advantage during the operation. Her ability to mass rapid and accurate fire proved significant in silencing a hostile moratr position. During 21-23 June the destroyer USS MORTON was in support of 2d Battalion, 9th Marines portion of Operation Liberty. On 24 June the MORTON was relieved on station by the destroyer USS DAVIS, also armed with 5"/54 cal. guns. The DAVIS remained on station until 25 June. The performance of the two destroyers during the above operations were highly praised by the company commanders involved. As more of the 9th Marines ZOA becomes supportable with naval gunfire, maximum effort will be expended to provide a naval gunfire support ship on station whenever available.

b. Number/Type of Missions Fired During June 1966

Observed H&I	7
Targets of Opportunity	12

c. Number of Rounds Fired by NGF Ships During June 1966

5"/54 Cal.	482

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The following documents are submitted with original copy of the 9th Marines Command Chronology for ~~[redacted]~~ JUNE 1966.

a. S-2 ISUMS 151-180, 1-30 Jun 66 (in part I)

b. S-3 SITREPS 152-181, 1-30 Jun 66 (in part II)

c. 9th Marines Frag Order 152-181

d. 1st Bn, 9th Marines Command Chronology for May 1966

e. 2d Bn, 9th Marines Command Chronology for May 1966

f. 3d Bn, 9th Marines Command Chronology for May 1966

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g. 9th Marines Operation Order 118A-66 (KY LAM Campaign)

h. 9th Marines zone of action overlay as of 15 June. (Note areas chopped to 1st Marines & 3d Marines).

i. Disposition of Forces Overlay as of 30 June 1966

j. Updating of "History of 9th Marines."

k. 3d Marine Division FRAG Order 407-66 (Operation LIBERTY).

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein)(G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #151, Period ending 011000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 96° LOW: 74°

c. Average Humidity: 83%

d. Precipitation: .13 inches

e. Wind: Variable at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations.
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
2 Jun	0551	0614	1916	1939	1725	0423(2 Jun)	FULL

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 310700H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect at coordinates (AT 902518). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the local District Headquarters for investigation.

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b. At 311030H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928455), reported sighting twelve Viet Cong, five of whom were dressed in khaki and the remaining seven in black pajama-type clothing, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946478). The report stated that the Viet Cong were carrying weapons and what was described as heavy packs. Artillery support was requested and four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location, but no assessment of the artillery fire was provided.

c. At 311300H, a Company I patrol reported apprehending four Viet Cong Suspects at coordinates (AT 900482). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when a routine examination revealed that they lacked adequate identification. The report stated that one of the suspects had a large sum of currency in his possession. The report stated that, after a preliminary interrogation by the (forward) Prisoner Collection Point, the suspects were evacuated to the Local District Headquarters.

d. At 311535H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938455), reported sighting two Viet Cong wearing packs and draped with what was described as natural camouflage (foliage?) heading in a northeast direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917492). No additional information was provided.

e. At 312215H, a Company M platoon, occupying a patrol base position at coordinates (AT 913487), reported observing three armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 924495) moving across a rice paddy toward the patrol base. The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the enemy position and reported observing one Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report stated that the remaining two Viet Cong fled into a treeline to the south. Artillery support was requested and eighteen 105mm rounds were directed at the fleeing enemy. The Marines searched the site of Viet Cong positions but were unable to renew the contact or locate the suspected enemy casualty. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

(2) Special Reports.

a. At 310915H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Regimental TAOR reported observing Viet Cong (neither the basis for the identification as Viet Cong or the number of Viet Cong was indicated) engaged in excavating holes (positions?) along the railroad embankment in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 992575). Artillery support was requested and eight 105mm rounds were directed at the location. No further details or assessment of casualties were provided.

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(3) 2dBn 4thMar

a. At 311415H, a Company D (1stBn 1stMar, under OPCON this battalion) squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 008 765) reported observing one Viet Cong on a trail at coordinates (BT 080705). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and observed him fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. When the Marines searched the location they found the body of the dead Viet Cong. One U.S. (M-26) grenade and one rudimentary explosive device (described as a grenade) were recovered from the body of the dead Viet Cong. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA(body count).

(4) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 311200H, Company G, engaged in a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 003630), resulting in one Marine WIA(non-Med-Evac). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a pull-release type activating mechanism.

b. At 312030H, Company F reported receiving two to three small arms rounds in the company defensive positions, coordinates (BT 009615), from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010620). The Marines directed four 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 311240H, a Company F platoon, engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007616), reported receiving two small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 008616). The Marines directed forty eight small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines pursued the Viet Cong but were unable to maintain the contact. A search of the site of the vacated enemy positions produced negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA(Med-evac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 311640H, Company F reported that a USMC tank operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010614) detonated an explosive device; however, no personnel casualties or damage to the tank was reported. The report described the device as an U.S. (M16) "bounding" mine and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. Additional information will be provided when available.

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e. At 311810H, Company G, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 005623), reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999623) and (BT 005623). The report stated that the Marines directed five 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy positions. Artillery support was also requested and twenty six 105mm rounds were directed at the location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(5) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 310925H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9258) and (AT 9358), reported receiving thirty to forty small arms rounds and what was described as one 40mm (M-79) round from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 929588) and (AT 933587)(the exact location of the Marine unit at this time was not indicated). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong WIA(possible). The report added that, in this same area, the Marines found and destroyed eight "cave-type" bunkers (no further description was provided). When one of the bunkers was being destroyed by explosives, a secondary explosion occurred, but the report did not provide any details.

b. At 311010H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 920570). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the local District Headquarters for investigation.

c. At 311020H, a Company D patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 982618), resulting in one Marine WIA. The report described the device as a rudimentary mine, rigged with a trip-wire activator, but provided no additional details.

d. At 311200H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928570) reported receiving ninety to one hundred small arms rounds from an estimated two to eight Viet Cong positioned in a trench-line in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930575). The Marines directed two hundred fifty small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position. Artillery support was also requested and sixty six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported good effect on the target area, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the vacated enemy positions with negative results. Marine casualties were two WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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e. At 311430H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect at coordinates (AT 984616). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect would be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

f. At 311435H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 951607) reported that an explosive device described as a U.S. (M-26) grenade rigged with a trip-wire activator was detonated by a member of the patrol and immediately thereafter the patrol reported receiving five to ten small arms rounds from an estimated three Viet Cong whose positions were not indicated in the report. The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds, three 40mm (M-79) rounds, and one 3.5 inch (rocket) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact withdrawing to the northwest. The Marines attempted to regain contact with the Viet Cong but reported that they were unable to do so. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 311615H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated in close proximity of the Marine unit at coordinates (AT 957605) by a Vietnamese woman who evidently accidently triggered the device. The report stated that the woman was injured by the detonation and a Vietnamese child was killed. (The report did not identify the child). Two Marines were also wounded by the explosion but did not require medical evacuation. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade positioned within close proximity to a green smoke grenade. (The report did not state whether the smoke grenade also ignited nor provide additional details).

h. At 311600H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 957605). The report identified the device as a 105mm artillery shell (DUD) and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

i. At 312225H, a Company D ambush element positioned at coordinates ((AT 960604) reported making contact with two Viet Cong who entered the ambush position. The Marines directed twenty five small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the Viet Cong who quickly withdrew from the ambush site. The report stated that the Marines observed one Viet Cong fall and another stagger as if struck by the Marines' fire but a search of the ambush site revealed negative results. The report added that, after the pursuit had been terminated, the Marines heard an explosion emanating from the direction in which the Viet Cong had fled, which may indicate that the Viet Cong may have detonated one of their own explosive devices. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as two Viet Cong WIA(possible).

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(6) 3d Bn 1st Mar

a. At 311350H, a Company L squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 965688) reported observing one Viet Cong (the report did not indicate the basis for this identification) in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 966670). The report stated that the Viet Cong quickly fled to the north upon sighting the Marines. The Marines directed three small arms rounds at him. The report continued that, upon searching the area, the Marines found a blood trail which led to the bank of the SONG YEN. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

b. At 311930H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an (unidentified) member of the 59th GVN Regional Forces battalion that the Viet Cong have infiltrated HOA DA Village and have subjected the villagers to propaganda speeches and (unindicated forms of) harassment. The report also stated that the Viet Cong are attempting to coerce GVN military personnel (Regional Forces soldiers (?)) to desert the GVN and join the Viet Cong. The report added that a GVN Regional Force unit (no further description provided) received automatic weapons fire from an unknown number of Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 046719), but the report provided no further details. The report was not dated. S-2 rates the report F-3.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians.
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	1	1017
KIA(Possible)	0	12?0
VC Captured	0	26?
VC Suspects Apprehended	7	1?64
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	13

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	311415H
1	Grenade (unidentified)	-do-
1	Shell, artillery, 105mm (DUD)	311630H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

8	Bunkers (size not indicated)	310925H

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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein)(G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #152, Period ending 021000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 95° LOW: 79°

c. Average Humidity: 69%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: SE 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations. No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	RMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
3 June	0551	0614	1916	1939	1825	0508(3Jun)	FULL

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) 3dBn 1stMar

a. Late Report. At 312300H, a Company L squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 978670). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the grenade was disarmed and recovered.

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b. Late Report. At 312315H, a Company L squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 978669). The report identified the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the grenade was disarmed and recovered.

c. Late Report. At 010830H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer element conducting a road mine clearing operation discovered and destroyed an explosive device at coordinates (AT 987665). The report identified the device as a rudimentary (home-made) mine, consisting of approximately three to four pounds of explosives positioned beneath a pile of expended caliber .45 cartridge casings and covered with foliage. The report stated that the mine, which was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism, gave the appearance of having been emplaced for a considerable length of time. The mine was destroyed by the Marines.

d. At 011130H, the Battalion S-2 reported that, in response to a report from an (unidentified) member of the 59th GVN Regional Forces Battalion that the Viet Cong had infiltrated into the HOA DA Village area and were harassing and propagandizing the villagers (see 311930H entry, INTSUM #151), a patrol was dispatched into the area to investigate and reported observing no indications of Viet Cong activities nor any other indications which would tend to confirm the earlier report.

e. At 020100H, a Company K squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device fifty meters south east of Bridge #3 at coordinates (AT 995 690). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was positioned about four inches above the surface of the ground and rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

(2) Special Reports.

a. At 011900H, the Regimental FSCC reported that three Battery A, 11th Marines vehicles (truck, 6x6, M-35) received small arms fire while returning to the Battery Command Post at coordinates (BT 090696) from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The report stated that the enemy fire was returned and the Viet Cong broke contact. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. Company H reported that a USMC truck (6x6, M-54) towing a generator, detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 029642), however, no casualties were reported. The report described the device as a rudimentary (home-made) mine consisting of approximately twenty five to thirty five pounds of explosives (type not indicated) and stated that it was positioned so as to function as an anti-tank mine. The report stated that the mine was rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism. The report added that the crater caused by the explosion measured three feet in diameter and two feet in depth. The report added that the generator was destroyed, however, no damage to the vehicle was reported.

b. At 011006H, a Company G patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 005625) reported the discovery of one tunnel, described as approximately one hundred meters in length, and two spider holes. The report stated that the tunnel and spider holes were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 011610H, Company G, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 000632), reported receiving three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998128). The Marines directed two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong position with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 010730H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC tank detonated an explosive device at coordinates (AT 981623), resulting in one Marine WIA(med-evac) and extensive damage to the tank. The report described the device as a twenty pound shaped charge, but stated that no metal fragments were discovered at the site of the detonation. The report stated that the device, rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism, was positioned on the main supply route (MSR). The report added that the explosion resulted in a crater which measured three feet by three feet in depth.

b. Late Report. At 010845H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an explosive device was discovered at coordinates (AT 954647) when a USMC tank operating in that area uncovered it in its position below the surface of the ground. The report identified the device as a U.S. (M16A1) "bounding" mine, but provided no additional details. The mine was destroyed by the Marines. A subsequent report stated that an underground cave discovered in this same area contained a CHICOM carbine (MOSSIN-NAGENT) 7.62mm, model 53, a grey uniform (identified as a Viet Cong uniform), a quantity of documents (unevaluated), and several parts believed to be for a 57mm recoilless rifle (firing pin spring, plug and sight). The report stated that the parts will be evacuated for examination.

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c. Late Report. At 010900H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a villager (female), evidently a resident of BICH BAC hamlet, coordinates (AT 985 630), informed a Company A patrol that an unknown number of Viet Cong entered the village from across the SONG BAU XAU river during the night of 31 May 1966 (time not indicated). The villager stated that the Viet Cong emplaced two mines (type not indicated) along the main supply route (MSR) in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 983624) at 020500H. The report stated that, in response to this report, engineers were dispatched to search the area and did discover two devices (not identified). The villager report also stated that six armed Viet Cong cross the SONG BAU XAU from the east at sunset between the hours 1800-1900 to lay mines. (The Battalion S-2 commented that this is the fourth time this particular villager (female) has given correct information to the Marines).

d. At 011200H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 939581), reported receiving what was described as a medium volume of small arms fire (described as automatic weapons fire) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938578). The Marines directed small arms fire at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery support was requested and eleven 105mm artillery rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 011300H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 931574), reported receiving two hundred small arms rounds from an estimated squad of Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 932573). The Marines directed eight hundred small arms rounds, ten 40mm(M-79) rounds, and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and fifty six 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong broke contact. The report stated that the Marines pursued the Viet Cong but were unable to maintain the contact. The Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 011410H, a Company K (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 952645). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade, rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

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g. At 011420H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the area that extends from the vicinity of coordinates (AT 951570) to (AT 951579), reported that a platoon-sized element received one hundred small arms rounds from an estimated fourteen Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 933574)(the exact location of the Marines was not indicated). The report stated that the Marines directed seven hundred small arms rounds, twenty 40mm (M-79) rounds, four LAAW (M-72) rounds, and two rifle grenades at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and nine 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the east. The report continued that yet another platoon-sized element of the company also received small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned at coordinates (AT 934571), and what was described as sporadic small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935575)(the exact location of this platoon was also not shown). The report stated that the Marines returned a heavy volume of small arms fire at the enemy locations and the Viet Cong broke contact. A search of the area produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 011545H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938578), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 939579), resulting in one Marine WIA(minor). The Marines directed three 40mm (M-79) rounds, two LAAW (M-72) rounds, three rifle grenades, and small arms fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that, when the Marines deployed to close with the Viet Cong, an explosive device, identified as an 81mm mortar round positioned with an U.S. (M-26) grenade, was detonated resulting in three additional Marines WIA. The report continued that yet another Marine was WIA when one small arms round was received when the Marines advanced to secure a landing zone for a med-evac helicopter. Artillery support was then requested and directed at the enemy locations and the Viet Cong fire ceased. A search of the area produced negative results. Marine casualties totalled five WIA(med-evac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 011740H, a Company D squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978615) reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 983613). The Marines directed small arms fire, one 40mm (M-79) round, and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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j. At 011845H, a Company C squad-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 939582), resulting in three Marines WIA(two of whom required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-15A1) "bounding" mine, but provided no additional details.

k. At 020600H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported that two explosive devices were simultaneously detonated at coordinates (AT 947583), resulting in three Marines WIA(med-evac). The report described the devices as a U.S. (M-26) grenade positioned with an 81mm mortar round in such a way that the detonation of the grenade served to trigger the detonation of the 81mm mortar round. The report stated that the devices were rigged with trip-wire activators.

l. At 020900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company A search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 925[illegible] (AT 9157) and (AT 9357) on 1 June. The report stated that the Marines discovered and destroyed four reinforced bunkers (size not indicated) at coordinates (AT 923 572) and (AT 928572); six tunnels, described as six feet in length, two punji traps, and six spider holes, at coordinates (AT 925572); fourteen bunkers, three fighting holes and three tunnels, described as six feet in length, at coordinates (AT 933578).

(5) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 011143H, Company M, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928491), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927 487). The report stated that the Marines directed thirty five small arms rounds and four 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 011215H, Company M, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927491), reported receiving four to five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927487). The report indicated that the Marines did not return the fire but deployed to search the site of the Viet Cong positions, with negative results.

c. At 011225H, a USMC helicopter operating in the Regimental TACM reported receiving what was described as a heavy volume of small arms fire from the direction of coordinates (AT 910525). Artillery support was requested and directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on th[illegible] Enemy casualties were estimated as four Viet Cong KIA(possible). No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

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d. At 011230H, a Company I platoon, occupying patrol base positions at coordinates (AT 907505), reported receiving forty to fifty small arms rounds and what was described as one 60mm mortar round from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 910506). The Marines directed small arms fire, twelve 40mm (M-79) rounds, three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds, two LAAW (M-72) rounds, four rifle grenades and eighteen 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that, as the Marines searched the vacated enemy positions, an explosive device was detonated, resulting in one Marine WIA. No additional information was provided. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 011330H, a Company I patrol reported the discovery of three explosive devices at coordinates (AT 903503). The report identified the devices as U.S. (M-26) grenades and stated that they were placed in C-ration cans and hidden in a barrel, but did not indicate if they were rigged so as to detonate as a booby-trap. The report stated that the grenades were destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 011425H, a Company I patrol reported that one Marine was WIA as a result of striking his head on what was described as a "tree type" punji stake. The report stated that several branches of this particular tree were sharpened to serve as punji stakes.

g. At 011810H, Company M reported that thirty to thirty five small arms rounds were received in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 926486), from three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930483). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and four 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position. Artillery support was also requested and directed at the enemy location. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 011800H, Company M reported that thirty to thirty five small arms rounds were received in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 927491) from an estimated four to five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928482). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and four 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position. Artillery support was requested and directed at the enemy location. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined. No additional details were provided.

[redacted] At 011820H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906507), reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds from an estimated six Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 910514). Artillery and mortar support was requested and ten 105mm rounds and three 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the enemy fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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j. At 011855H, a Company M platoon-sized patrol, opera[redacted] the vicinity of coordinates (AT 926482), reported observing five Viet Cong crossing an open area in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930482). Artillery support was requested and directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong dispersed and fled the area. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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a. Late Report. At 010530H, a Company A platoon-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 099627), reported receiving fifty to sixty small arms rounds from an estimated two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 103630). Marine casualties were two WIA, required (med-evac). The report indicated that the exact enemy positions could not be discerned and the Marines did not return the fire.

b. Late Report. At 010930H, a Company A patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 104628) reported receiving small arms fire from an estimated two to five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 103630). The report stated that the patrol deployed so as to engage the Viet Cong and while searching grid squres (BT 1062) again received small arms fire but a through search of the area in the vicinity of grid squres (BT 0962), (BT 0963), (BT 0964) and (BT 1062) produced negative results, and the contact could not be renewed. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medical evacuation).

c. At 011100H, Company A conducting a search and cesar operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 104628), reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed one 90mm (tank) round and small arms fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 011525H, Company A conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 119631), reported receiving one hundred to one hundred fifty small arms rounds from an estimated ten Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 119628). The Marines directed three hundred to four hundred small arms rounds, twelve 60mm mortar rounds, and four 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong position with negative results. No Marine casualites were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 011910H, a Company B platoon reported that ten small arms rounds were received in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 063 646), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 099645). The Marines directed three hundred to four hundred small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and one 90mm (tank) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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f. At 012015H, Company C platoon reported that approximately one hundred small arms rounds were received in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 055626), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 059674) and (BT 050675). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and one 3.5 inch (rocket) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 012100H, a Company C platoon reported that one hundred small arms rounds were received in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 057675), from an estimated three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 058677). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 020815H, a Company B platoon-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 066631) reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 067629). The Marines directed one hundred forty small arms rounds, and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 020850H, a Company B platoon-size patrol reported that a USMC tank detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 062623); resulting in moderate damage to the tank, but no personnel casualties were reported. The report did not described the device but did state that it was rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism. Additional information will be provided when available.

j. At 020915H, a Company B platoon-size patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 068607), reported receiving sixty to seventy small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 071 608). The Marines directed twenty five small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the west. The Marines pursued the Viet Cong but were unable to maintain the contact. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (required med-evac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians.

a. See 010900H entry, this INTSUM.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	0	1017
KIA(Possible)	4	1234
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1964
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	13

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	312306H
1	Grenade, CHICOM	312515H
1	Mine, rudimentary	010835H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	020106H
1	Mine, US anti-personnel (M-16A1)	010845H
1	Carbine, CHICOM, MOSSIN-NAGENT, 7.62mm model 53	-do-
1	Uniform, grey	-do-
UNK	Documents (unevaluated)	-do-
	Parts, for recoilless rifle (?)	-do-
2	Devices, explosive (unidentified)	010900H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	011416H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	011336H
2	Traps, punji	020900H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

1	Tunnel, 100 meters in length	011006H
2	Holes, fighting	-do-
4	Bunkers (size not indicated)	020900H
6	Tunnels, 6 ft in length	-do-
6	Holes, fighting	-do-
6	Tunnels, 6 ft in length	-do-
14	Bunkers (size not indicated)	-do-
3	Holes, fighting	-do-
3	Tunnels, 6 ft in length	-do-

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Encl: (1) Special Intelligence Report, 1stBn 9thMar dtd 31 May 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 95°LOW: 72°

c. Average Humidity: 71%

d. Precipitation: Trace

e. Wind: SE at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations. No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	EMGT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
4 June	0551	0614	1917	1940	1925	0555	FULL

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) 3dBn 1stMar

a. The Battalion S-2 reported that there were no enemy contacts, and no activity or reports of intelligence value received during the period covered by this INTSUM.

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(2) Special Reports.

a. At 021945H, the 3d Marines S-2 Officer relayed a report, which evidently originated with an (unidentified) GVN source at DAI LOC District Headquarters, that two Viet Cong companies, commanded by one LAM and armed with one 81mm mortar, two 60mm mortar, two machineguns (caliber not indicated), and one PRC/10 radio, has recently displaced from vicinity of coordinates (AT 894544) and moved to the area in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915547), (AT 920547), and (AT 927546). The report was rated C-2 by DAI LOC District Headquarters and F-6 by the 3d Marines. S-2 rates the report F-6.

b. At 022125H, the USMC Liaison Officer assigned to the HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from an (unidentified) GVN source that one Viet Cong company with a strength of approximately one hundred men, armed with one 60mm mortar, one caliber .30 machinegun and assorted individual small arms, is dispersed in the vicinity of TU CAU hamlet, coordinates (BT 037663), and THI AN hamlet, coordinates (BT 032672). The report provided no additional information. The report was rated B-2. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 021310H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Regimental TAOR reported observing what was described as recent improvements in trenches and fortifications in the vicinity of PHU AN (2) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 868518). No additional information was provided.

b. At 020900H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report which evidently originated at DUC DUC District Headquarters that a GVN People's Action Team operating in the vicinity of PHU DA (1) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 868492), received twenty to forty small arms rounds from an unknown number of Viet Cong (location of enemy not indicated) which resulted in one of the PAT members being wounded. No additional information was provided.

c. At 021945H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 890495), reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 889501). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 021500H, a Company E squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002633), reported receiving what were described as three 40mm (M-79) rounds. The report stated that the location of the enemy position could not be determined, and the Marines did not return the fire. No casualties were reported.

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(5) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 021015H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of CAM VAN (2) hamlet, coordinates (AT 975 600), reported receiving twenty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong entrenched in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 972599). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds, three 40mm (M-79) rounds, and one 3.5 inch (rocket) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact. The Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 021100H, Company D, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9760) and (AT 9759), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from an estimated six to eight Viet Cong located in the area extending from coordinates (AT 972600) to (AT 974597). The Marines directed seventy five small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy locations. As the Marines deployed so as to close with the enemy, an explosive device was detonated, resulting in two Marines KIA and one Marine WIA. The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine. The report indicated that the Viet Cong took advantage of the mine detonation to break contact, and the Marines were unable to renew the contact. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

c. At 021230H, a Company C patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925573), reported that the destruction of a reinforced bunker at the above coordinates caused a secondary explosion to occur. The report indicated that the secondary explosion was similar to that caused by approximately five to ten pounds of explosives, but provided no additional details.

d. At 021300H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915575), reported receiving forty small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 916575). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 021335H, Company D, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 978594), resulting in the wounding of two Marines and one Vietnamese civilian. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism.

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f. At 021355H, Company A, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid square (AT 9565), reported the discovery of approximately six hundred meters of trenchline and a barbed wire fence which was positioned along the forward edge of the trench. The report stated that the trenchline and wire were destroyed by the Marines.

g. At 021520H, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935585), reported receiving one hundred small arms rounds from an estimated seven Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935585) and two Viet Cong positioned at coordinates (AT 935579). The Marines directed five hundred small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and twenty five 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the east. The Marines pursued the Viet Cong but were unable to renew the contact. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding pools of blood and other evidence that indicated that the Viet Cong had sustained two KIA(possible) and two WIA(possible). No Marine casualties were reported.

h. At 021535H, Company D, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 983594), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from three Viet Cong positioned in a building at close range. The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two Viet Cong KIA. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered from the bodies. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA(body count) and one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

i. At 021950H, Company A, located at coordinates (AT 954645), reported receiving sixty small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 959644). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and ten 60mm mortar rounds and twenty five 81mm mortar rounds were direct ed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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j. At 022000H, Company A reported receiving five hundred small arms rounds and what were described as two rifle grenades or 60mm mortar rounds into the Company Command Post location, coordinates (AT 955645), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 958641) and (AT 958640). The Marines directed six thousand small arms rounds, twelve 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds, and six LAAW (M-72) rounds at the enemy position and requested mortar support. Twenty four 60mm mortar rounds and fifty nine 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding pools of blood which indicated that at least three Viet Cong had been struck by the Marines' fire. Marine casualties were three WIA (two of whom required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were estimated as three Viet Cong WIA(possible). The report also stated that one Viet Cong Suspect was apprehended in the area under suspicion of having set up a light in close proximity to the Marines' locations as an aiming point for the Viet Cong fire. The report did not indicate disposition of the suspect.

k. At 022300H, a Company D platoon reported receiving thirty small arms rounds in the platoon's patrol base position, coordinates (AT 959595), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 957595). Mortar support was requested and seven 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(6) 1stBn 1stMar

a. At 021055H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Section of USMC tanks supporting a Company B operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 060 629), observed three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 055629). The report stated that the Marines aboard the tank directed two 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position, that the rounds were directly on target, and that the three Viet Cong were observed being struck by the fire. The report added that a USMC helicopter operating in the area reported that they could observe the bodies of the three Viet Cong KIA. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA(body count). No additional information was provided.

b. At 021505H, a Company B squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 067628). The report identified the device as a 40mm (M-79) round, and stated that it was positioned to function as a "cartridge trap"device. The report stated that the round was destroyed by the Marines. The report stated that as the patrol continued on its route, an explosive device was detonated approximately four feet from the location of the first device. Three Marines were wounded by this explosion and required medical evacuation. The report described the device as consisting of either a [redacted] or a 60mm mortar round, but provided no additional details. [redacted] formation will be provided when available.

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c. At 021900H, Company B reported receiving eleven [redacted] rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 065645), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 059649). The Marines directed one hundred sixty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 021920H, a Company D platoon reported receiving ten small arms rounds in the platoon's patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 068682), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 077687) and (BT 076676). The Marines directed seventy five small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 021930H, a Company C platoon reported receiving three hundred small arms rounds in the platoon's patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 035684), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 035 683) and (BT 035685). The Marines directed five hundred small arms rounds, one hundred caliber .50 rounds, five 90mm (tank) rounds, and five 81mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties were reported.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians. No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	5	1022
KIA(Possible)	2	1256
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1964
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	13

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material:

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Round, 40mm (M-79)	021305H

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F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications:

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Bunker (size not indicated)	021230H
1	Tremchline, 600 meters in length	021355H
1	Fence, barbed wire	-do-

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From: Intelligence Officer
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Subj: Intelligence Report

1. Company A conducted a platoon (-) patrol on the afternoon of 29 May in the vicinity of Grid Square AT9660 and AT9760. As the patrol passed through GIAEG LA (1), Grid Square AT 9760, it was noted that the hamlet was deserted and "deathly quiet". The patrol continued on its route until it reached CAM VAN (2) where it began to turn around to head back. As they were making the turn, they encountered 3 Vietnamese, 2 males and a female, and were in the process of checking their identification when fire was received from the tree lines approximately 150 meters away. One of the Vietnamese, the female, was killed outright by the VC fire and the other two were wounded. The VC were dressed in gray green shirts and shorts, they had helmets that were well camouflaged by leaves and branches, and they were well equipped, wearing pack and web gear. Their strength was estimated to be from 25 to 30 men and they were armed with at least one 60mm mortar, (patrol received approximately 15 incoming rounds), and several automatic weapons. The Viet Cong were positioned to the east, west and south of the patrol. After a short heavy exchange of fire the VC immediately withdrew. It is believed that they withdrew to the south and southwest, through CAM VAN (1) and GUANG LA (2). Estimated VC casualties were 10 KIAs (probable) and 2 WIAs.

2. A debrief of the two wounded Vietnamese villagers revealed the following information: Last night (28 May) the VC came into their village, CAM VAN (2), and warned the people to stay in their homes between the hours of 1900 and 0600, because the VC were going to plant mines on the trails and on the rice paddy dikes. The 2 villagers said that it was hard to understand the Viet Cong because they spoke with a Northern Vietnamese dialect.

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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein)(G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #154, Period ending 041600H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 93° LOW: 79°

c. Average Humidity: 74%

d. Precipitation: .37 inches

e. Wind: Variable at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations.
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMGT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
5 June	0551	0614	1917	1940	2212	0836	FULL

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) Special Reports.

a. At 032030H, the Regimental FSCC reported that Battery E, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines, received ten small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire in the Battery positions, coordinates (AT 968044, map 6). Viet Cong positioned at close range. The report stated that 81mm mortar illumination rounds were utilized to illuminate the area. The Marines then directed fifteen small arms rounds and six caliber .50 machinegun rounds at the enemy position

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[illegible] was reported. A search [illegible] was initiated [illegible] was recovered. [illegible]

(3) [illegible]

b. Intr Report. At 030725H, a Company L squad-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AP 963657); however, no casualties were reported. The report described the device as a [illegible] round, and stated it was partially buried in the [illegible] with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report added that a search of the area revealed a second "cartridge trap" explosive device and an U.S. (M-26) grenade; both rigged to detonate with trip-wire activators. The report stated that both devices were destroyed by the Marines.

c. Intr Report. At 030645H, a Company L squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of two explosive devices at coordinates (AP 970689). The report identified the devices as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and an U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that they were positioned in close proximity to each other. The devices were rigged with expanse trip-wire activators.

d. At 051355H, a Company L platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AP 970689). The report identified the device as a sudsmonsky (home-made) mine, and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism. No additional details or description of the mine was provided. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 052140H, Company I reported that an (unidentified) ROK Tiger Division soldier informed the Marines that Viet Cong (number not indicated), armed with 81mm mortars (number not indicated), were displacing into the [illegible] area of action. No additional information was provided. The report was not dated. S-2 notes the report F-3.

(5) [illegible]

a. At 051010H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an ample dirt device at coordinates (AP 950615). The report identified the device as an 60mm mortar shell (DLD) and stated that it was buried in an upright position on the top of a mine paddy dike with approximately one fourth inch of the detonator protruding above ground, and was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the devices were destroyed by the Marines.

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b. At 031505H, a Company D squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 948567), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed eighty small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 031610H, a Company C platoon reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds in the platoon defensive positions, coordinates (AT 955574), from three to four Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937573). Artillery support was requested and twenty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that a Marine squad dispatched to search the site of the Viet Cong positions reported finding blood stains and drag marks which indicated that at least one Viet Cong was killed by the Marines' fire. A quantity of expended small arms cartridges were also found near the location of one artillery crater. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (possible).

d. At 040640H, a Company K (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 955683), resulting in one Marine WIA(med-evac). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report added that a search of the area revealed a second explosive device, identified as a U.S. (M-26) grenade also rigged with a trip-wire activator, which was destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 040900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B platoon-sized search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9360), (AT 9361), (AT 9460), (AT 9461), and (AT 9561), during the period 031040H to 031355H. The report stated that several camouflaged fortifications (number, type and size not indicated) and several mam traps (number and size not indicated) containing punji stakes were discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report continued that what was described as one tank trap (type and size not indicated) was discovered and destroyed by the Marines at coordinates (AT 943607). The report continued that one tunnel, described as two feet by three feet by ten feet in length, was discovered and destroyed at coordinates (AT 938607). The report concluded that one trenchline, described as three hundred meters in length, was discovered at coordinates (AT 942607), and would be destroyed at a later date.

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a. Late Report. At 030900H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from the MOA LONG Village Chief that there are presently thirty Viet Cong operating in the area that extends from the north of TRA LO hamlet, coordinates (BT 035685), to the vicinity of Marble Mountain in grid square (BT 0771). The report continued that twenty Viet Cong are operating in the vicinity of TRA KHE (2) hamlet, coordinates (BT 070680), and six additional Viet Cong are operating in the vicinity of NUAN TRA hamlet area, coordinates (BT 064697). The report added that there are presently three hundred Viet Cong, armed with two 60mm mortars, two large mines (type not indicated) and two small mines (type not indicated) positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 055690), (BT 037663) and (BT 033610). The report continued that large punji traps (size not indicated), booby-trapped with explosives (type not indicated) are located at the following coordinates: (BT 045685), (BT 035680), (BT 038677), (BT 032 671), (BT 086666) and (BT 088680). The report concluded that fifteen Viet Cong are presently residing in a bamboo thicket in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 080667). The report was rated F-6 by 1/1. S-2 rates the report F-6.

b. At 031045H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 048648). The report identified the device as an 40mm (M-79) round and stated that it was positioned at the edge of a fenceline and affixed in a bamboo pole but did not provide details as to how it was rigged to detonate. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 031215H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 105654), reported observing one Vietnamese male, armed with a U.S. rifle, caliber .30 (M-1), moving in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 105655). The report stated that when the Viet Cong sighted the approach of the Marine patrol, he quickly discarded the weapon in the brush and ran in an attempt to elude the Marines. The Marines however, succeeded in capturing the fleeing man. The report stated that efforts to find the weapon were unproductive. The Viet Cong Suspect was evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

d. At 031230H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 055650), resulting in three Marines WIA (required medical evacuation). The report did not identify the device but did state that it was positioned within a punji trap. Additional details will be provided when available.

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e. At 031735H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated within the patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 046717), resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated that it was concealed in some shrubbery and rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that a search of the area revealed two additional CHICOM grenades, also rigged to detonate with trip-wires. The report indicated that both grenades were destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 031815H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 087697). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator extending across the trail. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

g. At 031930H, a Company C squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 058717), reported receiving small arms fire and what were described as three 40mm (M-79) rounds or 60mm mortar rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and two 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(5) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 031335H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of the SONG THANH QUIT, coordinates (BT 024615), reported receiving one hundred to one hundred fifty small arms rounds from an estimated five to six Viet Cong positioned on the far side of the river in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 026610). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the Viet Cong fire continued, artillery support was requested and seventy two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines were unable to search the Viet Cong positions due to the intervening body of water. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 031340H, a Company H platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 024624), reported receiving seven small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 026620). Mortar support was requested and nineteen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

[redacted] c. At 031430H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer element conducting a road mine clearing operation discovered an explosive device at coordinates (BT 000630). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine, but provided no additional details. The report stated that the mine was disarmed and recovered for technical examination.

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d. At 031700H, Company G, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of the SONG THANH QUIT, coordinates (BT 022613), reported receiving seventy five to one hundred small arms rounds from an estimated five to ten Viet Cong positioned on the far side of the river, in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 025615). Artillery support was requested and seventy four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines were unable to search the Viet Cong positions due to the intervening body of water. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 032020H, a Company E platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996633), reported receiving two hundred to two hundred fifty small arms rounds and what were described as three 40mm (M-79) rounds from an estimated ten to fifteen Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001631). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery and mortar support was requested and 105mm artillery and 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 032150H, Company G reported receiving three small arms rounds within the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 002611). The report indicated that the exact enemy location could not be discerned and the Marines did not return the fire. No Marine casualties were reported.

g. At 032300H, a Company G squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 011610), reported observing an estimated thirty Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 003609). Artillery and mortar support was requested and ten 105mm rounds and twenty four 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location. The report indicated that the Viet Cong quickly dispersed, and a Marine element was dispatched to search the site of the enemy position, but reported negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 040615H, Company F, participating in a "COUNTY FAIR" operation in the vicinity of grid square (BT 0560), reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 033603), resulting in one Marine KIA and two Marines WIA (required medical evacuation), but provided no additional details.

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(6) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 030740H, a Company L patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 904 482). The report stated that the suspect, accompanied by two other men, was observed by the Marines, and, when the Marines approached to examine the identification documents of the trio, they quickly ran in an attempt to evade the Marines. The report stated that the Marines ordered the fleeing men to halt, and, when they ignored the warning, directed ten small arms rounds at the suspects. The Marines pursued the men and succeeded in apprehending one man, who had been wounded by the Marines fire. The report stated that the suspect was evacuated to the Battalion Command Post for investigation, and would be sent to either the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point or an ARVN medical facility, based on the extent of his injuries. No additional details were provided.

b. Late Report. At 030955H, a Company L platoon-size patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 908506), resulting in two Marines WIA. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was rigged with a pull-type activating mechanism. Additional details will be provided when available.

c. At 031045H, a Company L patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 908506), resulting in five Marines WIA. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade, and stated it was rigged with a pull-type activator.

d. At 031300H, a Company I patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 886503). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding"mine and stated that it was positioned in a hedgerow. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 031415H, a Company L patrol reported that an explosive device was discovered at coordinates (AT 913496). The report identified the the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was positioned near an entrance to a pagoda. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 031430H, a Company L patrol reported the discovery of two explosive devices at coordinates (AT 910493), and stated that neither device was rigged for detonation. The report identified the devices as an 105mm artillery shell (DUD) and an 8 inch artillery shell (DUD). The report stated that the two artillery rounds were destroyed by the Marines.

g. At 031515H, Company L, located at coordinates (AT 909500) [redacted] USMC helicopter operating in proximity to the company's position, [redacted] received ten small arms rounds from an estimated three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918510). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the enemy position. Artillery and mortar support was also requested and six 105mm rounds and [redacted] mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with

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negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 031600H, a Company I platoon-size patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 886494), resulting in three Marines WIA. The report did not identify nor describe the device but stated that its force was similar to that experienced when two 60mm mortar rounds were simultaneously detonated. The report added that the device was rigged with a pressure type activator. Additional details will be provided when available.

i. At 031745H, a Company L patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 919500). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was positioned in a hole in a treeline with the safety wire extracted and the safety lever held in place by three bamboo sticks, so as to detonate when disturbed. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

j. At 031856H, The Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company I search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 8849) and (AT 8850). The report stated that twenty bunkers, fifty yards of hedgerow, forty yards of fence, sixty yards of tunnels, fifteen fighting holes and one suspected mortar position were discovered and destroyed by the Marines. No additional descriptions nor additional information were provided.

k. At 031930H, the Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company L search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9048), (AT 9050), (AT 9149) and (AT 9150). The report stated also that one bunker (size or composition not indicated) and one tunnel (size not indicated) were discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report stated that a 155mm artillery round was discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report did not indicate if the projectile was rigged to detonate.

l. At 032145H, a Company I patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 881492) reported hearing what were described as digging noises in a vegetated area in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 885492). The report stated that when the Marines investigated the noises they observed three Viet Cong in this area and directed three small arms rounds at them. The report indicated that the Viet Cong quickly fled to the northwest, but the Marines did sight one Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report also stated that one Viet Cong appeared to be carrying a bag (size and type not indicated) as he fled. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong position with negative results. Enemy casualties were estimated at one WIA (possible).

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C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly fr[redacted]
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	0	1022
KIA(Possible)	1	1237
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1966
Returnees(Since 27Jan66)	0	13

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Device, explosive "cartridge trap"	030725H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	-do-
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	030845H
1	Mine, US AP M-16A1	-do-
1	Mine, rudimentary	031355H
1	Shell, 60mm mortar (DUD)	031010H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	040640H
1	Round, 40mm (M-79)	031045H
2	Grenades, CHICOM	031735H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	031815H
1	Mine, US AP M-16A1	031300H
1	Mine, US AP M-16A1	031415H
1	Shell, artillery, 105mm (DUD)	031430H
1	Shell, artillery, 8 inch (DUD)	-do-
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	031745H
1	Shell, artillery, 155mm	031930H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

UNK	Fortifications (size not indicated)	040900H
UNK	Traps, man (size not indicated)	-do-
1	Trap, tank (size not indicated)	-do-
1	Tunnel, 2x3x10 ft in length	-do-
20	Bunkers (size not indicated)	031856H
1	Hedgerow, 50 yds in length	-do-
1	Fenceline, 40 yds in length	-do-
[redacted]	60 yds of tunnelling	-do-

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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #155, Period ending 051000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 91° LOW: 77°

c. Average Humidity: 71%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: SW at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations.
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
6 June	0551	0613	1917	1940	2259	0931	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 040840H, a Company-Squad-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 921500) reported receiving t

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rounds from an estimated ten Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917493). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and and requested mortar support. Twelve 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood trails and drag marks which indicated that the Viet Cong had sustained several casualties as the results of the Marines fire. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as two KIA (possible) and four WIA (possible) (basis for this estimate was not indicated).

b b. Late Report. At 040915H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935453) reported sighting thirteen Viet Cong (basis for this identification was not indicated) in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 945440). Artillery support was requested and thirty eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. The report indicated that enemy causualties (confirmed by visual sighting by the reconnaissance element) were two Viet Cong KIA (body count), seven Viet Cong KIA (possible), and four Viet Cong WIA (possible).

c. Late Report. At 040935H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935453), reported sighting three women and five men carrying two packs and two rifles moving in a southerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925444). The report stated that artillery fire was directed at the enemy location but results of the fire could not be ascertained due to the range. No additional information was provided.

d. Late Report. At 040945H, a Company M platoon occupying blocking positions in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 839460), reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds from three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 833456). The Marines directed one hundred twenty five small arms rounds and five 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 041030H, a Company L squad size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903506) reported observing a Viet Cong who emerged from a treeline at coordinates (AT 906506). The report stated that when the Viet Cong sighted the Marines he ran back into the treeline. The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the Viet Cong, and moved into the treeline in pursuit. The report stated that a search of the treeline area produced the body of the dead Viet Cong, who evidently was killed by the Marines' fire. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

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f. At 041140H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935453), reported sighting three Viet Cong, two of whom were carrying rifles, walking in a northeasterly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 945452). The report stated that the Viet Cong disappeared from sight before artillery fire could be delivered into the area. No additional information was provided.

g. At 041145H, a Company L patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 898494). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed attempting to elude the Marines. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the (Forward) Prisoner Collection Point, for investigation.

h. At 041150H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935453), reported sighting five armed Viet Cong moving south on trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935952). Artillery support was requested and fourteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. Enemy casualties were reported as three KIA (body count) and two WIA (possible). No additional information was provided.

i. At 041235H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935452), reported sighting four armed Viet Cong, carrying what were described as heavy packs, moving in a southerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 948460). No additional information was provided.

j. At 041420H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935452), reported sighting ten armed Viet Cong moving north on a trail at coordinates (AT 945443). The report stated that artillery fire was directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were reported as nine KIA (body count) and one WIA (possible). (The report stated that the Viet Cong WIA was confirmed, but the basis for this claim and the nine Viet Cong reported KIA was not indicated).

k. At 041441H, an Aerial Observer operating in the battalion's zone of action reported observing what was described as recently excavated trenches in the area which extended from coordinates (AT 863518) to (AT 864 545) and from coordinates (AT 866518) to (AT 867516). The Aerial Observer also reported that numerous cave entrances were observed in separate locations in a hill mass in the vicinity of coordinates (XC 214746). No additional information was provided.

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l. At 041500H, a Company L squad size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918510) reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from an estimated four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917498). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that two Viet Cong were observed being struck by the rocket fire. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were estimated as two WIA (possible).

m. At 041645H, a Company M platoon size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 847469) reported receiving twelve small arms rounds from an estimated four to five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of (AT 845475). The Marines directed seventy five small arms rounds and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position. Mortar support was also requested and two 60mm mortar rounds and two 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the enemy fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

n. At 041650H, a Company L element occupying an observation post position at coordinates (AT 903501) reported observing fifteen armed Viet Cong moving north across a rice paddy at coordinates (AT 919509). Artillery support was requested and twenty 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location, with a reported excellent effect on the target. Enemy casualties were estimated as two KIA (possible) and eight WIA (possible). No additional details were provided.

o. At 041715H, a Company L platoon-size patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 900493). The report stated that the device, which was not identified nor described, was found within a ladies' purse, discovered within a building at that location. The report stated that the device was destroyed by USMC engineers.

p. At 041846H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company L, conducting a search and destroy operation, destroyed a total of three bunkers (size not indicated) and two booby traps (type not indicated) on 4 June. The report did not provide the location of the destroyed items.

q. At 041940H, a Company M platoon reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 844455), resulting in one Marine WIA (did not require medical evacuation). The report did not identify nor describe the device. Additional details will be provided when available.

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c. At 041930H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 054677) reported receiving six small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 054674). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood stains in what was described as freshly dug trenches, indicating that at least one Viet Cong was wounded by the Marines' fire. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

d. At 042205H, Company B reported receiving thirty small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 085599), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 086604). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines would search the area at first light on 5 June; however, no additional information was received as of the termination of this INTSUM.

e. At 050640H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 056647). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 050730H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company A was informed by the HOA LONG Village Chief that the Viet Cong positioned two large mines (type not indicated)(for related information see 030900H entry, INTSUM #154) in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 079695) during the night of 4 June. The report stated that the mines are marked with bamboo stakes. (No further description of the markers was provided). The report stated that Company A dispatched a squad-sized patrol to investigate the report but, as of the termination of this reporting period, no additional information was provided. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-6.

(5) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 040955H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported that a Marine was wounded (non-med evac) when he stepped into a punji trap at coordinates (AT 939579). The report stated that the trap was destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 042030H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company K (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 943683), was informed by an (unidentified) U.S. Army Liaison Officer that one Vietnamese male was found dead (location not indicated) as the result of the detonation of a CHICOM grenade. The Liaison Officer stated that the male was identified as a Viet Cong and indicated that he was evidently killed by the explosion of his own device when he was rigging it for detonation. No additional information was provided.

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(3) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 041925H, a Company I patrol operating in the vicinity of the SONG VINH DIEN, coordinates (BT 038697) reported receiving five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038695). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines were unable to pursue the Viet Cong or search the Viet Cong positions due to the intervening body of water. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 042320H, a Company L platoon occupying security positions at the bridge at coordinates (AT 963660) reported receiving thirty to forty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 964663). The Marines directed approximately fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines would search the area at first light on 5 June; however, no additional information was received as of the termination of this INTSUM. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 042350H, a Company L platoon occupying positions in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 971663) reported that a GVN Regional Forces element positioned in close proximity to the Marines received ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in a building in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 969664). The Regional Forces soldiers directed one hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position, causing the building to become ablaze, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that, moments later, a large secondary explosion occurred within the building; possibly as the result of the detonation of a large cache of small arms ammunition. The report stated that a Marine squad was dispatched to search the site of the Viet Cong positions but reported negative results. No Marine or GVN RF casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 1stBn 1stMar

a. Late Report. At 040900H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 048671). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed attempting to hide from the Marines and could not adequately explain his presence in the area. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

b. Late Report. At 040940H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending two Viet Cong Suspects in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 095655). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when they were attempting to hide in a building in the vicinity of VIEM DONG hamlet. The report stated that the suspects will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

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f. At 050630H, Company G reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 020613), from three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 020615). The Marines directed fifty to seventy five small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and twenty one 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. Late Entry. At 041000H, the Senior U.S. Army Advisor to the 1st Battalion, 51th ARVN Regiment reported that a total of four Viet Cong Suspects were apprehended in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 033606), during the conduct of Operation "COUNTY FAIR" in that area. The report did not provide details of the apprehension, but did state that initial interrogation indicated that all four were Viet Cong. The report stated that one of the captive, reportedly a deserter from the DIEN BAN District Popular Forces, admitted that he was a Viet Cong "team leader" and participated in the placing of mines and booby traps in this area. (S-2 comment: See 040615H entry, INTSUM #154, for an account of a mine detonation in this same area which occurred on 4 June and in which this captive may have been involved). The report continued that the captives stated that the Viet Cong (the strength of the Viet Cong was initially referred to as a platoon but other reports indicated ten men) had been in the area in which the COUNTY FAIR operation was being conducted, but had departed to the west early on the morning of 4 June, before the cordoning of the area was completed. The report stated that the suspects will be evacuated to QUANG NAM Special Sector headquarters at HOI AN for investigation. (S-2 comment: A subsequent report indicated that a total of nine Viet Cong Suspects [some reports indicated that at least four had been confirmed as Viet Cong] had been apprehended as captured in the operation. One Viet Cong was also reported to have been killed by the ARVN soldiers in the operation, but details of this incident are still lacking).

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(2) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 041615H, a Company E squad-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999620) reported receiving three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999627). The Marines directed two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 041945H, Company E, participating in a joint USMC/ARVN "COUNTY FAIR" operation in the vicinity of PHONG NHUT (2) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 035598), reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds. The report stated that the exact enemy location could not be discerned and the Marines did not return the fire. No Marine casualties were reported. The report added that, at approximately the same time, elements of the 1st Battalion, 51th ARVN Regiment, occupying positions at coordinates (BT 041601) as part of the "COUNTY FAIR" operation, received six 60mm mortar rounds, resulting in nine ARVN soldiers WIA, (two of which required medical evacuation). No additional information was provided.

c. At 042015H, Company G reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 020 613), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 021609). Mortar support was requested and ten 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 042020H, the Battalion S-3 reported that forty to fifty small arms rounds were received in the Battalion Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 009631), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 015628). Mortar support was requested and twelve 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, with a reported good effect on the target area, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 042300H, a Company G squad-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 016613) reported receiving approximately seventy five small arms rounds, described as automatic weapons fire, from an estimated ten to twelve Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 016616). Artillery support was requested and two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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c. At 041345H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that several explosive devices were detonated at coordinates (AT 950590), resulting in one Marine KIA and seven WIA (four of whom required medical evacuation) and one Vietnamese civilian (VCS) killed, and three Vietnamese civilians (also VCS), wounded. The report indicated that the initial detonation of a U.S. anti-personnel mine (M-2A1/M-2A4) resulted in the sympathetic detonations of an additional two devices. (The report indicated that these two devices were also of the M-2A1 type). The report continued that yet a fourth detonation occurred approximately seventy five meters away, but indicated that this explosion occurred independently of the other three detonations. The report added that the devices were all positioned on the top of high dikes, which served to increase the bursting radius of the devices and resulted in the large number of casualties. (The wounded civilians had earlier been apprehended as Viet Cong Suspects and were being evacuated for investigation).

d. At 041505H, the Battalion S-2 reported that one Vietnamese male surrendered himself to Company C Marines. The report stated that the man had in his possession and presented a "CHIEU HOI" safe conduct pass and indicated that he was a "returnee" from the Viet Cong. The man was evacuated to DAI LOC District Headquarters for initial screening.

e. At 041550H, a Company B squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 986614) reported receiving six to eight small arms rounds from an estimated two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 986614). The Marines directed three small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported discovering a wounded Vietnamese woman, who had evidently sustained a gunshot wound in the abdomen. The report indicated that the Marines were unable to renew contact with the Viet Cong. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 041645H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company B, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid square (AT 9460), discovered a tunnel, described as three feet by three feet by five feet in length, at coordinates (AT 945608). The report stated that seven boxes (not described) were found within the tunnel, and the Marines decided to destroy both the tunnel and its contents with demolitions. When the demolition charge exploded, a major secondary explosion also occurred, resulting in a crater five feet by ten feet by thirty feet in extent. No additional information was provided.

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g. At 041655H, Company C reported receiving seven to twelve small arms rounds within the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 935574). The Marines stated that the Marines directed sixty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position but the location of the Viet Cong was not indicated. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 041720H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 943577), resulting in five Marines WIA (one of whom required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a 105mm artillery shell and stated that it was buried along a trail with a U.S. (M-26) grenade placed on top as a triggering device and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

i. At 041911H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Regimental TACP reported receiving small arms fire from an estimated five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935574). The report stated that Company C, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935579), directed eleven 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy positions, and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. Additional Information. At 041900H, the Battalion S-2 provided additional information regarding a Company B search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9360), (AT 9361), (AT 9460), (AT 9461), and (AT 9561), during the period 031040H to 031335H. (See 040900H entry, INTSUM #154). The report stated that the tank trap discovered and destroyed at coordinates (AT 943607) measured twenty feet in width, ten feet in length and ten feet in depth and was camouflaged with bamboo poles, interlaced with vines and twigs, and was covered with natural vegetation and dirt.

k. At 050645H, Company D, engaged in a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 986587), resulting in one Marine WIA. The report did not identify nor describe the device but stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism.

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(6) Special Reports.

a. At 050930H, the Senior U.S. Army Advisor assigned to BIEN BAN District Headquarters, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 044006), resulting in five KIA and ten WIA; all of whom were members of the ARVN 39th ARVN Ranger Battalion, who were participating in an Operation "COUNTY FAIR" in that area. The report did not identify nor described the device nor provide any additional details.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians. No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	15	1037
KIA(Possible)	11	1248
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	4	1970
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	1	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Device, explosive (unidentified)	041715H
2	Devices, explosive (unidentified)	041846H
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	050540H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

3	Bunkers (size not indicated)	041846H
1	Tunnel, 3x3x5 ft	041645H

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2/12	(2)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(6)
S-3	(2)
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #156, Period ending 061000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy skies

b. Temperature: High: 90° Low: 77°

c. Average Humidity: 73%

d. Precipitation: .01 inches

e. Winds: NW at 7 knots

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations. No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	EMCT SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
7 June	0551	0614	1917	1940	2259	0931(8Jun) 3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(4) Special Reports.

a. At 051921H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Regimental TAOR reported observing Viet Cong moving (number not indicated) through what was described as an open area located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 940588). Artillery support was requested and thirty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target. [illegible]

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enemy casualties were not determined.

(2) 1st En 1st Mar

a. Late Report. At 050745H, a Company C platoon sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 031665), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 033665). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. Late Report. At 050850H a Company C patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 029671) resulting in two Marines WIA (medevac). The report described the device as a concussion type grenade but positive identification was not possible. No additional details were provided.

c. Late Report. At 050940H, a Company D squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 102650), reported receiving heavy automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of (BT 105648). The Marines requested artillery support which was directed at the enemy location. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. An aerial observer on station reported two Viet Cong who appeared to be KIA. Marine casualties were three WIA (two of whom required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were estimated as two KIA (possible).

d. At 051130H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company C squad-size patrol found twenty four rounds of U.S. caliber .30 carbine ammunition lying in the open beside an abondoned house at coordinates (BT 065673). A search of the immediate surrounding area was made with negative results.

e. At 051825H, the Battalion S-2 reported that the Battalion Command Group with three ONTOS operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 072622) received a heavy volume of small arms fire from an estimated fifteen to twenty Viet Cong at close range. The Marines returned a heavy volume of small arms fire and twelve 106mm (ONTOS) rounds at the Viet Cong. The report continued that a reserve platoon located at coordinates (BT 072622) enroute to reinforce the Command Group received heavy small arms fire and what were described as rifle grenades from an estimated thirty to forty Viet Cong armed with ten to twelve automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 0766?). The Marines directed a large volume of small arms fire and 90mm (tank) rounds (number not indicated) at the enemy positions and assaulted the enemy positions which had been evacuated by the Viet Cong. The Marines searched the right of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding eleven Viet Cong KIA. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties eleven KIA (body count) and three WIA (possible). The report also stated that two suspicious persons were apprehended in the area of the engagement and were returned to the Battalion S-2 for investigation.

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f. At 051920H, the Battalion Command Group and three ONTOS were enroute to the Battalion Command Post from the scene of the engagement referred to in the above entry when one of the ONTOS detonated andexplosive device at coordinates (BT 072633) resulting in four WIA's (required med-evac). The type of explosive device was not identified however, the report stated that it was rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism. The damage to the ONTOS was described as moderate.

g. At 051920H, a Company A platoon patrol base located at coordinates (BT 084697) reported receiving one hundred fifty to two hundred small arms rounds from an estimated fifteen to twenty Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 085691). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported discovering one dead Viet Cong (body count). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count)

h. At 052015H, Company D located at coordinates (BT 089654) reported receiving fifty to sixty small arms rounds and what was described as three 60mm mortars into the Commpany Command Post from and estimated fifteen to twenty Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 086655) and (BT 089657). The Marines directed heavy small arms fire and twenty six 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 052315H, a Company D platoon patrol base located at coordinates (BT 076625) reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 073625). The Marines did not return any fire since the exact location of the Viet Cong was not determined. The Marines registered an 81mm mortar concentration in the suspected Viet Cong location, but as further contact was reported. No Marine casualties were reported.

(2) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 051115H, a Company L squad-size patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 987687) resulting in one Marine KIA and three WIA's (required med-evac). The report described the device as a rudimentary (home made) mine consisting of an estimated ten to fifteen pounds of explosive and stated it was buried in the concrete floor of a temple and rigged with a pressure type detonation mechanism. The report stated that

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the explosive caused the sympathetic detonation of an M-26 grenade and a WP grenade carried by one of the Marines, which also contributed to the casualties. An additional report stated that, directly above the location of the explosive device, a large (two feet by two feet) "X" was marked on the wall, possibly as a warning of the location of the device.

b. At 051915H, Company I reported receiving two small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 032694), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038694). The report stated that the enemy fire was not returned due to close proximity of the friendly (USMC) units positioned in the area. No Marine casualties were reported.

c. At 051200H a Company L platoon-size patrol reported apprehending five suspicious persons in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 968674). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when a routine examination revealed that they lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspects were evacuated to the local District Headquarters for investigation.

d. At 051920H, a Company L squad-size patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 980699), resulting in one Marine WIA (required med evac). The report described the device as a 20mm cartridge casing filled with approximately 1/4 pound of explosive and topped with metal fragments and stated that it was buried on the trail and rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism.

(3) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 050840H, Company D, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 953586) resulting in two Marines WIA (required med-evac). The report did not describe the device but did state that is was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

b. Late Report. At 050945H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported apprehending five suspicious persons in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955595). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when they were observed digging in the area and could not adequately explain their presence in the area. The report stated that the suspects were evacuated to the DAI LOC District Headquarters for investigation.

c. At 051315H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 967595), reported receiving seven small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 968593). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds and three 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not reported. The report stated that when a Marine squad was dispatched to search the area they received additional six small arms rounds from an undetermined location resulting in one Marine WIA (required med-evac). The Marines searched the site of the Viet

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Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 051330H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 935593) resulting in two Marines WIA (required med-evac). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was positioned along a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

e. At 051350H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 964593), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from one or two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 966592) and (AT 965593). One Marine was reported WIA and required medical evacuation. The report stated that a USMC medical evacuation helicopter entering the area received four to six small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 965593). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and sixty 60mm mortar rounds at the two enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 051500H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 934593), resulting in one Marine WIA (required med-evac). The report described the device as either a 60mm mortar round or an 81mm mortar round and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

g. At 051750H, Company C, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 935594), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed four 40mm (M-79) rounds and eleven 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. Marine casualties were one WIA (required med-evac). A subsequent report indicated that seven Viet Cong were later observed in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 940587). Artillery support was requested and thirty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong fled the area. A Marine squad was dispatched to search the area and reported sighting one Viet Cong. The Marines directed small arms rounds at the fleeing Viet Cong and reported killing him. A bandoleer belt was recovered from the body of the dead Viet Cong; however, no weapons was found. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

h. At 051955H, a Company A platoon, occupying patrol base position at coordinates (AT 959645), reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 960647). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy positions. After the enemy fire

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combined, thirty six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 052310H, a Company A platoon, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 962693), reported observing two Viet Cong at close range. The Marines directed twelve small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong position with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 060900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B platoon-size search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of said square (AT 9560) during the period 050940H to 051640H. The report stated that one man trap, described as six feet by six feet by six feet, and containing punji stakes; one tunnel, described as twenty feet in length and reinforced with bamboo; one tunnel described as thirty feet in length; three bunkers, described as five feet by five feet by ten feet in length; and one tunnel described as four feet by four feet by four feet and "Y" shaped, and twenty-two connect trenchlines; were all discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

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(4) 2nd Bn 9th Mar

a. At 051210H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a 3d Engineer element, conducting a mine clearing operation, discovered two explosive devices at coordinates (AT 999655). The report identified both devices as rudimentary (home-made) mines and stated that they were rigged with pressure-type activating mechanisms, but provided no additional details. The report stated that the devices were destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 051440H, a Company F patrol reported the discovery of two explosive devices, identified as CHICOM grenades, at coordinates (BT 033602) and one explosive device, identified as a CHICOM grenade, at coordinates (BT 0[illegible]). The report stated that the three devices, all of which were rigged with trip-wire activators, were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 051800H, a Company E platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001632), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002630) and (BT 003629). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the enemy fire continued. Artillery and mortar support were requested and twenty four 105mm rounds and thirty eight 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 052245H, Company F reported receiving what was described as a moderate volume of small arms fire in the Company Command Post position, coordinates (BT 036601), from an estimated ten Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 036602). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the north. The Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one dead Viet Cong. The report stated that no weapon or equipment was recovered from the Viet Cong body. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

e. At 060430H, Company F elements manning security positions on the Company Command Post perimeter, coordinates (BT 036601), reported observing one Viet Cong who appeared to be positioning what may have been an explosive device in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 036603). The Marines directed small arms rounds at the man and reported killing him. When the Marines inspected the area and searched the body they reported they could not find any weapons or military equipment. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

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(5) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 051050H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting six Viet Cong moving north on trail at (AT 946450). (The report stated that four of the Viet Cong were carrying weapons and the remaining two were carrying heavy packs). Artillery support was requested and twenty 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location (with a reported excellent effect on target). Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count) and two WIA (possible). The report added that three of the Viet Cong fled to the south.

b. At 051120H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting three Viet Cong who were evidently moving into the area in which Marine artillery had earlier impacted in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946450). The report stated that the Marines observed the Viet Cong depart from this area and join with nine additional Viet Cong, and move in a group to the north along a trail at coordinates (AT 946450). The report stated that artillery support was requested and twenty six 105mm rounds were directed at the Viet Cong group with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count) and four Viet Cong KIA (possible) and three Viet Cong WIA (possible). No additional information was provided.

c. At 051410H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 952443), reported sighting five armed Viet Cong moving south on a trail at coordinates (AT 952443). Artillery support was requested and eight 105mm rounds were directed at the (suspected) enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

d. At 051527H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting four armed Viet Cong at coordinates (AT 947460). Artillery support was requested and seven 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. No additional information was provided. No estimate was made of the Viet Cong casualties.

e. At 051705H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting three Viet Cong (two of whom were armed), moving south on a trail at coordinates (AT 947455). Artillery support was requested and [redacted] 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The report indicated that the Viet Cong dispersed and were lost to sight before the artillery fire could be adjusted on target.

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C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians.
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	18	1055
KIA(Possible)	5	1253
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1970
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
2	Mines, Rudimentary	051210H
3	Grenades, CHICOM	051440H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications:

1	Trap, Man (6'X6'X8')	060900H
1	Tunnel, (20' in lenght)	-do-
1	Tunnel, (30' in length)	-do-
3	Bunkers, (5'X5'X10')	-do-
1	Tunnel, (4'X4'X4')	-do-

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III MAF POLAD	(1)	2/9	(6)	S-3	(2)
G-2	(7)	3/9	(6)	1stAmtrac	(1)
3d Mar	(1)	2/4	(6)	3dAtBn	(1)
3d Engr	(1)	3/1	(2)	3dTnkBn	(1)
MAG 11	(1)	1/1	(6)	B Co, Tnk	(1)
MAG 16	(1)	2/12	(6)	C Co, Tnk	(1)
EOD	(1)	FSCC	(1)	CO	(1)

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Subj: Intelligence Summary #157, Period ending 071000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather.

a. General: Partly cloudy skies with rain showers.

b. Temperatures: High: 91° Low: 75°

c. Average Humidity: 78%

d. Precipitation: .32 inches

e. Winds: Variable at 3 knots

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations. No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
8 June	0551	0614	1917	1940	2341	1025(9Jun)	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) Special Reports.

a. At 061915H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source that thirty Viet Cong are staying at a Vietnamese Nationals' (identified as one THU DI) house located at coordinates (BT 009647). The report stated that these Viet Cong have established what was described as a "Peoples' Court" and have already tried (judged) two Vietnamese Nationals on 30 May. [illegible] CONFIDENTIAL

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information was provided. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-6.

(2) 1stBn 9thMar.

a. At 061030H, a Company C platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930575), reported receiving seventy five rounds of what was described as automatic small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 932574). The report stated that the Marines returned the small arms fire. 81mm mortar support was requested and directed at the Viet Cong location. The report indicated that the Viet Cong fire ceased, but provided no additional details. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 061105H, a Company B squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 951593). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 061110H, A Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation along the banks of a tributary of the SONG LA THO in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 983602), reported receiving nine small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in a pagoda located on the far side of the stream at coordinates (AT 984602). The Marines directed twelve small arms rounds, two 40mm (M-79) rounds, four 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The report stated that the Marines were unable to pursue or search the Viet Cong positions due to the intervening body of water. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 061135H, a Company K (3/9 under OPCON this Bn) platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 951642), resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism.

e. At 061200H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978599), reported receiving twenty to twenty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 061515H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 962592), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from an estimated two to three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 960590). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds, one 3.5 inch (rocket) round, and two LAAW (M-72) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined.

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g. At 061600H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 977578), reported receiving small arms fire (volume not indicated) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 979597) and (AT 980579). The Marines directed small arms fire and nine 81mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 062100H, a Company K (3/9 under OPCON this Battalion), squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 956667), reported observing one Viet Cong running across a rice paddy at close range. The Marines directed twenty five small arms rounds at the fleeing Viet Cong and pursued him into the brush. A search of the area produced the body of the dead Viet Cong who had evidently succombed to the wounds from the Marines fire. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

i. At 070840H, a Company B platoon, engaged in a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (At 954588) resulting in three Marines WIA. The report stated that a suitcase was found in a bunker at the above coordinates and, when the Marine opened the suitcase to investigate its contents, it exploded. Additional details were not provided.

j. At 070940H, a Company C platoon, engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 952589), reported receiving automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 952589). The Marines directed small arms fire and requested artillery support. Fourteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA resulting from a short artillery round. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 062100H, a Company L platoon patrol reported receiving five small arms rounds in the platoon defensive positions, coordinates (AT 968661), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 967664). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 062110H, Company L reported receiving two small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 972682), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975685). The Company reported that the enemy fire was not repeated and the fire was not returned as no target could be discerned.

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(4) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 061245H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this Battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting eight Viet Cong, four of whom were armed (type of weapons not indicated), moving in a northerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947455). Artillery support was requested and two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong quickly dispersed. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 061257H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this Battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938460), reported sighting six Viet Cong, four of whom were armed (type of weapons not indicated) and carrying packs, moving in a northely direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947 455). Artillery support was requested and eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong KIA (possible).

c. At 061700H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalions zone of action reported observing what was described as a recently constructed automatic weapons position in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 995533). The report described the position as being circular in outline, and was four to five feet deep and eight to ten feet in width. No additional information was provided.

d. At 061915H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this Battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 005499), reported receiving what was described as heavy small arms fire and one rifle grenade from an estimated fifteen Viet Cong positioned on a ridgeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 006505). The reconnaissance element also reported observing an additional twenty five to thirty Viet Cong positioned on a ridgeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010497) and yet another force of fifteen to twenty Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 000504). Artillery support was requested and a total of twenty two 155mm rounds were directed at all three enemy locations with a reported excellent effect on target, however, enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties were reported. The reconnaissance element was extracted from their advance positions by helicopters.

(5) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 061035H, a Company E squad-size patrol reported the discovery of a tunnel described as being three feet by twenty feet in extent, located within the railroad embankment, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 995625). Additional details will be provided when available.

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b. At 061150H, a Company E platoon-size patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 994623), reported receiving one hundred fifty to two hundred small arms rounds from an estimated six Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993622). The Marines directed four hundred small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and 81mm mortar fire was directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 061443H, Company G, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 037608), reported receiving three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 032605). The report indicated that the exact enemy location could not be discerned and the Marines did not return the fire. No Marine casualties were reported.

d. At 061500H, the Battalion S-2 reported that one small arms round was received in the Battalion Command Post location, coordinates (BT 015629), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 020634). The report indicated that the exact enemy location could not be discerned and the Marines did not return the fire. No Marine casualties were reported.

e. At 061600H, Company G, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038608), reported receiving seven to eight small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 032605). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The report stated that when the Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions they discovered one U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038607). The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 062135H, the Battalion S-3 reported that a total of twenty 60mm mortar rounds were received in the Battalion Command Post positions from Viet Cong believed to be positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 006625), (BT 007615) and (BT 015615). The report stated that artillery and mortar support was requested and twelve 105mm rounds and fifty five 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the suspected enemy locations, and the Viet Cong mortar fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 070907H, a Company G platoon-size patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 028600), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 027599). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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a. Late Report. At 060810H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 057638), resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was positioned along a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

b. Late Report. At 060830H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 075626), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from two to three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 073625). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 061050H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 060626), reported observing one Viet Cong running across a rice paddy carrying what was believed to be a rifle wrapped in a straw bag in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 060621). The report stated that the Marines directed warning rounds in the direction of the fleeing man to cause him to halt, but the warnings were ignored and the Viet Cong disappeared into a treeline. The Marines searched the area with negative results. No casualties were reported.

d. At 061125H, the Battalion S-3 reported that thirty to forty small arms rounds were received in the Battalion Command Post positions, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 062616). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and twenty 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 061740H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 083690), however, no casualties were sustained as the result of the explosion. The report described the device as a CHICOM fragmentation grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip wire type activating mechanism.

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f. At 061910H, a Company G platoon reported receiving fifty to sixty small arms rounds within the platoon defensive perimeter, coordinates (BT 062675), from an estimated two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 057672). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds and five LAAW (M-72) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that one Viet Cong was observed falling as if struck by the Marines fire. When the Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions, however, they were unable to find evidence of enemy casualties. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 070515H, Company D, occupying blocking positions in the vicinity of the SONG HIEP, coordinates (BT 127623), reported making contact with one Viet Cong, who walked into the area in which the Marines were positioned. The report indicated that, when the Viet Cong sighted the Marines, he attempted to flee, but the Marines directed small arms fire at him killing him. The report stated that no weapons or equipment were recovered from the body of the Viet Cong. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

h. At 070840H, Company B, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 046650), reported observing two armed Viet Cong crossing a rice paddy in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 098648). The report stated that the Marines deployed and directed two hundred small arms rounds and two 90mm (tank) rounds at the Viet Cong. The report indicated that the tank rounds impacted in the target area, and both Viet Cong were believed to have been KIA (possible). At almostthe same time, an Aerial Observer operating in the area reported observing a third Viet Cong run into a tree line in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 102651). Aerial rockets were directed at this Viet Cong and the Aerial observer reported that the Viet Cong fell as if struck by the Marines' fire. No additional information was provided as of the termination of this INTSUM. Additional information willbe provided when available. No Marine casualties were reported. Tentative enemy casualties were estimated as two Viet Cong KIA (possible) and one Viet Cong WIA (possible).

i. At 070855H, Company D reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 114632), resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a CHICOM grenade, and stated thatwas rigged with a trip-wire activator.

j. At 070910H, a Company D squad-size patrol reported that one Marine was wounded when he stepped into a punji trap at coordinates (BT 111 630) (required medical evacuation). The report stated that the trap was destroyed by the Marines.

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C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10Jun65:
KIA (Confirmed)	2	1057
KIA (Possible)	3	1258
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1970
Returnees (Since 2LJan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material:

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Mine, U.S. (M-16A1)	061105H
1	Mine, U.S. (M-16A1)	061600H
1	Trap, punji	070910H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications: No reports received during this reporting period.

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DISTRIBUTION:

III MAF	(1)
III MAF PCLAD	(1)
G-2	(7)
3dMar	(1)
3dEngr	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG 11	(1)
MAG 16	(1)
1/9	(6)
2/9	(6)
3/9	(6)
2/4	(6)
3/1	(2)
1/1	(6)
2/12	(6)
3rd2	(6)
3-3	(2)
1stAmtrac	(1)
3dTkBn	(1)
3dAABn	(1)
C Co, AT	(1)
B Co, Tnk	(1)
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #158, Period ending 080800H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather.

a. General: Cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 98° Low: 71°

c. Average Humidity: 78%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Winds: E at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 10 Miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations.
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
9 June	0551	0614	1918	1941	0019(10Jun)	1115(10Jun)	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) 2dBn 9thMar:

a. At 080105H, a Company F squad-sized ambush element positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 016618) reported observing twenty to twenty five VC/NVA moving into the area near the ambush site. The report stated

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[illegible] Viet Cong could be observed by the light of a fire which they started. The report continued that the Viet Cong appeared to be conducting a meeting. The Marines directed six hundred small arms rounds, four grenades, and four 40mm [illegible] rounds at the enemy location and reported that screams could be heard [illegible] from the area. The report stated that the Marines withdrew a short [illegible] to organize to engage. As the Marines returned to search the enemy position, they reported observing seven Viet Cong KIA (probable) estimated. Marine artillery and twenty one 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location as the enemy fled to the north to the vicinity of coordinates (AT 010519). [illegible] mission was again requested and twelve 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled the area. The report stated that [illegible] was halted and a thorough search of the area, however another search would be conducted at first light on 8 June. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as ten Viet Cong KIA (possible) (estimate based on [illegible] of blood stains found in area). A subsequent report at 080740H indicated that a search was conducted in the area, however, no bodies, weapons or equipment were found.

(2) [illegible]

a. At 072130H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified [illegible] source at DUC DUC District Headquarters that one Viet Cong battalion (unidentified) is presently located at coordinates (AT 872524). Elements of this battalion are reported to be located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 875516). The report further indicated that one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) is located at each of the following coordinates: (AT 858336), (AT 858378) and (AT 870399). The report was graded C-3 by DUC DUC District Headquarters. S-2 rates the report F-3.

b. At 072300H, a Company L platoon patrol base, located at coordinates (AT 878898), reported observing what appeared to be 60mm mortar rounds impacting in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 894898). The report stated that the exact origin of the rounds could not be determined. No casualties were reported.

(3) [illegible]

a. At 071050H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946607), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 948605). The platoon directed one hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and requested artillery support. Twenty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled and were not pursued. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong position and reported finding [illegible] blood. The report stated that [illegible] were [illegible]

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b. At 071105H, a Company C platoon, engaged in a search and destroy operation, reported apprehending one suspicious person in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 923573). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was discovered in a house where the Marines found several items of military equipment which included a seabag, military blanket, field glasses case and a canteen cover. The report stated also that the suspect was in possession of an I.D. which appeared to have been tampered with. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the local District Headquarters, for investigation.

c. At 071115H, a Company B platoon, operating in the vicinity of TRUNG AN (1) hamlet coordinates (AT 944580), reported the discovery of a small foot bridge over a stream with signs indicating a warning of the presence of mines in the area. (Warnings were in Vietnamese). The Marines probed for mines in the area and discovered three punji traps (size not indicated). No mines of any type were located. The Marines destroyed the punji traps.

d. At 071345H, a Company B platoon reported the discovery of what was described as a U.S. aerial bomb which apparently had failed to detonate upon impact. The bomb was located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947580). The report stated that the bomb had a yellow and red band around the center of the war head and that it was thought to be a U.S. two hundred fifty pound (M-47A4) bomb. The Marines destroyed the bomb.

e. At 071425H, a Company B platoon reported the discovery of two explosive devices at coordinates (AT 945585). The report identified one of the devices as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and the other as a 40mm (M-79) round. The report stated that both devices were rigged with trip wire activators. The report stated that the devices were destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 071555H, a Company C platoon sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 958606), reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from an estimated one to two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of (AT 959604). The Marines directed seventy small arms rounds and one 40mm (M-79) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 071625H, a Company B platoon reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 951593). The report identified the device as an 81mm mortar shell and stated that it was rigged with a pressure type activator. The report stated that the mortar shell was destroyed by the Marines.

h. At 071810H, a Company C platoon moving into a platoon patrol base in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928566) reported observing four to five armed Viet Cong across a rice paddy at coordinates (AT 929564) and receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928563). The Marines directed small arms fire at and assaulted the enemy position. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding one

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Viet Cong KIA and fresh blood stains indicating at least three Viet Cong WIA. The report added that, while searching the area, the Marines came upon three Vietnamese males who were attempting to hide from the Marines. The suspects were apprehended and delivered to DAI LOC District Headquarters for investigation. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count) and three WIA (possible).

i. At 072050H, a Company D platoon, located at coordinates (AT 970600), reported receiving heavy small arms fire into the platoon defensive perimeter from four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 969600). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds and eight 40mm (M-79) rounds at and assaulted the enemy position. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 072145H, a Company D listening post, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975609), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978609). The Marines directed fifty five small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The listening post element returned to the company perimeter. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

k. At 072200H, a Company C platoon located at coordinates (AT 928566), reported receiving three to four small arms rounds into the platoon defensive position from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927564). The Marines directed ten to fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

l. At 072340H, a Company B ambush patrol enroute to the ambush site reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 939508), resulting in six Marines WIA (all required medevac). The report described the device as a 105mm artillery round but provided no additional details.

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(4) 1stBn 1stMar

a. At 071020H, a Company C platoon-size patrol reported the discovery of eight explosive devices in grid square (BT 0964). The report identified the devices as one U.S. (M-26) grenade, six 40mm (M-79) rounds and one 81mm mortar round. The report stated that the grenade was positioned on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report continued that the 40mm (M-79) rounds and the 81mm mortar round were buried in an upright position and all of them rigged with pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that all eight devices were destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 071606H, a Company C platoon-size patrol reported that two explosive devices were detonated at coordinates (BT 045685), resulting in two Marines WIA (one of which required medical evacuation). The report described the devices as rudimentary (home-made) concussion type mines and stated that they were spaced approximately twenty meters apart and both rigged to detonate with a single trip-wire activator.

c. At 080820H, a Company M platoon-size patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 084698). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-8) (pineapple-type) grenade, and stated that it was positioned on a trail and rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

(5) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 071855H, Company I reported receiving three small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions (coordinates BT 032695) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 032694). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds and one 3.5 inch (rocket) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Report of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10Jul65:
KIA (Confirmed)	2	1059
KIA (Possible)	10	1268
VC Captured	0	267
VC Suspect Apprehendd	0	1970
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

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E. Captured and destroyed enemy material:

Quantity	Item	INTSUM Entry No.
2	Shell, 81mm mortar	071050H
1	Grenade, U.S. (M-26)	071020H
6	Rounds, 40mm (M-79)	-do-
1	Shell, 81mm mortar	-do-
1	Grenade, U.S. (M-8)	080820H
3	Traps, punji	071115H
1	Shell, 81mm mortar	071625H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications: No reports were received during this reporting period.

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III MAF FOLAD	(1)
G-2	(7)
3d Mar	(1)
3d Engr	(1)
ECI	(1)
MIG 11	(1)
MIG 16	(1)
HMM 265	(1)
1/9	(6)
2/9	(6)
3/9	(6)
2/4	(6)
3/1	(2)
1/1	(6)
2/12	(6)
S-2	(8)
S-3	(2)
ArtAmtrac	(1)
3dAABn	(1)
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #159, Period ending 091000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations.

(1) Weather.

a. General: Cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 102° Low: 78°

c. Average Humidity: 78%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: ENE at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 to 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations.
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
10 June	0551	0614	1918	1941	0819	1202	1/2

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 080730H, a Company L patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 972688). The report identified the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated that it was positioned at the side of a trail rigged with a

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trip wire extending across trail. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 081030H, a Company I reported receiving twelve small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 032693), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038695). The report stated that the enemy fire was not returned due to close proximity of other friendly USMC forces in the area. No Marine casualties were reported.

c. At 081700H, Company L reported apprehending two suspicious persons (females) in the vicinity of Company L Command Post, coordinates (AT 976682). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when they were attempting to purchase weapons from Marine & Regional Forces personnel.

d. At 081915H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified Popular Forces unit operating with Company I that one Viet Cong (Main Force) Company (unidentified) is presently located in the vicinity of MAN QUAN (1) hamlet, coordinates (BT 035689). No additional information was provided. (S-2 Comment: Current order of battle listings show the 2d company of the 5th Viet Cong Main Force Battalion positioned at these coordinates). The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 1st Bn 1stMar

a. At 081020H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 045682), reported receiving forty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 049685) and (BT 045684). The Marines directed small arms fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact. The Marines pursued the Viet Cong until contact was lost. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. 081845H, a Company G platoon reported receiving fifteen to twenty small arms rounds into the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (BT 038629), from Viet Cong positioned in a building in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 038606). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and reported observing two Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two dead Viet Cong. The report stated that one U.S. Carbine was recovered from the dead Viet Cong. The report added that two Viet Cong suspects were also apprehended in the area from where the Viet Cong fire had emanated. The report stated that the Viet Cong suspects would be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point after preliminary interrogation by the Battalion S-2. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two [redacted] (body count). Two Viet Cong suspects were apprehended.

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b. At 090810H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 035605), reported receiving fifty to seventy five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 032602). The Marines directed sixty small arms rounds, five 40mm (M-79) rounds and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines were searching the site of the Viet Cong positions; however, no additional information was received as of the termination of this INTSUM. Additional information will be provided when available. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 080817H, an Aerial Observer, operating in the Battalion's zone of action, reported observing what appeared to be newly constructed automatic weapons positions at coordiantes (AT 913382). The report added that what was described as "helicopter stakes" are positioned on the ridge line in grid squares (AT 8838) and (AT 8938). No additional information was provided.

b. At 081540H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 897485), reported observing two armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 907486). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and observed one Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report stated that the Marines did not search the site of the Viet Cong positions but continued on their route. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA (possible).

c. At 081615H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source at DUC DUC District Headquarters that one Viet Cong Battalion Headquarters unit (unidentified) with a strength of ninety men and armed with one 81mm mortar and one PRC/10 radio is located at coordinates (AT 952538). The report continued that one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) with a strength one hundred men, armed with one 60mm mortar, one machine gun (type not indicated) and one PRC/10 radio is located at coordinates (AT 964521). The report stated that one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) with a strength of one hundred men armed with one machine gun (type not indicated), one PRC/10 radio and six BAR's is located at coordinates (AT 955553). The report concluded that one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) with a strength of one hundred men, armed with one 60mm mortar and one PRC/10 radio is located at coordinates (AT 936524). No additional information was provided. The report was rated F-3 by 3/9 S-2. S-2 rates the report F-3.

d. At 081630H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalion's zone of action, reported observing what was described as a new trenchline extending from coordinates (AT 863516) to (AT 868518). No additional information was provided.

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e. At 081645H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalions' zone of action, reported observing what was described as caves in the vicinity of coordinates (ZC 189464) and (ZC 193465). The report stated that all trails leading into the caves appeared to be well used. No additional information was provided.

f. At 081700H, a Company L platoon sized patrol reported apprehending two suspicious persons in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 892483). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when a routine examination revealed that they lacked adequate indentification. The report stated that the suspects were evacuated to the local District Headquarters for investigation upon completion of preliminary interrogation by the Battalion S-2.

g. At 081940H, a Company L squad, manning an observation post reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 888470). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was walking through the area and taking undue interest in the observation post location. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the Battalion S-2 on 9 June. No additional information was provided as of the termination of this INTSUM.

h. At 082030H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an Unidentified GVN source at DUC DUC District Headquarters that one Viet Cong (Main Force) platoon entered the THU BON (1) hamlet, coordinates (AT 883510), at 081900H. The report stated that all civilians had abandoned the area. The report was rated C-3 by 3/9. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(5) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 080500H, Company A reported that a tank positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 979523) (near Hill #55) observed one Viet Cong on the road in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975523). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy who quickly fled the area. The report stated that a Marine patrol was dispatched to search the site of the Viet Cong positions which produced negative results. No casualties were reported.

b. At 081145H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Viet Cong Suspect apprehended on 5 June was confirmed as a Viet Cong by DAI LOC District Headquarters. The report stated that the Viet Cong captive informed the Marines that two Viet Cong platoons are located in BAU TAM (3) hamlet, coordinates (AT 993576), commanded by one TRAN SAU assisted by one NGUYEN THI HUT. The report stated that these Viet Cong are armed with one machine gun (type not indicated) and numerous individual small arms. No additional information was provided. (Battalion S-2 Comment: This Viet Cong captive is presently being held by DAI LOC District Headquarters but will be released to 1/9 on 081430H for further evacuation to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation).

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e. At 081145H, Company B reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect female at coordinates (AT 943588). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that she lacked adequate identification and was observed attempting to incite a riot. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

d. At 081150H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 977598) resulting in three Marines WIA (required medical evacuation) The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated it was rigged with a trip- wire activator. The report stated that as the explosive device detonated, the Marines received twenty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 974595). The Marines directed small arms fire, 40mm (M-79) rounds and 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported as the results of this engagement. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 081150H, Company C, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930579), reported receiving four small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934578). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 081340H, a Company C platoon-size patrol reported apprehending one suspicious person in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 922579). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed taking undue interest in the patrols activities and had followed the Marines for approximately one hundred meters. When the Marines attempted to apprehended the suspect, he tried to flee, and the Marines directed small arms fire at him, wounding him in the feet. The report stated that the suspect was apprehended and evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for investigation. Final disposition of the suspect was not indicated.

g. At 081610H, a Company B platoon-patrol base, located at coordinates (AT 944587), reported that a resupply helicopter received thirty small arms rounds from five Viet Cong positioned at close range. Company B Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and observed five Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding pools of blood, pices of charred flesh and drag marks indicating that at least two Viet Cong had been killed and three Viet Cong had been wounded by the Marines fire. No weapons or equipment were recovered. No Marines casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as two Viet Cong KIA (possible) and three Viet Cong WIA (possible).

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a. At 090900H, the 1st Battalion 1st Marines S-2 reported that at 090130H, a Company D platoon reported observing five Viet Cong approaching the Marines position, coordinates (BT 105655). When the Viet Cong advanced to within thirty five meters of the Marines position. The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds and one grenade at the enemy location and the Viet Cong returned a heavy volume of small arms fire and one grenade. The Marines searched the area with negative results. Marine casualties were two WIA (minor). Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA (Confirmed)	2	1061
KIA (Possible)	2	1270
VC Captured	0	267*
VC Suspect Apprehended	5	1975
Returnees (Since 27Jan66)	0	14

* Increase of one Viet Cong based on 3d ITT Prisoner Interrogation Report. ITT number 1-6-66 dated 4 June 66

Name: HUYNH VAN HUONG
Age: unk
Status: VC Hamlet guerrilla
Captured by C 1/9 on 021030H Jun 66

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material:

Quantity	Item	INTSUM Entry No.
1	Grenade, CHICOM	080130H
1	Carbine, U.S. M-1	081845H
1	Carbine, CHICOM MOSSIN-NAGENT Model 53 7.62mm	081705H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications: No reports were received during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #160, Period ending 101030H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 96 Low: 75

c. Average Humidity: 78%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data.

	EMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
11 June	0551	0614	1919	1942	0055	1251	1/2

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 091450H, G-2 relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source of the QUANG NAM Special Sector (QNSS) that the THUONG DUC Special [illegible] attacked by an estimated Viet Cong Company (unidentified) dur[illegible] to 082030H. The report stated that this Viet Cong force was armed with 60mm and 81mm mortars and automatic weapons. The report stated that the Viet Cong struck from the south, east and northwest. The report stated that the Viet Cong attack

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was repulsed by Regional Forces and Popular Forces soldiers positioned on the outer perimeter of the camp area. No friendly casualties were reported. Enemy [redacted] were five Viet Cong KIA (body count). The report added that one U.S. rifle (AR-15) and two U.S. rifles, caliber .30 (M-1), were recovered from the area. No additional information was provided.

b. At 092100H, the Regimental FSCC reported that an Aerial Observer spotted what was described as large Viet Cong fortifications in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955556). Artillery support was requested and a total of one hundred forty 105mm rounds were directed at the location with unobserved results. No additional information was provided.

(2) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 090827H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this Battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 942460), reported sighting four Viet Cong carrying what was described as packs walking in a northerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946455). Artillery support was requested and twelve 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were estimated as two Viet Cong KIA (possible). No additional information was provided.

b. At 091927H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 942460), reported sighting seven armed Viet Cong carrying what was described as packs moving in a northerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 945456). Artillery support was requested and eighteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA (body count) and four Viet Cong KIA (possible). No additional information was provided.

(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 091145H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 026598). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was buried on a trail and rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the mine was disarmed and recovered for technical examination. The initial report stated that the mine was tripped but failed to detonate. When the engineer unit disarmed and examined the device it was determined that the device failed to detonate because the main charge had gotten wet. Final disposition of the device was not indicated.

b. At 091600H, a USMC helicopter, operating in the Battalion's TAOR reported receiving three small arms rounds from an unknown number of Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010607). No fire was directed at the Viet Cong since the location from which the fire emanated could not be determined. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

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(4) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 092045H, Headquarters and Service Company elements manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 977679) reported observing one Vietnamese male at thirty meters range. The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the intruder who quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No casualties were reported.

b. At 092050H, Headquarters and Service Company elements manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 992678) reported observing one Vietnamese male at close range. The Marines directed eighty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the intruder who quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No casualties were reported.

c. At 100625H, a Company K squad-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 003663) resulting in three Marines WIA, (required medical evacuation). The report did not describe the device but did state that is was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

(5) 1stBn 1stMar

a. At 091038H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 055634) reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 054638). The Marines directed eighty small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 091920H, the Headquarters and Service Company perimeter security element of the Battalion Command Post, located at coordinates (BT 074657), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds into the Command Post perimeter from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 071652). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds and four 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 092019H, a Company D platoon located at coordinates (BT 116648) reported receiving what were described as two 60mm mortar rounds into the platoon patrol base positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 117641). Artillery 105mm fire was directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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d. At 092120H, Company M (3/1 under OPCON this Battalion) reported receiving seventy five to one hundred small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions at coordinates (BT 077701), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 077697). The Marines directed three hundred small arms rounds and three 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 100605H, a Company B squad-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 104647) resulting in one Marine KIA. The report described the device as an unknown type and provided no additional details.

(C) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 091400H, the Battalion S-2 provided additional information concerning a Company B incident on 8 June. (See 082045H entry, INTSUM # 159). The report stated that a subsequent search of the area, coordinates (AT 949580), revealed fifteen buildings destroyed and numerous (number not indicated) caves uncovered by the heavy artillery fire directed into the area. The report added that fifteen Viet Cong, believed to have been laying mines, took cover from the artillery fire in family bunkers (basis and source of this information was not indicated). The report concluded that khaki colored and utility uniforms were discovered in the area but provided no further details.

b. At 091445H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 951607) resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as possibly a CHICOM grenade and stated it was positioned on the trail and rigged with a trip wire activator.

c. At 091530H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978616), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 984618). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding one wounded Vietnamese male who was treated and released after interrogation. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 091645H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported that one Marine was wounded when he stepped into a punji trap at coordinates (AT 946606). (Medical evacuation was not required). The report stated that the trap was destroyed by the Marines.

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e. At 091735H, Company A reported that a USMC re-supply helicopter, making deliveries in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 952585), received five to ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 954585). The report stated that a Marine squad, providing rear guard security and positioned in close proximity to the enemy location, directed one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding large pieces of flesh and pools of blood indicating that at least one Viet Cong was killed and one was wounded. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered from the Viet Cong positions. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count) and one Viet Cong KIA (possible).

f. At 091830H, Company B reported receiving six small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 955591), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 953588). Mortar support was requested and six 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 091845H, a Company A platoon patrol base positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 944608), reported receiving fifty to sixty small arms rounds and what were described at two 60mm mortar rounds in the patrol base positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 945606). The Marines directed three hundred fifty small arms rounds, eight 40mm (M-79) rounds, one 3.5 inch (rocket) round and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one dead Viet Cong killed by the Marines' fire. The report stated that two CHICOM grenades were recovered from the body of the dead Viet Cong. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

h. At 092020H, Company A reported receiving fifty small arms rounds in a platoon defensive position, coordinates (AT 954608), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 954606). The Marines directed forty small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and twenty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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and thirty eight 106mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 100745H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 951589), reported receiving three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 959589). The Marines directed small arms fire and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that two Marines were wounded when a LAAW (M-72) round detonated prematurely. Both Marines required medical evacuation. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported as the result of enemy fire. Enemy casualties were not determined.

k. At 100750H, a Company C platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 943585), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 943587). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and two LAAW (M-72) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(7) Late Reports

a. At 100900H, the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines S-2 reported that at 091930H Company C elements, manning an observation post in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 083642), reported observing eight armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 088620). The report stated that those Viet Cong appeared to be engaged in what was described as mine laying. The Marines directed six caliber .50 (ONTOS) spotting rounds and two 106mm (ONTOS) recoilless rifle rounds at the enemy location and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The area was searched utilizing field glasses with negative results. No casualties were reported.

b. At 100900H, the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines S-2 reported that at 100200H, a Company D, Listening Post, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 103645), reported observing five to six Viet Cong approaching the Marines positions at a distance of fifty meters range. The Marines directed one hand grenade at the Viet Cong who returned six small arms rounds and withdrew from the area. The Marines searched the general area with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul65:
KIA (Confirmed)	5	1066
KIA (Possible)	7	1277
VC Captured	0	268
VC Suspect Apprehended	0	1975
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Mine, US (M-16A1)	091145H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications. No reports received during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #161, Period ending 121000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

a. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather:

a. General: Rain

b. Temperature: High: 98° Low: 80°

c. Average Humidity: 82%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable 8 knots; Gusts to 20 knots

f. Visibility: 7 to 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
13 June	0552	0615	1919	1942	0202	1425	1/4

b. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 111545H, the Regimental FSCC reported that Battery A, 11th Marines, positioned at coordinates (BT 071659), received twenty small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned in a tree line

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five hundred meters to the west in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 066667). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds and one 105mm artillery round. No casualties were reported. No additional information was provided.

b. At 112110H, G-2 relayed a report from the 3d MT that a Viet Cong mine field (size and extent not indicated) is located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 987622). The report stated that this information was derived from a Viet Cong Suspect apprehended in the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, zone of action on 11 June. No additional information was provided. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-1. (See 111102entry this INTSUM).

c. At 112130H, HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from unidentified villagers that there were thirty Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 029652). The report did not indicate the armament or mission of this Viet Cong force. No additional information was provided. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 110940H, a Company C platoon reported that several Vietnamese were observed digging along the side of Route 14 in the vicinity of (AT 941581). The Marines challenged the Vietnamese who ignored the challenge and fled. The Marines directed small arms fire at the fleeing Vietnamese and reported killing two and wounding one (captured). The Marines searched the site of the Vietnamese digging and reported finding 3 U.S. (M-26) grenades which were destroyed by the Marines. Enemy casualties were two KIA (body count) and one WIA (captured).

b. At 111005H, a Company B platoon, operating in the vicinity of (AT 950590), reported the discovery of a bunker six feet by ten feet with two entrances. The report stated that when the Marines entered the bunker by one entrance a Vietnamese male fled out of the other. The Vietnamese disregarded a challenge to halt and the Marines directed two small arms rounds at him and reported killing him. The bunker was searched by the Marines with negative findings and then destroyed. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

c. At 111140H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 954590) by one of a group of Vietnamese civilians who were departing the hamlet of CAM VAN (1). Three Vietnamese were killed and one wounded by the detonation. No Marine casualties were reported. The report described the device as a 105mm artillery shell but provided no additional details.

d. At 111730H, the Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company B search and destroy operation which was conducted in grid squares (AT 9559) and (AT 9458). The report stated that five bunkers (five feet by ten feet), one tunnel

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(five feet by three feet by thirty feet), located at (AT 950591), one tunnel (two feet by six feet by thirty feet located at (AT 957592)), two tunnels (three feet by five feet by sixteen feet located at (AT 951591) ten fighting holes (three feet by three feet by four feet) and one sniper hole (discripton not provided) were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 111825H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC helicopter, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 963609) reported receiving one hundred small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the Vicinity of (AT 958603), (AT 962602) and (AT 959599). A Company A platoon located in the vicinity of (AT 963609) directed six 90mm (tank) rounds and requested artillery and mortar support. Twenty eight 105mm rounds and 81mm mortar fire, were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties and no damage to the aircraft were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 120630H, a Company D platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 981589), reported receiving twenty to twenty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong located in a house in the vicinity of (AT 975587). The Marines directed twenty to thirty small arms rounds and one 106mm RR round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results, but reported that the house from which the Viet Cong fired was destroyed. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as one KIA (possible).

g. At 120830H, a Company C platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925578), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of (AT 934576). The Marines did not return fire due to the close proximity of friendly (USMC) troops. Marine casualties were one WIA (squired medevac).

h. At 120840H, a Company B platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 952582), reported observing one Vietnamese male who, upon sighting the Marines, began to flee. The Vietnamese disregarded a challenge by the Marines. The Marines directed two small arms rounds at him and reported killing him. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

(3) 3dBn 1stMar

a. At 111300H, Company L reported that a USMC vehicle (M-422), in the vicinity of Hill #22, coordinates (AT 959658), received fifteen to twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 957658) resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report stated that a Marine fire team from a bridge security element positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 961660) deployed to render assistance to the Marines. The Marines directed small arms fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines did not search the site of the Viet Cong positions but returned to their positions on the bridge. Marine casualties were one WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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b. At 111615H, a Company K squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 012689). The report identified the device as a rudimentary (home made) mine consisting of two pounds of explosives (C-4) and stated that it was positioned under straw matting and rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 112045H, a Company L squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of PHUC LE (1) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 994695), reported observing small arms fire being directed at a USMC helicopter in the same general area. The report stated that the Marines deployed to attempt to engage the enemy but contact was not made. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

d. At 120145H, a Company K squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 013699), reported receiving thirty five small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 018688). The report stated that the Marines illuminated the area with two hand illumination grenades and directed eighty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 9th Mar

a. At 111120H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 904486) reported observing two Viet Cong moving in a trenchline toward the advancing Marines in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903484). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the northwest. The report stated that one Viet Cong was observed falling as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one dead Viet Cong. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered however, one wallet containing a small sum of currency but no identification was recovered from the body. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

b. At 111350H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending two Viet Cong Suspects in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 873503). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when close inspection revealed that one had a recent head wound that could not be explained and examination revealed that they both lacked adequate identification.

c. At 111900H, Company L reported receiving five small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 905487), from Viet Cong positioned in the Vicinity of Coordinates (AT 907492). Artillery and mortar support was requested and fourteen 105mm rounds and fifteen 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent coverage of the target area. The report stated that the Marines would search the site of the Viet

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Cong positions at first light on 12 June however, no additional information was provided as of the termination of this INTSUM. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined. Additional details will be provided when available.

d. At 120045H, a Company I squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 876498), reported receiving three small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 120115H, a Company I squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 871497), reported observing five Viet Cong moving in a tree line in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 871502). Artillery support was requested and twelve 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent effect of the target area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding pools of blood and drag marks indicating that at least three Viet Cong had been wounded as the result of the Marines' fire. No weapons or equipment were found. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong WIA (possible).

(5) 1stBn 1stMar

a. At 110830H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending two suspicious persons at (BT 037679). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when a routine examination revealed that they were in possession of what appeared to be altered identification cards. The report stated that the suspects were evacuated to the Company A Command Post but final disposition was not indicated.

b. At 110940H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 094633) resulting in two Marines WIA (required medevac). The report described the device as a 60mm mortar round and stated that it was detonated when a Marine dropped his gear on it as the platoon was in the process of establishing defensive positions. No additional details were provided.

c. At 111140H, Company D patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 101637) by a Vietnamese civilian resulting in three Vietnamese being wounded. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

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d. At 111315H, a Company A squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 049682), reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 051677). The Marines directed small arms fire and 40mm (M-79) fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 111600H, a Company M (3/1 under OPCON this Battalion) platoon sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 083692) resulting in one Marine WIA. The report described the device as possibly a 20mm (aerial) cannon cartridge case filled with metal and glass fragments and stated it was rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism.

f. At 111940H, Company A reported receiving fifty to sixty small arms rounds into the Company Command Post position, located at coordinates (BT 063680) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 059678). The Marines directed one 40mm (M-79) round and one 60mm mortar round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 112145H, Company A reported receiving five small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions, located at coordinates (BT 063680), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 069682). The Marines directed three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 112200H, Company M (3/1 under OPCON this Battalion) reported receiving seventy five to one hundred small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions, at coordinates (BT 077697), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 082697) and (BT 074705). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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(6) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 110945H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer element conducting a road mine clearing operation reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 998634). The report identified the device as a CHICOM shaped charge consisting of an estimated five pounds of explosive (TNT) and stated that it was positioned so as to function as an anti-vehicle mine and rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 111015H, Company F, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported the discovery of a U.S. aerial rocket pod containing four rockets (lot #618) at coordinates (AT 985602). The report did not indicate whether the rockets were rigged to detonate but did state that they were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 111100H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operation in conjunction with an ARVN commando unit in the vicinity of HA NANG TAY (2) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 002595), reported observing two Viet Cong emerge from a tunnel in close proximity to the friendly positions. The report stated that the Viet Cong directed one U.S. (M-26) grenade at the advancing forces which resulted in one Marine and four ARVN WIA. The Viet Cong broke contact and fled to the south. The report stated that the friendly elements directed one hundred twenty five small arms rounds at the fleeing enemy and observed two Viet Cong fall as if struck by the friendly fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two Viet Cong. Marine casualties were one WIA and four ARVN WIA (required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA(body count).

d. At 111100H, Company M, (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998592), reported observing three armed Viet Cong two of whom were clothed in black and one in khaki, emerge from a cave entrance in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996592). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fled to the south. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 111102H, Company F, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 986608), reported that a mine field measuring approximately forty meters in width was discovered when one Marine detonated what was described as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine resulting in thirteen Marines WIA. The report stated that the minefield extended from vicinity of coordinates (AT 986608) to (AT 987607). The report continued that, approximately fifteen minutes later, a second explosive device, identified as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine, detonated in the same general area. This explosion resulted in three Marines KIA and an additional eight WIA. The report stated that, during the next few minutes while medical

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evacuation was being conducted, five additional explosions occurred. These explosions were believed to be other enemy mines which were being caused to detonate by a fire which had started after the initial explosion. Additional details will be provided when available. The report stated that the minefield would be cleared by engineers on 12 June. Total Marine casualties were reported as three KIA and twenty one WIA (required medical evacuation).

f. At 111600H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (BT 011627), reported that a USMC helicopter received twelve small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 009 630). The report stated that a Marine squad was dispatched to engage the enemy but contact could not be made. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

g. At 111620H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer element, making a water run in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001634), received four small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The report stated that the exact enemy location could not be discerned and the enemy fire was not returned.

h. At 111730H, Company F reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect (female) in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998604). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when she was acting in a suspicious manner (no additional details were provided). The report stated that the suspect was evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation. The report added that the suspect informed the Marines at LFT that a Viet Cong minefield was located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 987602) /see 112110H entry, this INTSUM/.

i. At 120300H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar uner OPCON this battalion) platoon-size ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002 594), reported observing Viet Cong in close proximity to the ambush site. The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and reported observing five Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two dead Viet Cong and pools of blood indicating that an additional three Viet Cong had been wounded by the Marines' fire. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (body count) and three Viet Cong WIA (possible). No weapons or equipment were reported recovered.

j. At 120340H, Company M, (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) reported receiving twenty small arms rounds, two U.S. (M-26) grenades and ten to twelve 60mm morter rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 000601), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity

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of coordinates (BT 002596). Artillery support was requested and thirty three 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that when the enemy broke contact they fled in a southerly direction. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10Jul65:
KIA (Confirmed)	9	1079
KIA (Possible)	1	1279
VC Captured	1	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	3	1978
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

Quantity	Item	INTSUM Entry NO.
1	Mine, rudimentary	111615H
1	Wallet, unidentified	111120H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortification.

5	Bunkers, (5'X10')	111730H
1	Tunnel, (5'X3'X30')	-do-
1	Tunnel, (6'X30')	-do-
3	Tunnels, (3'X5'X16')	-do-
10	Holes, fighting (3'X3'X4')	-do-
1	Hole, spider	-do-

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Subj: Intelligence Summary #162, Period ending 131000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy skies

b. Temperature: High: 99 Low: 82

c. Average Humidity: 6%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 15 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
14 June	0552	0615	1919	1942	0236	1513	1/4

D. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 121925H, G-2 relayed a report from the USMC Liaison Officer assigned to HOI AN that a large Viet Cong rice cache is stored on the island a

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coordinates (XT [illegible]). The report stated that the Viet Cong squad was responsible for harassing mortar fire the night. The report also added that two sampans were sighted on the Ong Lon Canal and that investigation and destruction of the sites is presently being carried out by the surrounding units. No reports were noted. See also the report below:

(1) [illegible]

a. At 1230H, Company B reported receiving one hand grenade in a platoon defensive position, coordinates (XT [illegible]), from Viet Cong positioned at short range. The Marines returned five small arms rounds at the suspected enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was suppressed. The Marines cleared the site of the Viet Cong position with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At [illegible], Company I reported one ten small arms rounds impacted in the Company Command Post perimeter coordinates (XT [illegible]), from Viet Cong positioned along [illegible] in the vicinity of coordinates (XT [illegible]). The report stated that a squad size enemy unit could be responsible for the Viet Cong fire and suspected an infiltrated platoon. No casualties were sighted. No casualties were reported.

c. At [illegible], headquarters of Bravo Company observed, among numerous grenades on the battalion fire and perimeter at coordinates (XT 954678), an unidentified flying object described as moving in the front of their positions. The Marines directed one hand grenade at the suspected enemy position and the unidentified object. The Marines searched the area with negative results. No casualties were reported.

d. At [illegible], Company I reported receiving one hundred fifty small arms rounds in the Company Command Post position, coordinates (XT 954694), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (XT 955696). The report stated that the area was illuminated with three enemy illumination rounds and the Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(2) [illegible]

a. Lake Deard. At 1809H, Company B, while conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (XT 955696) resulting in five Marines WIA (surgical medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-[illegible]) Training mine and stated it was positioned on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

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b. Late Report. At 120945H, a Comp ny D platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 971578), reported observing six to eight armed Viet Cong, clothed in green colored uniforms, moving in a south easterly direction in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 965578). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and three 105mm (LVTH-6) artillery rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 121030H, a Company A squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 963603). The report identified the device as a 60mm mortar shell (DUD) and stated that it was rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines.

At 121745H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 080622), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 080617) and (BT 083616). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery and mortar support was requested and eighteen 105mm rounds and nine 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 122015H, Company D, reported receiving one hand grenade in the Company Command Post position, coordinates (AT 967577), resulting in three Marines WIA (required medical evacuation), from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the suspected enemy position and searched the suspected area with negative results. Marine casualties were three WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 121000H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 885499). The report identified the device as a 60mm mortar shell and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines. The report stated that the tail fin assembly will be evacuated for evaluation.

b. At 121910H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 881500), reported observing ten to fifteen Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 899509). Artillery support was requested and fifty six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled the area. Enemy casualties were estimated as two Viet Cong KIA (possible) and four Viet Cong WIA (possible). No additional information was provided.

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(5) 1stBn 1stMar

a. Late Report. At 120940H, Company B, reported receiving forty small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 078659) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 081663). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. Late Report. At 120940H, a Headquarters and Service Company squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 082664), reported receiving forty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 079654). The Marines directed three to four hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and seventy one 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 121000H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company A discovered what appeared to be a mine field extending from coordinates (BT 036668) to (BT 038668). No additional information was provided.

d. At 121105H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 041670), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 041667). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy positioned and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 121140H, Company C, reported that a USMC vehicle (ONTOS), detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 063638) resulting in one Marine WIA (medical evacuation not required). The report did not describe the device nor did it indicated how it was rigged to detonate. The report indicated that the ONTOS sustained only light damage.

f. At 121155H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 053674), reported receiving thirty to forty small arms rounds from six Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 053676). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and twenty 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and reported killing one Viet Cong. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one dead Viet Cong, however; no weapons or equipment were reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count).

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g. At 121335H, Company C reported that an LVTP-5 detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 083652) resulting in three Marines WIA (medical evacuation not required). The report described the device as a low yield type and stated that it was rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism. The report stated that the LVT sustained only light damage and was able to return to the Battalion Command Post under its own power. Additional information will be provided when available. The report also added that two suspicious persons were apprehended in the area and were evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for investigation. Final disposition of the suspects was not indicated.

h. At 121345H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol, reported that one Marine was (required medical evacuation) when an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 109635). The report described the device as a 20mm (aerial cannon) casing packed with explosive and stated it was detonated when the Marines were probing a mine field. No additional details were provided.

i. At 130800H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company C, while conducting a search and destroy operation, discovered what was described as a minefield at coordinates (BT 090622). Artillery support was requested and forty 105mm rounds were directed into the area resulting in what were described as four large secondary explosions. No additional details were provided.

(6) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 120940H, Company H, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 033599), reported receiving twelve small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 031594). The Marines directed two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 121000H, Company F reported that a USMC resupply helicopter, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993603), received twelve to fifteen small arms rounds from four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997596) and (AT 989596). The report stated that the Marines directed ten 60mm mortar rounds and the helicopter escort directed aerial rockets and strafing runs at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 121110H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this Battalion), conducting a search and destroyed operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999604), reported observing one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 994598). Artillery support was requested and thirty eight 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, one secondary explosion occurred (size and intensity not indicated). The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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[illegible] No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties

		Week Ending [illegible]	Cumulative Since 1 Jan 65
KIA (Confirmed)		1	1079
KIA (Possible)		1	1282
VC Captured		0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended		0	1972
Returnees (Since 21 Jan 65)		0	74

E. Captured and destroyed enemy materiel:

Quantity	Item	Mission Accomplished
1	Shell, 60mm mortar (WP)	121CMM
1	Shell, 60mm mortar	121CMM
1	Electrical cord, 30K feet	121CMM
4	Caps, blasting electrical	-do-
1	Roll, time fuse	-do-
Unk	Documents, unevaluated	-do-
550	Pounds, .50 cal/ibss	-do-

F. Destroyed enemy position, and/or [illegible] No reports received during this reporting period.

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Subj: Intelligence Summary #163, Period ending 141000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Fair

b. Temperature: High: 98° Low: 80°

c. Average Humidity: 77%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable at 8 Knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
15 June	0552	0615	1919	1942	0311	1604	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 131830H, the USMC Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source that ten Viet Cong moved into TU CAU (2) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 037664). The report stated

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that the mission of these Viet Cong was to conduct operations (type not indicated) in the area south of Marble Mountain during the late evening and night of 13 June. The report was rated C-3. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 3/4Bn 1stMar

a. 131330H, a Company I squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 039731), reported observing five boats departing the area in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 039734). The report stated that three of the boats returned to shore, and the Marines received six small arms rounds from Viet Cong in two boats in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 039734). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the two boats and the Viet Cong. Also returned. The report stated that one of the boats beached in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 044738) and one Viet Cong was observed being carried away. The report stated that the second boat was observed heading down river (north). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA (possible).

b. At 150130H, a Company I fire team-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 025675), reported observing three armed Viet Cong moving in a south easterly direction across a rice paddy in close proximity to the ambush position. The Marines requested illumination and three 81mm mortar illumination rounds were directed over the area. The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 140215H, Company L elements, manning security positions on the Company Command Post perimeter the vicinity of coordinates (AT 971664), reported hearing what was described as movement up the front of the Marines positions. The Marines directed ten small arms rounds at the area and the movement ceased. The report stated that a squad-sized patrol was dispatched on 14 June to search the site of the Viet Cong positions which produced negative results. No casualties were reported.

d. At 140500H, a Company L squad-sized patrol reported the discovery of three explosive devices at coordinates (AT 968696). The report identified the devices as three CHICOM grenades and stated that they were rigged with trip-wire activators. The report stated that the devices were destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 140700H, Company I reported receiving two small arms rounds every five minutes for a period of one half hour, in the Company Command Post positions coordinates (BT 032695), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 039695). No casualties were reported. Additional information will be provided when available.

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(3) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 130930H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of PHU LOC (2) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 915564), reported the discovery and destruction of one bunker (size not indicated). No additional information was provided.

b. At 130930H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 918567). The report identified the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the grenade was disarmed and returned to the Battalion S-2.

c. At 130950H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company B platoon conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 941577), discovered what was described as nine crocks of rice and one explosive device, identified as a 60mm mortar shell (DUD), rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that, when the rice was destroyed, two secondary explosions occurred (size and intensity not indicated). The report also stated that the 60mm mortar shell (DUD) was destroyed.

d. At 131010H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation vicinity of BAU TAU (2) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 942578), reported the discovery of a trenchline described as two hundred feet in length running along the south bank of the lake and containing, what was described as, twelve fighting positions. The report stated that the trenchling was destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 131230H, Company B, conducting a search and destroy operation reported that three explosive devices were detonated in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934576), resulting in four Marines KIA (one DOW) and fifteen WIA. The report described the devices as U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mines and stated that the mines were positioned in tall grass within close proximity of each other and rigged with trip wire activators. The report indicated that two of the devices were detonated simultaneously resulting in three Marines KIA and eleven WIA (one DOW). The report continued that, approximately thirty five minutes later the third mine was detonated resulting in an additional five Marines WIA.

f. At 140230H, a Company D squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 966576), reported receiving four small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned approximately one hundred meters to the south. The Marines directed small arms fire at the enemy position an the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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e. At 140945H, a Company D squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975572), reported receiving six small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 977571). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds, five 40mm (M-79) rounds, two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and one 60mm mortar round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(2) 3rdBn 9thMar

a. At 131430H, a USMC helicopter operating in the Battalions zone of coordinates (AT 890495), reported receiving small arms/automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong at an undetermined location. No Marine casualties or damage to aircraft were reported. No additional information was provided.

b. At 132000H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified source at DUC DUC District Headquarters that a Viet Cong Battalion (unidentified) departed to the vicinity of coordinates (AT 803303) at 111800H, June. The report stated that two Viet Cong Companies (unidentified) of this Viet Cong battalion were employed in the vicinity of coordinates (ZC 215354). The report added that this Viet Cong battalion is equipped with one 81mm mortar, two 60mm mortars, one 57mm recoilless rifle, ten BAR's and two PRC/10 radios. The report stated that these Viet Cong are clothed in grey paratrooper(camouflaged) type uniforms and have the mission to attack the ARVN 707th Regional Forces Company and Popular Forces units in the villages in Section A (location not indicated). The report stated that this Viet Cong battalion is commanded by one CAO DINH TRUNG. The political Commander is one NGO CHAO HOANG. DUC DUC District Headquarters rates the report C-2. S-2 rates it F-5. S-2 rates it F-5.

(3) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 130735H, a Company B squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 072615), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 071610). The Marines directed eighty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 131125H, Company M (3d Bn1stMar, under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operations reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 087683). The report described the device as a tin can with a black powder filler and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 131135H, Company M (3dBn 1stMar, under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operation, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 083692). The report identified the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism. The report stated that the grenade was destroyed by the Marines.

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d. At 131145H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, discovered three packs, two note books, miscellaneous clothing (not identified) and a sum of North Vietnamese currency in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 109637). The report stated that the captured items were evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for evaluation.

e. At 131315H, a Company A squad-sized patrol, reported apprehending two Viet Cong suspects in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 069679). The report stated that the suspects were apprehended when initial examination revealed that they were in possession of seven identification cards. The report stated that the suspects were evacuated to the Battalion S-2 and released after investigation.

f. At 131515H, a Headquarters and Service Company squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 066652) reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 059653). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and fifteen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 131615H, Company D, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 105544), reported observing one Viet Cong enter a cave. The report stated that when the Viet Cong threw one grenade out of the cave entrance at the Marines, the Marines directed two grenades at the Viet Cong killing him. The report added that an LVTE-1 dug up the cave and uncovered the body of the dead Viet Cong. One weapon identified as a K-50 sub-machinegun with one ammunition magazine, one cartridge belt and documents (some identified as political in nature) were recovered from the body. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (body count). The report also stated that one large bunker, and four small caves were also destroyed by the Marines. Additional information will be provided when available.

h. At 131850H, a Company A ambush element, located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 067685), reported receiving four small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 068684). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 132145H, Company D, reported receiving one hand grenade in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 110630), from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the suspected enemy position and reported hearing what was described as screams and groans emanating from the area where the 40mm (M-79) rounds impacted. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results.

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Marine casualties were two WIA. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 140900H, a Company A squad-sized patrol, reported apprehending one Viet Cong suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 076685). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for investigation and final disposition.

(6) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 130730H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an H&S Company squad-sized element, providing security for an engineer road sweeping team, observed one Viet Cong located at coordinates (BT 016637), fire five to six small arms rounds at a USMC helicopter operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 016635). The Marines pursued the Viet Cong into a nearby village and lost contact with the Viet Cong. In investigating the surrounding area, the Marines reported apprehending one Viet Cong suspect because he lacked a valid identification card. The suspect was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 and released after investigation.

b. Late Report. At 130910H, Company G, reported that an Aerial Observer operating in support of a joint ARVN/USMC search and destroy operation, observed three Viet Cong with automatic weapons in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 175595). Mortar support was requested and twenty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location. Enemy casualties were not determined. Before the Aerial Observer could make a surveillance of the target area, his aircraft received heavy automatic small arms fire which disabled the aircraft. The pilot was forced to crash land in the vicinity of coordinates(BT 172581). The aircraft was destroyed by fire and the two crewmembers escaped without injury.

c. At 131000H, a Company E platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 003635) resulting in two Marines WIA (medevac required). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

d. At 131300H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this Battalion), observed two Viet Cong in a tunnel at coordinates (BT 006604). The Marines directed one grenade into the tunnel and reported killing the two Viet Cong. The report added that the tunnel was destroyed by the Marines. Enemy casualties were ten Viet Cong KIA (body count).

e. At 131527H, Company F reported that a USMC helicopter, operating in the Battalion zone of action, received twenty to twenty-five small arms rounds from two Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 989901). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and eight 60mm mortar rounds at the suspected enemy location. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

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f. At 131535H, a USMC helicopter, conducting a resupply of Company M in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 006604), received five to seven rounds of small arms fire from two Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007595). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the enemy positions and requested artillery and mortar support. Forty 105mm rounds and one 81mm mortar round were directed at the suspected enemy locationand the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. Enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties or damage to the a aircraft were reported.

h. At 131735H, Company F, located at coordinates (AT992602), reported receiving what was described as one rifle grenade into the Company Command Post positions. A patrol was dispatched to investigate the suspected enemy position with negative results. Marine casualties were one KIA and two WIA (required medevac).

i. At 131945H, Company G, manning blocking positions in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 185591) reported receiving two hundred small arms rounds and what were described as twenty to thirty 60mm mortar rounds from approximately thirty Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed heavy small arms fire at the enemy position and artillery Naval Gunfire and mortar support was requested and sixty 155mm rounds, seventeen 60mm mortar rounds, one hundred twenty 81mm mortar rounds and twenty two 5 inch (Naval gunfire) rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong broke contact and withdrew from the area. Marine casualties were five WIA (three of which required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined. Additional details will be provided when available.

j. At 132020H, the Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company M search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid square (BT 0060) on 13 June. The report stated that the Marines discovered and destroyed nine bunkers (no description given), nine tunnels (dimensions not indicated) and fifteen fighting holes. The report stated also that the Marines discovered and destroyed an unknown type surprise firing device rigged with a pull release type activating mechanism. The report concluded by stating that various documents and one cartridge belt with two loaded carbine magazines were discovered and evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for evaluation.

k. At 132115H, Company M reported that elements manning security positions on the Company Command Post perimeter, coordinates (BT 001603), heard what was described as the beating of sticks, drums and pans in the vicinity of HA NONG TAY (2))hamlet area, coordinates (BT 001594). Artillery was requested and thirty six 105mm rounds were directed into the area and the sounds ceased. Enemy casualties were not determined.

l. At 140630H, a Company G platoon, participating in a joint ARVN and USMC search and destroy operation, in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 168596), reported receiving one hundred to one hundred fifty small arms rounds from an estimated ten Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 172599). The Marines directed small armsfire and 81mm mortar fire at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medevac). Enemy casualties were not determined. Additional details will be provided when available.

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m. At 140900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company H search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid square (BT 0460) on 13 June. The report stated that a total of seventy two fighting holes, twenty five of which were reinforced and covered, were destroyed by the Marines.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10Jul65:
KIA (Confirmed)	1	1082
KIA (Possible)	0	1292
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1901
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

Quantity	Item	INTSUM entry no.
3	Grenades, CHICOM	140500H
1	Grenade, CHICOM	130930H
1	Shell, 60mm, (DUD)	130950H
1	Device, home-made	131125H
1	Grenade, CHICOM	131135H
3	Packs	131145H
2	Note books	-do-
Unk	Clothing	-do-
1	Sub-machinegun, CHICOM, K-50	131615H
1	Magazine, ammunition	-do-
1	Belt, cartridge	-do-
Unk	Documents	-do-
1	Device, home-made	132020H
Unk	Documents	-do-
1	Belt, cartridge	-do-
2	Magazines, carbine	-do-

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

QUANTITY	Position and/or fortification	INTSUM entry no.
1	Tunnel (size not indicated)	131300H
9	Bunkers	132020H
9	Tunnels (size not indicated)	-do-
15	Holes, fighting	-do-
1	Bunker (size not indicated)	130930H
1	Trenchline (200ft in length)	131010H
72	Holes, fighting	140900H

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MAG 11	(1)
MAG 16	(1)
1/9	(6)
2/9	(6)
3/9	(6)
3/1	(6)
1/1	(6)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(8)
S-3	(2)
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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #164, Period ending 151000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Fair

b. Temperature: HIGH: 95° LOW: 79°

c. Average Humidity: 76%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable 8 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	EMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
16 June	0552	0615	1920	1943	0351	1658	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 142025H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG, District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified villager that one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) was located in vicinity of coordinates (AT 994634)

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to (BT 012649) heading in a southerly direction along the SONG BAU XAU. The mission nor armament of this Viet Cong force were not indicated. No additional information was provided. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 142205H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company I, squad sized security element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 873456), heard movement in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 879452). The Marines requested illumination and 81mm illumination was provided and the Marines observed five Viet Cong at coordinates (AT 879452). Mortarfire was directed at the Viet Cong with undetermined results. The report continued that 81mm mortar illumination was fired periodically until 142400H, and that the Marines made the following sightings of Viet Cong movement: five-seven Viet Cong at Coordinates (AT 879452); seven-eight Viet Cong at coordinates (AT 882446) and ten Viet Cong at coordinates (AT 878434). Artillery and mortar fire was directed at each of the sightings with undetermined results. Additional information will be provided when available.

(3) 1stBn 1stMar

a. At 141350H, the Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company "D" squad sized search and destroy operation conducted in grid squares (BT 1063), (BT 0963) and (BT 1063). The report indicated that the Marines discovered and destroyed six fighting holes (no description provided). The report also stated that the Marines found assorted documents and two K-50 magazines.

b. At 141430H, a Company B reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 074605) resulting in two Marines WIA, (required medevac). The report described the device as an unknown type and stated it was rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism.

c. At 141750H, a Company B patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 082691). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade rigged with a pressure type activating mechanism. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

d. At 141930H, a Company A squad sized ambush reported apprehending one suspicious person at coordinates (BT 059683). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was discovered in an area from which small arms fire had emanated earlier. He was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for investigation.

e. At 141850H, a Company A ambush element, positioned at coordinates (BT 059682) reported observing one armed Viet Cong who entered the ambush position. The Marines directed sixty small arms rounds at the Viet Cong who quickly withdrew from the ambush site. A search of the ambush site produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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f. At 141900H, a Company A ambush element, positioned at coordinates (BT 039684), reported observing two Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 054697). The Viet Cong directed twenty to thirty small arms rounds at the Marines who returned forty small arms rounds and one 40mm (M-79) round at the Viet Cong who quickly withdrew from the ambush site. A search of the site produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 142045H, a Company C platoon, located at coordinates (BT 084613), reported receiving fifteen rounds of small arms fire into the platoon patrol base position from an estimated three to four Viet Cong located at coordinates (BT 080615). The Marines returned sixty to seventy small arms rounds at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. A search of the Viet Cong positions produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) 3dBn 1stMar

a. The Battalion S-2 reported that there were no enemy contacts and no activity or reports of intelligence value received during the period covered by this INTSUM.

(5) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 140900H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer road clearing element, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 029 642), reported receiving five to ten small arms rounds from an estimated one to two Viet Cong located at coordinates (BT 030640). The Marines returned five to ten small arms rounds at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. A search of the ambush site produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 141045H, Company M, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 005607), reported the discovery of a cave (no further description provided). The report stated that the cave was destroyed by the Marines and, when searching the cave site, the Marines found two dead Viet Cong and assorted documents which were evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for investigation. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (body count).

c. At 141130H, Company M, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 002605)

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resulting in one Marine WIA. The report described the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip wire activator.

d. At 141215H, a Company M platoon-size patrol, operating in grid square (BT 1660), reported receiving what was described as three sniper rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of TAN THANH (1) hamlet, coordinates (BT 165600). Two Marines directed one 40mm (M-79) round at the suspected enemy location and the enemy fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the hamlet area with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 141800H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company H search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 035 605) on 14 June. The report stated that the Marines destroyed a total of thirty eight fighting holes and two hundred fifty meters of trenchline.

f. At 141800H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002606) on 14 June. The report stated that a total of six bunkers and four caves were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

g. At 142105H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimet er, coordinates (BT 015 627), reported receiving six to eight small arms rounds from one to two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 017626). The Marines directed three 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that, when a fire team-sized patrol was dispatched to search the area, they reported observing one Viet Cong fleeing the area. The Marines directed six to eight small arms rounds at the fleeing enemy who succeeded in eluding the Marines. The Marines searched the area with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 142210H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 161601), reported observing approximately fifteen Viet Cong. The report stated that, after a brief exchange of small arms fire, the Viet Cong broke contact and fled into the TAN THANH (1) hamlet area, grid square (BT 1660). The report added that several of the Viet Cong fled south across the SONG DE VON river at coordinates (BT 163599). Artillery support was requested and directed at the fleeing enemy with reported excellent effect on target; however, no casualties were reported. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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i. At 142215H, Company E, located at coordinates (BT 030604), reported hearing the beating of drums and bamboo sticks from the vicinity of coordinates (BT 024605). Artillery support was requested and directed at the suspected Viet Cong positions with undetermined results.

j. At 142300H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) fire team-sized listening post, located at coordinates (BT 00[illegible]), reported receiving five to seven rounds of small arms fire into their positions from an estimated one to two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 004 -92). Artillery support was requested and twenty six 105mm rounds were directed at the suspected enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the area with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(6) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 141035H, a Company D squad-sized patrol, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 976572), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978571). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery and mortar support was requested and directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 141500H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company G, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 974568), discovered what was described as a Viet Cong dispensary. The report stated that members of a Popular Forces unit, operating with the Marines, informed the Marines that the Viet Cong had vacated the hospital during the night of 13 June. The report stated that several pieces of equipment, identified as three blood malpient kits, one stethoscope and twenty four ampules of injection serum were recovered and evacuated for examination. The report concluded that the building was destroyed by the use of bangalore torpedoes. No additional information was provided.

c. At 141500H, the Battalion S-2 reported that LVTH's, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 974586), observed approximately ten Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 985585). The Marines directed 105mm (LVTH) artillery rounds at the enemy location and the Viet Cong quickly dispersed. No casualties were reported.

d. At 141630H, a Company C patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 975565). The report identified the device as a multisatchary (home-made) explosive consisting of twenty five 81mm mortar increments, batteries, detonating cord and a fuse lighter and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire (communication wire) activator. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

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f. At 141635H, the Battalion S-2 reported that LVTH's, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 974305), reported observing three VC [illegible] entering a building in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 982954). The Marines directed one 105mm (LVTH) artillery round at the enemy location and reported a direct hit on the structure resulting in a large secondary explosion. Enemy casualties were estimated as three Viet Cong KIA(possible).

g. At 141730H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company C conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 9[illegible] discovered ten Russian type 7.62mm expended cartridges and one spool of wire concealed in a ship-wire. The report stated that all the material was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for examination.

h. At 141730H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, [illegible] security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 9[illegible]) reported observing an estimated six Viet Cong, two of which were armed, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947569). Tank support was requested and [illegible] eight canister rounds and two 90mm (tank) rounds were directed at the enemy [illegible]. The Marines secured the site of the Viet Cong position and reported finding the bodies of three dead Viet Cong and blood trails indicating that an [illegible] Viet Cong had been wounded by the result of the tank fire. No weapons or [illegible] were reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as three Viet Cong KIA(probable) and one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

i. At 141840H, a Company B platoon, manning defensive positions at coordinates (AT 976572), reported observing five Viet Cong positioned on the [illegible] (south) side of the SONG AY LAM river. The Marines directed four 105mm (LVTH) artillery rounds at the enemy location and reported direct hits on the target area. The Marines did not approach the site of the enemy position because of the intervening body of water. Enemy casualties were estimated as three Viet Cong KIA(possible) and two Viet Cong WIA(possible).

j. At 142200H, a Company B squad-sized patrol element, while moving to the ambush site in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 974575), received sporadic Viet Cong (number not indicated) on the trail in close proximity to the Marine position. The report stated that the Marines established a hasty ambush and [illegible] ten small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and reported observing two VC as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report stated that the Marines surveyed the area and found blood stains and drag marks indicating that at least one Viet Cong had been killed. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered. Friendly casualties were one Viet Cong WIA(possible).

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k. At 150900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company A search and destroy operation conducted during the period 141000H to 141700H in the vicinity of CHAU SON (3) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 964606). The report stated that a total of twenty two bunkers (size not indicated), one tunnel (size not indicated), one hedgerow and one fence line were discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report also stated thatt three 105mm artillery rounds (DUD), one 155mm artillery round (DUD), and one 81mm mortar round (DUD) (none of which were rigged to detonate) were also discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians.

a. See 142025H entry, this INTSUM.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	5	1087
KIA(Possible)	7	1289
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1981
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
UNK	Documents(unevaluated)	141350H
2	Magazines, (K-50)	-do-
1	Grenade, US (M-26)	141750H
3	Blood recipient kits	141500H
1	Stethoscope	-do-
1	Mine, rudimentary	141630H
UNK	Batteries (type not indicated)	141630H
1	Grenade Launcher, adapter, US rifle	-do-
1	Magneto	-do-
1	Shell, artillery 105mm (not rigged to detonate)	150900H
1	Shell, artillery 155mm (not rigged to detonate)	-do-
1	Shell, 81mm mortar (not rigged to detonate)	-do-

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QUANTITY	ITEM	GRID COORDINATES
6	Holes, fighting	141350K
1	Cave (size not indicated)	141345K
38	Holes, fighting	141300K
1	Hospital, VC	141500K
22	Bunkers (size not indicated)	150900K
1	Tunnel (size not indicated)	150900K
1	Hedgerow (size not indicated)	-do-
1	Fenceline (size not indicated)	-do-

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3dEngr	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG-11	(1)
MAG-16	(1)
1/9	(2)
2/9	(2)
3/9	(2)
3/1	(2)
1/1	(2)
S-2	(2)
S-3	(2)
2/12	(2)
FSCC	(1)
HMM-265	(1)
1stAmTrnBn	(1)
3dTankBn	(1)
3dAABn	(1)
B Co Tanks	(1)
C Co AT	(1)
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3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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16 June 1966

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #165, Period ending 161000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Fair

b. Temperature: High: 98 Low: 76

c. Average Humidity: 76%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable 6 to 8 knots

f. Visibility: 7 to 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
16 Jun	0552	0615	1920	1943	0351	1658	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 150400H, the 3d Marines S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source at DAI LOC District Headquarters that one Viet Cong Battalion (unidentified) with a strength of three hundred forty men, armed with one 81mm mortar, two

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60mm mortars, three machine guns (caliber not indicated) and eighteen automatic rifles displaced through th village of LOC QUANG, to vicinity of coordinates (AT 850547), (AT 875543) and (AT 864542). The report added that this Viet Cong Battalion had sixty laborers, all from the village of LOC HOA (does not appear on current operational maps) who are engaged in unknown activity in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 871552). No additional information was provided. The report was rated C-2 by DAI LOC. S-2 rates the report F-3.

b. At 151800H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source that twenty Viet Cong guerrillas are emplacing mines and booby traps in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 984691) and (AT 975685). No additional information was provided The report was rated B-2. S-2 rates the report F-3.

c. At 151800H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source that three hundred Viet Cong armed with two 81mm mortars, two 57mm recoilless rifles and three machine guns and commanded by one NGUYEN BA PHAT was observed in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 895870), (AT 895804), (AT 820863) and (AT 916841). The mission of this Unit was not indicated. No additional information was provided. The report was rated C-2. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 151442H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937 487), reported sighting four armed Viet Cong moving in a northerly direction along a stream in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946450). The report stated that two of the Viet Cong were clothed in grey uniforms, one was clothed in blue and the fourth was clothed in black. No additional information was provided.

b. At 151700H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937 555), reported sighting four armed Viet Cong moving in a northerly direction in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946456). Artillery support was requested and thirty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target; however, enemy casualties were not determined.

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(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 150800H, a Company G patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 170596), reported receiving heavy small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 172598). The Marines pursued the Viet Cong with negative results. Marine casualties were three WIA. Additional details will be provided when available.

b. At 151044H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001 595), reported observing thirteen Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 995590). Artillery and mortar support was requested and thirty 105mm rounds and eight 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location, and the Viet Cong quickly dispersed. The report added that fifteen secondary explosions occurred as the result of the artillery fire into the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two Viet Cong KIA and blood stains and drag marks which indicated at least five additional Viet Cong were wounded by the artillery fire. No weapons or equipment were recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (body count), and five Viet Cong WIA (possible). The report added that it appeared as though the Viet Cong were engaged in installing mines and/or booby traps when first observed by the Marines. (S-2 comment: The secondary explosions noted lends credence to this observation).

c. At 151100H, Company H, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that the blocking force, located at coordinates (BT 021604), reported observing three armed Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 014598). The Marines directed small arms fire at the Viet Cong and searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding one Viet Cong KIA. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

d. At 151400H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this battalion), conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001 595), reported observing ten Viet Cong (location not indicated). Artillery support was requested and twenty five 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Marines searched the site od the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 151400H, a Company F squad-size patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 015636). The report stated that the device was positioned approximately twenty five meters to the front of the advancing Marines. The report identified the device as a rudimentary (home-made) mine consisting of approximately ten pounds of explosives and stated that it was rigged with an electrical detonating mechanism. The report also stated

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that when the device detonated, the Marines received thirty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 011638). The Marines directed forty eight small arms rounds and an ONTOS (attached) directed six hundred small arms rounds at the enemy location. A search of the area produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 151650H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this battalion) reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 001596) resulting in one Marine WIA. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip wire activator.

g. At 152045H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this battalion) located at coordinates (BT 001595) reported receiving fifty small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955589). Artillery support was requested and forty eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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(4) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 151600H, a Company C squad-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 920570). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that the suspect was transporting what was described as medical supplies. The report stated that the sup suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point, for investigation.

b. At 152345H, Company B elements, manning security positions on the Company Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 946577), reported receiving one hand grenade from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The report stated that the area was illuminated utilizing 81mm mortar illumination rounds and the Marines directed nine small arms rounds at the suspected enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marines casualties were two WIA (minor).

c. At 150840H, Company A, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 913574). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was discovered being carried in a basket by two Vietnamese females. The report stated that the suspect had been wounded. The report also stated that a Popular Forces soldier identified the suspect as a Viet Cong. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point, for investigation.

d. At 150740H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 940569), reported observing one Viet Cong in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 942569). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the Viet Cong and searched the site of the Viet Cong position and reported finding one dead Viet Cong. No weapons or equipment were recovered. Enemy casualties were one KIA (body count).

e. At 150930H, a Company D platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 961570), reported receiving two small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 963567). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds and fifteen 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding two 7.62mm rounds (one described as being of U.S. manufacture and the other of foreign manufacture) and a gate rigged with a surprise firing device (described as a CHICOM grenade). The Marines destroyed the booby trapped gate and reported that two Marines were WIA as the result of a secondary explosion. Marine casualties were two WIA.

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f. At 151040H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928564), reported observing six Viet Cong (basis for identification not indicated) clothed in black pajamas and wearing coolie hats, travelling in a south easterly direction through elephant grass in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925555). Mortar support was requested and seventeen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 151055H, a Company C platoon reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 927564) resulting in one Marine WIA. The report described the device as a CHICOM grenade (unknown type) and stated it was positioned in the doorway of a hut and rigged with a trip wire activatir.

h. At 151630H, Company K (3dBn 9th Marines under OPCON this Battalion) reported the location of what was described as a Viet Cong minefield in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 970638). The report described the minefield as being approximately one hundred meters square and having three Viet Cong propoganda flags placed at positions on the perimeter of the minefield. The report stated that the Marines became suspicious when villagers refused to enter into the area. Additional information will be provided when available.

i. At 151750H, a Company D squad-sized patrol reported that two explosive devices were detonated at coordinates (AT 953570) resulting in six Marines WIA. The report described the devices as unknown types and stated they were rigged with trip wire activators.

j. At 152005H, a Company K patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 971637), reported receiving thirteen small arms rounds from an estimated five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975635). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds, twelve 40mm (M-79) rounds, fifteen 60mm mortar rounds and three 81mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports were received during this reporting period.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65
KIA (Confirmed)	4	1091
KIA (Possible)	0	1289
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1983
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material.

Quantity	Item	INTSUM Entry no.
1	Gate (booby trapped)	150930H
2	Rounds, 7.62mm	-do-

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications. No reports received during this reporting period.

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DISTRIBUTION:

III MAF	(1)	S-2	(6)
IIIMAF POLAD	(1)	S-3	(2)
G-2	(7)	1stAmtrac	(1)
3dMar	(1)	3dTkBn	(1)
3dEngr	(1)	3dAtBn	(1)
EOD	(1)	B Co, Tnk	(1)
MAG 11	(1)	C Co, At	(1)
MAG 16	(1)	Co	(1)
HMM 265	(1)		
1/9	(6)		
2/9	(6)		
3/9	(6)		
2/12	(6)		
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17 June 1966

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #166, Period ending 171000, June 1966
Encl: (1) Special Intelligence Report 4-6-66 (THONG NUC/DAI LOC)

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Fair

b. Temperature: High: 100° Low: 80°

c. Average Humidity: 56%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable 6 knots

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
18 June	0553	0616	1920	1943	----	----	NEW

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Additional Information. At 161105H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company K, after having discovered what was believed to be a minefield at coordinates (AT 970638) [See 151630H entry, INTSUM #165] interrogated several viet nam-

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from THAI CHI (3) hamlet, coordinates (AT 971657), which provided negative results. The Villagers informed the Marines that they knew of nothing being emplaced by the Viet Cong but could not provide adequate reasons for displaying fear of entering the area. The report stated that one Viet Cong suspect was apprehended but subsequently released after examination by the Battalion S-2. The report added that the Marines probed the suspected minefield with negative results. No additional information was provided.

b. At 160830H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, reported the discovery of six punji traps and, what was described as two Malayan whips at coordinates (AT 908550). The report stated that the traps and whips were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 160920H, Company D elements, manning platoon defensive positions at coordinates (AT 977571), reported receiving five to ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 978571). The Marines directed five small arms rounds, two 90mm (tank) rounds and twenty caliber .50 machine gun rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 160945H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 910552), reported receiving five to six small arms rounds from Viet Cong, armed with what was described as a high-powered rifle, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 919555). Mortar support was requested and eight 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 161135H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, reported that, when gates (number not indicated) and punji traps were destroyed on 16 June in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915557), several secondary explosions occurred (size and intensity not indicated). No additional information was provided.

f. At 161745H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported that two explosive devices were discovered and destroyed at coordinates (AT 939574). The report described the devices as two 155mm (artillery) rounds (DUD's) and stated that they were rigged with trip-wire activators.

g. At 161335H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from Company D, coordinates, (AT 982602), that a USMC helicopter observed five to seven Viet Cong carrying what resembled rifles, running toward CHAU LAU hamlet area, coordinates (AT 986602). The report stated that the aircraft directed fifty (machine gun) small arms rounds at the fleeing Viet Cong and reported observing four Viet Cong fall as if struck by the fire. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft was reported. Enemy casualties were four Viet Cong KIA (probable).

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h. At 161430H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 923566), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from ten Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 924564). Mortar support was requested and sixty eight 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 161720H, a Company K (3d Bn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported apprehending one suspicious person in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 969642). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a quantity of medical supplies were discovered in his home. The report stated that disposition of the suspect will be determined upon interrogation by the Battalion S-2.

j. At 161800H, a Company C platoon patrol base, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 914566), reported receiving ten small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed one hundred seventy small arms rounds, ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and three LAAW (M-72) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery support was requested and twenty six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marines casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

k. At 161950H, a Company K (3dBn, 9thMar, under OPCON this Battalion) squad-sized element, manning an observation post in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 987618), reported observing two males in a boat heading in a south westerly direction on the SONG LA THO. Two 90mm (tank) rounds and thirty (tank)machine gun rounds were directed at the Viet Cong location and the Viet Cong escaped into a tree line. A search of the area produced negative results. No casualties were reported.

l. At 162115H, a Company K platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 965643), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from three Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 963643). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and eight 60mm mortar rounds and sixteen 81 mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

m. At 170720H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 963563). The report identified the device as a CHICOM grenade and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activator. The report stated that the device was destroyed by the Marines.

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a. At 162135H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company H search and destroy operation conducted on 16 June in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 021604). The report stated that the Marines discovered and destroyed a total of sixty eight fighting holes (twenty five of which were reinforced with bamboo and covered), and four hundred meters of trenchline.

b. At 170320H, Company H, enroute to establishing a blocking position, reported receiving ten small arms rounds in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 012590), from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The report stated that the Marines did not return the fire but continued on their route. No casualties were reported.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 170215H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 874476), reported receiving one hand grenade. The report stated that the Marines evacuated the position prior to the detonation of the grenade and escaped injury. The report added that the area was illuminated and three Viet Cong were observed fleeing to the north at three hundred meters range. The report added that the three Viet Cong succeeded in escaping the area before effective fire could be brought to bear on them. No casualties were reported

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65
KIA (Confirmed)	0	1091
KIA (Probable)	4	1293
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1985
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
6	Traps, punji	160830H
2	Whips, Mahayan	-do-
Unk	Gates,	161135H
Unk	Traps, punji	-do-
2	Shells, artillery, 155mm (DUD)	161745H
Unk	Medical supplies	161720H
1	Grenade, CHICOM	170720H

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F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

QUANTITY	ITEM	INSUM ENTRY NO.
68	Holes, fighting	162135H
1	Trenchline, 400 meters in length	-do-

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III MAF	(1)
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G-2	(7)
3dMar	(1)
3dEngr	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG 11	(1)
MAG 16	(1)
HMM 265	(1)
1/9	(0)
2/9	(6)
3/9	(6)
2/12	(6)
1stMar	(1)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(6)
S-3	(2)
1stAmtrac	(1)
3dTkBn	(1)
3dAtBn	(1)
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SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE REPORT (THUONG DUC/DAI LOC DISTRICT

1. The following report has been extracted from a 3d Counterintelligence Team spot report dated 14 June 1966.

a. THUONG DUC District. The District S-2 states that one Viet Cong Battalion (Main Force) is located in THUONG DUC District. This Battalion, minus one company operates from NGOC KINH hamlet (1) (ZC 205542) to NGOC KINH hamlet (2) (ZC 155530). One company has its headquarters in NGOC KINH hamlet (2) (ZC 1954).

b. DAI LOC District. The District S-2 stated that their is a tunnel in DAI LOC hamlet (1) (AT 898599) and another tunnel in HOA QUAN hamlet (AT 905588). The report stated that both tunnels are large enough to provide a hiding place for one Viet Cong platoon, and that each has an underwater entrance. It was reported that when a Marine enters the area, the Viet Cong throw their weapons in the lake, (AT 904595) and either enter the tunnel or pose as civilians in the village.

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3800
18 June 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #167, Period ending 181000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 96° Low: 76°

c. Average Humidity: 54%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Southwest at 6 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
19 June	0553	0616	1920	1943	----	----	NEW

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 171145H, G-2 reported that an Army Aerial Observer operating in the Regimental TAOR reported observing one Viet Cong in a spider hole in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 863517). The report stated that the Viet Cong

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appeared to be equipped with full field equipment. No additional details were provided.

(2) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 171315H, Company B reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 937576) resulting in one Marine WIA (minor). The report described the device as an unknown type and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

b. At 171330H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955562), reported receiving three to five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955563). The Marines pursued the Viet Cong with two tanks and one squad of infantry and reported negative contact. Marine casualties were one WIA.

c. At 171615H, Company K (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this Battalion), positioned as a blocking force in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 939608), reported that one Viet Cong jumped out ofaspider hole and directed small arms fire into the platoon's positions, resulting in two USMC WIA's. The report continued that, while the Marines were pursuing the Viet Cong, a Marine detonated an explosive device identified as a U.S. (M-26) grenade rigged with a trip wire activator, resulting in one USMC WIA. The Marines continued the pursuit of the Viet Cong but were unable to establish contact. Marine casualties were three WIA (required medevac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 171500H, a Company B patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 925567) resulting in one Marine KIA and two WIA. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

e. At 171715H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company D, during a search and destroy operation, discovered the following items in a pagoda at coordinates (AT 961567): Four 60mm mortar rounds, one 12 gauge shotgun round, one 40mm (M-79) round, one bag of flashlight batteries (number or type not indicated) one mirror (description not provided), fifty feet of electrical wire and assorted medical supplies. The munitions were destroyed by the Marines and the remaining items were evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for evaluation.

f. At 171730H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 973577), reported receiving twenty to thirty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 967577). The Marines directed twenty caliber .50 rounds at the Viet Cong and requested artillery support. Six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood stains. Marine casualties were two WIA (minor). Enemy casualties were one KIA (probable).

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g. At 171825H, a Company B platoon patrol base, located at coordinates (AT 925567), reported observing three Viet Cong running across a rice paddy at coordinates (AT 928565). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and reported killing one of them. Enemy casualties were one KIA (confirmed).

h. At 180330H, Company B, located at coordinates (AT 936577), reported that movement was detected to the front of one of the perimeter security positions. The Marines challenged and, receiving no response, fired fifteen small arms rounds at the suspected enemy location. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one Viet Cong. No enemy weapons or equipment were reported recovered. Enemy casualties were one KIA (confirmed).

i. At 180720H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B search and destroy operation conducted during the period 170600 to 172400 in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 932574). The report stated that one minefield was destroyed utilizing line charges directed by accompanying LVTE's. The report added that the use of line charges resulted in numerous secondary explosions described as being large. No additional information was provided.

j. At 180730H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalion's zone of action reported receiving automatic weapons fire from the direction of coordinates (AT 917547) from an estimated two to four Viet Cong. Artillery support was requested and thirty eight 105mm rounds were directed at the suspected enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target. Enemy casualties were not determined.

k. At 180735H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 950564) reported observing seven Viet Cong run into a treeline at close range. The Marines directed five hundred caliber .50 rounds, two hundred small arms rounds, eight 90mm (tank) rounds, six 60mm mortar rounds and sixteen 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported one Viet Cong KIA. No weapons or equipment was recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy Casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and six Viet Cong KIA (probable).

l. At 180900H a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928552), reported receiving small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934556). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and one 106mm (ONTOS) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one (DOW). Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 171415H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol reported that a tank operating in support of the patrol and in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 006621) detonated an explosive device. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1)

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"bounding" mine. The report stated that there was no damage to the tank and no casualties. The report added that the Marines discovered and destroyed five fighting holes (description not provided) in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 003600).

b. At 171930H, Company H reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of HA NONG THA (1) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 009591). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was acting suspiciously and could not adequately explain his presence in the area. The report stated that upon preliminary interrogation by the Battalion S-2, the suspect informed the Marines that one Viet Cong squad clothed in Khaki colored uniforms entered the HA NONG THA (1) hamlet on 13 June and remained there for approximately three hours. The report stated that three of the Viet Cong were armed with rifles and the remainder were armed with U.S. Carbines, caliber .30 (M-1). The report continued that five Viet Cong, one of which is armed with what was described as a shot gun and three grenades, one of which is armed with a U.S. rifle, caliber .30 (M-1) and two grenades and the remaining three are armed with U.S. caliber .30 (M-1), live in the HA NONG THA (1) hamlet area. The report stated that the Viet Cong Suspect is to be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

c. At 172352H, Company H, located at coordinates (BT 012591), reported receiving heavy automatic small arms fire and ten 60mm mortar rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 008584). Artillery support was requested and [illegible] six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. Marine casualties were two WIA (medevac required). Enemy casualties were not determined. A search of the area of the suspected Viet Cong mortar position and into which the aforementioned artillery fire was directed revealed extensive blood stains and twenty five expended caliber .45 cartridge cases next to a fighting hole.

(4) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 171020H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 887487), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds from an estimated three to five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 887490). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds, five 60mm mortar rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position and requested artillery support. Fourteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 171045H, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operations in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 905492), reported observing two armed Viet Cong crossing a rice paddy at coordinates (AT 906492) moving to the northwest. The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and reported killing one of the Viet Cong. The other fled into a treeline and further contact with him could not be made by the Marines. The report stated that one U.S. Carbine, Caliber .30, a billfold with a small sum of money and assorted documents were recovered from the body. Enemy casualties were one KIA (confirmed).

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c. At 171605H, a Company L patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 905495) resulting in one Marine WIA. No additional details were provided.

d. At 171700H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 905495), reported receiving small arms fire from an estimated fifteen to twenty Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 902497). The Marines directed small arms fire and two 105mm artillery rounds at the enemy location. A search of the Viet Cong positions revealed six Viet Cong KIA and three ammunition magazines. Upon completion of the search, the Marines withdrew from the area and requested additional artillery fire, and seventy two 105mm rounds were directed at the following suspected Viet Cong locations; (AT 903497), (AT 905496) and (AT 900494) with undetermined results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were six KIA (confirmed).

e. At 171930H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 900490), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from an estimated six to eight Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 905494). Artillery support was requested and ten 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA (Confirmed)	2	1100
KIA (Probable)	1	1284
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	1	1984
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
4	Shells, 60mm mortar	171715H
1	Round, 12 guage shotgun	-do-
1	Round, 40mm (M-79)	-do-
Unk	Batteries, flashlight	-do-
1	Mirror, unidentified	-do-
Unk	Medical supplies	-do-
1	Wire, electric, roll, 50 ft	-do-
1	Carbine, U.S. cal .30 (M-1)	171045H
1	Billfold	-do-
Unk	Documents, unevaluated	-do-

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Identified enemy positions and/or fortifications

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
1	Minefield	180720H
5	Holes, fighting	171415H

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III MAF POLAD	(1)
G-2	(7)
3dMar	(1)
3dEngr	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG 11	(1)
MAG 16	(1)
HMM 265	(1)
1/9	(6)
2/9	(6)
3/9	(6)
2/12	(6)
1stMar	(1)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(2)
S-3	(2)
1stAmtrac	(1)
3dTkBn	(1)
3AtBn	(1)
B Co Tk	(1)
C Co At	(1)
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of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding two dead Viet Cong and blood stains. Enemy casualties were two KIA (confirmed) and one WIA (probable).

(2) 2dBn 9thMar:

a. At 180930H, an engineer road clearing element reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 005634). The report identified the device as a rudimentary (home made) mine consisting of an estimated fifteen pounds of explosives. Connected to the mine was approximately six hundred meters of communication wire, the other end of which was located in a cane field (location not indicated). As the Marines approached the cane field they observed fifteen Viet Cong fleeing from the area in the vicinity of where the wire terminated. The Marines directed five 81mm mortar rounds at the fleeing Viet Cong and searched the area with negative results. The explosive device was destroyed by the Marines.

b. At 181115H, Company E, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was discovered at coordinates (BT 022604). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine which was destroyed by the Marines. The report stated also that the Marines discovered and destroyed seventeen caves (size and description not provided) and three hundred meters of trenchline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 023597).

c. At 181505H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998620), reported receiving five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 001618). The Marines directed seventy small arms rounds, thirty caliber .50 rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 181530H, Company E, manning blocking positions in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 015586), reported apprehending two Viet Cong Suspects. One of the suspects stated that Viet Cong come into his village (TAY BAN AN hamlet) every two or three nights. He stated also that, on approximately 26 May 1966, approximately three hundred Viet Cong in grey uniforms and equipped with what were described as, mortars entered his village and remained for one night. The report stated that the suspects will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point, for investigation.

e. At 182000H, the Battalion S-2 reported that the Battalion Command Post perimeter security positions, located at coordinates (BT 017627), received three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 005625). Mortar support was requested and ten 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 182000H, Company E, located at coordinates (BT 015584), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds into the company command post positions from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 016589). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong

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From: [illegible] Of [illegible]
To: [illegible]; Commanding General, 2nd Marine Division (Reinf) (G-2)

Subject: Intelligence [illegible] #168, Period ending 1900H, June [illegible] 56

1. Summary of the Situation for the Period.

a. [illegible] the Area of Operations

(1) [illegible]

General [illegible] Fair

Temperature: High: 91° Low: 77°

Average Humidity: 75%

Precipitation: None

Wind: SW 5 knots

Visibility: 7 miles

(2) [illegible] of roads/trails within the Area of Operations [illegible]

(3) [illegible] Data

[illegible]	SUNSET	MOONRISE	MOONSET	[illegible]
20 June	1921	1114	[illegible]	[illegible]

b. Significant Activities

(1) [illegible]

[illegible], a Company I squad-sized patrol, [illegible] [illegible] of this [illegible] 895 (9), reported observing six [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the vicinity of coordinates [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and rounds were requested and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on the enemy location. All the [illegible]

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positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 182030H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this Battalion), located at coordinates (BT 001596), that sporadic small arms fire and Vietnamese voices were heard emanating from the vicinity of coordinates (AT 992602). The interpreter attached to Company M indicated that the voices were those of Viet Cong delivering a propaganda speech to the villagers, though the interpreter could not make out what was being said. Artillery fire was requested and fifteen 105mm rounds were directed at the suspected Viet Cong location with undetermined results.

(3) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 181000H, Company C reported apprehending one suspicious person at coordinates (AT 915557) when he was found hiding in a tunnel. The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he could not adequately explain his reason for hiding from the Marines. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

b. At 181048H, Company B, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 922522), reported receiving ten small arms rounds and three 81mm mortar rounds into their positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 926544). Artillery support was requested and fifteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong mortar fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 181100H, Company B reported that two tanks, operating in support of the company in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925550), reported receiving ten to twenty small arms rounds and two rifle grenades from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed ten 90mm canister (tank) rounds and two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one Viet Cong and blood stains which indicated that at least one Viet Cong was wounded. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one KIA (confirmed), one WIA (probable).

d. At 181227H, Company B, occupying defensive positions in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928556), reported receiving twenty to twenty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds, three 40mm (M-79) rounds and five 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines were unable to search the site of the Viet Cong positions to an intervening body of water. Marine casualties were two WIA (required medevac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

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e. At 181355H, Company C located at coordinates (T 917556) reported receiving twenty five small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 913553). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and one 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medevac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 181438H, a Company C platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 912557) reported receiving one hundred small arms rounds from Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918540). Artillery and mortar support was requested and sixty two 105mm rounds and one 81mm mortar round were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 181500H, Company B, supported by LVTE-1's, reported discovering what was described as a Viet Cong minefield at coordinates (AT 932573). The LVTE-1's fired four line charges into the suspected minefield and reported many secondary explosions resulting from the line charge detonations. No information concerning the extent of the minefield or type of mines was provided.

h. At 181525H, a Company B platoon, occupying defensive positions in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 923555), reported observing one Viet Cong entering a treeline at coordinates (AT 922555). The Marines directed small arms fire at the Viet Cong and reported killing him. Enemy casualties were one KIA (confirmed).

i. At 181820H, a Company C platoon, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917556) reported receiving what were described as thirty to forty 81mm mortar rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925545). Artillery and close air support was requested. Air strikes, (which included napalm, bombs and aerial cannon) 105mm artillery fire, one hundred twenty three 81mm mortar rounds and fifty eight 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the suspected enemy location with a reported excellent coverage. Marine casualties were eight WIA (five required medevac). Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 182205H, a Company C platoon reported receiving what was described as one 81mm mortar round in the platoon patrol base position, coordinates (AT 913554), from Viet Cong positioned in an undetermined location. Artillery support was requested and fifty two 105mm rounds were directed at possible enemy locations in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 919540), (AT 922549) and (AT 925545) and the Viet Cong mortar fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

k. At 182345H, Company C reported receiving what were described as five 82mm mortar rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 917556), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 912529). The report stated that an aerial observer on station reported observing the muzzle flashes

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and requested to conduct an aerial strike which was accomplished with good effect. Artillery support was also requested and thirty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy loc ation with reported excellent effect on the target area. [redacted] No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA (Confirmed)	4	1109*
KIA (Probable)	0	1294
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1986
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

*Change VC KIA (confirmed) Casualty totals in paragraph D. INTSUM #167 to read: For 24 hour period: 12; cumulative: 1103.

180755H, entry INTSUM #167 last sentence should read: Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and four Viet Cong WIA (probable).

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
1	Mine, rudimentary	180930H
1	Mine, U.S. anti personnel (M-16A1)	181115H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

1	Minefield	181500H

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G-2	(7)	3/9	(2)	B Co Tk	(1)
5thMar	(1)	2/12	(2)	C Co At	(1)
3dEngr	(1)	1stMar	(8)	CO	(1)
EOD	(1)	FSCC	(1)		
MAG 11	(1)	S-2	(1)		
MAG 16	(1)	S-3	(6)		
HMM 265	(1)	1stAmtrac	(2)		

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #169, Period ending 202400H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Party cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 96° Low 74°

c. Average Humidity: 54%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable at 6 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations: No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

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B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) Special Reports

a. At 151500H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer [illegible] to Hi[illegible] District Headquarters relayed a report from an unidentified [illegible] Viet Cong Company (unidentified) was in hiding in the vicinity of [illegible]

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area, coordinates (AT 956545). The report did not indicate the organization, armament nor mission of this Viet Cong force. (S-2 Comments: The Viet Cong [illegible] (MF) Company was reported in this area on 31 May). The report was rated C-3. S-2 rates the report F-3.

(2) 2/Bn 9th/Mar

a. Late Report. At 190857H, A Company F squad-sized patrol, supported by two tanks, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 000634), reported receiving five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 000630). The Marines directed two 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 191453H, a USMC helicopter operating in the Battalion's Zone of Action in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 015623) reported receiving approximately three hundred rounds small arms fire from the direction of coordinates (BT 003624). The report continued that the helicopter was hit by the Viet Cong fire creating an engine fire. The helicopter made an emergency landing without further damage to the aircraft. Artillery support was requested and one hundred seventy four 105mm rounds were directed at the suspected enemy location. Enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties were reported. Additional information will be provided when available.

c. At 201300H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol reported that a supporting USMC tank detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 005625), however, no Marine casualties were reported. The report described the device as a rudimentary (home made) mine and stated it was positioned in a rice paddy so as to function as an anti-personnel mine and was rigged with a pressure-type detonating mechanism.

d. At 191550H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 007673). The report identified the device as a 155mm artillery shell (DUD). The report did not indicate whether the device was rigged to detonate. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 191907H, Company M (3/Bn 9th Marines under OPCON this battalion) conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997602) reported receiving five to seven small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 992603). Artillery support was requested and fifteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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b. At [illegible], the Battalion S-2 provided [illegible] search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of coordinates [illegible] on CONFIDENTIAL rt stated that five hundred meters of trenchline and a total of [illegible] caves were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

l. At 200830H, Company M, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997601), directed artillery fire at a suspected Viet Cong location, coordinates (AT 997586) where a USMC helicopter had received small arms fire earlier. The report stated that the artillery fire resulted in a large secondary explosion. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft was reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 3/9th Mar

a. At 191335H, a Company L squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903489), reported observing three Viet Cong running across a rice paddy in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903482). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the fleeing enemy and reported killing one VC. The report stated that the surviving two Viet Cong fled to the southwest. Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported that no weapons or equipment were recovered from the body. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

b. At 191700H, a reconnaissance element (Company D [illegible] Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates [illegible] reported that a USMC helicopter, transporting the Marines to position, observed an unknown number of Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (XT 014459). The report stated that fixed wing aircraft directed aerial rockets at the enemy with undetermined results. No additional information was provided.

c. At 191701H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an Aerial [illegible] operating in the Battalions' zone of action, observed five Viet Cong in a [illegible] in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917527). Artillery support was requested, one hundred twelve 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target sighting two Viet Cong KIA and estimating an additional three Viet Cong were wounded as the results of the artillery fire. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and three Viet Cong WIA (probable).

d. At 191855H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an Aerial [illegible] operating in the Battalions' zone of action, observed five Viet Cong in a [illegible] in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 941535). Artillery support was requested, ten 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target sighting two Viet Cong WIA (probable).

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e. At [illegible], Company [illegible], engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (ET 011[illegible]) reported receiving ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (ET 023579). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds, five 40mm (M-79) rounds and one 3.5 inch (rocket) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 191825H, Company H, engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (ET 011586), reported receiving two hundred small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire from an estimated two to three Viet Cong located in the vicinity of coordinates (ET 006598). The Marines requested artillery support and twenty six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy positions and the Viet Cong fire ceased. A search of the Viet Cong positions revealed negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 192145H, Company A reported receiving fifty small arms in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (ET 023593) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (ET 023597). The Marines directed one 40mm (M-79) round and twelve 105mm (artillery) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines conducted a search of the enemy positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 192133H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company K search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of coordinates (XT 01[illegible]) on 19 June. The report stated that the Marines discovered and destroyed a total of forty one fighting holes, three tunnels (size not estimated) with entrances along a river bank, two hundred meters of trenchline and one explosive device identified as a sulfuric acid mine consisting of a 60mm mortar casing filled with what was described as TNT/RDX and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

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(4) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 190315H, Company D reported observing an armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 939562). The report stated that the Viet Cong was observed walking on a trail near the Company Command Post positions. The Marines challenged him and he fled. The suspect was pursued by the Marines and found in a bunker but refused to emerge. The Marines threw two grenades into the bunker and reported killing the Viet Cong. No weapon or equipment was reported recovered. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

b. Late Report. At 190920H, Company C reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 923555). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect was released upon completion of preliminary interrogation by the Battalion S-2.

c. At 191000H, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915557), reported observing one Viet Cong at close range. The Marines challenged the Viet Cong who attempted to flee. The Marines directed twelve small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and reported killing him. One U.S. (M-26) grenade was found in the possession of the Viet Cong. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

d. At 191050H, Company C, located at coordinates (AT 918547), reported receiving ten small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong armed with automatic weapons positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918540). Artillery support was requested and forty eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong firing ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 191204H, a Company D platoon, located at coordinates (AT 939562), reported receiving eight to ten small arms rounds into the platoon Command Post positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 942556). The Marines directed small arms fire at the enemy position and artillery support was requested and ninety eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 191300H, Company B, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928552), reported receiving thirty five small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions from an estimated six to eight Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927546). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the enemy position and artillery support was requested. Eighteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the sit of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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d. At 191515H, a Company B platoon, participating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 923555), reported observing three Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925555). The Marines directed six small arms rounds at the enemy position and reported killing two Viet Cong. The third Viet Cong was observed to fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two dead Viet Cong and blood trails indicating that one additional Viet Cong had been wounded. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and one Viet Cong WIA (probable).

h. At 191600H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B search and destroy operation conducted from the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9056) to (AT 9255) on 19 June. The report stated that a total of nineteen bunkers (size not indicated) and one tunnel (size not indicated) were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

i. At 191600H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company A search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9659) and (AT 9558) on 19 June. The report stated that a total of forty two bunkers (size not indicated) and one punji trap were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

j. At 191845H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Companies B and C, occupying positions at (AT 928552) and (AT 923553) respectively observed an estimated seventy ten Viet Cong fleeing south in a treeline from coordinates (AT 930544) To (AT 926546). The Marines directed a total of one hundred fifty seven small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and requested artillery support. Sixty three 105mm rounds were directed at the Viet Cong. The Marines reported observing five Viet Cong who appeared to be hit by the Marines fire. The Marines searched the Viet Cong positions and reported apprehending one female suspect who was acting suspicious and could not explain her presence in the area. She was to be evacuated to DAI LOC District Headquarters for investigation. Enemy casualties were estimated as three Viet Cong KIA (probable) and two Viet Cong WIA (probable)

k. At 192040H, a Company K (3d8th 9thMar under OPCON this battalion) platoon patrol base, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 960644), reported receiving one hundred small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 960644) and (AT 959643). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and fifteen 60mm mortar rounds and thirty eight 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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l. At 192252H, Company C reported receiving what was described as [illegible] unknown type of explosives in the Company Command Post positions coordinates (AT 9[illegible] 556), while a med-evac was in progress, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 909549). The report identified the explosions as possible 60mm mortar rounds when an aerial observer reported sighting what was believed to be mortar muzzle flashes at coordinates (AT 909549). The report stated that the Med-evac escort requested mortar support and sixteen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the suspected enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

m. At 192335H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalions' zone of action reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 908532). The report stated that, simultaneously, eleven mortar (caliber not indicated) rounds were also received in the area between Company C and Company B. The Aerial Observer reported observing muzzle flashes identified as 81mm mortars, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529) and (AT 936576). No additional information was provided. No casualties were reported. Additional information will be provided when available.

(5) Late Entries: 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 191405H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 005625), however, no casualties were reported. The report described the device as a rudimentary mine and stated that it was rigged with a pressure-type activating mechanism.

b. At 191600H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this Battalion) conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997602) reported the discovery of four bunkers described as two feet by four feet by four feet. The report stated that the bunkers were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 191600H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar under OPCON this Battalion) platoon-sized patrol reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 997602). The report identified the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was buried just below the surface of the ground on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism. The report stated that the mine was destroyed by the Marines.

d. At 191630H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 005621) and (BT 007621), reported the discovery of a trenchline described as two hundred meters in length. The report stated that the trenchline was destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 192128H, a Company H platoon-sized patrol, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 010589). The report identified the device as an 60mm mortar shell (DUD) and stated that it was positioned in a treeline and rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines.

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C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians:
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA (Confirmed)	7	1114
KIA (Probable)	3	1297
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1986
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
1	Shell, Artillery, 105mm (DUD)	191[illegible]0H
1	Shell, 60mm mortar (DUD)	1921[illegible]H
1	Mine, U.S. (M-16A1)	191600H
1	Shell, 60mm mortar	192128H
1	Trap, punji	191600H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications.

46	Holes, fighting	192138H
5	Tunnels (size not indicated)	-do-
1	Trenchline, 200 meters in length	-do-
1	Trenchline, 500 meters in length	192200H
50	Tunnels/caves	-do-
4	Bunkers, 2x4x4 ft	191600H
1	Trenchline, 200 meters in length	191630H
19	Bunkers (size not indicated)	191600H
1	Tunnel (size not indicated)	-do-
42	Bunkers (size not indicated)	-do-

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #170, Period ending 211000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 98° LOW: 74°

c. Average Humidity: 56%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: SW 8 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	DMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
22 June	0553	0616	1921	1944	0934	2252	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 201015H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company D platoon search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of LOC BINH hamlet area, coordinates (AT 942556). The report stated that the Marines discovered two

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haversacks containing one black shirt, one pair of black shorts, one blue shirt, two sweaters, one shelter half, one cloth flashlight case, one canteen and cover, miscellaneous type clothing, one U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine, which was destroyed, (LOT No. 9-75; LOP-42-3) and one explosive device identified as a Russian made shaped charge containing a pull-type (friction) activating mechanism. The report stated that all the captured material was evacuated for examination.

b. At 201140H, an Aerial Observer, operating in the Battalion's ZOA reported observing two Viet Cong, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917556), fleeing to the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938542) where they joined two more Viet Cong. Artillery support was requested and thirty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target. Enemy casualties were estimated as four KIA (probable)

c. At 201430H, Company D, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 949549), reported receiving eight to ten rounds small arms fire into the Company Command Post positions from an estimated three to four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 955547). Artillery support was requested and fifty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 201430H, Company D, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 949549), reported observing approximately thirty five Viet Cong crossing the SONG THU BON in boats in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 963554). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and three 90mm (tank) rounds at the Viet Cong with undetermined results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 201635H, Company C, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917556), reported receiving eight small arms rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 916549). At the same time, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 910554), reported receiving ten rounds of small arms fire from the same enemy position. Artillery and mortar support was requested and four 105mm rounds and fifty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion)

f. At 202040H, a Company K platoon reported receiving fifty small arms rounds described as automatic weapons fire in the platoon patrol base position, coordinates (AT 972635), from three Viet Cong positioned at three separate locations, (AT 974636), (AT 976638) and (AT 975646). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy positions. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and fifteen 60mm mortar rounds and seven 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (minor-medical evacuation not required). Enemy casualties were not determined.

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c. At 202[illegible]H, Company B reported receiving [illegible] seven to eight 40mm (M-79) rounds in the Company Command Post position (AT 9[illegible]554). from Viet Cong positioned to the north of Company B's position. The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds at the enemy position and Co. C, who had a preplanned mortar concentration in the area, directed twenty 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 202[illegible]H, Company C located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 9175[illegible]6), reported receiving what were described as nine 60mm mortar rounds into the Company Command Post positions from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918[illegible]40). Artillery support was requested and [illegible] rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 210[illegible]H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 9[illegible]37), reported receiving five small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT [illegible]). Marines directed twenty small arms rounds, two 40mm (M-79) rounds and one 81mm (mortar) round at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. Marines pursued the Viet Cong by fire with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 210[illegible]H, Company C reported that an Aerial Observer [illegible] in the battalion's zone of action observed Viet Cong in the open [illegible] was described as packs in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 9[illegible]). Artillery support was requested and directed at the enemy location with [illegible] observed. No casualties were reported.

(2) 26th Marines

a. At 20[illegible]H, Company M, engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996[illegible]), reported observing four Viet Cong moving south on a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT [illegible]). Marines directed five small arms rounds at the Viet Cong and reported [illegible]. Artillery support was requested and forty nine 105mm rounds were [illegible] enemy location and the Marines reported observing two secondary explosions. No casualties were [illegible] KIA (confirmed).

b. At 201[illegible]H, Company E, engaged in a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 0[illegible]), reported receiving [illegible] rounds from Viet Cong positioned at close range. Artillery support was requested and nineteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the fire was so reported. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong fire with negative results. [illegible] Marine casualties were reported. Enemy [illegible] not determined.

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c. At 201330H, Company E, located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 014572), reported receiving thirty five to forty small arms rounds from an estimated five to seven Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 012571). The Marines directed ten small arms rounds at the enemy position and requested artillery support. Twelve 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding two dead Viet Cong and apprehending three Viet Cong suspects in the area, one of whom had in his possession a CHICOM grenade. The suspects were to be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Collection Point for investigation. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two KIA (confirmed).

d. At 201415H, a USMC helicopter, operating in the Battalions area of action, reported receiving three to four small arms rounds from the direction of coordinates (BT 005622). Artillery support was requested and twenty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. Enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

e. At 201530H, Company H, engaged in a search and destroy operation, reported the discovery of three unknown type explosive devices at coordinates (AT 996504). The report stated that the devices were rigged with trip-wire activators. The devices were destroyed by the Marines.

f. At 202035H, a Company G fire team-sized listening post, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 990593), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from ten Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993594) and (AT 985575). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds, seven 40mm (M-79) rounds and two U.S. (M-26) grenades at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery support was requested and nineteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one (DOW). Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 1/4th 9thMar

a. At 201015H, Company I, located at coordinates (AT 885495), reported observing fifteen Viet Cong with weapons crossing a rice paddy at close range. Artillery support was requested and thirty one 105mm rounds were directed at the Viet Cong. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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(U) Intelligence

a. At 201300H, the 1st Battalion 9th Marines S-2 relayed the following report from Company D.

At 182100H, two tanks, operating in support of Company D and located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 957553), observed six Viet Cong on the south bank of the SONG THU BON. Continued observation revealed that a sampan containing three Viet Cong was heading toward the location of the six Viet Cong. The Marines directed three 90mm (tank) rounds, sixty .50 caliber rounds and thirty .30 caliber rounds at the sampan and at the Viet Cong on the south bank. The Marines reported sinking the sampan and killing three Viet Cong and wounding four. A search of the sampan on the morning of 19 June revealed that it contained the following: fifteen one hundred pound bags of rice, nine five gallon cans of kerosene, a small packet which contained one battle dressing (described as being of Chinese manufacture), a three page mimeographed document, four notebooks, one red book, two gold rings, a small sum of Vietnamese currency, one Laotian currency note, one collapsible type stretcher and eight to ten personal letters. A subsequent translation of the documents on 20 June revealed that the cart road from coordinates (AT 925528) to (AT 953524) was being used as an evacuation route by the Viet Cong from the forward edge of the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines Zone of Action. The documents indicated also that LE MAH (3) hamlet, coordinates (AT 953513), was regarded as a safe haven by the Viet Cong. The documents have been forwarded to S-2 for further evaluation. Enemy casualties were three (3) KIA (probable) and four Viet Cong WIA (probable). The bags of rice and cans of kerosene had been destroyed by the Marines' fire.

B. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians:
No reports received during this reporting period.

C. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 19 Jul 65
KIA (Confirmed)	3	1117
KIA (Probable)	4	1304
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1986
Returnees (Since 21Jan65)	0	94

D. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	DISPOSITION
2	Haversacks	K101
1	Shirt, black	-do-
1	Shorts, black	-do-
1	Shirt, blue	-do-

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QUANTITY	ITEM	SERIAL NUMBER
2	Scooters	2010[illegible]
1	Shelter half	"
1	Case, flashlight	"
1	Canteen, with cover	"
1	Mine, U.S. (M-16A1)	"
1	Shaped charge (Russian)	"
1	Grenade, CHICOM	2[illegible]
3	Explosive devices (type not indicated)	2[illegible]
15	Bags of rice (100 lbs each)	[illegible]
9	Cans, kerosene (5 gal each)	"
1	Packet, battle dressing	"
1	Document, mimeographed	"
4	Notebooks	"
1	Book, receipt	"
2	Rings, gold	"
Unk	Currency, Vietnamese	"
1	Note, Laotian currency	"
1	Stretcher, collapsible	"
8	Letters, personal	"

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications. No reports received this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #171, Period ending 221000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a.	General:	Partly cloudy
b.	Temperature:	High: 96° Low: 74°
c.	Average Humidity:	56%
d.	Precipitation:	None
e.	Wind:	Variable at 8 Knots
f.	Visibility:	7 to 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	DMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
23 June	0554	0617	1921	1944	1036	2340	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 211140H, a Company D platoon patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 939544), reported that a USMC Aerial Observer received eight small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 940542

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The report stated that one Marine squad with one USMC tank was dispatched to search the area but reported negative results. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

b. At 211210H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company A platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 959592) discovered approximately forty 60mm mortar rounds under the flooring of a temple. The report stated that the mortar shells were evacuated to the Battalion for evaluation and disposition.

c. At 211745H, Company D reported receiving ten small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 946546), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 953547). Artillery support was requested and twenty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 211900H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company A platoon-sized search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9560), (AT 9660), (AT 9558) and (AT 9658) during the period 210800H to 211600H. The report stated that a total of twenty five bunkers and six fighting holes were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

e. At 211900H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company B element, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 931548), observed one Viet Cong enter a tunnel. The report stated that the Marines followed and searched the tunnel and reported discovering one large room described as seven feet by twenty feet by six feet containing a bed and chairs. The report stated that the search was continued for the Viet Cong but with negative results, however, a second smaller room was also discovered. The report stated that the tunnel and both rooms were destroyed utilizing approximately sixty pounds of explosives (C-4). Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (probable).

f. At 212010H, a Company B platoon reported receiving ten to twenty small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base position, coordinates (AT 925548) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925540). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and twenty three 81mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 212100H, Company B reported receiving what were described as four 60mm mortar rounds into the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 931548), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925540). Counter mortar fire was requested and directed at the enemy location and the enemy fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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h. At 212240H, a Company D squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 954553), reported observing three male figures in a boat attempting to cross the SONG THU BON river in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 954549). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds, three 40mm (M-79) rounds and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy and reported sinking the boat. The report stated that the Marines could not search the site of the Viet Cong because of an intervening body of water. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong WIA (probable).

i. At 212330H, Company B reported receiving one hand grenade in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 931548) from one Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed ten small arms rounds at the suspected enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the suspected Viet Cong position with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (medical evacuation not required). Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 220825H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Marine squad from the Battalion 106mm platoon, conducting a road mine clearing operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 986637), reported receiving forty small arms rounds from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 991636). The Marines directed thirty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines did not search the site of the Viet Cong positions but continued on their mission. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (probable).

(2) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 210600H, Company G conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 991590) reported apprehending one Viet Cong suspect. The report stated that the suspect was apprehended because he appeared nervous and acted suspicious when the Marines approached his home. Upon preliminary interrogation by the Battalion S-2, the suspect informed the Marines that on 19 of June, while he was visiting friends in HA NONG TAY hamlet complex in grid squares (BT 0058), he saw approximately thirty Viet Cong armed with pistols (type and caliber not indicated), submachine guns (type not indicated) and grenades (type not indicated). The report stated that those Viet Cong who are armed with grenades carry no other weapons. The suspect stated that approximately five days ago a Viet Cong district guerrilla unit, with a strength of approximately fifty men, passed through the area, coordinates (AT 991590), while he was working his rice paddies. The report stated that these Viet Cong were armed with what appeared to be two 60mm mortars, three BAR's and numerous submachine guns and carbines (type not indicated). The report stated that the suspect admitted being a member of the Viet Cong Farmers Association and has helped to prepare fighting holes and fences for the Viet Cong but denies any knowledge of Viet Cong mines and booby traps. The report concluded that the tax collected by the Viet Cong varies according to the wealth of the family. (Bn S-2 rated this report F-3). The report stated that the suspect was evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for further interrogation.

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b. At 211000H, Company H conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997587) reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect. The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed acting suspicious. The report stated that when the suspect was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for preliminary interrogation, he informed the Marines that, on 19 June, [redacted] as two hundred "Hard Core" Viet Cong were travelling north to south along the railroad in grid square (AT 9958). The report stated that these Viet Cong were clothed in black pajamas and grey colored uniforms and were armed with four 57mm recoilless rifles and mortars (number and caliber not indicated). The suspect stated that, when the Marines were directing artillery fire into the area on the night of 19 June, it impacted approximately five hundred meters away (direction not indicated), but the Viet Cong continued on their route. The report continued that one Viet Cong District Guerrilla Company Commanded by one MI also operates in grid square (AT 9958), with the mission of harrassing Marine units and to prevent the local civilians from going into the area on the north bank of the SONG KY LAM river (exact location not indicated). The Battalion S-2 stated that this suspect also pointed out the location of punji traps, which he had helped to construct, to the Marines. The suspect also stated that the main trails within the general area of grid square (AT 9958) are clear of mines and booby traps and that the Viet Cong and villagers utilize these trails but the Viet Cong have instructed the villagers to stay away from the smaller, little used trails as they [redacted] heavily mined. The suspect stated that the villagers of HA NONG TAY (1) and (2) in grid square (BT 0058) would point out the mines and booby traps to the Marines if they were forced to. The report continued that the Viet Cong have appointed a Village Chief for HA NONG complex by the name of NGUYEN PAI. The report also stated that the Viet Cong tax collector was one NGUYEN CAN. The suspect stated that five Viet Cong identified as NGUYEN NSO, armed with a U.S. carbine, caliber .30 (M-1); NGUYEN DAU, armed with a Russian K-44 submaching gun; DANG QUY, armed with a K-50 submaching gun; NGUYEN HOUNG, armed with a U.S. carbine, caliber .30 (M-1) and THAI XAU, armed with a U.S. carbine, caliber .30 (M-1) lived in HA NONG TAY (2) hamlet, but left the area and headed toward the SONG KY LAM river when the Marines began their operations in the area. (Bn S-2 Comment: The content of this preliminary interrogation is rated F-3). The report stated that the suspect was evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for further interrogation.

c. At 211020H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC helicopter operating in the Battalion's zone of action, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997587), received fifteen small arms rounds from two Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002582). A Marine squad was dispatched from Company H to search the area but reported negative results. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported.

d. At 211100H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company E search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of HOI KINH (2) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 019573), on 21 June 1966. The report stated that one sea bag containing what was described as "Hard Core" uniforms and six U.S. carbine

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caliber .30 (M-1) rounds were discovered by the Marines. The report also stated that one Viet Cong suspect was apprehended because of suspicious acts but was later released upon preliminary interrogation.

e. At 211250H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC helicopter operating in the Battalion's zone of action, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997587) received twenty small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998595). The report stated that fixed wing aircraft directed 20mm fire at the enemy location; however, no casualties were reported. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft was reported.

f. At 212200H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company H, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996587), received what was described as a heavy volume of small arms fire and sixty 60mm mortar rounds from an estimated fifty Viet Cong positioned to the west, southeast an northeast. The report stated that Company G, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 99 0587), simultaneously received what was described as a heavy volume of small arms fire and twenty five 60mm mortar rounds from Viet Cong positioned to the north east and east. The Marines directed a heavy volume of small arms, 40mm (M-79), 60mm/81mm mortar rounds and a total of two hundred and twelve 105mm (artillery) rounds at the Viet Cong locations and the enemy fire ceased. The Marines searched the area and reported finding the body of one Viet Cong KIA and blood stains and drag marks indicating that at least eleven additional Viet Cong had been killed by the Marines fire. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. Marine casualties were eleven WIA (none of which required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (c [illegible]) and eleven Viet Cong KIA (probable).

(1) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 210945H, a Company L squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 891491), reported observing five Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 898498). Mortar support was requested and sixteen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 211135H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 931455), reported sighting six to eight Viet Cong in the open in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 948478). Artillery support was requested and four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled the area. Enemy casualties were not determined. No additional information was provided.

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c. At 211607H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol operating inthe vicinity of coordinates (AT 904482), reported observing two groups of a total of ten to twenty Viet Cong carrying packs and assembling in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 901503). Artillery support was requested and ninety two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent effect on the target area. Enemy casualties were estimated as six Viet Cong KIA (probable) and twelve Viet Cong WIA (probable).

d. At 211745H, a Company I squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 882301), reported receiving three small arms rounds from an estimated Viet Cong squad positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 880304). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and thirty two artillery rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent effect on the target area. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed), five Viet Cong KIA (probable) and two Viet Cong WIA (probable).

(4) Special Report.

a. At 211235H, the USMC Liaison NCO assigned to HOI AN relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source that two Viet Cong Main Force Companies (unidentified, armed with at least three 81mm mortars, will displace on the night of 21 June to the vicinity of coordinates (BT 042625). The report added that, after a short lapse of time, this Viet Cong force will continue to the vicinity of PHONG HO (?), coordinates (BT 065632), where they are to remain over night. The report stated that these two Viet Cong companies will separate, one heading toward the vicinity of coordinates (BT 055704) and the second company will proceed to the vicinity of CAM SA (?) hamlet, coordinates (BT 035644), thence to coordinates (BT 055704) to rejoin the first Viet Cong company at 230200H, June. The report stated that the mission of these Viet Cong companies was to attack the DA NANG Airbase. The report was rated F-3 by HOI AN. A subsequent report received at 211925H from S-2 stated that a VNAF intelligence source (unidentified) reported the movement of a two hundred man Viet Cong Force in the vicinity of grid squares (BT 0265), (BT 0365), (BT 0266) and (BT 0366). The report stated that part of this force was identified as a heavy weapons unit armed with 81mm and 120mm mortars. The report stated that the axis of advance is north and conforms with grid line 04. This report was rated C-3 by VNAF. (S-2 Comment: The five hundred man Viet Cong force as stated above is believed to be possibly the second Battalion of the 5th Regiment (localforce) and is carried on the current order of battle listings as probable unit). S-2 rates this entire report F-3.

c. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65
KIA (Confirmed)	3	1120
KIA (Probable)	24	1329
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1988
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM GRID
40	Shells, 60mm mortar	2112CH
1	Sea bag (containing misc. clothing)	2111CH

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

25	Bunkers (family)	2112CH
6	Holes, fighting	-do-
1	Tunnel (containing two rooms)	2113CH

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III MAF	(1)	1st AmTrac	(1)
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G-2	(5)	[illegible]	(1)
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[illegible]	(1)	B Co Tks	(1)
EOD	(1)	C Co Amt	(1)
MAG 11	(1)	CO	(1)
MAG 16	(1)		
HMM 265	(1)		
1/9	(2)		
2/9	(2)		
3/9	(2)		
2/12	(2)		
FSCC	(1)		
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G-3	(2)		

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #172, Period ending 231000H, June 1966

Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 96° Low: 76°

c. Average Humidity: 54%

d. Precipitation: None

e. Wind: Variable at 8 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	EMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
24 June	0554	0617	1921	1944	1136	----	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 221145H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925557), reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 931538). The Marines

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directed seventy five small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of three Viet Cong KIA. The report stated that two of the Viet Cong were clothed in khaki and the third was clothed in black pajamas. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

b. At 221430H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company C, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 908547), discovered three grey wool blankets and two hospital type beds in a steel reinforced room in a building. One CHICOM grenade was also discoverd by the Marines. The report stated that an examination of the building prior to entry revealed one explosive device, identified as a U.S. (M-26) grenade, rigged with a trip-wire activator. The device was destroyed by the Marines. The report added that when the building was destroyed the Marines received four small arms rounds from the BAN TRAN hamlet area, coordinates (AT 908547). Artillery support was requested and seventy three 105mm rounds were directed into the area. The Marines searched the area and reported finding four blood trails. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (probable) and three Viet Cong WIA (probable).

c. At 221430H, a Company A platoon, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 950592), reported observing seven armed Viet Cong moving north in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 944583). Artillery support was requested and sixty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent effect on target and which produced nine secondary explosions (size and intensity not indicated). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 221500H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925539), reported receiving what were described as six sniper rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925533). The Marines directed eight 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one Viet Cong KIA. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

e. At 221850H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 950590), resulting in two Marines KIA and eleven WIA (seven required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

f. At 221905H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol reported receiving what was described as automatic weapons fire in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 936598), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937598). Artillery support was requested and sixteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enmy location with reported excellent effect on the target area. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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c. At 222210H, a Company B platoon-sized patrol reported receiving small arms fire in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 933547), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 933548). The Marines directed fifteen small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (medical evacuation required). Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 222325H, Company C reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (AT 920547). The report identified the device as a 60mm mortar shell bearing the Lot No MA-1-601-M49A2-1954. The report stated that the shell had not been fired (one increment of propellant was in place) and was not rigged to detonate. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines.

i. At 222330H, a Company C platoon reported receiving three to five small arms rounds in the platoon positions, coordinates (AT 910550), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 914552). Mortar support was requested and six 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(2) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 220750H, a Company F squad-sized patrol reported that an engineer team conducting a mine clearing operation along ANDERSON trail, detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 006636) resulting in three Marines WIA (two of which required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a rudimentary (home-made) mine rigged with an electrical detonating mechanism. The report stated that the crater caused by the explosion measured three feet by three feet by four feet in depth. The report added that the Marines discovered a wire in the area of the explosion and traced it to a pagoda nearby. The pagoda was searched with negative results.

b. At 221120H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company G search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 991581) on 22 June. The report stated that a total of four bunkers (size not indicated) and three fighting holes were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 221330H, the battalion S-2 reported that a USMC re-supply helicopter, operating in the battalion's zone of action in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007621), received smallarms fire from the direction of coordinates (BT 007617). Artillery support was requested and sixty nine 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on the target; however, enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties of damage to the aircraft were reported.

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d. At 221530H, Company E, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vici[redacted] of coordinates (BT 022582), reported receiving fifty small arms rounds from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 021576). Artillery support was requested and sixty eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 221900H, a Company G platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 935585) resulting in one Marine KIA. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was positioned in the grass near a treeline and rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism.

f. At 230740H, a Headquarters and Service Company Communications [redacted] team, checking the communication lines, detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 012623) resulting in two Marines WIA (one of which required medical evacuation). The report did not describe the device nor indicate how it was rigged to detonate. No additional information was provided.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 221045H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 887495), reported receiving small arms fire from an estimated Viet Cong squad positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 885495). The Marines directed small arms fire and requested artillery support. 105mm artillery fire was directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding one BAR ammunition magazine. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 221147H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934455), reported sighting five Viet Cong wearing black pajamas, two of whom were carrying weapons (type not indicated), moving in a northeasterly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915445). Artillery support was requested and twenty two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and three Viet Cong KIA (probable).

c. At 221400H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source at DUC DUC District Headquarters that one Viet Cong battalion is located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 860550). The report stated that this Viet Cong force has been located at that position since 16 June. The mission of this Viet

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Cong battalion is to attack an outpost (further detail not provided) across the SONG THU BON river. The report also added that one Viet Cong battalion (unidentified) with a strength of three hundred men is presently located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 375525); one Viet Cong Company (unidentified) with a strength of eighty men is located in grid square (AT 3043) and one Viet Cong battalion (unidentified) is located in grid square (AT 9039). The report concluded that a Viet Cong POW Camp is located in grid square (BC 2041). The report was rated F-3 by 3/1 S-2. (S-2 comment: The existance of a Viet Cong combined force in excess of three battalions in this area is possible. Current order of battle at this time places the 5th Viet Cong Regiment in the vicinity of (AT 8536). The existence of one battalion in the vicinity of (AT 6650) is probable, current order of battle places the V-25 Battalion in this area. Recent A.O. reports have indicated new and extensive trenchlines and fortifications in the Georgia area northwest of the SONG THU BON. These reports combined suggest a Viet Cong build up and entrenchment in the western portion of the Georgia area of a Viet Cong force totalling approximately two battalions. This force would be capable of limited attacks in battalion strength on isolated Marine or ARVN units and this force appears to be preparing itself to sustain a prolonged attack). S-2 rates the report F-3.

b. At 221830H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT [illegible] 3486) resulting in two friendly WIA (medical evacuation not required). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire motivater.

c. At 222000H, a Company L platoon-sized patrol reported approximately twenty to thirty five small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base position, coordinates (AT 908486), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906492). Artillery and mortar support was requested and sixteen 105mm rounds and two 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong withdrawal. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians: No reports received during this reporting period.

e. Viet Cong Casualties

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 66
KIA (Confirmed)	6	1126
KIA (Probable)	4	1332
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1988
Returnees (Since 24Jan66)	0	14

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E. Captured and abandoned enemy material

NUMERAL	NOMENCLATURE	DISPOSITION
1	Shell, 60mm mortar	[illegible]
1	Grenade, SMOKE	[illegible]
1	Blanket, wool, grey	[illegible]
2	Pole, hospital	[illegible]
1	Grenade, U.S. (M-26)	[illegible]
1	Magazine, BAR, caliber .30	[illegible]

F. Destroyed enemy material other than fortifications

4	Bunkers (also not indicated)	[illegible]
3	Holes, fighting	[illegible]
1	Structure, VC	[illegible]

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DISTRIBUTION

III MAF	1
III MAF FOLAD	1
G-2	1
[redacted]	1
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ADC	1
MAG 11	1
MAG 16	1
MAG 36	1
1/9	1
2/9	1
3/9	1
2/12	1
ESCC	1
S-2	1
S-4	1
Intelligence	1
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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #173, Period ending 241000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 96° Low: 74°

c. Average Humidity: 60%

d. Precipitation: 1.85 inches

e. Wind: Variable at 8 knots

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
25 June	0554	0617	1922	1945	1234	0022	1/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 230810H, a Company A platoon, deployed in a blocking position in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 943591), reported observing four armed Viet Cong entering the NUI CHU BA hamlet, coordinates (AT 941596). Artillery support was

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requested and thirty six 105m. rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong quickly dispersed. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 231025H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company D platoon search and clear operation in the vicinity of CIAO THUY (2) hamlet, coordinates (AT 947547), on 23 June. The report stated that the Marines discovered tunnels (size and quantity not indicated), caches (type not indicated), one loud speaker and miscellaneous documents (unevaluated). The report stated that all captured material would be evacuated for examination. Additional information will be provided when available.

c. At 231640H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9253) and (AT 9254). The report stated that a total of forty four bunkers (size not indicated), one tunnel (size not indicated), two caves (size not indicated) and one fighting hole were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

d. At 221745H, a Company B platoon reported receiving twenty to thirty small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 927528), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927529). Artillery and mortar support was requested and thirty eight 105mm rounds and 81mm mortar fire were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 231830H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol , operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947547), reported observing three Viet Cong clothed in uniforms (type not indicated) moving through the grass in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947543). The report stated that when the Viet Cong spotted the advancing Marines they fled to the south west into a tree line. The Marines directed three 90mm (tank) rounds at the fleeing enemy and reported direct hits on the target area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of three dead Viet Cong. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

(2) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 231200H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938561), reported sighting seven armed Viet Cong in the open in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946474). Artillery support was requested and two 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled into a treeline. No further observations were made. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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b. At 231705H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938461) reported sighting four armed Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 973479). Artillery support was requested and six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled the area. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 231915H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938461), reported sighting three armed Viet Cong, clothed in black pajamas and carrying packs, moving in a southerly direction in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 945476). Artillery support was requested and twenty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with unobserved results. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. AtAt 231930H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalion's zone of action observed three armed Viet Cong carrying packs in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946474). Artillery support was requested and fourteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported that the target area was completely covered by the artillery fire but it was to dark to observe the fires' effect.

(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 231615H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company H search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of NONG SON (2) hamlet, coordinates (BT 003575), on 23 June. The report stated that three freshly prepared graves were discovered, three of which bore a red star engraved on the headstones. The report stated that one of the three grave markers was inscribed in Vietnamese, "Your Country Will Not Forget You", which may have indicated that this Viet Cong was more than just an ordinary soldier. The local villagers informed the Marines that these three graves were prepared late in the evening on 18 June. The villagers also stated that forty Viet Cong had passed through their hamlet on the night of 22 June heading in a northerly direction. Additional information will be provided when available.

C. **Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians**

a. See 231615H entry, this INTSUM.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period	Cumulative Since 10Jul65
KIA (Confirmed)	3	1129
KIA (Probable)	0	1332
VC Captured	0	269
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1988
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
1	Cache (type not indicated)	231025H
1	Loudspeaker	-do-
Unk	Documents, unevaluated	-do-

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

Unk	Tunnels (size not indicated)	231025H
44	Bunkers (size not indicated)	-do-
2	Caves (size not indicated)	-do-
1	Hole, fighting	-do-

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III MAF	(1)	1stAmtrac	(1)
III MAF POLAD	(1)	1stMar	(1)
G-2	(5)	3AtBn	(1)
3dMar	(1)	3dTkBn	(1)
3dEngr	(1)	B Co Tks	(1)
EOD	(1)	C Co At	(1)
MAG 11	(1)	CO	(1)
MAG 16	(1)		
HMM 265	(1)		
1/9	(2)		
2/9	(2)		
3/9	(2)		
2/12	(2)		
FSCC	(1)		
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #174, Period ending 251000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 98° Low: 73°

c. Average Humidity: 46%

d. Precipitation: Trace

e. Wind: Variable at 10 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
26 June	0554	0617	1922	1945	1329	0102	1/2

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 2dBn 9thMar:

a. At 240755H, the Battalion S-2 reported that elements from Hqs ster and Service Company, involved in transporting rubbish in the vicinity of coordin (BT 003631), received three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in t vicinity of coordinates (BT 004632). The report stated that the Marines did

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return the enemy fire due to other Marine elements operating in the area. No Marine casualties were reported.

b. At 241130H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Headquarters and Service Company working party located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 015627) discovered one tunnel described as being constructed in an "S" shape and measuring fifteen feet in length. The report stated that three air holes were concealed by shrubbery. The report stated that the tunnel will be destroyed.

c. At 241200H, Company F fireteam-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 011624). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed in an area from where small arms fire had emanated earlier. A routine examination revealed that he lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

d. At 241200H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an engineer element, conducting a road mine clearing operation, reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect (female) in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 012629). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that she lacked adequate identification. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point, for investigation.

e. At 241200H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, manning security positions on the Battalion Command Post perimeter, coordinates (BT 015627), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010629). The report stated that the Marines did not return the enemy fire due to a friendly (USMC) patrol operating in the area. Headquarters and Service Company dispatched a squad size patrol to search the area which produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 241230H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company C searchaand destroy operation conducted on 24 June in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 995555). The report stated that one tank trap, described as twenty feet by fifteen feet by ten feet and one "suspected mine field," described as one hundred feet in length and fifty feet in width were discovered and will be destroyed by the Marines. Engineer elements probed selected areas within the suspected minefield with negative results. The reported stated that the villagers of KY LAM TAY (1), informed the Marines that the Viet Cong had laid the minefield approximately three to four months ago. The report added that, what was described as, a Russian-Type anti-personnal mine was also discovered and evacuated for technical evaluation. Additional information will be provided when available.

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g. At 241400H, a Company G platoon-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong and one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993558). The report stated that the captives were apprehended when they were observed walking along a trail and attempted to flee when they spotted the Marines patrol. The report added that small arms fire was directed at the fleeing Viet Cong striking the male in the legs, arms and chest. The male was clothed in a khaki uniform and carried what appeared to be a rifle. The weapon was discarded and could not be recovered: however, one cartridge belt was taken from the male along with one Viet Cong identification card, one CHICOM grenade, one diary and miscellaneous papers. The report stated that the male Viet Cong captive was evacuated to the 3d Medical Battalion for treatment and investigation. The female Viet Cong suspect, the wife of the Viet Cong, was evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

h. At 241430H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company G search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9955) and (AT 9956) on 24 June. The report stated that one bunker described as four feet by six feet reinforced with bamboo was discovered and destroyed in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999561). The report also stated that the roof of a house, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 991559), was booby trapped with a U.S. (M-26) grenade rigged to detonate with trip-wire activators placed along the edge of the roof. The report stated that the device and structure were destroyed by the Marines.

i. At 241950H, Company E reported receiving ten small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (BT 041585), from one or two Viet Cong positioned in the vicintiy of coordinates (BT 035559). The report stated that the enemy fire was not returned because the fire were not continue and no observations could be made. No Marine casualties were reported.

j. At 242000H, a Company F platoon reported receiving three small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 990641), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993639). The report stated that the Marines did not return the fire since the Viet Cong location could not be determined. No Marine casualties were reported.

k. At 250707H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC helicopter operating in the Battalions zone of action, coordinates (AT 988573) received small arms fire from eight to twelve Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 003614). Fixed wing aircraft on station requested and directed seventy two 2.75 inch (aerial) rockets and five hundred 20mm (aerial cannon) rounds at the enemy position. Artillery support was also requested and eighty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined. Additional information will be provided when available.

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a. Late Report. At 240900H, a Company B squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 933551), reported observing two males in a boat on the lake in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934551). The report stated that, when the boat occupants spotted the patrol, they directed four small arms rounds at the Marines. The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the boat and reported sinking it. The report stated that both occupants of the boat were struck by the Marines' fire and killed. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

b. Late Report. At 240910H, a Company B squad, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 924534), reported receiving ten to twelve small arms rounds described as sniper fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 918528). Artillery and mortar support was requested and directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The report stated that the Marines could not search the site of the Viet Cong positions because of an intervening body of water (the SONG THU BON). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. Late Report. At 240930H, a Company D platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946547), reported that, when one bunker (size not indicated) was destroyed, one Viet Cong was observed running from the area in close proximity to the Marines. The report stated that when small arms fire was directed at the fleeing man, a secondary explosion occurred which was believed to have resulted when a small arms round struck a grenade carried by the fleeing man. A search of the body revealed a second U.S. (M-26) grenade. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

d. At 241132H, a Company B squad-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 933548), reported observing two Viet Cong flee into a tunnel in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 931549). The Marines directed ten small arms founds at the enemy position and reported killing both Viet Cong. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. The report added that the tunnel was destroyed by the Marines. No Marine casualities were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

e. At 241400H, a Company B patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 932541). The suspect was apprehended when a routine examination revealed that the suspect had second and third burns over approximately twenty-five percent of his body which appeared to be caused by napalm and that he had, what were described as, pack strap marks on his shoulders. The report continued that, as the patrol was evacuating the above suspect, a second suspect was apprehended in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 919535). This latter suspect had a gunshot wound in the ankle which he could not explain adequately. Both suspects were evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

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f. At 241520H, a Company C platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906548), reported discovering what was described as overlay maps hidden under some boards in a building. The report stated that the maps would be evacuated for examination.

g. At 241530H, a Company C platoon, conducting an attack with tank support in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 913539), reported observing four Viet Cong wearing what was described as web gear in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 915535). The Marines directed five 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and reported making direct hits on the target area. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and two Viet Cong WIA (probable). No weapons or equipment were reported recovered.

h. At 241630H, a Company D platoon, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947547), reported observing four Viet Cong, one of which was carrying a pack, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947536). The Marines directed one 90mm (tank) round at the enemy position and reported that the round made a direct hit on the target area. Enemy casualties were estimated as four Viet Cong KIA (confirmed). No weapons or equipment were reported recovered.

i. At 241900H, a Company B platoon reported receiving three small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 933547), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 932542). The Marines directed twenty five small arms rounds and six 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 242030H, a Company B squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 920547), reported hearing what was described as a loudspeaker broadcast emanating from the vicinity of coordinates (AT 917556). The report stated that the broadcast was in Vietnamese language and was identified as a Viet Cong propaganda effort. Artillery support was requested and twenty four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the broadcasting ceased. No additional information was provided.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 240630H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998461), reported sighting five armed Viet Cong carrying packs in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996481). Artillery support was requested and one 155mm round was directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled into PHU NHAM TAY (2) hamlet, coordinates (BT 006485). Enemy casualties were not determined.

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b. Late Report. At 240915H, a Company L platoon reported receiving ten small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 898467) from an estimated Viet Cong squad positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906492). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds and six 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery support was requested and eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. Late Report. At 240930H, a Company L squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 902490), reported observing ten Viet Cong fleeing from an area in close proximity to an earlier artillery fire mission (see 240915H entry, this INTSUM) in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906493). Artillery support was requested and eight 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported excellent effect on the target area. The report stated that one Viet Cong was observed falling as if struck by artillery fragments. The remainder of the Viet Cong fled into a treeline. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the body of one Viet Cong KIA and large pools of blood and drag mark indicating that at least three additional Viet Cong had been killed and an estimated five Viet Cong wounded by the artillery fire. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and an estimated three Viet Cong KIA (probable) and five Viet Cong WIA (probable).

d. At 241210H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998461), reported sighting six Viet Cong, one of which was clothed in khaki and the remaining five were clothed in black pajamas, moving in a north westerly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 984473). The report added that only one of the six Viet Cong carried a weapon. Artillery support was requested and twenty 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong KIA (probable).

e. At 241228H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 996462), reported sighting four Viet Cong, one of which was armed and carrying what was described as a pack, walking in a north easterly direction along a trail in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 975463). The report stated that the Viet Cong disappeared from sight before effective artillery fire could be directed into the area. No additional information was provided.

f. At 241225H, a Company L squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 904494), reported observing three armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906496). The Marines directed one hundred small arms rounds, three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and one LAAW (M-72) round at the enemy

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position and the Viet Cong fled in an easterly direction. The Marines pursued the Viet Cong until contact was lost. The report stated that the Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. No casualties were reported.

g. At 241340H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 997462), reported sighting seven Viet Cong leave a building in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 983471). Artillery support was requested and 105mm fire was directed at the enemy location which resulted in one secondary explosion (size and intensity not indicated). Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) Special Reports

a. At 241215H, the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines S-2 Officer provided the results of a joint USMC/ARVN COUNTY FAIR operation conducted in PHONG LUC (3) hamlet, coordinates (BT 015622) during the period 230530H to 241200H. The report stated that numerous tunnels and caves were discovered and destroyed by the ARVN forces. The report also added that the ARVN forces captured one Viet Cong and one U.S. rifle, Springfield model 03. No additional information was provided.

b. At 241830H, the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines S-2 Officer relayed a report from an unidentified GVN source at DAI LOC District Headquarters that two Viet Cong companies identified as the V-26 and R-22 with a strength of two hundred men armed with one 81mm mortar, one 60mm mortar, two machine guns and twelve submachineguns have desplaced from the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937557) to the vicinity of coordinates (AT 950555) and (AT 950563). The report was rated C-2 by DAI LOC. S-2 1/9 rates the report F-3. (S-2 Comment: The existance of the V-26 and R-22 companies at the locations reported is doubtful, though the general area is contiguous to the operating areas of the V-25 Battalion and R-20 Battalion the parent unity of both companies respectively. Present order of battle places the V-26 company in the vicinity of grid square (AT 8453) and the R-22 company in the vicinity of grid square (AT 9563). The existence of a company plus size force with the capabilities as listed in the area reported is possible considering the recent Viet Cong indicated incidents across the lower portion of the 1stBn 9th Mar 20A and the confirmed operating area of the R-20 Bn. S-2 9th Marines rates the report F-3 (unit identification rated F-6).

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians

a. See 241230H entry, this INESUM.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period	Cumulative Since 1Jul65
KIA (Confirmed)	12	1141
KIA (Probable)	4	1336
VC Captured	1	270
VC Suspects Apprehended	4	1992
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	KITSUM ENTRY NO
1	Mine, AP, Russian-type	241230K
Unk	Maps, overlay	241520K
1	Belt, cartridge	241400K
1	Diary (unevaluated)	-do-
Unk	Papers (unevaluated)	-do-
1	Boat	240900K
1	Grenade, U.S. (M-26)	240990K

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

1	Tunnel, 15 ft in length	241130K
1	Trap, tank, 20x15x10 ft	241250K
1	Bunker (size not indicated)	240950K
1	Tunnel (size not indicated)	241132K
1	Bunker, 4x6 ft	241430K
1	Structure (booby-trapped)	-do-

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discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report stated that the Viet Cong suspects, both males, age 30 to 35, were bound and placed in a bunker pending evacuation. The report stated that the suspects succeeded in freeing themselves of the bonds and excavated an exit to the rear of the bunker and attempted to escape. When the Marines observed the suspects fleeing the area, a challenge was issued to halt and, when the challenge was ignored, small arms fire was directed at the fleeing men, killing them both. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA (confirmed).

b. At 251215H, a reconnaissance element (Company I platoon, 3d Marine Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 003464), reported receiving small arms fire from three Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998859). The reported stated that, since the location of the Marines observation post had become known, USMC helicopters were utilized to extract the Marines from the area. Thirty four 155mm (artillery) rounds were directed into the area with unknown results. No additional information was provided.

c. At 251[illegible]H, a Company L squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903483), reported receiving thirty small arms rounds from an estimated four Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 904482). The Marines directed one hundred fifty small arms rounds and fourteen 106mm (artillery) rounds at the enemy location and the Viet Cong withdrew. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not confirmed.

d. At 251[illegible]H, a Company I squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 899490), reported observing six to eight armed Viet Cong running in a northerly direction in the vicinity of coordinates (AT [illegible]). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and ten 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood stains and drag marks indicating that at least one Viet Cong was killed by the Marines' fire. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA (probable).

e. At 251[illegible]H, a Company I platoon reported receiving twenty small arms rounds and what was described as two hand grenades in the platoon patrol base positions, coordinates (AT 885492), from five Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed four hundred small arms rounds, fifteen 40mm (M-79) rounds and six U.S. (M-26) grenades at the enemy position and the Viet Cong broke contact, withdrawing to the northeast. Artillery and mortar support was requested and fifteen 105mm rounds and 60mm mortar fire was directed at the enemy withdrawal routes. The Marines searched the site of the vacated Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were estimated as one Viet Cong KIA (probable).

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a. At 251020H, a Company D squad-sized element, conducting [illegible] and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946557), reported observing one Vietnamese male fleeing the area in close proximity of the [illegible]. The Marines directed small arms fire at the fleeing man who succeeded in [illegible] the Marines. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 251100H, a Company C platoon, conducting a search and [illegible] operation reported the discovery of two explosive devices at coordinates (AT 980544). The report identified one of the devices as a cluster of twelve 40mm (M-79) rounds, buried below the surface of the ground, and the second device as a 20mm (cartridge trap?) positioned on the trail and stated that both devices were rigged with pressure-type activating mechanisms. The report stated that both devices were destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 251220H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company B platoon sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947547), discovered several batteries (BA-270) tied together and hidden in a bag of rice. The report stated that the batteries were evacuated to the battalion S-2 for examination.

d. At 251445H, a Company B platoon, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936545) reported hearing what was described as movement and receiving what was described as sporadic sniper fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936532). The Marines directed sixty-two 81mm mortar rounds and reported several (number not indicated) secondary explosions (size and intensity not indicated). Artillery support was also requested and fifty 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The report stated that the target area was destroyed; however, enemy casualties were not determined. No Marine casualties were reported.

e. At 251445H, a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936543), reported receiving thirty five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936530). The Marines directed sixty-five small arms rounds, two 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and three 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery and mortar support was requested and fifteen 60mm mortar rounds, ten 81mm mortar rounds and 6" howitzer fire were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

f. At 251715H, the Battalion S-2 reported that tanks providing road security in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925537), reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529). The Marines directed one 90mm (tank) round at the enemy position and reported making a direct hit on the target area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood stains and drag marks indicating that at least one Viet Cong had been killed. No weapons or equipment was reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one (probable).

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c. At 251900H, a Company D platoon positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947413), reported observing Vietnamese males on the far (north) side of the SONG THU BON running back and forth from a trooling to the shoreline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947546). The report stated that three males were carrying packages and loading four boats. Tanks supporting the platoon fired four 90mm (tank) rounds the the location and reported observing a large secondary explosion as the first boat, which was being loaded, was hit. The report stated that all four boats were sunk, however, enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 252016H, Headquarters and Service Company squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938623), reported that twelve small arms rounds were received by a Marine psychological warfare team, dominating a psywar broadcast, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 950627). The report stated that the ambush element could observe the muzzle flashes from the Viet Cong small arms and directed five small arms rounds at the suspected enemy site and the enemy fire ceased. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

i. At 252215H, a Company B listening post, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936545), reported receiving what was described as one hand grenade in the listening post positions resulting in four Marines WIA (medical evacuation required). Company B dispatched a squad-sized patrol to render assistance and to search the area which produced negative results. No additional information was provided.

j. At 260619H, a Company B squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925537), reported receiving ten to fifteen small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 9[illegible]). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds, three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and two 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position. Artillery support was requested and 105mm fire was directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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a. At 251425H, a Company G, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 012568), reported observing five Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 003569). The Marines directed five small arms rounds and ten 106mm (ONTOS) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 251500H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Headquarters and Service Company Communication Wire Team observed a secondary explosion (size and intensity not indicated) when they utilized a fifteen pound shape charge to excavate holes for line poles in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 003632). No additional information was provided.

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F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications:

QUANTITY	ITEM	LOCATION
35	Bunkers (also not indicated)	25Q125
5	Holes, fighting	-do-
1	Trenchline, 75 meters in length	-do-
6	Bunkers (also not indicated)	-do-
30	Holes, fighting	-do-

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Subj: Intelligence Summary #176, Period ending 271000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 96° LOW: 76°

c. Average Humidity: 67%

d. Precipitation: 1.32 inches

e. Wind: S 8-10 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	EENCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EENCT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
28 June	0555	0618	1922	1945	1520	0222	1/2

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 261220H, a Company I platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 878506), reported receiving small arms fire from five to seven Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 876515). The Marines directed twenty five small arms rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, artillery and

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support was requested and thirty two 105mm rounds and ten 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong broke contact and fled the area. The report stated that one Viet Cong was observed falling as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding blood stains. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA(probable).

(2) 2dBn 9thMar

a. At 261230H, a Company F squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 008609), reported receiving five small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 011609). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and three 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 261344H, the Battalion S-2 reported the results of a Company G platoon search and destroy operation in the vicinity of grid squares (BT 0156) and (BT 0256) on 26 June. The report stated that the Marines discovered and destroyed one bunker (size not indicated) at coordinates (BT 019568), one bunker (size not indicated) at coordinates (BT 023568) and two explosive devices, identified as 105mm (artillery) rounds (DUDS), both of which were rigged to detonate with trip-wire activators.

c. At 261407H, the Battalion S-2 reported that tanks attached to Company F, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007616), observed three to four bamboo stakes placed in the ground. The report stated that the tanks backed up and directed two 90mm (tank, HE) rounds and three 90mm (tank, canister) rounds at the area and three secondary explosions occurred (size and intensity not indicated).

d. At 261545H, Company F, conducting a search and destroy operation reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 003611) resulting in three Marines WIA(two of which required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was positioned in the entrance of a destroyed structure and rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism.

e. At 261700H, a Company F platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007612), reported receiving one small arms round from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007616). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the suspected enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the suspected Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA(required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined.

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f. At 261800H, a Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion) platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of PHONG THU (1) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 980569), reported the discovery and destruction of ten fighting holes, five bunkers (size not indicated) and two gates. No additional details were provided.

g. At 270700H, Headquarters and Service Company elements, manning security positions on the battalion command post perimeter, coordinates (BT 015627), reported receiving five small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 015629). The enemy fire was not repeated and a squad-sized patrol was dispatched to search the area which produced negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 261000H, Company A, conducting a search and clear operation, reported that a USMC tank detonated an explosive device at coordinates (AT 958 595). No casualties were reported. The report described the device as an 81mm mortar round or possibly a 105mm (artillery) round and stated it was positioned on a trail rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism. The report added that damage to the tank was considered light, but provided no additional details.

b. At 261000H, the Battalion S-2 reported that Company A, conducting a search and clear operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 958595), discovered the body of a dead Vietnamese male, lying on a bed near a rice paddy. The report indicated that the male had received a gunshot wound in the head and was being prepared for burial by the local villagers. No additional details were provided.

c. At 261300H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a Company B platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 937 954), discovered and destroyed what was described as a Viet Cong hospital. The report stated that the structure contained forty partitions and a large overhead reflector-type lamp. No additional information was provided. Additional details will be provided if available.

d. At 261320H, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 908547), discovered and destroyed what was described as a possible Viet Cong field hospital which had three rooms and contained what was described as three large tables. The report stated that all medical supplies were removed from the structure prior to destruction and were evacuated for examination. No additional details were provided.

e. At 261845H, a Company A platoon-sized patrol, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 966601) resulting in three Marines WIA(required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a US (M-16A1) "bounding" mine and stated that it was positioned on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activating mechanism.

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f. At 262110H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company B search and destroy operation conducted in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9354) and (AT 9454) on 26 June. The report stated that a total of twenty-six bunkers (size not indicated) and one tunnel, described as twenty meters in length, were discovered and destroyed by the Marines.

g. At 262130H, a Company B listening post, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 938543), reported observing one Viet Cong at close range who attempted to throw a grenade at the Marines' position. The Marines directed ten small arms rounds and one 40mm (M-79) round at the Viet Cong and observed him fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report stated that seconds later the Viet Cong grenade detonated near him. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong KIA(confirmed).

h. At 262140H, Company D reported receiving fifty small arms rounds, described as automatic carbine fire, in the Company Command Post perimeter, coordinates (AT 958561), from four Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 954563). The Marines directed two hundred small arms rounds and three 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds at the enemy position. When the enemy fire continued, mortar support was requested and six 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(4) Special Reports

a. During the previous seven days, three separate incidents have been reported of surprise firing devices being positioned in the doorways of structures that had been destroyed previously by Marine artillery. As a matter of routine, these destroyed structures have been entered and searched by Marines. Due regard has not been given to the possibility of these structures being booby-trapped and the surprise firing devices have been detonated by the Marines.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians. No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	1	1144
KIA(Probable)	0	1359
VC Captured	0	270
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1992
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

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E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	IMSUM ENTRY NO.
2	Shells, artillery, 105mm (DUD)	261344H
1	Hospital, VC	261300H
1	Hospital, VC	261320H
UNK	Supplies, medical	261320H
1	Gate	261800H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

1	Bunker (size not indicated)	261344H
1	Bunker (size not indicated)	-do-
10	Holes, fighting	261800H
5	Bunkers (size not indicated)	-do-

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DISTRIBUTION:

III MAF	(1)
III MAF PCLAD	(1)
G-2	(7)
3dMar	(1)
1stMar	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG-11	(1)
MAG-16	(1)
HMM 265	(1)
1/9	(2)
2/9	(2)
3/9	(2)
2/12	(2)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(6)
S-3	(2)
1stAmTrac	(1)
3dTankBn	(1)
3dATBn	(1)
B Co Tanks	(1)
C Co AT	(1)
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28 June 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #177, Period ending 281000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: High: 97° Low: 74°

c. Average Humidity: 65%

d. Precipitation: 0.4 inches

e. Wind: Variable at 8 knots

f. Visibility: 7-10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
29 June	0555	0618	1922	1945	1616	0305	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 270915H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from an unidentified Ex-ARVN soldier that the Viet Cong have planted mines south of highway #14 (exact location not indicated). The report stated that because the villagers of NI KIMH (4) hamlet, coordinates (BF 035575), had been killed, the

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Viet Cong have decided to stay there. The report also stated that the hamlet of KY LAM TY (1), coordinates (AT 996558) has been a focal point of the Viet Cong in the area. One Viet Cong platoon has been operating in this hamlet for the past several days and have maintained surveillance over the Marines and their activities. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-3. A subsequent report received at 271728H from the U.S. Army Advisor at DIEN BAN District Headquarters indicated that the area, described as fifteen hundred meters south of highway #14 and lying between grid lines 95 and 97 contain mines (type not indicated) that have been emplaced by the Viet Cong just recently. S-2 rates this portion of the report F-3.

b. At 271030H, the Battalion S-2 reported that a USMC vehicle (OTHERS), conducting a re-supply operation for Company E, reported the discovery of an explosive device at coordinates (BT 013625). The report identified the device as a 60mm mortar shell (DUD) and stated that it was descovered on a trail but was not rigged to detonate. The report stated that the shell was destroyed by the Marines.

c. At 271100H, a Company E squad-sized patrol, reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 995555); however, no casualties were reported. The report described the device as a rudimentary (home made) mine consisting of approximately three to four pounds of explosives (TNT) and stated that it was positioned on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

d. At 271145H, the Battalion S-2 reported that villagers of KY LAM TAY (1), coordinates (AT 997554) informed Company E that there were Viet Cong mine fields in the immediate area. A probe of selected areas produced negative results. The report also stated that a quantity of medical supplies were also discovered in KY LAM TAY (1) hamlet and would be evacuated to the battalion S-2 for examination.

e. At 271245H, a Company E squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of KY LAM TAY (1) hamlet area, coordinates (BT 003560), reported discovering what was described as a food cache considered large enough to sustain approximately seventy-five men for a period of about fifteen days. The report stated that a sample of the food cache would be evacuated to the Battalion S-2. The report also added that one Viet Cong suspect was apprehended in the area of the found cache for inability to explain all the food. The suspect was evacuated to the Battalion S-2 for examination and further processing to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point.

f. At 271645H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of a Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this Battalion), search and destroy operation conducted in NGUC AN (2) hamlet area, coordinates (AT 932556), on 27 June. The report stated that a total of five caves and three bunkers (size of either not indicated) were discovered and destroyed by the Marines. The report also stated that ten grenades, C4ICOM, two rolls of barbed wire, two cans of cooking oil, miscellaneous clothing, shoes, documents, medical supplies and one Viet Cong flag was also discovered and evacuated for examination.

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g. At 271930H, a Company F platoon-sized patrol operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007613), reported hearing what was described as drums and voices emanating from the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007608). Artillery support was requested and forty-four 105mm rounds were directed at the suspected enemy location and the noices ceased. The Marines searched the area with negative results. No casualties reported.

(2) 1stBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 270945H, Company B reported receiving three small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 925537), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 927539). The Marines directed ten 40mm (M-79) rounds and one 90mm (tank) round at the enemy position. Artillery and mortar support was also requested and twenty-five 105mm rounds and fifty 60mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 271000H, a tank/infantry patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 903543), reported observing three armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 902538) and ten armed Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 916536). The tanks directed a total of eight hundred caliber .30 machine gun rounds, seventy-five caliber .50 machine gun rounds and twenty-eight 90mm (tank) rounds at both enemy locations. Enemy casualties were five Viet Cong KIA (confirmed) and seven Viet Cong KIA (probable). No weapons or equipment was recovered.

c. At 271145H, a Company A platoon, conducting a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 968593), reported discovering an ammunition can containing two 40mm (M-79) rounds, one U.S. (M-26) grenade an two hundred forty caliber .30 (M-1) rounds. The report stated that all of the ammunition cache was destroyed by the Marines.

d. At 271200H, a Company B squad-sized patrol reported apprehending one Viet Cong Suspect in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 928543). The report stated that the suspect was apprehended when he was observed attempting to hide from the Marines in the midst of a group of women. The report stated that the suspect will be evacuated to the 3d Marine Division Prisoner Collection Point for investigation.

e. At 271807H, Company B reported receiving eight to ten small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 925537) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529). Artillery support was requested and twenty-five rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on the target area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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f. At 272030H, Company D, reported receiving three to four small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 958561), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 963561). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined.

g. At 272145H, a Company B listening post, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 936543), reported receiving one hand grenade from Viet Cong positioned at close range. The Marines directed sixty small arms rounds and four 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA (required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 270835H, a reconnaissance element (Company D platoon, 3d Recon Bn, under OPCON this battalion), positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 870494), reported sighting fifteen Viet Cong in the open in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 880515). Artillery support was requested and forty-six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location with a reported excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 271035H, an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalions' zone of action reported receiving small arms fire from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529). Artillery support was requested and twenty-five 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The Aerial Observer reported excellent effect on target; however, enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 272030H, Company L reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (AT 877477), resulting in one Marine WIA (required medical evacuation). The report described the device as possibly a hand grenade based on size and intensity of the explosion, and stated that it was positioned on a trail rigged with a trip-wire activator.

d. At 280705H, the Battalion S-2 reported that an Aerial Observer operating in the Battalions' zone of action in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 907484) received small arms fire. Artillery support was requested and 105mm fire was directed at the enemy location. No Marine casualties or damage to the aircraft were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians

a. See 270915H entry, this INTSUM.

b. See 271145H entry, this INTSUM.

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D. Viet Cong Casualties: For 24 Hours Ending [redacted] Cumulative [redacted]

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KIA (Confirmed)	5	1145
KIA (Probable)	7	1346
VC Captured	0	270
VC Suspects Apprehended	2	1994
Returnees (Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO
1	Shell, 60mm mortar (DUD)	27103C
1	Cache, food	27124C
10	Grenades, CHICOM	27164C
Unk	Documents, (unevaluated)	-do-
Unk	Supplies, medical	-do-
1	Flag, VC	-do-
1	Cache, ammunition	27114C

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

5	Caves (size not indicated)	27164C
3	Bunkers	-do-

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III MAF POLAD	(1)	3rdBn	(1)
G-2	(6)	3dTkBn	(1)
3dMar	(1)	B Co Tks	(1)
1stMar	(1)	C Co AA	(1)
3dEngr	(1)	CO	(1)
EOD	(1)		
MAG 11	(1)		
MAG 16	(1)		
HMM 265	(1)		
1/9	(2)		
2/9	(2)		
3/9	(2)		
2/12	(2)		
FSCC	(1)		
S-2	(6)		
S-5	(2)		

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #179, Period ending 291000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 93° LOW: 78°

c. Average Humidity: 67%

d. Precipitation: .85 inches

e. Wind: SW at 5 knots

f. Visibility: 7 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change

(3) Astronomical Data

	EMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
30 June	0555	0618	1923	1946	1715	0349	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

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a. No enemy contacts nor items of intelligence value received during this reporting period.

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(2) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 281500H, a Company D platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 944547), reported observing three armed Viet Cong positioned in a treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 944532). Artillery support was requested and four 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location. The report stated that when the first artillery round impacted, one of the Viet Cong fled to the south. Enemy casualties were not determined.

b. At 281815H, a Company B squad, in a defensive position in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 924534), reported receiving one small arms round from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529). Artillery and mortar support was requested and thirty-seven 105mm rounds and twenty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location with reported good effect on the target area. The report stated that the Marines did not search the site of the Viet Cong positions because of an intervening body of water (the SONG THU BON). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 282020H, a Headquarters and Service Company platoon providing security for tanks positioned on Hill #1, coordinates (AT 982624), reported receiving twenty to twenty-five small arms rounds (over a period of thirty minutes) from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 989625). The area was illuminated with 81mm mortar illumination rounds and the Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 290635H, Company B reported receiving seven to ten small arms rounds in the Company Command Post positions, coordinates (AT 925537), from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 921529). Artillery support was requested and fourteen 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 280940H, Headquarters and Service Company reported that a USMC truck, 2½ ton, 6x6, detonated an explosive device at coordinates (BT 015627). No casualties or damage to the vehicle were reported. The report described the device as a fifteen pound CHICOM (box-mine) and stated that it was positioned on the road and rigged with a pressure-release type activating mechanism.

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b. At 281150H, a Company F fire team-sized patrol, providing security for a road mine clearing operation in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 009609), reported observing three Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 007609). The Marines directed seventy small arms rounds at the enemy position and reported observing one Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were one Viet Cong WIA(probable).

c. At 282100H, a Company H platoon patrol base position, located in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998618), reported hearing movement in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999619). Mortar support was requested and ten 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the movement ceased. No casualties were reported.

d. At 282135H, a Company H platoon patrol base position, located in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 004615), reported receiving fifteen small arms rounds, described as automatic weapons fire, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 993618). The report also stated that Vietnamese voices were heard, making what was believed to be a speech, emanating from the same general area. Mortar support was requested and twenty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire as well as all sounds ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 282140H, the Battalion S-2 provided the results of the battalion search and destroy operations conducted on 28 June. The report stated that Company G destroyed one bunker, described as ten feet by four feet by three feet in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 039579). Company F destroyed thirty-five tunnels, ranging in size from seven feet by four feet by three feet to ten feet by four feet by four feet, and forty-eight bunkers in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 010615). Company E destroyed twenty-five meters of trenchline and one hundred meters of treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 002571). Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), destroyed thirty-five fighting holes, six gates and fifteen bunkers, described as ten feet by four feet by three feet (two of which produced secondary explosions upon destruction) in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 014601). Company H destroyed three tunnels, described as fifteen feet by three feet, twenty-seven bunkers, described as ten feet by four feet by three feet and three hundred meters of treeline in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 004615).

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f. At 290145H, a Company H platoon-sized ambush reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 006615), resulting in two Marines WIA(required medical evacuation), while moving into an ambush position. The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was positioned on a trail and rigged with a trip-wire activator.

g. At 290825H, a Company E patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 999527), reported discovering what was described as an ammunition cache consisting of fifty-seven 60mm mortar rounds and approximately five pounds of explosives (type not indicated). The report stated that the cache was destroyed by the Marines.

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	0	1149
KIA(Probable)	0	1346
VC Captured	0	270
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1994
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
1	Cache, ammunition (60mm mortar rounds)	290825H

F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications

a. See 282140H entry, this INTSUM for recapitulation of destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications by the 2dBn 9thMar on 28 June.

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III MAF FCLAD	(1)	HMM 265	(1)	1stAmTrac	(1)
G-2	(7)	1/9	(2)	3dAABn	(1)
3dMar	(1)	2/9	(2)	3dTankBn	(1)
1stMar	(1)	3/9	(2)	B Co Tanks	(1)
3dMAGr	(1)	2/12	(2)	C Co AT	(1)
EOD	(1)	FSCC	(1)	CO	(1)
MAG-11	(1)	S-2	(6)		

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30 June 1966

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (G-2)

Subj: Intelligence Summary #180, Period ending 301000H, June 1966

1. Summary of the Enemy Situation for the Period.

A. Characteristics of the Area of Operations

(1) Weather

a. General: Partly cloudy

b. Temperature: HIGH: 95° LOW: 78°

c. Average Humidity: 77%

d. Precipitation: Thunderstorms after 1600H

e. Wind: Light and variable

f. Visibility: 10 miles

(2) Trafficability of roads/trails within the Area of Operations
No change.

(3) Astronomical Data

	BMCT	SUNRISE	SUNSET	EECT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	PHASE
1 July	0556	0619	1923	1946	1811	0438	3/4

B. Enemy Military Situation

(1) 1stBn 9thMar

a. At 291100H, a Company D platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947547), reported observing three Viet Cong carrying what was described as packs, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 947543). The Marines directed forty small arms rounds and five 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and reported observing one Viet Cong fall as if struck by the Marines' fire. The report stated that the other two Viet Cong assisted the fallen Viet

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b. At 291115H, a Company B squad, manning security positions on the company perimeter, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925534), reported receiving three small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 930529). The Marines directed forty small arms rounds and twenty 81mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. Marine casualties were one WIA(required medical evacuation). Enemy casualties were not determined.

c. At 291340H, a Company B squad, manning security positions on the company perimeter, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925527), reported receiving ten small arms rounds from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 926528). Artillery support was requested and thirty-six 105mm rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 191550H, a Company B squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 934537), reported receiving twenty small arms rounds from an estimated five Viet Cong positioned on the far (south) side of the SONG THU BON, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 940536) and (AT 945538). The Marines directed ten 81mm mortar rounds and twelve 106mm (ONTOS) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The report stated that the Marines did not search the site of the Viet Cong positions because of an intervening body of water (the SONG THU BON). No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

e. At 291650H, Company D, conducting a clearing operation in the vicinity of grid square (AT 9454), reported engaging eight Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 943540). The report stated that the Viet Cong broke contact and fled to the north along the SONG THU BON. The report stated that Company B, also operating in grid square (AT 9454), engaged the Viet Cong fleeing to the north and the Viet Cong shifted the direction of flight to the southeast. The Marines received fifteen small arms rounds from these Viet Cong and Companies B and D directed a total of five hundred small arms rounds, six 40mm (M-79) rounds and ONTOS, attached to Company B, directed two hundred small arms rounds (machinegun) and thirty 106mm (ONTOS) rounds at the enemy positions. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA(confirmed).

f. At 291730H, a Company D squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 964562), reported observing two Viet Cong in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 965562). The Marines directed two hundred forty small arms rounds and two 40mm (M-79) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of two Viet Cong KIA. The report stated that four U.S. (M-26) grenades were reported recovered from the bodies of the dead Viet Cong. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were two Viet Cong KIA(confirmed).

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g. At 291830H, a Company C squad-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 914555), reported observing two Viet Cong positioned at close range. Mortar support was requested and three 60mm mortar rounds and thirteen 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

h. At 291900H, a Company D platoon patrol base position, located at coordinates (AT 947547), reported observing seven Viet Cong, two of which were armed, in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 946553). The Marines directed fifty small arms rounds and five 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy position and reported killing three Viet Cong. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions and reported finding the bodies of three Viet Cong KIA. No weapons or equipment were reported recovered. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were three Viet Cong KIA(confirmed).

i. At 292030H, a Company B platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 924534), reported receiving five small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base position, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 925529). Artillery and mortar support was requested and twenty-six 105mm rounds and thirty 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

j. At 292040H, a Company C platoon, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 910550), reported receiving two small arms rounds in the platoon patrol base position, from Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 906549). The Marines directed two 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(2) 2dBn 9thMar

a. Late Report. At 290910H, Company F reported that engineers with tanks conducting a road mine clearing operation in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998634), received what was described as automatic weapons fire from an estimated five Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 994627). The Marines directed two hundred fifty small arms rounds, fifteen 40mm (M-79) rounds and four 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong fire ceased. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

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b. At 291030H, Company M (3dBn 9thMar, under OPCON this battalion), reported that an explosive device was detonated at coordinates (BT 014624), resulting in two Marines WIA(required medical evacuation). The report described the device as a U.S. (M-26) grenade and stated that it was rigged with a trip-wire activator.

c. At 292000H, a Company H platoon-sized patrol, operating in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 012632), reported observing three Viet Cong, one of which was armed, in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 008631). The Marines directed twenty small arms rounds at the enemy position and the Viet Cong quickly fled the area. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

d. At 292130H, a Company H, squad-sized ambush element, positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 000624), reported receiving two small arms rounds from one Viet Cong positioned in the vicinity of coordinates (AT 998623). Mortar support was requested and twenty-one 81mm mortar rounds were directed at the enemy location and the Viet Cong fire was not repeated. The Marines searched the site of the Viet Cong positions with negative results. No Marine casualties were reported. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) 3dBn 9thMar

a. At 291800H, the Battalion S-2 relayed a report from a DUC DUC District GVN source (unidentified), that one Viet Cong company, identified as the Q.13, at coordinates (AT 950520), and one Viet Cong company, identified as the V.15, at coordinates (AT 960570). (S-2 Comment: The Q.13 company may refer to the Q.13B Company which present order of battle places at (AT 9947). The V.15 is a new designation not carried on present order of battle, but it may be a redesignation of a local force or guerrilla company presently located in the area. The existence of a new company size unit in thearea is doubtful. The report is rated F-3 as far as locations are concerned).

(4) Special Reports

a. At 291410H, the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to HOI AN, 51st ARVN Regiment Headquarters, relayed a report from an unidentified Vietnamese National policeman that Viet Cong guerrillas (number and armament not indicated) have displaced to the vicinity of coordinates (BT 018527), (BT 029570) and (BT 030570) with a headquarters element located at coordinates (BT 022563). The report stated that these Viet Cong guerrilla forces are preparing trenches and foxholes and have the mission to attack/harrass USMC units in the area. The report was not rated. S-2 rates the report F-3.

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b. At 291645H, G-2 relayed a report from the USMC Liaison Officer assigned to the 51st ARVN Regimental Headquarters that one Viet Cong battalion, identified as the R.20 Battalion, is presently deployed from the vicinity of coordinates (AT 991558) to (BT 010560), and along the SONG KY LAM river. The report stated that one company is deployed in the vicinity of coordinates (BT 034601). An ARVN source informed the USMC Liaison Officer that the Viet Cong have instructed the local villagers to stay out of the area. The report stated that the possible mission of these Viet Cong units is to attack USMC units in the area. (G-2 rates the battalion location as F-2; the company location as F-3. S-2 concurs with G-2.)

(S-2 Comment relative to both of the above reports: Both reports emanated from separate sources and relayed through the U.S. Advisor/Liaison personnel at HOI AN. It is felt that both reports concern the same Viet Cong unit or units reported located from grid squares (AT 9955) to (BT 0357). The identification of the unit as the R.20 Battalion is possible. An aerial observer conducted a reconnaissance of the area at approximately 291445H and reported observing no Viet Cong, however, he did report observing recently dug trenches and foxholes in the area. It is possible that the Viet Cong have been preparing fortifications in the area with the intention of attacking or harassing Marine units from those positions, or engaging Marine units in a sustained defensive effort. It is felt that the Viet Cong have not prepared these positions for the purpose of occupying them or the surrounding immediate area for a prolonged period, but that they have returned to the south side of the SONG KY LAM).

C. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.

D. Viet Cong Casualties:

	For 24 Hour Reporting Period:	Cumulative Since 10 Jul 65:
KIA(Confirmed)	8	1157
KIA(Probable)	0	1346
VC Captured	0	270
VC Suspects Apprehended	0	1994
Returnees(Since 21Jan66)	0	14

E. Captured and destroyed enemy material

QUANTITY	ITEM	INTSUM ENTRY NO.
4	Grenades, US (M-26)	291730H

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F. Destroyed enemy positions and/or fortifications
No reports received during this reporting period.

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G-2	(7)
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1stMar	(1)
3dEngr	(1)
EOD	(1)
MAG-11	(1)
MAG-16	(1)
HMM 265	(1)
1/9	(2)
2/9	(2)
3/9	(2)
2/12	(2)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(6)
S-3	(1)
1stAmTrac	(1)
3dATBn	(1)
3dTankBn	(1)
B Co Tanks	(1)
C Co AT	(1)
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From: Commanding Officer
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Subj: 9th Marines SITREP Number 152 as of 012400H June 1966

Ref: (a) Division Order 3100.1B

Encl: (1) Operations, 1st Bn, 9th Marines
(2) Operations, 2d Bn, 9th Marines
(3) Operations, 3d Bn, 9th Marines
(4) Operations, 3d Bn, 1st Marines
(5) Operations, 1st Bn, 1st Marines

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following information and enclosures (1) through (5) are forwarded.

a. Operational Highlights

(1) LtCol R. E. JONES relieved LtCol W. F. DOELHER as Commanding Officer 1st Battalion, 9th Marines at 011500H.

(2) 1st Battalion, 1st Marines assumed responsibility for East Flank Battalion ZOA from 2d Bn, 4th Marines (REAR) at 011500H.

b. Plans for the next 24 hours;

(1) 1st Bn, 9th Marines

(a) Company A conducts a company clearing operation vic (AT 957628) to (AT 959658).

(b) Company C conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9257-9258).

(c) Company D when relieved by Company B establishes company patrol base vic (AT 9659-9660) and conducts clearing operation in southwesterly direction in conjunction with Company C platoon clearing operation.

(d) Company K/3/9 effects relief Company B vic Hill 22; conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9468-9568).

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(2) 2d Bn, 9th Marines

(a) Company E conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9963-BT 0063).

(b) Company F conducts a company clearing operation vic (BT 0061-0161).

(c) Company G terminates two day clearing operation vic (BT 0063-0062) at 020700H.

(d) Company H conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (BT 0164-0163-0264).

(3) 3d Bn, 9th Marines

(a) Company I conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9249-9349); conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9348-9248); conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 9349-9348).

(b) Company L maintains one platoon vic AN HOA (AT 875475); maintains one platoon vic (AT 874459); maintains one platoon vic (AT 854461).

(c) Company M conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 8849-8850); conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 8949-8849); conducts a platoon clearing operation vic (AT 8849-8950).

(4) 3d Bn, 1st Marines

(1) Conducts seven platoon USMC/RF clearing operations in area bounded by (BT 012673-030692-010682-030680), (AT 992677-990664-969662-968643-975686-995699).

(5) 1st Bn, 1st Marines

(1) Company B conducts a squad clearing operation vic (BT 0663-0662-0563-0564).

(6) 2d Bn, 4th Marines (REAR)

(1) Prepares to conduct ROUGH RIDER (8) NORTH commencing [illegible] 030600H.

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c. Scout/Sniper Teams

	(1) No. of teams	No. employed
1/9	0	0
2/9	2*	0
3/9	1	1
3/1	0	0
1/1	0	0

* Weapons turned in for repair.

(2) No contact was achieved.

d. Boxscore:

USMC	VC
KIA-1(DOW)	WIA(POSS)-3
WIA-12(10 Med Evac)	

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1/9	(4)
2/9	(4)
3/9	(4)
3/1	(4)
1/1	(4)
2/12	(6)
1st Amtrac Bn	(1)
3d AT Bn	(1)
3d Tank Bn	(1)
3d Engr Bn	(1)
FSCC	(1)
S-2	(1)
S-3	(1)
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1st Bn, 9th Marines Operations Summary

1. At 312225H, Company D squad ambush vic (AT 960604) observed two VC at close range. Marines fired SA and 40mm. VC fled south. Two VC WIA (POSS).

2. At 010730H, a tank assigned to Battalion CP vic (AT 979623) detonated a mine with pressure type firing device resulting in one USMC WIA. Not Med Evac. Tank sustained moderate damage.

3. At 011030H, Company A on clearing operation vic (AT 954645) discovered a concealed cave vic above coordinates. Search of cave resulted in the capture of one CHICOM carbine, one M-16A1 AP mine and miscellaneous documents and clothing. Mine was destroyed in place.

4. At 011301H, Company C on clearing operation vic (AT 931570) received 100 rounds SA fire from est 14 VC vic (AT 933574). Marines returned nine 60mm rounds, four M-72 rounds, two WP rifle grenades, 20 40mm rounds and 700 rounds SA fire. VC broke contact and fled east. Searched area with negative results.

5. At 011410H, Company K platoon patrol (AT 952645) discovered M-26 hand grenade rigged with pressure type fuse. Destroyed in place.

6. At 011545H, Company C on a company clearing operation vic (AT 938578) received 50 rounds SA fire from unknown number VC vic (AT 939579). Marines returned heavy volume SA fire, three rounds 40mm and two M-72 rounds. Platoon maneuvered to close with VC and received light SA fire from vic (AT 939579) sustaining one USMC WIA. Subsequently a Marine detonated an 81mm round rigged with a M-26 grenade as detonator resulting in three USMC WIA. Marines assaulted VC positions sustaining one USMC WIA. VC fled south. Artillery mission was directed at fleeing VC with negative results. Five USMC WIA. Med Evac.

7. At 011740H, Company D squad patrol vic (AT 978613) received 15-20 rounds SA fire from unknown number of VC vic (AT 985616). Patrol returned SA fire, two 3.5" rockets and one 40mm round. Patrol searched area with negative results.

8. At 011845H, Company C Marine on squad patrol vic (AT 939582) detonated a M-16A1 mine resulting in two USMC WIA. Med Evac.

9. At 012000H, Company C platoon CP vic (AT 931581) received moderate SA fire from unknown number VC vic (AT 938578). Marines returned SA fire and directed 11 rounds 105mm at VC positions with unknown results.

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2d Bn, 9th Marines Operations Summary

1. At 010930H, M-35 truck assigned to Company H was pulling a generator on MSR vic (BT 029642); detonated an unknown type explosive device (est 20-35 pounds TNT). M-35 truck sustained no damage; however, generator was destroyed.

2. At 011610H, Company G on company clearing operation vic (BT 000632) received estimated three rounds SA fire from unknown number VC. Marines returned SA and two 3.5 rockets. Searched area with negative results.

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3d Bn, 9th Marines Operations Summary

1. At 312215H, Company M platoon patrol base vic (AT 913487) observed three armed VC vic (AT 924495) moving toward PPB. Marines fired 30 rounds SA and observed one VC fall, others fled into treeline. Arty fire mission requested and 18 rounds 105mm were directed at VC position. Squad searched area with negative results. One WIA(POSS).

2. At 011225H, Company I clearing operation vic (AT 907507) was being resupplied by helicopter when helicopter received five rounds SA fire from vic (AT 910505). Marines fired 60mm mortars and requested arty fire mission. At same time, platoon patrol base vic (AT 907505) received 40to50 rounds SA fire and one 60mm mortar round from vic (AT 910506) resulting in one USMC WIA. Med Evac. Marines returned fire with 18 rounds 60mm mortar, three 3.5" rockets, 12 rounds 40mm, four M-26 rifle grenades and SA fire. Squad checked area and while in process detonated unknown type explosive device resulting in one USMC WIA. Med Evac.

3. At 011143H, Company M clearing operation vic (AT 928491) received 10 to 15 rounds SA fire from vic (AT 927487). Marines returned fire with SA rounds, seven M-26 hand grenades and four 40mm rounds. Searched area with negative results.

4. At 011425H, Company I Marine on platoon clearing operation vic (AT 900504) sustained a minor wound from punji trap. One USMC WIA. Not Med Evac.

5. At 011545H, Company I platoon patrol vic (AT 906507) received 15-20 rounds SA fire from vic (AT 910514) est six VC. Patrol returned three 60mm mortar rounds and directed 10 rounds of 105mm. Unknown results.

6. At 011855H, Company M platoon CP vic (AT 926482) observed five VC (AT 930482). Marines directed artillery mission at VC location with negative results.

7. At 011800H, Company M CP vic (AT 927491) received est 30-35 rounds SA from unknown number VC vic (AT 928482). Marines returned 150 rounds SA fire and directed artillery mission at VC locations with unknown results.

8. At 011810H, Company M CP vic (AT 926486) received 30-35 rounds SA fire from three to four VC vic (AT 930483). Directed arty mission. Results unknown.

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3d Bn, 1st Marines Operations Summary

1. At 312315H, Company L squad patrol discovered one M-26 hand grenade vic (AT 978670) with a trip wire across trail and one CHICOM gremade vic (AT 978669) rigged with trip wire. Both were disarmed.

2. At 010830H, Shore Party personnel attached to 3d Bn conducting road clearing operation vic (AT 987665) discovered one mine with pressure type fuse. Destroyed in place.

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1st Bn, 1st Marines Operations Summary

1. At 010930H, Company A squad patrol vic (BT 099627) received 50-60 rounds SA fire from est two VC vic (BT 103630). Patrol returned SA fire and pursued. Two squads with four tanks were dispatched to reinforce the patrol. At 011040H, the Marines and tanks received est 40-60 rounds SA fire from est five VC vic (BT 103670) resulting in one KIA(DOW) and one WIA. Med Evac. Marines and tanks returned heavy volume SA, machine gun and one round 90mm fire. VC fled south. Marines searched area with negative results.

2. At 011525H, Company A on clearing operation vic (BT 119631) received 100 to 150 rounds SA fire from est 10 VC vic (BT 119628). Marines returned 300 to 400 rounds SA fire, 12 rounds 60mm mortar and tanks fired four 90mm rds. Marines searched area with negative results.

3. At 011900H, three M-35 trucks vic (BT 070696) enroute to Battery A/1/11 CP received light SA fire from unknown location. No damage to vehicles. No casualties.

4. At 011910H, Company B CP vic (BT 063646) received 10 rounds SA fire from unknown number of VC vic (BT 059645). Marines and tanks returned 300 to 400 rounds SA fire, 10 40mm rounds and one 90mm round. Squad searched area with negative results.

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