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1. In accordance with reference (a), the 9th Marines Command Chronology for period 1-31 August 1966 is submitted.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Reporting Unit. 9th Marines, 3d Marine Division

2. Reporting Period. 1-31 August 1966

3. Date of Submission. 10 August 1966

4. Commanding Officer.

Colonel Drew J. BARRETT JR.

5. Location of Command Post During Reporting Period.

Period 1-31 August 1966 (AT 969620)

6. Staff Assignments

a. Executive Officer	1-31 August	LtCol A. A. NELSON
b. S-1	1-5 August	1stLt D. FORTE Jr.
	6-31 August	1stLt J. E. RICKMAN
c. S-2	1-31 August	Capt G. R. GRIGGS
d. S-3	1-31 August	Maj B. . . FAULK
e. S-4	1-31 August	Maj D. S. TOLLE
f. S-5	1-31 August	1stLt J. M. STONE

7. Subordinate Commanders

a. Headquarters Company	1-31 August	Capt L. D. DERRYBERRY
b. 1st Battalion, 9th Mar	1-31 August	LtCol R. E. JONES
c. 2d Battalion, 9th Mar	1-31 August	LtCol J. J. HESS
d. 3d Battalion, 9th Mar	1-31 August	Maj F. D. MACLEAN

8. Attachments

a. Liaison Team, I Corps, RVN	1-31 August
b. Interpreter Team, III MAF	1-31 August
c. Platoon, 29th Civil Affairs Company, U. S. Army	1-31 Aug.

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S-1 CHRONOLOGY

1. Personnel.

a. Monthly Strengths (average)

<u>MC OFF</u>	<u>MC ENL</u>	<u>NAVY OFF</u>	<u>NAVY ENL</u>
106	2807	10	156

b. Casualties. August casualty figures declined from the previous month, as shown by the following statistical breakdown:

	Mines/Booby Traps			Mortars/Grenades			S/A Fire			Total		
	KIA	WIA	RTD	KIA	WIA	RTD	KIA	WIA	RTD			
June	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			
July	14	58	49	2	22	19	11	24	4	27	104	72
Percent	51.9	55.8	68.1	7.4	21.1	26.4	40.7	23.1	5.5			
August	6	35	20	5	10	6	7	10	7	18	55	33
Percent	33.3	63.6	60.6	27.9	18.2	18.2	38.8	18.2	21.2			

c. Rotation during August.

<u>MC OFF</u>	<u>MC ENL</u>	<u>NAVY OFF</u>	<u>NAVY ENL</u>
16	122	6	9

d. Replacements received.

<u>MC OFF</u>	<u>MC ENL</u>	<u>NAVY OFF</u>	<u>NAVY ENL</u>
19	296	5	23

e. Personnel Summary.

(1) Replacements more than compensated for losses during August. Although there remains a few shortages in critical MOSs.

(2) Total enlisted strength verses T/O is considered adequate. The officer strength although increased in August is still considered as the only critical personnel area.

2. Informational Service. For the month of August a total of 145 News forms were submitted by this team for release, also a total of 900 Fleet Home Town News forms were submitted to Division ISO for release.

3. Special Services.

a. During the reporting period this section conducted 8 beach parties to China Beach for the personnel of Headquarters Company and also rear echelon personnel of Battalion's attached to this Regiment, patients, etc. These parties are very successful.

b. Movies are shown daily in an outdoor theater and have a "full house" each performance. Personnel of this unit are offered the opportunity to attend all USO shows in the ~~USO~~ Enclave. Transportation is provided for both forward and rear CP personnel with arrangements made for chow when necessary. The 9th Marines was designated Host for USO Show "The Great Scott". This show was cancelled because the performers plane was grounded at Cam Ranh Bay. Cigarette lighters bearing the ensignia of the 9th Marines were to be requisitioned from the first quarter allocated funds. Each person in this unit will be given a lighter.

c. It is contemplated to utilize the remaining funds for this quarter to request permission to purchase beer, soft drinks and ice to be used on beach parties planned for the month of September.

d. This unit has requisitioned and received numerous games and athletic equipment for issue. Current projects at this time are: to set up "work out" spaces in both forward and rear areas for weight lifting equipment. Golf driving range at the forward CP.

4. Discipline.

a. No unusual problems.

b. Courts-Martial:

<u>Completed</u>	<u>Pending</u>
GCM <u>0</u>	GCM <u>0</u>
SPCM <u>5</u>	SPCM <u>1</u>
SCM <u>2</u>	SCM <u>0</u>

c. Regimental Commanders Office Hours - 0

d. Battalion Commanders Office Hours - 5

e. Company Commanders Office Hours - 14

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

a. Morale. Morale within the Regiment remained excellent.

b. Post Exchange Facilities. PX facilities continued to provide highly satisfactory service to the Regimental Command Post (Rear) and the 1st Battalion.

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c. Postal Affairs. Mail delivery and pickup remained satisfactory. Money order sales in the An Hoa area and on Hill 55 remains to be a problem. Recommend establishing a unit U. S. Post Office at An Hoa.

(1) A new Regimental Order was published on leave and liberty.

(2) The Regiment received and allocated equally among the battalions and Headquarters Company the following R&R quotas:

Hawaii - 7
Okinawa - 57
Penang - 10
Kuala Lumpur - 10
Singapore - 10
Taipei - 23
Manila - 8
Toyko - 37
Bangkok - 36
Hong Kong - 20

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

6. Administration.

a. The occupation of a forward and rear Regimental Command Post continued to be an obstacle to smooth administration. The separation of the Adjutant/S-1 from the majority of his sections personnel, official and directive files in the rear, slows down and hampers the efficient functioning of this section.

b. Annual directives review conducted and many Regimental Directives have been rewritten or in process of being revised.

7. Chaplain Activities.

a. During the month of August Catholic and Protestant Services were held at the Regimental Headquarters on each of the four Sundays. The total attendance for these Sunday Services was: Catholic 145, Protestant 57

b. In addition to these Sunday Masses for the 9th Marines, the Regimental Chaplain celebrated 8 Sunday Masses for units without Catholic Chaplains, including 3d Tanks, 1st LVT's, 4/12, 2/1. The total attendance at these Masses was 337.

c. During the month Mass was provided for the 3d Battalion in An Hoa. The Regimental Chaplain celebrated 8 Masses at the Battalion Headquarters and outlying letter Companies. Total attendance was 182.

d. With the arrival of two new Battalions, namely 2/1 and 2/26, and at the request of the Division Chaplain, the Regimental Chaplain assumed the responsibility of providing Catholic coverage for these units. A Sunday Mass will be celebrated at each of the Battalion Headquarters. In addition one day a week will be devoted to each of these units in order to visit their outlying letter Companies.

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e. The wounded were visited regularly at both the 3d Marine Division Field Hospital and the Naval Hospital, Danang East.

f. Construction continued on the new Chapel. Only a little progress was made due to the fact that the volunteers of MCB#6 were transferred to Dai Loc. Volunteers from 4/12 attempted to take up the slack by donating several hours a week. There is a great need for one or two carpenters.

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S-2 CHRONOLOGY1. Area of Operations

a. The Regimental Zone of Action was reduced in size by 24.5 square miles as the result of the relief of the 2d Bn 9th Marines by the 2d Bn 1st Marines on 14 ^{August} ~~September~~ and the assumption of the responsibility for the former ZOA of 2/9 by the 1st Marines. (2/9 moved to the HUE-PHU BAI TAOR under OPCON of the 4th Marines). The remainder of the 9th Marines ZOA which comprises an area of 109 square miles, a complete description of which can be found in chronologies of previous months, remains unchanged.

b. Weather. The effects of the weather on tactical operations were negligible. Generally, during the month, fair weather prevailed with occasional periods of rain and reduced visibility.

No days w/measurable rainfall.....	5 days
Total rainfall.....	1.08 inches
Maximum rainfall during 24 hr span.....	.75 inches
Maximum temp during August.....	97°
Minimum temp during August.....	72°
Average winds for August.....	NW at 5 kts
No days w/less than 5 miles visibility.....	0

c. Roads and Trails. August saw the completion and formal opening of LIBERTY Road from Hill 55 (AF 966617) to the AN HOA Industrial Complex. Existing MSR's and feeder roads and trails remained trafficable throughout the month and portions of the MSR from DANANG to Hill 55 were improved through the efforts of Marine Engineers and Navy Seabees. The weather had no significant effect on trafficability.

2. Viet Cong Order of Battle (See Figure I)

The dispositions of identified Viet Cong units remained relatively unchanged from the previous month. Total estimated Viet Cong strength of confirmed units remained at 1,400 (800 Main Body, 600 Support, and 100 Special Forces). The Viet Cong continued to maintain a high level of activity in the area of operations, particularly in the area of Hill 55.

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Force, 500 Local Force and 100 assigned to special mission units (engineers, reconnaissance and assassins). In addition, the estimated number of guerrillas remains at about 400.

b. Reports from GVN and ARVN sources have suggested the presence of an additional and unidentified VC Battalion located and operating east of the AN HOA operating area and south of the SONG KY LAM, SONG BINH BINH. It is possible that two or more unidentified local force companies that have been reported operating in this general area have been organized under a unified command.

c. The presence of the R.20 Bn continues to be reported in the western AN HOA area; however, companies of that battalion have ranged into the eastern portion of the AN HOA area and north across the SONG THU BON. Allusions to the V.25 Bn (AKA 5th) persisted from intelligence agents placing that battalion also in the western section of the AN HOA west of the SONG THU BON/SONG TINH YEN. No confirmation of this battalion has been made, however, and it is still considered to be a "shadow" of the R.20 Bn. The suggestion has been made that it is the administrative counterpart of the R.20 Bn through which personnel input and logistic support are funneled.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STR</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>CMD</u>	<u>WPNS</u>
R.20 (MF) Bn (Conf) AKA-Bos Lap Bn	500	(AT 8853)	NGUYEN DINH	4x81mm Mort 6x60mm Mort 3x57mm RR 2x12.7mm AA 3xLMG
V.25 (MF) Bn (Poss) AKA-5th	500	(AT 8357)	NGUYEN LAM (AKA-LUC/LUU)	2x81mm Mort 3x60mm Mort 1x57mm RR 1x12.7mm AA 3xLMG
36Bn5thRegt (NVA) (Prob)	400	(AT 8439)	LE VAN HOAN	3x81mm Mort 6x60mm Mort 3x57mm RR 2x12.7mm AA 3xLMG

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UNIT	SER	LOC	CMD	WPNS
3dBn3dRegt (NVA) (Prob)	700	(AT 8620)	TOAN	5x81mm Mort 6x60mm Mort 3x75mm RR 5x.50 Cal MG
Q.14B(LF) Co (Conf) AKA-Dai Loc Co	100	(AT 8255)	NGUYEN LINH BUI ANH	2x60mm Mort 1xLMG
Q.15B(LF) Co (Conf) AKA-Dien Ban Co	100	(AT 0357)	NGUYEN DUOC PHAM TIEN MAN	1x60mm Mort 1x57mm RR 3xMG
Q.16B(LF) Co (Conf) AKA-Hoa Hieu Co	120	(AT 9264)	NGUYEN MINH	2x60mm Mort 1xLMG

3. Viet Cong Tactics

a. Review of enemy contacts

	May	June	July	Aug
Major Unit Contacts	4	1	7	3
Small Unit Contacts	354	419	304	287
Sniping/Harrassing	114	29	27	93
Mortar	19	26	9	4
Mines/Booby Traps	122	157	86	72

b. The reduction in the total size of the ZOA notwithstanding, the level of enemy activity remained relatively constant compared with last month. Other factors which bore influence on the incident figures were the continuation of Operation MACON throughout the month and Operation SWANNEE.

c. Operation MACON (see July Command Chronology) continued to be characterized by small unit contacts, observations by reconnaissance OP's located in the hills to the south of the AN

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Hoa area and VC harassment of Marine patrols by long range sniper fire. The construction and formal opening of LIBERTY Road (see Operations Section of this chronology) influenced Marine activities in the MACON area in that primary attention was directed toward the security of the road and the traffic thereon. The preponderance of incidents in the MACON area involved the Marine units tasked with the security of the road.

d. Operation SWANNEE (see Operations Section of this chronology) was a 3d Marine Division Operation, the mission of which was to provide security on both shores of the river while a hydrographic survey was made of the SONG KY LAM/SONG THU BON from the mouth of the river as it enters the South China Sea west to the vicinity of (AT 880512), a distance of approximately twenty five statute miles. The 9th Marines had operational control of the operation from the vicinity of (AT 998547) west to the termination point. Though the boat making the survey proceeded without incident, the Marine units ashore were involved in the three most significant contacts of the month (see para e. below).

e. Three contacts initiated by the VC in company minus or larger strength were recorded during the month.

(1) At 192015H, Company A 1/9, participating in Operation SWANNEE and located in the vicinity of (AT 9654), was attacked by an estimated 50 to 60 Viet Cong from seven different locations with heavy small arms fire and 60mm and 81mm mortars. No penetration of the company perimeter was attempted, however, the small arms fire continued until artillery fire was brought to bear. Enemy casualties were estimated to be 10 KIA (Probable). USMC casualties were 2 KIA and 6 WIA all resulting from one incoming mortar round.

(2) At 201400H, the 3d Battalion (minus), operating in support of Operation SWANNEE in the vicinity of (AT 8751) and (AT 8752) was attacked by an estimated 200 Viet Cong with small arms and rifle grenades. Contact continued for approximately

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forty five minutes whereupon the VC broke contact and withdrew to the west. Enemy casualties were 10 KIA (Confirmed). USMC casualties were 5 KIA and 6 WIA. It is of interest to note that this area is that which is considered to be the stronghold for the R.20 and V.25 Battalions and has seen only limited and cursory operations by USMC units.

(3) At 201745H, Company A 1/9 in the vicinity of (AT 9550) (at this time Company A was not involved directly in Operation SWANNEE, however, it held that position as a result of its previous participation in this operation) was attacked again by an estimated 50 Viet Cong from many directions with heavy small arms and mortars.

(4) The areas in which the 3 incidents mentioned above took place are areas in which the Viet Cong had enjoyed relative freedom of movement and he indicated by these attacks his intentions to not give up easily his control of these areas. It should be remembered that the Viet Cong had previously been denied control of a considerable amount of operating area by Operations GEORGIA and LIBERTY (see chronologies for June and July). It is believed that the Viet Cong units involved in each of these engagements were elements of the R.20 Bn with possible support from local force and guerrilla units.

f. As reflected by the statistics in paragraph 3a above, incidents of sniping and harrassing fire increased considerably. This can be attributed in part to the fact that 9th Marine units continued to develop semi-fixed and fixed positions throughout the ZOA providing the Viet Cong with a certain target for long range sniping and harrassing fires at any time of his choosing. The accuracy of the sniper continued to improve giving additional credence to the suggestion in last month's chronology that a better equipped and better trained individual has assumed the role of sniper in lieu of the guerrilla whose efforts at sniping were more harrassment than a threat.

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g. The use of mines and booby traps continued to be a significant Viet Cong tactic. However, whereas in previous months the anti-personnel mine made up the greater portion of the total incidents, the Viet Cong directed more effort to anti-vehicular type mines during August. This was an expected reaction on the part of the Viet Cong in view of the increased vehicular traffic throughout the ZOA as a result of the completion of LIBERTY Road and the traffic patterns which, of necessity, have been established in and around the fired positions.

h. Other significant factors which are believed to have contributed in part to the overall plan of Viet Cong activities are the GVN National election scheduled for 11 September 1966 and the fall rice harvest which will take place during the latter part of October. The VC has a vested interest in both of these events. His activities, coupled with intelligence reports, have suggested that the Viet Cong will do everything within his capability to disrupt or prevent the orderly electoral process. The Viet Cong have tasked the local village and hamlet cadre and guerrillas with the bulk of operations to counter the elections. This has included intimidating the people by threats and acts of terrorism to discourage them from voting. Though no specific mission of local and main force Viet Cong has been determined it is expected that they will be employed to exploit any opportunity where a larger force is required to disrupt the election. Concerning the forthcoming rice harvest, there have been indications that local and main force elements are gradually infiltrating into certain areas in sufficient strength to enforce their taxation of the people at the conclusion of the harvest and to attempt to deny small USMC patrols from moving into certain areas.

4. VC Casualties (1 Aug - 31 Aug 66)

<u>Category</u>	<u>OPN MACON</u>	<u>OPN SWANNEE</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
VC KIA (Confirmed)	64	59	94	217
VC KIA (Probable)	49	11	55	115
VCS	1	0	17	18
VCS	15	23	38	56

5. Electronic Surveillance Device

<u>Unit</u>	<u>AN/TPS-21</u>	<u>SIF</u>	<u>INFRA-RED</u>
Hq Co	2	4	0
1/9	1	9	9
3/9	2	7	0

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in order to deny any real employment to the local people. Where a larger force is required to disrupt the election. Concerning the forthcoming rice harvest, there have been indications that local and main force elements are gradually infiltrating into certain areas in sufficient strength to enforce their taxation of the people at the conclusion of the harvest and to attempt to deny small USMC patrols from moving into certain areas.

~~SECRET~~S-3 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. During the month of August the 9th Marines conducted normal security and clearing operations, continued Operation MACON and conducted Operations WILCOX and SWANNEE. Additionally, the Regimental Commander entertained numerous officials and dignitaries, the most distinguished of which were General JOHNSON, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army on 8 August 1966; General Wallace M. GREENE Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps 10 August 1966; and the President of Republic of Vietnam and Ambassador Henry Cabot LODGE 15 August 1966. On 1 August 1966 change of command of 3/9 was effected when Major Fred K. MACLEAN Jr. relieved Major George H. GRIMES as Commanding Officer. On 13 August 1966 2/9 was chopped OFCON to Fourth Marines and 9th Marines assumed OFCON 2/1. On 14 August 9th Marines chopped OFCON 2/1 to First Marines and that portion of 9th Marines TAOR occupied by 2/1 became the responsibility of First Marines. On 27 August 1966 Liberty Road linking DANANG with AN HOA was opened by Major General Wood B. KYLE in dedication ceremonies held at AN HOA.

2. Operation MACON. During the month of August, 3d Bn, 9th Marines engaged in search and clear operations, conducted ambushes, patrols and outpost operations along Liberty Road, bridge and ferry site in own TAOR. These actions were designed to retain control of the line of communication, provide security for engineer and civilian construction workers, minimize enemy activity along Liberty Road from AN HOA to the southern bank of the Song Chu Son (AT 925530) and actively search out and engage the enemy throughout the entirety of the 3d Bn TAOR. Search of August was conducted normal security and clearing operations.

3. Operation WILCOX. Operation WILCOX was conducted by 1st Bn, Ninth Marines in its TAOR in the DUC KY area bounded on the north by SONG AI NGHIA and on the south by SONG THO. Operation WILCOX commenced at 110400H August 66 with companies K/1/9 and L/3/9 moving into blocking positions along SONG THO and SONG AI NGHIA respectively. Companies D/1/9 and F/2/9 occupied attack positions along railroad bed from vic (AT 995508) to (AT 995510) and commenced the search and clear operation at 0615 with two companies attacking abreast in a westerly direction. The operation terminated at 121200H Aug 66 when the attacking force reached the SONG AI NGHIA and the blocking force.

4. Operation SWANNEE. Operation SWANNEE was a 3d Marine Division operation involving elements of the 1st and 9th Marines performing a security function for elements of CTF-116, conducting a Hydrographic survey from the north of the SONG THO BOM to AN HOA. The 1st and 9th Marines provided security for the survey while functioning within their respective TAOR. The Ninth Marines participation in Operation SWANNEE was conducted in three phases with the 1st Bn being responsible

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for Phase I and II and the 3d Bn for Phase III. Phase I commenced at 170645H Aug 66 with 1/3/9 establishing a blocking position vic (AT 990500) to (BT 000500) and Companies A, C and I (CO I OPCON TO 1/9 from 3/9) attacking to the east to destroy enemy forces in the area between SONG THU BON and SONG BA REN and to link up with elements of 1st Marines providing security for survey crew at boundary of TAOR vic (AT 998546). The boundary of TAOR was reached at 172100H and the link up effected terminating Phase I of SWANNEE. Phase II commenced at 180700H Aug 66 when 1/9 assumed OPCON of the Hydrographic Survey Team and supporting elements. Co I chopped OPCON to 3/9 and Co G/2/1 chopped OPCON to 1/9 and 1/9 attacked to the west along the SONG THU BON providing security on south bank until the survey team reached the boundary of 2/1 and 1/9 on north bank of SONG THU BON where G/2/1 was chopped to its parent organization. From this point 1/9 provided security on both banks of SONG THU BON until survey team reached the Liberty Ferry Site at 181600H Aug 66 which marked the conclusion of Phase II. Phase III commenced at 200630H Aug 66 with the operational control being exercised by 3/9. Companies L and M with Co C (OPCON to 3/9) in trace disposed along the north side of the SONG THU BON and Co I on the south side attacked to the west in assigned ZA to provide security for the survey team. At 201530H Aug 66 the technical advisor of the survey team indicated that sufficient data had been obtained and the necessity for proceeding further was obliterated; upon his recommendation Phase III of Operation SWANNEE was terminated at (AT 883516). Operation SWANNEE was officially terminated at 202000H Aug 66 when Co C chopped OPCON to parent organization: 3/9 forces retracted from the area; Survey crew closed 3/9 CP and at the direction CG 3d Marine Division, the survey craft retracted to Liberty Ferry Site.

5. Task Organization.

- a. Task organization for Operation MACON consisted of 3d Battalion, Ninth Marines, and combat support elements of the battalion.
- b. Task organization for Operation WILCOX consisted of A, E and I Companies, 9th Marines and combat support elements.
- c. Task Organization for Operation SWANNEE consisted of 1st and 3d Bns 9th Marines. Company L, 3d Bn, 1st Marines, Co E, 2d Bn, 3d Marines. Combat support consisted of tanks, antracs, artillery, anti tank and Recon units in direct support of Ninth Marines.

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 August Major Fred K. MACLEAN Jr., relieved Major George H. GRIMES as Commanding Officer, Third Battalion, Ninth Marines at 1430H.
- 3 August Company A/1/9 conducted population sweep: gathered approx 2,000 villagers vic CAM VAN (1) (AT 960595). Ralliers present identified three VC women in the crowd. The boundary between 1/9 and 2/9 was adjusted.
- 6 August For the fourth consecutive day, direct support artillery fired approx 500 rounds in support of the 9th Marines.
- 7 August Company A/1/9 conducted search and destroy operation vic (AT 9053-9153) on southwestern bank of SONG THU BON.
- 8 August General JOHNSON, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army and party visited Hill 55 and AN HOA from 0710H to 0850H.
- 10 August Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps visited Hill 55 and AN HOA industrial complex from 0835H to 0955H. G/2/1 arrived 2/9 TAOR at 1315, relieved H/2/9 in place. Chopped I/3/9 and F/2/9 to OPCON 1/9 at 1200H in support of Operation WILCOX.
- 11 August Operation WILCOX commenced at 0615H. 2/9 commenced movement to PHU BAI. At 1145 4th Marines assumed OPCON of H/2/9.
- 12 August Operation WILCOX terminated 1200H. Fourth Marines assumed OPCON F/2/9 0800H. 2/9 assumed OPCON F/2/1 at 1415. 1/9 chopped OPCON E/2/9 and I/3/9 to parent organizations.
- 13 August Ninth Marines assumed OPCON 2/1 at 1200H. 4th Marines assumed OPCON 2/9 at 1200H.
- 14 August Ninth Marines chopped OPCON 2/1 to First Marines and that portion of 9th Marines TAOR occupied by 2/1 became responsibility of First Marines.
- 15 August President RVN, Ambassador Henry Cabot LODGE and party visited AN HOA light industrial complex from 1100H to 1220H.
- 16 August Ninth Marines assumed OPCON F/2/3 at 1125H and I/3/1 at 1545H.

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17 August Ninth Marines commenced Phase I Operation SWANTEE.

18 August Ninth Marines assumed OPCON Operation SWANTEE at 0700H and commenced Phase II at 0700. Major General Lewis J. FIELDS, CG, 1st MarDiv visited AN HOA from 1340H to 1450H.

19 August Major General Wood B. KYLE accompanied Major General DANM, CG I Corps and party on a visit to Hill 55 from 1120H to 1150H.

20 August Ninth Marines commenced Phase III Operation SWANTEE at 0630H. Phase III Operation terminated at 2000H.

21 August Third Marines resumed OPCON E/2/3 at 1000H. First Marines resumed OPCON L/3/1 at 1200H.

25 August COUNTY FAIR 25 at LE SON (5) vic (AT 953637) terminated at 1200H. Results were eight VC KBGF (CONF) and one VCC.

27 August COUNTY FAIR 25 at CHAU SON (1) vic (AT 944614). Final results were five VC KBGF (CONF), 3 VCC, 2 VCS, and one rifle, M-1; one carbine, K-50 captured. In ceremony at AN HOA industrial complex Major General Wood B. KYLE officially opened Liberty Road linking DANANG with AN HOA.

30 August COUNTY FAIR 26 at DUC KY (1) vic (AT 985615) terminated at 1300H. Results 3 VCC.

31 August COUNTY FAIR 27 at PHU NHUA (2) vic (AT 990513) terminated 1500H.

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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 FLSC(A). Motor vehicle transportation requirements beyond the units' capabilities are provided by the 3d and 9th Motor Transport Battalions. Air transportation, (helicopters), is provided by elements of Marine Aircraft Group 16.

a. Supply.

(1) Supply point distribution was in effect for the 1st Battalion during the reporting period and unit distribution was effected by this battalion to its forward companies. Unit distribution was provided to the 3d Battalion by a Force Logistics Support Unit from FLSC(A) during the reporting period. Supply point distribution was in effect for the 2d Battalion during the period 1 to 10 August. On 10 August, the 2d Battalion commenced movement to PHU SAI and upon completion of their movement went under the operational control of the 4th Marines on 14 August. At this time, the 2d Battalion TAOR, now occupied by the 2d Battalion, 1st Marines became part of the 1st Marines' TAOR.

(2) The 3d Battalion, 9th Marines continued to conduct Operation MASON during the entire reporting period. This unit has received supply support for this operation, which still continues, from the aforementioned LSU.

(3) During this reporting period, the 9th Marines conducted Phases II and III of Operation SWANNE, with elements of the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines and 3d Battalion, 9th Marines participating. On 16 August, 'E' Company of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines and 'I' Company of the 3d Battalion, 1st Marines were put under the operational control of the 9th Marines. On 17 August, a U.S. Navy LCM-8 entered the 9th Marines TAOR, sailing up the Song Thu Bon, and came under the operational control of the 9th Marines. On 18 August, the 2d Troop, 4th Cavalry Regiment, ARVN, came under the operational control of the 9th Marines. These units were provided supply support by the 9th Marines. The 2d Troop, 4th Cavalry Regiment, ARVN, reverted to their parent organization on 19 August. 'E' Company of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines and 'I' Company of the 3d Battalion, 1st Marines reverted to their parent organizations on 21 August, upon termination of Operation SWANNE. The U.S. Navy LCM-8 remains under the operational control of the 9th Marines and continues to be supported by this command.

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 for internal resupply, tactical troop movement, medical evacuation, and reconnaissance missions for forward units of the 9th Marines.

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3. Statistical Summary:a. Commodity Distributions:

(1) Rice	2200 lbs
(2) Soap	1200 bars
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(4) Magazines	1020
(5) Physical Education Kits	6
(6) School books	150 sets

4. Psychological Operations:

a. General: In order to maintain a high level of saturation broadcasting in the face of limited helicopter availability, extensive land broadcasting was conducted in the 9th Marines TAOR during August. Special tapes containing news, music, propaganda and CHIEU HOI appeals were cut and broadcast into populated areas and to villagers assembled for special operations. Extensive use was made of QUY CHANH who addressed groups of villagers explaining why they had rallied to the GVN cause. The returnees were used to screen groups of villagers assembled at COUNTY FAIR collection points and on special operations. The QUY CHANH apprehended 28 VCS during the month of August.

b. Statistical Summary:

(1) I Corps Audio Visual Team	4 presentations
(2) Land broadcasts (daylight)	3 movies
(3) Land broadcasts (night)	11
(4) Aerial broadcasts (helicopter)	8
(5) Aerial broadcasts (C-47)	1
(6) Leaflets dropped	1
	250,000

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S-5 CHRONOLOGY

SECRET1. GENERAL.

a. During August the 9th Marines continued functioning in close cooperation with GVN officials in the field of civic action. Continuous contact was maintained with DIEN BAN, DAI LOC and DUC DUC District and initial contact was established with DUY XUYEN District Headquarters. Village officials remained with 9th Marines units while plans were being made to establish them in village headquarters. Four COUNTY FAIR operations were conducted in the last days of August resulting in 14 VC KIA, and eight VC captured along with two individual weapons and a variety of grenades, documents and uniforms. Five VCS were detained for questioning. Six-hundred sixteen villagers were screened during these operations.

b. The 5th Platoon of the U. S. Army Civil Affairs Company, operating in the AN HOA area in support of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines, became firmly involved in civic action projects in the area. Cooperating with DUC DUC District officials, the platoon was instrumental in the establishment of local farmers' associations, youth groups, and promotion of dispensary and school projects.

c. On 14 August the 2d Battalion, 1st Marines replaced the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines and the 9th Marines passed operational control and civic action responsibility of seven villages of DIEN BAN District to the 1st Marine Regiment.

2. Areas of Activity.

a. Education: Distribution of textbooks to children in the 9th Marines Zone of Action continued during the month of August. Building materials were supplied to repair a school damaged by VC in the AN HOA area. School throughout the 9th Marines Zone of Action benefited from frequent visits by MEDCAP teams.

b. Public Works:

(1) Medical: Continuous medical assistance was made available to civilians at four permanent civilian aid stations. MEDCAP teams lent assistance to two GVN dispensaries and were instrumental in gaining Provincial approval for the construction of a new dispensary at DUC DUC District Headquarters. In DUC DUC District the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines stood ready to initiate an extensive hamlet health worker education program which lacked only Provincial authority for GVN certification of graduates of the school.

(2) Roads: Liberty Road, providing a land route for civilian and military traffic to the AN HOA area, was opened to limited traffic during August. Vehicles belonging to the AN HOA industrial complex began conveying supplies and equipment into the area.

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ATP SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY

1. Operational Highlights.

a. On 18 August in response to Operation SWANNEE helicopters were utilized to resupply three companies of 1st Bn.

b. On 19 August helicopters were again utilized for an emergency resupply for 1st Bn. An LVT was out of commission and the part was delivered allowing the LVT to continue its support of 1st Bn.

c. Buff The Magic Dragon was utilized during the evening to thwart an attack on Alpha Company 1st Bn. His tremendous firepower and capability to illuminate the area and control Hueys added immeasurable in stopping the attack.

2. Helicopter Support

a. In addition to the above mentioned, daily helicopter resupply of 9th Marines units were utilized except on 14, 15, 16 and 22 July when helicopters were not available.

b. Reconnaissance elements from 3rd Bn, AN HOA, were inserted into and extracted by helicopter on the average of once every two days during August.

c. One hundred and sixty-three helicopter MEDEVAC's were conducted for 9th Marines units, carrying 144 WIA'S, 49 U. S. ILL, 6 ARVN WIA'S, 1 ARVN ILL, 50 Civilian WIA's and 6 civilian ILL to immediate medical aid.

d. The lack of a command helicopter during Operation SWANNEE for CO, 9th Marines unrestricted use and extremely limited observation capability during the entire month is considered a limiting factor. It is recommended that a command helicopter be made available on a scheduled basis, during the month and for all future Operations.

3. Fixed Wing Support

a. Support for helicopters on resupply and troop lifting missions was provided by fixed wing aircraft during August.

b. Fixed Wing Strike Aircraft were on station during daylight for Operation SWANNEE.

c. Four airstrike missions were conducted during the month. Three were controlled by ground controllers and one by an airborne controller.

d. USAF C-123 aircraft continued resupply of the AN HOA area. The runway has been operational due to the absence of rain. However, it will become unusable when the rains come.

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MEDICAL CHRONOLOGY AUGUST 66

1. Significant Events

a. Headquarters Company, Ninth Marines remains spearated with a forward and rear CP. The Regimental Aid Station is located in the rear and is responsible for the treatment and dispoition of individuals in that CP. First Battalion, Ninth Marines have established a Battalion Aid Station in the vicinity of Hill 55, and personnel attached to the forward CP utilize the services of that medical facility. However, patients needing definitive treatment or hospitalization for short durations are sent back to the rear CP for disposition. A Mental Van has been set up in the rear CP and is available to all personnel in this area.

2. New Developments

a. The Ninth Marine Regimental Surgeon was reassigned to the Division Field Hospital, 3rd Medical Battalion for duty. There will no longer be a Regimental Surgeon. The medical officer at First Amphibious Tractor Battalion has been designated to provide medical care for Headquarters Company, Ninth Marines (Rear), and First Battalion, Ninth Marines (Forward) has been designated to provide medical care for Headquarters Company, Ninth Marines (Forward).

b. At the present time, First Battalion, Ninth Marines are maintaining a medical officer in the rear and all Headquarters Company, Ninth Marines referrals are being made to him.

3. Problem Areas

a. None

4. MEDCAP

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

5. Patient Statistical Data

a. The number of patients seen this month was a decrease of 14 from the prior month. The Regimental Aid Station provides minor surgical care and follow-up in addition to routing sick call. A ten bed ward is maintained by First Battalion, Ninth Marines in the rear CP for the care of those Marines recently discharged from the hospital for follow-up care and observation before returning to the field for duty. Any serious injury or illness is evacuated to either 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 independently from other units.

b. The following is a breakdown of patient statistical data: Number of patients seen, 176; referrals to the Division Field Hospital and the

Station Hospital, East DANANG, 1; admissions to the sick list, 1; and dental referrals, 25.

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

6. Innoculations and Prophylactic Medicine Administered

a. Total immunizations for the month of August were 188, and total malarial chemoprophylaxis administered was 1,000.

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1. Operation Macon. No additional communication techniques were developed and no problems have arisen.
2. Operation Swannee. Operation SWANNEE was conducted and concluded with no difficulties. The LCM-8 remains in the Regimental TAOR at liberty bridge site. Radio equipment was provided to the LCM-8 to allow them to enter the Regimental Tac Net.
3. Training.
 - a. On 15 - 16 August 1966 instruction on the Secure Voice Equipment, TSEC/KY-8 was given to representatives of the Regimental Headquarters and each battalion.
 - b. On 18 August 1966 a Comm-Elect contact instruction team conducted instruction on selected radio equipment for personnel of the Regiment.
 - c. One Marine attended the AN/TSC-15 Radio Operator's School, held at Communication Company, Headquarters Battalion from 22-27 August 1966.
4. Radio Relay. The AN/TRC-27 radio relay link between hill 55 and the 2d Battalion was deactivated on 16 August 1966. Difficulties continue to be encountered with the generator, PU-278. Excellent service is being provided by the AN/MRC-62 from Communications Company, Headquarters Battalion.
5. Wire. Improvements were continued on the Regimental wire system in anticipation of the monsoon season. Various laterals in the rear CP were turned over to the Area Commander, 3d Tank Battalion. Cables were installed from the Wire Frame to the new Comm and Bunker and internal installation of the bunker was commenced. A 4 pair cable was installed across the Song Thu Bon at the liberty bridge site. A decrease in interdiction of wire lines by H&I fire has been noted.
6. Communication Center. On 31 August 1966 the Communications Center was displaced to Hill 55 with minimum disruption of service. Difficulties continue to be encountered in the repair and replacement of tape cutter. During August 4003 messages were processed through the Communication Center.
7. Personnel. At the present time, technicians are the only serious problems. Incoming personnel during August compensated for losses in the other Comm MOS's. Anticipated losses in Staff NCO's ranks during September will cause a problem in this area.
8. Power Distribution. A 60KW generator is still required to furnish complete power for Hill 55. A split distribution system

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is currently in use and it is not believed that this will be satisfactory over an extended period of time. The helicopter LZ was furnished with landing lights and appears satisfactory. Wiring was commenced on the new Command Bunker.

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FIRE SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY

1. Artillery

a. Operation Wilcox. A one day search and clear operation commenced on 11 August 1966 and was supported by BTRY E, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines, and BTRY L, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines. Four missions were fired in support of the operation with an expenditure of 60 rounds of 105MM and 117 rounds of 155MM ammunition.

b. Operation Swanee. Operation SWANEE commenced on 17 August and terminated on 21 August. The operation was supported by the 2d Battalion, 12th Marines (DS), BTRY L, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines (GS REIN), Composite Plt 8" How BTRY (SP) (GE), and BTRY A, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines (Rein). A platoon of 155MM howitzer (SP) of BTRY L/4/12, displaced to the vicinity of Hill 55 (AT 964618) to provide extended coverage for the operation. Active artillery support was expected during the operation. The covering force protecting a navigational survey team of the SONG THU BON River expected frequent VC contact and harassment. On 20 August artillery experienced its most intensive period of support and fifteen targets of opportunity were engaged in support of 3d Battalion, 9th Marines. Five preparations were fired during 3d Battalion, 9th Marines river crossing in the vicinity of (AT 900540). There were 498 rounds of 105MM and 173 rounds of 155MM ammunition expended during the entire operation.

c. Significant Events. On 12 August BTRY E, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines displaced to HUE-PHU BAI in conjunction with the 2d Battalion 12th Marines. During August all 2d Battalion, 12th Marines FO teams were equipped with the AN/PRC-25 radio. The capabilities of this radio has resulted in the most dependable communication yet experienced with all FO teams during the delivery and control of artillery fires. The ASR for 105MM HE ammunition was established as 16 rounds per tube per day during August. Expenditures of ammunition during daily firing did not exceed the ASR and no problems arose in limiting artillery support. All targets were attacked by the method of fire requested without limiting fire for effect. All ammunition expenditure were closely monitored and the artillery H&I concentrations were assigned so that 81MM mortars and the 155MM howitzer could fire the majority of concentrations and allow adequate 105MM ammunition to be available to attack targets of opportunity.

d. Number/Type of Missions fired during August 1966

H&I concentrations	1283
Observed Missions	142
Unobserved Missions	3

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

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8" Howitzer	10
155 MM Howitzer	1479
105 MM Howitzer	3354

2. Naval Gunfire. None.

SECRETSUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The following documents are submitted with original copy of the 9th Marines Command Chronology for August 1966.

Pt 1 a. ✓ 2 INTSUMS 212-242

Pt 2 b. ✓ 3 SITREPS 213-247

c. ✓ 9th Marine Frag Orders 213-243

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

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copy* { e. ✓ 3rd Bn, 9th Marines Command Chronology for Aug 1966.

f. ✓ 9th Marines Operation Order 401-66 Operation WILCOX

g. ✓ 9th Marines Operation Order 120-66 Operation SWANNEE

h. ✓ Overlay 9th Marines BOUNDARY

i. ✓ 9th Marine Disposition of Forces and Tactical area of responsibility as of 31 August 1966.

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

1. 9th Marines INFOSUM #212

2. Period covered 311200H Jul - 011200H Aug

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 14 Incidents; 5 Harassing; 7 VC Initiated

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 311920H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 903541) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 905537) resulting in 1 Marine KIA. The Marines returned 300 caliber .30 machinegun rounds, 150 caliber .50 machinegun rounds and 1 90mm (tank) cannister round. Simultaneously the Marines received what was believed to be 3 57mm RR rounds from VC at (AT 903544) where muzzle flashes were observed. The Marines returned 3 90mm (tank) cannister rounds and 200 caliber .30 machinegun rounds. Almost immediately the Marines heard what sounded like a large body of troops at (AT 903544) moving toward the OP position and 60mm mortar rounds were fired into the area with undetermined results. 81mm mortar rounds were also fired at possible VC routes of escape. At this time a second Co B squad OP at (AT 906550) received S/A and possible 57mm RR rounds from VC at (AT 912554). The Marines returned a heavy volume of S/A and 81mm mortar rounds. Co B dispatched a squad to search the area which produced negative results. Marine casualties were 1 Marine KIA. Artillery fired a total of 22 155mm artillery rounds and 225 105mm artillery rounds at the enemy in support of this action.

(2) At 312005H, a Co B platoon at (AT 909550) received 3 rounds of what was believed to be 57mm RR fire and S/A fire from VC positioned at (AT 912554) and (AT 903547). The Marines fired 3 90mm (tank) rounds at the enemy locations and the VC broke contact.

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(3) At 312140H, a Co D squad ambush at (AT 956630) observed 1 VC attempting to cross the SONG YEN at (AT 955630). The Marines fired 60 S/A rounds and 9 40mm (M-79) rounds at the VC. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(4) At 312145H, a Co D squad ambush at (AT 956630) observed 3 bushes moving against the current on the SONG YEN at (AT 955630). The area was illuminated with 2 81mm mortar rounds and the Marines fired 3 40mm (M-79) rounds at the VC. Enemy casualties were 3 VC KIA (Probable).

(5) At 312245H, a Co A platoon patrol base at (AT 966568) received 2 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 966581). The area was illuminated with a tank searchlight and 20 caliber .30 machinegun rounds and 21 81mm mortar rounds were fired at the VC location destroying 1 structure.

(6) At 312300H, a Co D fireteam LP at (AT 977617) heard movement in a tree line at (AT 977618). The Marines fired 7 S/A rounds at the location and searched the area with negative results.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) At 311440H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 996550) observed 1 VC running south across a bridge at (AT 998548). The Marines fired 25 S/A rounds at the VC and observed him fall into the river. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(2) At 311750H, Co G at (BT 009633) received 1 S/A round from VC at (AT 994622). The Marines fired 20 81mm mortar rounds at the VC with undetermined results.

(3) At 311900H, a Co F platoon patrol at (BT 023594) observed 2 VC, 1 of which was armed, at (BT 023596) and (BT 026596). The Marines fired 30 S/A rounds at VC located at (BT 026596) but could not check area because of intervening body of water (SONG TAM GIAP) and 25 S/A rounds at VC located at (BT 023596) and searched the area with negative results. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(4) At 312000H, a Co F platoon at (BT 015596) received 5 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 018599). The Marines returned 12 81mm mortar rounds at the VC location with undetermined results.

(5) At 312045H, a Co G squad ambush at (BT 009631) received 75 to 100 S/A rounds from 5 VC at (AT 999625) and 2 to 3 VC at (BT 010637). The Marines returned 150 S/A rounds, 20 40mm (M-79) rounds, 13 60mm mortar rounds, 40 81mm mortar rounds and 60 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. The areas were searched with negative results. Marines casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

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6. 2-22-61 (Oceano, Calif. MACON)

(2) At 31045H, a Co M LP at (AF 510312) observed 1 VC moving 10 to 15 meters away. The Marines fired 10 S/A rounds at the VC and observed 1 fall. The area was searched with negative results.

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- ### 5. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

- (6) Co H destroyed 1 61mm mortar shell at (AT 95542).

(a) Co G destroyed 10 feet of trenchline at (BT 009531) and 3 bunkers at (BT 005633).

- (3) Go K destroyed 3 feet of tunnelling and 1 foot bridge at (AF 89542).

- (c) 6% destroyed 39 bunkers in SS (SN 0259).

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a. Late Report. At 301100H, a Co B patrol apprehended 2 female VCS at (AT998572). The suspects were believed to be VC sympathizers in the CAM GIA area.

b. Late Report. At 310900H, a 3dBn 9thMar recon element at (AT 832453) observed 100 to 150 Vietnamese Nationals congregating at (AT 829467). Eight armed VC dressed in grey uniforms carrying packs joined the civilians and after a brief period, departed. Subsequently, a total of 300 civilians were reported in the area and they appeared to be delivering baskets of rice to a collection point.

7. New Identifications.

a. At 311300H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 reported the results of a preliminary debriefing of the returnee who rallied on 30 July. (See para 3.d.(3) 9thMarines IN SUM #211). The returnee stated that he had seen 3 Vietnamese males armed with rifles with scopes in his hamlet, PHU NHUAN (4) (AT 9149). He stated that these men were dressed in yellowish colored uniforms and wore sandals and soft hats. He described the men as NVA and stated that there are 10 NVA soldiers in each of the villages in the AN HOA area. A few days ago he walked from (AT 9751) to (AT 9552) and observed 200 to 300 armed men, all wearing yellowish colored uniforms and full-length boots (combat boots). The returnee said that these men were also NVA and had 7 large recoilless type weapons, each requiring 10 men to carry it. When the USMC and ARVN forces move into the area these NVA forces displace to safe havens to the east. Additional information will be provided when available. (S-2 comment: Reports of 23 and 25 July indicated that one NVA Co was located in the vicinity of (AT 9755)).

8. Enemy Movement

a. At 310600H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from DAI LOC District Headquarters that 1 VC Bn commanded by one DUC, with a strength of 300 men armed with 1 81mm mortar, 3 60mm mortar, 2 MU's and 1 57mm RR, displaced from (AT 834515) to the vicinity of (AT 866552), (AT 873553) and (AT 870545). DAI LOC rates the report B-2. (S-2 comment: F-2 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn (Conf). Duc is carried as CO of R.20 Bn. Previous reports indicated that R.20 Bn had moved into the foothills in the SW portion of AN HOA operating area for reorganization and training).

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b. At 312015H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from the U.S. Army Liaison Officer assigned to the 2dBn 51stARVN Regiment that on 31 July 1 VC Bn (unidentified) displaced south across the SONG THU BON and moved in a southeast direction to the vicinity of (AT 879508), (AT 890509) and (AT 896515). The report stated that 1 VC Co was deployed at each coordinates. The report was rated C-1. (S-2 comment; F-3 See para above, possibly R.20 Bn).

c. At 312020H, G-2 relayed a report from the HOI AN Liaison Officer that 1 VC Co (unidentified) armed with 1 60mm mortar, 1 BAR and 4 LMG's is presently deployed at (BT 052638) and (BT 053633). The report was not rated. (S-2 comment; F-3 Within normal operating area of Q-15 (LF) Co).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>02 Aug</u>	<u>03 Aug</u>
BMCT	0605	0606
SUNRISE	0628	0629
SUNSET	1918	1917
EECT	1941	1940
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2014	2052
MOONRETS	0701	0741

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change

11. Conclusions. No change

12. Other. None

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2. Period covered 011200H - 021200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 10 Incidents; 2 Harassing; 5 VC Initiated
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 011100H, a force recon element at (AT 923534) discovered 1 dead VC at (AT 922530). The Marines recovered 1 grenade, miscellaneous medical supplies and documents from the body. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 011923H, a Co B fireteam OP at (AT 925533) observed 1 boat carrying 3 armed VC on the SONG THU BON at (AT 918533). After a brief period, the OP observed 4 additional boats each carrying 3 VC at the same location. The Marines fired 6 106mm RR rounds, and 50 caliber .30 machinegun rounds and sank all 5 boats. The OP observed 6 VC being dragged from the river's edge. Enemy casualties were 6 VC KIA (Probable).

(3) At 020005H, a Co C platoon at (AT 954554) received 15 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 953553). The Marines returned 150 S/A rounds and 20 81mm mortar rounds at the VC who broke contact. The Marines searched the area with a Starlight scope with negative sightings.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 011130H, a Co G platoon patrol at (AT 994627) received 10 S/A rounds from 1 VC at (BT 002632). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds, 5 40mm (M-79) rounds and 4 60mm mortar rounds at the VC with undetermined results.

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(2) At 011315H, a Co H platoon patrol base at (AT 988555) observed 1 armed VC walking toward them at close range. The Marines fired 6 S/A rounds at the VC killing him and recovered 1 U.S. carbine caliber .30 (M-1), 2 carbine ammunition magazines, 1 CHICOM grenade, 1 U.S. (M-26) grenade and 1 U.S. bayonet (M-1). Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(3) At 011355H, a Co H platoon at (BT 000555) observed 4 VC in treeline at (BT 004563). When the VC spotted the Marines they boarded a boat and fled across the SONG KY LAM. The Marines fired 100 S/A rounds, 1 3.5 inch (rocket) round and 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and observed 1 VC fall and dragged away. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(4) At 011550H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 995550) received S/A fire from 2 VC at (AT 998546) and (AT 993545) and an undetermined number of VC at (AT 993545). The Marines fired 1200 machinegun rounds, 400 S/A rounds, 5 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds, 24 81mm mortar rounds and 271005mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. The Marines searched the area and apprehended 1 VCS who could not explain his presence there. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac). Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(5) At 011735H, a H&S Co vehicle (M422) at (BT 032643) received 1 S/A round from VC at (BT 032642). The Marines searched the area with negative results.

(6) At 011735H, a Co G platoon at (BT 006624) received 15 to 20 S/A rounds from 3 VC at (BT 002625). The Marines returned 5 40mm (M-79) rounds, 50 S/A rounds, 30 81mm mortar rounds and 36 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac). The area was searched with negative results.

(7) At 012030H, a Co F Marine detonated an M-16A1 mine at (BT 028583) resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 5 USMC WIA (medevac). The mine was rigged with a pressure-release type activator. When the medevac helicopter was enroute it received 2 S/A rounds from VC positioned at (AT 995610) and automatic weapons fire from VC at (BT 018628), (BT 019619) and (BT 015624).

d. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 021000H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 924501) received 45 to 50 S/A rounds from 4 VC at (AT 922512) and 3 VC at (AT 927505). The Marines returned 30 to 40 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and 6 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. The Marines searched the area with negative results.

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- (1) Confirmed 0/3/0/0/0/3
- (2) Probable 0/1/0/0/0/7
- (3) 0/0/0/0/
- (4) 1/0

Operation MAGNUM VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 65)

- (1) Confirmed 0/130/0/0/0/150
- (2) Probable 0/287/0/0/0/287
- (3) 2/0/0/0/
- (4) 4/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons

- a. Co E recovered 1 U.S. carbine caliber .30 (M-1) at (AT 928555).

(2) Equipment

- a. Co H recovered 2 U.S. carbine ammunition magazines, 1 CHICOM grenade, 1 U.S. (M-26) grenade and 1 U.S. bayonet (M-1) at (AT 928555).

- b. Co B recovered 1 grenade, miscellaneous medical supplies and documents at (AT 922530).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

- a. At 011945H, the USMC Liaison Officer assigned to HOA VANG District Headquarters relayed a report from the 1st Bn 51st ARVN Regiment that two VC platoons are located at (AT 994622) and (AT 990613) and are armed with 1 60mm mortar and 4 BAR's. The report stated that at 011400H the villagers of QUANG BOM (1) and (2) were preparing rice to feed the VC, who reportedly were moving out to the south east at 013000Z. The report was not rated. (S-2 comment: E-3 Operating area of (AT 994622) 20).

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b. At 012105H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from HOA VANG District Headquarters that 40 VC carrying heavy appearing bundles, covered with plastic, displaced to (AT 953650) on the night of 31 July. HOA VANG rates the report B-3. (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area of Q.16 (LF) Co).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>03 Aug</u>	<u>04 Aug</u>
BMCT	0606	0606
SUNRISE	0629	0629
SUNSET	1917	1917
LOST	1910	1940
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2052	2126
MOONSET	0751	0840

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. None

11. Conclusions. None

12. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM # 214
2. Period covered 021200H - 031200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity

- a. 12 Incidents; 4 Harrassing; 8 VC Initiated; 3 Mine/Booby Trap
- b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 021215H, Co C reported that several documents were uncovered at (AT 954554) while preparing defensive positions.

(2) At 022245H, a Co D fireteam LP at (AT 977617) heard movement and observed VC in a treeline across the SONG AI NGHIA at (AT 978618). The Marines fired 8 S/A rounds with undetermined results.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) At 021410H, a Co F platoon patrol at (BT 038575) received 5 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 035569). As the Marines deployed to engage the VC, they observed 1 VC (in a blue uniform) running to their front. The Marines challenged the VC and when the challenge was ignored shot and killed him. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 021645H, a Co H fireteam patrol discovered and destroyed 1 explosive device (intensity of hand grenade) rigged with a vine trip-wire at (AT 982568).

(3) At 022140H, a Co H squad ambush at (AT 985575) reported that 1 Marine was WIA (medevac) when a small rudimentary mine rigged with a trip-wire was detonated.

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(4) At 022000H, a Co G platoon at (BT 005619) received 20 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (BT 008618). The Marines returned 10 S/A rounds and 1 81mm mortar round and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 022320H, a Co H squad ambush at (AT 986573) observed approximately 20 VC at (AT 982575). The Marines fired 20 81mm mortar rounds and the VC fled. The area was searched with negative results.

4. 31st Mar (Operation MACE)

(1) Late Report. At 021000H, a Co K squad at (AT 928503) received 60 to 70 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 923506) and (AT 923507). The Marines returned 180 S/A rounds, 5 LAAW (M-72) rounds, 39 40mm (M-79) rounds, 6 81mm mortar rounds and 5 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. A search of the area revealed 1 VC KIA (no weapons or equipment) and drag marks. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(2) Late Report. At 021030H, a Co M squad patrol at (AT 937523) received 50 to 75 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 933518), (AT 939520) and (AT 940519). The Marines returned 100 S/A rounds and 21 81mm mortar rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(3) Late Report. At 021130H, Co M at (AT 937527) received 12 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 940520). The Marines returned 18 105mm artillery rounds at the VC position with undetermined results.

(4) Late Report. At 021145H, a Co K platoon OP at (AT 928488) received 9 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 936483). The Marines returned 6 60mm mortar rounds at the VC who broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 02:215H, a Co K firstteam OP at (AT 935485) detonated a grenade rigged with a trip wire resulting in 1 Marine WIA.

(6) At 021845H, Co M at (AT 913514) received 1 S/A round from VC at (AT 916512). The Marines returned 10 60mm mortar rounds. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1)	Confirmed	0/1/0/0/0/11
(2)	Probable	0/0/0/0/0/0
(3)		0/0/0/0
(4)		0/0

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(1)	Confirmed	0/151/0/0/0/151 ¹⁶³
(2)	Probable	0/290/0/0/0/290 ¹⁶³
(3)	2/0/0/30	297 ²⁹⁷
(4)	4/0	

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons. None(2) Equipment

a. Co H destroyed 1 grenade at (AT 982568).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 021415H, the 3d Mar S-2 Officer relayed a report from DAI LOC District Headquarters that 1 VC Co, with a strength of 120 men, dressed in khaki uniforms and wearing camouflage, armed with 1 81mm mortar, 1 60mm mortar, 1 57mm RR and 1 machinegun and commanded by one LAM is presently located in the vicinity of (AT 947536) and (AT 945533). The VC Co is augmented by a local VC guerrilla force (size not indicated). The report stated that this VC force conducts operations in the vicinity of (AT 930537) and (AT 931547) during the hours of darkness. DAI LOC rates the report C-2. (S-2 comment: Recent reports indicate presence of NVA Co in khaki (yellowish) uniforms in same general area. Recent reports have also indicated presence of elements of R.20 Bn in this area. LAM is associated with both V.25 Bn and R.20 Bn).

b. At 030945H, the 3d Mar S-2 relayed a DAI LOC District Headquarters report that 2 VC Co's equipped with 1 81mm mortar, 1 60mm mortar, 2 MG's and 1 57mm RR are located at (AT 893537), (AT 866551) and (AT 847547). (S-2 comment: F-2 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn).

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c. At 031050H, the 1stMar S-2 Officer relayed a report from an unidentified CVN source at CAM HE (4) (AT 969697) that on 2 August 40 to 50 VC armed with 60mm mortars displaced to LA BONG (1) (AT 974672) and LA CHAU (5) (AT 964665). (S-2 comment: F-3 Within normal operating area of Q.16 (LF) Co).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>04 Aug</u>	<u>05 Aug</u>
BMCT	0606	0606
SUNRISE	0629	0629
SUNSET	1917	1917
EECT	1940	1940
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2126	2159
MOONSET	0840	0926

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.

11. Conclusions. No change

12. Other

a. Late Report. At 021045H, the 1stMar S-2 Officer relayed a report from an unidentified villager from NANG TRUNG (1) (BT 0564) who pointed out punji traps in (BT 0564) that 12 VC dressed in khaki uniforms and armed with carbines had been observed in NANG TRUNG (2) (BT 052639) on the morning of 2 August. The report was rated F-3. (S-2 comment: F-3 Within normal operating area of Q.16 Co (LF)).

b. At 021230H, the 1stBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from the 2dBn 3dMar that several villagers from LAC THANH TAY (AT 944593) informed them that 40 VC were holed up in 2 caves near their hamlet. The area was searched with negative results.


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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #215

2. Period covered 031200H - 041200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 17 Incidents; 5 Harassing; 8 VC Initiated; 2 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 031130H, a Co D squad patrol (AT 987627) received 50 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 991627). The Marines returned 50 to 60 S/A rounds. No further contact established.

(2) At 031325H, a Co B squad patrol at (AT 903541) received 1 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 904536). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds and 16 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact.

(3) At 031915H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 906541) received 20 to 30 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 905538). The Marines returned 30 S/A rounds, 60 81mm mortar rounds and 27 105mm artillery rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(4) At 031917H, a Co B fireteam OP at (AT 922533) observed 4 VC in a boat heading south on the SONG THU BON at (AT 913533). Two additional VC ran from a treeline in the same vicinity and joined the 4. The Marines fired 4 caliber .50 machinegun rounds and 2 106mm RR rounds destroying the boat and killing all 6 VC. Enemy casualties were 6 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(5) At 040855H, a Co A platoon at (AT 984606) observed 26 armed VC dressed in green and grey uniforms moving south in a treeline at (AT 988607). The Marines fired 48 105mm artillery rounds with undetermined results.

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(6) At 041051H, a Co A Marine was WIA (medevac) when he detonated an M16 type mine rigged with a trip wire at (AT 986604).

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) At 031130H, a Co G platoon at (AT 99962) received 100 S/A rounds from 5 VC at (AT 995618). The Marines returned 1100 S/A rounds, 6 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and 30 40mm (M-79) rounds and a medevac helicopter fired 400 S/A rounds at the VC who broke contact. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

(2) At 031240H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 992565) received S/A rounds from VC at (AT 995565). The Marines returned 4 S/A rounds. The area was searched with negative results.

(3) At 031435H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 996552) observed 5 VC in a boat on the Song Ky Lam at (AT 997547). The boat was beached and the VC attempted to flee. The Marines fired 250 S/A rounds, 3 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and 24 105mm artillery rounds killing all 5 VC and sinking the boat. Enemy casualties were 5 VC KIA (confirmed).

(4) At 031600H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 999565) apprehended 1 female VCS whose name appears on the District blacklist. Later VCS provided information concerning a VC meeting place at (AT 997560). After the VCS was delivered to the Battalion S-2, the patrol returned to (AT 997560) and destroyed the meeting place. The Marines also discovered and destroyed 2 "tomato can" type explosive devices at (AT 991566) and (AT 995566).

(5) At 031715H, tanks operating with a Co H platoon at (BT 001580) observed 15 to 20 VC moving northeast at (BT 005585). The Marines fired 3 90mm (tank) rounds at the VC and searched the area with negative results.

(6) At 031715H, a Co F Marine was WIA (medevac) when a US(M16A1) "bounding" mine was detonated at (BT 033594).

(7) At 040710H, a Co G platoon patrol at (AT 997611) observed 6 to 10 armed VC dressed in khaki uniforms moving north at (AT 993618). The Marines fired 26 105mm artillery rounds with undermined results.

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(1) At 031200H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 928487) received 8 to 10 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 936486), (AT 941487) and (AT 939492). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds, 3 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and 5 81mm mortar rounds at the VC who broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) At 031355H, a recon element at (AT 967476) observed 26 to 35 armed VC carrying packs and wearing camouflage at (AT 978466). Two of the VC were observed carrying 1 81mm mortar. Sixty six 105mm artillery rounds were fired at the enemy with excellent effect on target. Enemy casualties were 12 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 7 VC KIA (Probable).

(3) At 031845H, a Co M platoon at (AT 925516) received 5 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (AT 935523). The Marines returned 50 caliber .50 machinegun rounds, 9 90mm (tank) rounds and 5 60mm mortar rounds at the enemy location and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 031915H, a Co K platoon patrol at (AT 913493) received 1 S/A round from VC at close range. The Marines returned 60 S/A rounds, 8 40mm (M-79) rounds and 3 60mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/11/0/0/0/11
- (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500 Jul 66)

- b. (1) Confirmed 0/163/0/0/0/163
- (2) Probable 0/297/0/0/0/297
- (3) 2/0/0/30
- (4) 4/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

- (1) Weapons. None
- (2) Equipment

a. Co K destroyed 1 81mm mortar round and 1 105mm artillery shell in GS (AT 9349).

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b. Co H destroyed 3 60mm mortar shells and 6 punji stakes at (BT 005585).

c. Co H destroyed 2 tomato can-type explosives devices at (AT 991566) and (AT 995566).

d. Co B destroyed 1 boat at (AT 913533).

(3) Facilities

a. At 021840H, Co K destroyed 5 tunnels, 6 bunkers, 2 fighting holes and 1 trenchline in GS (AT 9349) and (AT 9248).

b. On 3 August, Co H destroyed 1 tunnel and 2 punji traps at (BT 005585) and 2 bunkers at (AT 999624).

c. On 3 August, Co F destroyed 18 bunkers in GS (BT 0359).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None

6. Administrative Activities. None

7. New Identifications. None

8. Enemy Movement

a. At 031050H, the 1stMar S-2 reported that 40 to 50 VC with 1 60mm mortar moved to LA BONG (1) (AT 974672) and LA CHAU (5) (AT 964665). (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area Q.16 Co).

b. At 031830H, G-2 relayed a report from HOA VANG District Headquarters that 1 VC platoon located at (BT 001645) reportedly has a mission to attack the security unit at the HA THANH DAM at (AT 004655). HOA VANG rates the report C-3. (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area Q.16 Co).

c. At 032000H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from DUC DUC District Headquarters that the VC established a cordon around the CAN MY (2) hamlet (AT 841 529), PHU BAC (2) hamlet (AT 852510) and PHU LONG (2) hamlet (AT 867514) from 28 July to 4 Aug. The VC were requiring each family to provide a portion of a banana tree (possibly to use as raft or bunker material). The report stated that on 24 July 1 VC (MF) Bn (identified as the R.20 Bn) displaced from the vicinity of the above hamlets to the vicinity of (AT 880533). The report continued that when 1 VC (MF) Bn (unidentified) displaced to the vicinity of (AT 812555) they forced carpenters and bricklayers from villages along the way to accompany them. The mission of this VC force was not indicated. The report was not rated. (S-2 comment F-3 Normal operating area of the VC R.20 and V.25 Bn).

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a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>05 Aug</u>	<u>06 Aug</u>
BMCT	0606	0606
SUNRISE	0629	0629
SUNSET	1917	1916
EECT	1940	1939
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2159	2233
MOONSET	0926	1012

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Other

a. At 031400H, the Regimental Civil Affairs Officer with a CHIEU HOI representative and 5 Ralliers, apprehended 3 female VC in the vicinity of CAM VAN (1) (AT 9659). CAM VAN (2) (AT 9660) and CAM VAN (3) (AT 9758). The VC captives were identified as one PHAM THI LANG, a propagandist; one NGUYEN THI KINH, a VC guerrilla organizer; and one NGUYEN THI THAO, who hides, supplies and warns VC in the area when USMC/ARVN forces approach.

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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (S-2)
To:
1. 9th Marines INTSUM#216

2. Period covered 041200H - 051200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 17 Incidents; 6 Harrassing; 12 VC Initiated

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 041140H, a Co A platoon at (AT 982604) received 8 to 10 S/A rounds from 3 VC at (AT 987604). The Marines returned 15 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and 66 81mm mortar rounds at the VC. Two secondary explosions (size and intensity not indicated) occurred. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) Late Report. At 041150H, a Co C fireteam OP at (AT 954553) observed 2 armed VC wearing white trousers and black shirts entering at structure at (AT 951542). The Marines fired 14 81mm mortar rounds at the VC location and observed the VC emerge and run into a treeline. No further observations made.

(3) At 041325H, a Co A platoon discovered and destroyed 1 rudimentary explosive device, identified as a yellow snake grenade wrapped in cloth and rigged with a trip-wire activator at (AT 982604).

(4) At 041550H, a Co B fireteam OP at (AT 925534) observed 6 VC emerging from a treeline at (AT 906529). The Marines fired 6 106mm RR rounds at the VC killing 1. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(5) At 050815H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 906541) received 2 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 905538). The Marines returned 90mm (tank) rounds and caliber .30 machinegun rounds at the VC location with unknown results.

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(6) At 050935H, a Co A platoon at (AT 988600) received S/A fire from VC at (AT 992598). The Marines returned 127 105mm and 32 155mm artillery rounds and searched the area with negative results.

c. 2d Bn 9th Mar

(1) Late Report. At 040830H, a Co G platoon at (AT 998617) received heavy S/A (automatic weapons) fire from an estimated 20 VC at (AT 993618) and (AT 993610). The Marines returned 1,000 S/A rounds, 200 40mm (M-79) rounds, 3 3.5 inch (rocket) rounds and 84 105mm artillery rounds at the VC locations. In addition 3 fixed wing air strikes were conducted. Two platoons of Co G searched the area and reported that the air strikes had uncovered an extensive and elaborate tunnel system. The Marines also discovered a bunker that had previously been destroyed had been reconstructed and reinforced at (AT 993619). Large pools of blood were also noted in the area.

(2) At 041415H, a Co E platoon patrol at (AT 991618) reported that a re-supply helicopter received 6 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 002611). The Marines fired 12 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact.

(3) At 041645H, Co F at (BT 024577) received 10 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 017584). The Marines returned 3 90mm (tank) rounds and 10 60mm mortar rounds at the VC who broke contact. The area was searched revealing drag marks indicating 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(4) At 041450H, a re-supply helicopter received 60 S/A rounds from VC positioned at (AT 975554) and (AT 968557). Co H fired 100 60mm mortar rounds and 10 81mm mortar rounds at the VC who broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 041545H, an H&S Co squad patrol at (BT 025637) received 2 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 029639). The Marines did not return fire due to pedestrian traffic on the Highway. A search was made with negative results.

(6) At 041600H, a Co F platoon PPB at (BT 014587) received 10 to 20 S/A rounds from 5 VC at (BT 018586). The Marines returned 30 S/A rounds at the VC killing 1. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(7) At 041700H, a Co F platoon patrol was dispatched to recheck the area (BT 023583) relative to a previous VC engagement at (BT 017584). (See 041645H entry, this INTSUM). Upon arrival in the area, the Marines observed 1 VC attempting to throw a grenade. The Marines fired S/A rounds at the VC who dropped the grenade and was killed when it detonated. One Marine was also

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WIA (non medevac) when he was struck by fragments from the grenade. At this time a second VC was observed attempting to flee and was killed by the Marines. The Marines recovered 1 cartridge belt. Enemy casualties were 2 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(8) At 050645H, a Co G platoon patrol at (AT 999620) observed 1 VC dressed in black clothing taking undue interest in Co G positions. The Marines fired 10 S/A rounds and 17 81mm mortar rounds at the VC who fled. The area was searched with negative results.

d. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 041230H, a Co M platoon at (AT 937512) received S/A fire from VC at (AT 942516). The Marines returned 14 105mm artillery rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) At 041300H, a Co M platoon at (AT 934512) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 940513) resulting in 1 Marine WIA (medevac). The medevac helicopter also received a total of 30 S/A rounds from the same VC location. The Marines returned 300 S/A rounds, 10 40mm (M-79) rounds, 50 81mm mortar rounds and 14 105mm artillery rounds at the VC who broke contact. A search of the area revealed several documents and pools of blood on the trail. Enemy casualties were not determined.

(3) At 041900H, a recon element at (AT 974479) observed 10 armed VC carrying packs at (AT 974481). Thirty two 105mm artillery rounds were fired with undetermined results.

(4) At 050900H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 908497) observed 1 armed VC moving north at (AT 908498). The Marines fired 4 S/A rounds at the VC who fled. The area was searched with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties from 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/4/0/0/0/4
- (2) Probable 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/163/0/0/0/163
- (2) Probable 0/297/0/0/0/297
- (3) 2/0/0/30
- (4) 4/0

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(a) Co H destroyed 4 60mm mortar shells rigged to detonate, 10 punji stakes and 3 clips of caliber .30 (M-1) ammunition in CS (BT 0058).

(b) Co H recovered several documents at (AT 940543).

(c) Co A destroyed 1 rudimentary mine at (AT 982604).

(d) Co F recovered 1 cartridge belt at (BT 023583).

(3) Facilities

(a) Co G destroyed 5 tunnels and 1 trenchline at (AT 993617).

(b) Co H destroyed 2 bunkers and 1 trenchline in CS (BT 0058).

(c) Co F destroyed 23 bunkers in CS (BT 0158).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None**6. Administrative Activities. None****7. New Identifications. None****8. Enemy Movement**

a. At 041320H, the JMIAR S-2 relayed a report from DAI LOC District Headquarters that 1 VC Bn wearing green camouflaged uniforms with a strength of 350 men, armed with 1 81mm mortar, 3 60mm mortars, 1 57mm RE and 2 RE's and commanded by one NGUYEN LUC, had displaced to the vicinity of 'AT 872530), (AT 876535) and (AT 870534). DAI LOC rates the report C-3. (S-2 comment: P-3 Normal operating area of the VC R.20 Bn).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

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EMOT	0606	0606
SUNRISE	0629	0629
SUNSET	1916	1916
EMOT	1939	1939
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2233	2306
MOONSET	1012	1058

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change11. Conclusions. No change.12. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #217
2. Period covered 051200H - 061200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 22 Incidents; 11 VG Harassing; 6 VC Initiated
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 051815H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 902541) received 2 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 905538). The Marines returned 13 105mm artillery rounds. Two additional S/A rounds were received from VC at the same location and the Marines returned 5 90mm (tank) rounds and the VC withdrew. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(2) Late Report. At 051125H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 906541) received 4 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 904538). The Marines returned 24 105mm artillery rounds and the VC fire ceased.

(3) Additional Information. At 051215H, the Bn S-2 provided additional information concerning a Co A contact at 050935H in the vicinity of (AT 988600) (see 050935H entry INTSUM # 216). The Marines received S/A fire from VC at (AT 991597) and (AT 992598) resulting in 1 Marine WIA (DOW). The Marines returned 176 105mm artillery rounds at the enemy location. When the artillery fire ceased, the Marines received additional S/A fire from VC at (AT 991597). The VC were believed to have taken refuge in an underground tunnel. Thirty two 155mm artillery rounds were fired at the enemy location with unknown results.

(4) At 051310H, Co C at (AT 954554) heard 4 explosions, identified as 60mm mortar rounds or hand grenades at (AT 950550). A Marine squad patrol was dispatched to search the area with reported negative results.

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(5) At 051400H, a Co A platoon at (AT 988604) received 150 S/A rounds from an estimated VC platoon positioned at (AT 984603), (AT 984605), (AT 980608) and (AT 981603). The Marines returned 550 S/A rounds, 70 40mm (M-79) rounds, 4 60mm mortar rounds and 61 81mm mortar rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 051430H, a Co A platoon at (AT 978597) received 75 S/A rounds from VC positioned at (AT 976597), (AT 979597), and (AT 979596). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds, 15 40mm (M-79) rounds, 30 60mm mortar rounds and 26 105mm artillery rounds and the VC broke contact and fled to the east. The area was searched with negative results.

(6) At 051500H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 906541) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 905536). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds, 3 90mm (tank) rounds and 48 105mm artillery rounds with undetermined results.

(7) At 051555H, a Co A fireteam OP at (AT 954553) received 3 to 5 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (AT 958549). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds and 41 81mm mortar rounds. Enemy casualties were 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(8) At 051630H, Co A made contact with an estimated VC platoon in the vicinity of grid squares (AT 9658), (AT 9659), (AT 9758) and (AT 9759). The Marines received a total of approximately 600 S/A rounds and returned S/A, M-79 and 60mm mortar fire throughout the engagement at the conclusion of which the VC broke contact and withdrew. During a search of the area, the Marines discovered 12 Vietnamese civilians (4 men, 4 women and 4 children) who had been killed by S/A fire at close range and/or beaten in a house at (AT 970589). Two men and 2 children who had been wounded by S/A were found in the area also. The wounded (1 child died subsequently) were evacuated to the BAS for treatment. Continuing the search, the Marines found 8 VC KIA (Confirmed) (2 KBMA and 6 KEGF) and evidence of 3 KIA (Probable) (2 KEGF and 1 KBMA). Four VCS were apprehended in the area and evacuated for investigation.

(9) At 061630H, a Co A platoon at (AT 954608) apprehended 1 VCS, whose name appears on the District black list. The VCS was evacuated to the 3d ITT for investigation.

(10) At 051700H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 906541) received 25 to 30 S/A rounds from 6 VC at (AT 906538) and (AT 901537) on the far (south) side of the SONG AI NGHIA. The Marines returned 700 caliber .30 machinegun rounds, 400 S/A rounds, 15 40mm (M-79) rounds and 2 90mm (tank) rounds and the VC withdrew. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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(11) At 051900H, a Co D squad patrol apprehended 4 VCS at DUC KY (2) hamlet area (AT 962606). The suspects were apprehended when they could not explain their presence in the area. The suspects were evacuated to the Bn S-2 for investigation.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) At 051600H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 995552) received 2 S/A rounds from 3 to 5 VC at (AT 998548). The Marines apprehended 1 female VCS (later released) in the area who informed them that many VC were located at the above coordinates. The Marines fired 42 105mm artillery rounds at the location with undetermined results.

(2) At 051640H, an H&S Co squad patrol at (BT 023637) received 5 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 028639). Simultaneously a USMC vehicle (6x6, truck) loaded with Marines also received 10 S/A rounds from the same enemy location. The Marines aboard the truck disembarked and deployed with the squad patrol. The Marines returned 25 S/A rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(3) At 051700H, the Bn CP at (BT 015627) received 50 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 023634). The Marines returned 200 S/A rounds and conducted a search with negative results. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

(4) At 051000H, a Co G platoon patrol at (BT 005618) received 5 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (BT 006613). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds, 2 40mm (M-79) rounds and 11 81mm mortar rounds. While searching the area, the Marines received additional S/A fire from 2 VC at the same location, however they fled before the Marines could return the fire. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 051015H, a Co E platoon patrol at (AT 996617) received 10 S/A rounds from 1 VC at (AT 992613). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds and 10 40mm (M-79) rounds and the VC fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

d. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation NACON)

(1) Late Report. At 051055H, a recon element at (AT 938448) observed 5 VC wearing black pajamas and carrying packs and armed with 4 rifles and 1 BAR at (AT 945445). Two 105mm artillery rounds were fired with undetermined results.

(2) Late Report. At 051145H, a Co K squad OP at (AT 932493) received 6 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 936488). The Marines returned 5 S/A rounds and the VC broke contact.

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(3) Late Report. At 051145H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 937498) received 30 S/A rounds and 3 40mm (M-79) rounds from VC at (AT 943498). The Marines returned 175 S/A rounds, 9 40mm (M-79) rounds and 10 105mm artillery rounds and the VC fire ceased. When the Marines began to search the area, they received an additional 10 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 938502). The Marines returned 10 S/A rounds, 2 LAAW (M-72) rounds and 5 40MM (M-79) rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(4) At 052030H, a Co K platoon PPB at (AT 929491) received 2 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 927494) and (AT 924494) when a Psy-War team commenced a series of broadcasts. The enemy fire was not repeated nor returned as no target was observed.

(5) At 052330H, a Co K platoon at (AT 929492) received 7 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 929493). The Marines returned 1 3.5 inch rocket round and 2 40mm (M-79) rounds and the VC fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results.

(6) At 061015H, a recon OP at (AT 937441) sighted 3 armed VC moving north dressed in black pajamas and coolie hats at (AT 949445). Four 105mm artillery rounds were fired with undetermined results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties from 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/7/0/2/0/9
- (2) Probable 0/4/0/1/0/5
- (3) 0/0/0/9
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/163/0/0/0/163
- (2) Probable 0/297/0/0/0/297
- (3) 2/0/0/30
- (4) 4/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

- (1) Weapons. None
- (2) Equipment

(a) Co H discovered steel punji stakes and documents in a pagoda at (AT 985573).

(b) Co H destroyed 1 U.S. (M-16A1) "bouncing" mine at (AT 987567) and 1 81mm mortar shell at (AT 986567).

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(a) Co F destroyed 19 bunkers in GS (BT 0257).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquartersb. Terrain. No change.c. Astronomical Data

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BMCT	0606	0607
SUNRISE	0629	0630
SUNSET	0616	0617
EECT	1939	1940
MOON PHASE	FULL	LAST
MOONRISE	2306	2340
MOONSET	1058	1146

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Other. None.

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From: Commanding Officer

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

1. 9th Marines INPSUM #218

2. Period covered 061200H - 071200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 18 Incidents; 5 Harassing; 12 VC Initiated; 1 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) On 6 August the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 reported that a VCS apprehended on 5 August as the result of a Co A contact in the vicinity of GS (AT 9658), (AT 9659), (AT 9758) and (AT 9759) (see 051630H entry, INPSUM #217) informed the Marines that at about 051300H, 30 to 40 VC wearing yellowish colored shirts armed with 1 mortar (size not indicated), 2 BAR's and 1 LMG passed through the GIANG LA village (AT 9759), and (AT 9760) and had come from the vicinity of LA HUAN village (AT 9859) and (AT 9860). (S-2 comment: F-2 Several recent contacts and sightings of platoon size VC units this area. Indications are that this unit operates in and out of QUANG DONI, LA HUAN and DUC KY hamlets. Possibly elements of Q.15 (LF) Co).

(2) At 061825H, a Co D platoon PPB at (AT 955546) received S/A fire from VC at (AT 958647), (AT 955643) and (AT 963645) resulting in 1 Marine WIA (medevac). The Marines returned 81mm mortar fire and S/A fire and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 061830H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 904543) observed 6 VC crossing the SONG THU BON south to north at (AT 914536). A Marine squad was dispatched to the area and when the VC spotted the Marines they attempted to return to the south bank. The Marines fired 135 S/A rounds at the VC killing them all. At this time the Marines received 3 S/A rounds from VC positioned on the far (south) side of the river at (AT 915535). The Marines returned 120 105mm artillery rounds at the VC with undetermined results. Enemy casualties were 6 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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(4) At 061955H, a Co A fireteam at (AT 969584) observed 3 small Vietnamese boys digging in the vicinity of (AT 966584). The Marines advanced to investigate and the boys fled. A search of the area revealed a freshly dug position and a further probe revealed 1 rudimentary mine consisting of a charge of black powder. The mine was destroyed by the Marines.

(5) At 062105H, a Co D LP at (AT 955647) observed 6 VC moving from west to east at close range. The Marines threw several hand grenades at the VC and received 25 S/A rounds in return. At this time a Co D squad patrol in the same general location fired 3 40mm (M-79) rounds at the VC location and the Marine LP withdrew. The VC broke contact. A search of the area produced negative results.

(6) At 070700H, a Co B OP at (AT 925534) observed 2 boats carrying a total of 9 VC, 4 of whom were armed, heading west to east on the SONG THU BON at (AT 907528). The Marines fired 12 105mm RR (ONTOS) rounds at the VC killing 2 VC (Confirmed) and 7 VC (Probable). The Marines also sunk both boats.

(7) At 070930H, a Co B OP at (AT 925534) observed 4 armed VC at close range. The Marines fired 9 caliber .50 machinegun rounds and 9 106mm RR rounds at the VC killing all 4. Enemy casualties were 4 VC KIA (Confirmed).

c. 2d Bn 9th Mar

(1) Late Report. At 061150H, Co G at (BT 000613) observed 8 to 10 VC at (AT 996608). The Marines fired 49 105mm artillery rounds at the enemy location with undetermined results.

(2) At 061230H, Co G at (BT 000613) received 50 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (BT 002608). The Marines returned 100 S/A rounds and the VC broke contact. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

(3) At 061400H, a Co F platoon patrol at (BT 043586) received 100 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 043593). The Marines returned 500 S/A rounds and 10 81mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 061445H, a Co H platoon patrol at (BT 003580) received 30 to 40 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 003583). The Marines returned 140 S/A rounds, 3 3.5 inch rocket rounds and 9 40mm (M-79) rounds and the VC broke contact. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(5) At 061540H, a Co G platoon LP at (BT 003612) received 10 S/A rounds from 2 VC armed with automatic weapons at (BT 002608). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds and the enemy fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

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(6) At 061645H, H&S Co reported receiving 1 S/A round into the Bn CP at (BT 015627) from 1 VC at (BT 016622). The Marines did not return the fire since no target was observed.

(7) At 061740H, an H&S Co fireteam patrol at (BT 016636) received 10 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 023634). The Marines returned 1 106mm RR round and the enemy fled. The area was searched with negative results.

d. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MACON)

(1) Late Report. At 061030H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 924505) observed 6 to 7 VC running from PHU NHUAN (4) hamlet (AT 927498). The Marines also received 250 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 925510) and (AT 927514). The Marines returned a total of 800 S/A rounds, 56 40mm (M-79) rounds, 5 LAAW (M-72) rounds, 3 81mm mortar rounds, 13 60mm mortar rounds and 14 105mm artillery rounds and the VC broke contact. Ten U.S. (M-26) grenades were also utilized for destroying fighting holes. A medevac helicopter received 4 S/A rounds but no damage to the aircraft was reported. Marine casualties were 2 WIA (1 of whom was medevac). Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 061650H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 935478) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 942478). The Marines returned 6 40mm (M-79) rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 061820H, a Co K platoon PPB at (AT 928491) received 10 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 943489). The Marines returned 2 60mm mortar rounds, 2 40mm (M-79) rounds 2 3.5 inch rocket rounds and 6 81mm mortar rounds with undetermined results.

(4) At 061920H, a Co M squad patrol at (AT 908504) observed 4 armed VC running into a treeline at (AT 907502). The Marines directed S/A fire at the VC and observed all 4 VC fall. At this time 6 to 8 VC emerged from the treeline and recovered the 4 fallen men. The Marines searched the area and recovered 1 can of milk, 1 flashlight, 1 khaki uniform, miscellaneous civilian clothing, 1 canteen, documents (unevaluated), 1 U.S. rifle, caliber .30 (M-1) and 1 rifle, CHICOM.

(5) At 070715H, a Co K OP at (AT 931492) received 15 S/A rounds from VC armed with a high powered rifle and 1 caliber .30 machinegun at (AT 940490). The Marines returned 8 S/A rounds, 2 81mm mortar rounds and 4 106mm RR rounds at the VC and the fire ceased. A Marine squad with tanks was dispatched to search the area. Additional information will be provided when available.

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- (1) Confirmed 0/12/0/0/0/12
- (2) Probable 0/6/0/0/0/6
- (3) 0/0/0/1
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/164/0/0/0/164
- (2) Probable 0/297/0/0/0/297
- (3) 2/0/0/30
- (4) 6/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons

(a) Co M recovered 1 U.S. rifle caliber .30 (M-1) and 1 CHICOM rifle at (AT 907502).

(2) Equipment

(a) Co A destroyed 1 rudimentary mine at (AT 966584).

(b) Co M recovered 1 can of milk, 1 flashlight, 1 khaki uniform, misc civilian clothing, 1 canteen, documents at (AT 907502).

(3) Facilities

(a) Co F destroyed 3 bunkers in GS (BT 0459).

(b) Co G destroyed 3 tunnels at (BT 010611), 1 bunker at (BT 010610) and 4 tunnels at (BT 009610).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None**CONFIDENTIAL**

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a. At 061713H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from DAI LOC District Headquarters that 2 VC Co's (unidentified) with a total strength of 215 men, armed with 1 81mm mortar, 2 60mm mortars and 1 MG and commanded by one LAM has displaced to the vicinity of (AT 895543), (AT 890545), (AT 863555) and (AT 870552). DAI LOC reports this VC force as possibly the VC 5th Bn. DAI LOC rates the report B-3. (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn. LAM previously identified as CO V.25 Bn AKA 5th. LAM also associated with R.20 Bn).

b. At 062020H, the 3dMar 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from DUC DUC District that 1 VC Bn (identified as the V.25) is located at (AT 850524), (AT 871530) and (AT 870518). At 060900H, 1 VC Co displaced from the vicinity of LOC QUY to LOC SON. This Co took 80 civilian laborers with them, and were armed with 1 81mm mortar, 3 60mm mortars and 3 MG's. The report continued that at 1800 each day, a VC recon unit (platoon to company size) displaces across the SONG THU BON in the vicinity of (AT 887513) to the vicinity of (AT 889510) and return (west) to the vicinity of (AT 876512). (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn (Conf) and V.25 Bn (unconf)).

c. At 062035H, G-2 relayed a report from the 5thMar S-2 that an unidentified ARVN source informed the Marines that during interrogation of 12 VCS and 8 NVA captives it was learned that 2 VC Bn's (unidentified) were located in GS (AT 9535) and that 1 VC Bn displaced from vicinity of GS (AT 9237) to an undetermined location to the northwest. The report also stated that 1, possibly 2 VC Bn's (unidentified) with a regimental command group was located in the vicinity of GS (AT 9635) and (AT 9734). G-2 rates the report F-6.

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>08 Aug</u>	<u>09 Aug</u>
BMCT	0607	0607
SUNRISE	0630	0630
SUNSET	0615	0615
EECT	0638	0638
MOON PHASE	LAST	LAST
MOONRISE	2340	---
MOONSET	1146	1235

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.**CONFIDENTIAL**

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11. Recommendations. No change.

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

a. At 062015H, G-2 relayed a report from the 3d ITT that a VC captive under interrogation informed the Marines that 1 punji trap is located on the DONG TRAM road, 1 kilometer west of CHAU SON (3) in GS (AT 9560). The report was not rated.

13. Other. None

14. Late Entries

a. At 061200H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from an Aerial Observer that 1 bunker described as 30 to 40 meters square, with cultivation on top was observed at (AT 848521). This bunker previously observed on 20 July 66. A New trenchline, 25 meters in length was also observed at (AT 818508).

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #219

2. Period covered 071200H - 081200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 18 Incidents; 1 Harassing; 4 VC Initiated; 1 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 070940H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 984584) detonated a rudimentary mine consisting of 50 to 100 pounds of TNT resulting in 1 Marine WIA (Ser medevac).

(2) Late Report. At 071150H, a Co C platoon patrol at (AT 935574) apprehended 1 female VCS when she was unable to provide adequate identification. The suspect was evacuated for investigation.

(3) At 071900H, a Co D platoon OP at (AT 982621) received automatic S/A fire from VC positioned on the far (south) side of the SONG AI NGHIA at (AT 983 615). The Marines fired 40 81mm mortar rounds with undetermined results. Marine casualties were 1 KIA.

(4) At 080005H, a Co B OP at (AT 925554) observed 2 to 4 VC near the river ferry at close range. The Marines fired 50 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(5) At 080940H, a Co C platoon at (AT 971572) discovered and destroyed 1 60mm mortar (DUD) and discovered 15 flags believed to be VC unit flags. Flags will be returned to S-2 for evaluation.

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(1) At 071510H, a USMC re-supply helicopter received 50 S/A rounds at (AT 982562) from VC positioned at (AT 973565). Co H Marines returned 1,000 S/A rounds, 2 3.5 inch rocket rounds, 10 60mm mortar rounds, 18 81mm mortar rounds and 12 105mm artillery rounds and the enemy fire ceased.

(2) At 071520H, a Co G platoon at (BT 000615) received heavy automatic weapons fire from approximately 30 VC at (BT 001618). The Marines fired a total of 1,500 S/A rounds, 20 40mm (M-79) rounds, 47 81mm mortar rounds and 109 105mm artillery rounds and the VC withdrew to the west. A search of the area revealed 8 to 10 new spider holes and large pools of blood and drag marks. Enemy casualties were not determined. Marine casualties were 6 WIA (medevac).

(3) At 071600H, a Co H platoon patrol at (BT 001554) observed 8 to 10 VC at (AT 990545). The Marines fired 20 81mm mortar rounds with undetermined results.

(4) At 071600H, a Co E patrol at (BT 026634) received 5 to 10 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 027628). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and 50 81mm mortar rounds. The area was searched with negative results.

(5) At 071700H, a Co H platoon patrol at (AT 996551) observed 1 VC hiding behind the spans on a bridge at (AT 998547) tanking undue interest in Marine activities. The Marines fired 3 81mm mortar rounds and the VC fled.

(6) At 080100H, a Co H platoon PPB at (AT 982558) observed 2 VC in a boat on the stream at (AT 980558). The area was illuminated with 30 81mm mortar illumination rounds and the Marines fired 600 S/A rounds and 24 81mm mortar rounds killing both VC and sinking the boat. Enemy casualties were 2 VC KIA (Confirmed).

d. 3dBr 9thMar (Operation MACON)

(1) Late Report. At 071040H, USMC tanks at (AT 948498) observed 9 armed VC in green uniforms at (AT 945501). The Marines fired 7 90mm (tank) rounds and the VC fled. Enemy casualties were 2 VC KIA (Probable)

(2) Late Report. At 071130H, USMC tanks at (AT 948498) observed 4 VC, 2 in green uniforms, and 2 in black and white clothing, at (AT 953504). The Marines fired 4 90mm (tank) rounds at the VC. Enemy casualties were 4 VC KIA (Probable).

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ At 071130H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 953500) observed 7 VC in the vicinity of (AT 940500). The Marines fired 75 S/A rounds. Two VC were observed dropping what appeared to be weapons; however, a search produced negative results.

(4) Late Report. At 071135H, USMC tanks at (AT 954494) observed 3 armed VC, 1 in a blue/grey uniform and 2 in khaki, emerging from AN TAM (2) hamlet (AT 954505). The Marines fired 2 90mm (tank) rounds with undetermined results.

(5) At 071205H, USMC tanks at (AT 954494) observed 2 armed VC in a tree-line at (AT 946502). The Marines fired 2 90mm (tank) rounds with undetermined results.

(6) At 071640H, a recon element at (AT 938441) observed 9 armed VC at (AT 942444). The Marines fired 18 105mm artillery rounds with undetermined results.

(7) At 072120H, a Co K squad ambush at (AT 930493) observed 4 VC at close range. The Marines fired 350 S/A rounds, 4 40mm (M-79) rounds and 27 81mm mortar rounds at the VC and received 10 S/A rounds in return. As the Marines searched the area, they received an additional 25 S/A rounds and observed the VC fleeing to the south.

(8) At 072125H, a Co M patrol at (AT 903501) observed 4 to 5 VC moving across a rice paddy dikes at (AT 904502). The Marines fired 150 S/A rounds and 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and observed 3 VC fall. A search of the area produced 1 VC KIA. One CHICOM grenade, 1 piece of trip-wire and personal effects were recovered from the body. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(9) At 080930H, Co I at (AT 869497) observed 2 VC with weapons on a sand bar at (AT 869505). Marines fired 3 90mm (tank) rounds and searched area. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1)	Confirmed	0/2/0/0/0/2
(2)	Probable	0/0/0/0/0/0
(3)		0/0/0/1
(4)		0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500 Jul 66)

(1)	Confirmed	0/165/0/0/0/165
(2)	Probable	0/306/0/0/0/306
(3)		2/0/0/30
(4)		6/0

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- (1) Weapons. None
- (2) Equipment
 - (a) Co M recovered 1 CHICOM grenade, trip-wire and personal effects from VC body at (AT 904502).
 - (b) Co H sunk 1 boat at (AT 980556).
- (3) Facilities
 - (a) Co F destroyed 37 bunkers and 3 tunnels reinforced with concrete in CS (BT 0258).
 - (b) Co H destroyed 16 bunkers and 5 caves in CS (AT 9856).
 - (c) Co G destroyed 5 tunnels, 1 bridge and 1 well (25 feet in depth) in CS (BT 0061).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 071940H, the 3d Bn 9th Mar S-2 relayed a report from DUC DUC District Headquarters that the V.25 Bn was displacing across the SONG THU DON. The report stated that 2 VC Co's are located at (AT 878507) and (AT 882511). DUC DUC rates the report as B-1. (S-2 comment: P-2 Recent reports of VC recon units crossing the SONG THU DON from normal operating area of R.20 Bn (Conf). See para 8.3 9th Marines INTSUM #218).

9. Weather and Terrain

- a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.
- b. Terrain. No change.

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	<u>09 AUG</u>	<u>10 AUG</u>
BMCT	0607	0607
SUNRISE	0630	0630
SUNSET	0615	0614
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MOON PHASE	LAST	LAST
MOONRISE	---	0019
MOONSET	1235	1327

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.
11. Conclusions. No change.
12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.
13. Other. None
14. Late Entries. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM#220
2. Period covered 081200H - 091200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 22 Incidents; 6 Harrassings; 3 VC Initiated; 4 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 081550H, a Co A platoon at (AT 976606) received 50 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 982602). The Marines returned 580 S/A rounds, 86 40mm (M-79) rounds and 103 81mm mortar rounds and the VC broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) At 081735H, a Co A platoon PPB at (AT 976606) apprehended 1 male VCS when he failed to heed the Marines warning to stop. The VCS will be evacuated for investigation.

(3) At 090845H, a Co A platoon at (AT 976606) observed 2 armed VC moving northeast from (AT 979601). Marines fired 4 60mm mortar rounds and 12 40mm (M-79) rounds with undetermined results.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 081150H, a Co F platoon patrol at (BT 019566) received 1 S/A rounds from 1 VC at (BT 019570). The Marines returned 25 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results. Marines casualties were 1 WIA (medevac).

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(5) Late Report. At 081110H, a Co D squad patrol at (AT 924503) received 5 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 932504). The Marines returned 75 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(6) At 081315H, Co H apprehended 1 male VC at HUU NHUAN (8) hamlet (AT 891508). The VC was apprehended when he attempted to elude the Marines. A search of the VC revealed documents identifying him as a VC tax collector and 6500 RVN in his possession. The VC was evacuated to the 3d IFT for interrogation.

(7) At 081615H, tanks at (AT 868499) observed 2 armed VC in a tree line at (AT 862499). The Marines fired 6 90mm (tank) rounds at the VC. Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(8) At 081635H, a Co K platoon at (AT 936497) received 10 to 15 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 941499). The Marines returned 25 S/A rounds, 1 LAAM (M-72) round, 2 40mm (M-79) rounds, 14 60mm mortar rounds and 2 81mm mortar rounds at the VC and searched the area with negative results.

(9) At 081945H, a Co M platoon patrol at (AT 903523) observed 2 large boats carrying a total of 50 VC crossing the SONG THU BON from north to south at (AT 902522). An additional 30 VC were observed on the north bank of the river at (AT 901523). The Marines fired 800 S/A rounds and 15 40mm (M-79) rounds at the VC who returned to the north bank. Enemy casualties were 4 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(10) At 090720H, a Co M squad patrol at (AT 897515) directed 40 rounds 81mm mortar fire at a suspected VC position at (AT 895514). A search of the area revealed 8 fighting positions and pieces of clothing and blood stains.

(11) At 090730H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 937483) observed 4 armed VC moving southeast from (AT 947505). The Marines fired 6 105mm artillery rounds with undetermined results.

(12) At 090805H, a Co M Marine stepped into punji trap rigged with a booby trapped grenade which detonated causing 1 USMC WIA (medevac) at (AT 904513).

(13) At 090850H, a Co M Marine detonated an unknown type explosive device rigged with a trip wire at (AT 917516) causing 2 USMC WIA (medevac).

(14) At 091045H, a Co K platoon at (AT 910503) observed 3 armed VC at close range. The Marines fired S/A fire at the VC killing 1. The Marines captured 1 Russian rifle (additional information will be provided when available). Enemy casualties were 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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a. At 082010H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from the DAI LOC District Headquarters that the VC District Chief has ordered the village Chiefs of LOC HOA Village (AT 870558), LOC TAN Village (AT 845546) and LOC PHUOC Village (AT 890540) to provide a 50 man working force to carry VC provisions to the vicinity of HUW NIEN mountains at (ZC-1949). The report was rated F-6. (S-2 comment: F-6 VC POW camps and training areas are located in vic (ZC 1949).

7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 081830H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from the 2dBn 51st ARVN Regiment that special agents and local villagers informed them that 1 VC Co with a strength of 130 men identified as the V.15 displaced from the mountains to the south to the vicinity of (AT 955523). This VC force is armed with 2 60mm mortars, 1 MG and 3 AN/PRC-10 radios. The report stated that this Co displaced to the south when the Marines entered the area in July. The 51st ARVN rates the report B-2. (S-2 comment: F-3 Possibly Q.18(LF) Co).

b. At 082010H, the 3d Mar S-2 relayed a report from the DAI LOC District Headquarters that 1 VC Co, with a strength of 90 men and commanded by LAM has displaced from the vicinity of (AT 867517) to (AT 866552). DAI LOC rates the report B-2. (S-2 comment: F-2 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn. VO XUAN LAM carried as CO of R.24 Co. Reported strength of 90 men is approximately 30 less than previous estimates of the strengths of R.20 Co's. Suggests that attrition is being felt by R.20 Bn and that replacement sources are being exhausted. Recent reports have indicated only 3 companies of R.20 Bn being active which may indicate a considerable reduction in R.20 strength).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM # 221
2. Period covered 091200H -101200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 11 Incidents; 7 Harassing; 2 VC Initiated; 1 Mine/Booby Trap
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 091215H, a Co D platoon at (AT 981624) received 1 S/A round from VC at (AT 987624). The Marines returned 100 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results. Marine casualties were 1 WIA (non medevac).

(2) At 091600H, a Co A platoon apprehended 2 VCS (1 female, 1 boy 12 years of age) at (AT 979608). The boy was carrying a sandbag which contained an 81mm mortar fuse assembly. A search of the immediate area revealed an 81mm mortar (WP) round recently installed as a surprise firing device with an electrical activator. The mother of the boy was apprehended when PF members pointed her out as VC. The suspects were evacuated for investigation.

(3) At 092050H, a Co D PFB at (AT 949603) received 100 S/A rounds and what was described as 4 40mm (M-79) rounds from VC at (AT 947600). The Marines returned 150 S/A rounds and 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 092115H, a Co A squad ambush while departing the Co CP at (AT 969586) observed 1 VC at (AT 969586). The Marines pursued the VC but were unable to make contact.

(5) At 092145H, a Co A platoon PFB at (AT 979608) received 12 S/A rounds from 4 VC positioned at (AT 981607) and (AT 977607). The Marines returned 12 60mm mortar rounds with undetermined results.

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(6) At 092150H, a Co A firstteam LP in the vicinity of Co A CP (AT 968586) received 4 S/A rounds from 4 VC at (AT 969588) and (AT 963585). The Marines illuminated the area with 81mm mortar illumination rounds and fired 60 S/A rounds with undetermined results.

c. 2d Bn 9th Mar

(1) At 091330H, Co E at (BT 009612) received 3 S/A rounds from 1 VC at (BT 010610). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds and 2 40mm (M-79) rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 091340H, a Co H platoon at (AT 997551) reported that 6 Marines were WIA (medevac) when 2 rudimentary mines consisting of a quantity (not indicated) of TNT were detonated. The mines were located under rocks and were believed to be detonated electrically. A search of the area revealed one additional mine of the same type which was destroyed in place.

(3) At 100800H, a Co F platoon patrol at (BT 022589) observed 3 VC in a treeline at (BT 017587). The Marines fired 32 81mm mortar rounds, 7 60mm mortar rounds and 100 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 101000H, a Co E platoon patrol at (BT 002614) received 30 to 40 S/A rounds from 5 VC at (BT 006612) and (BT 005611). The Marines returned 80 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

d. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MACON)

(1) Late Report. At 091140H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 936505) received 1 S/A rounds from 1 VC at (AT 933508). The Marines returned 5 S/A rounds, 5 40mm (M-79) rounds, 2 LAAW (M-72) rounds and 4 90mm (tank) rounds at the VC location and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 091300H, tanks attached to Co K at (AT 936504) observed 4 armed VC in a treeline at (AT 944515). The Marines fired 2 90mm (tank) rounds at the VC. Enemy casualties were 2 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(3) At 091830H, a Co M platoon at (AT 925526) received 10 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 935524). The Marines returned 50 caliber .50 machinegun rounds, 8 60mm mortar rounds and 2 90mm (Tank) rounds with undetermined results.

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(1) Confirmed 0/2/0/0/0/2
 (2) Probable 0/2/0/0/0/2
 (3) 0/0/0/3
 (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500 Jul 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/182/0/0/0/182
 (2) Probable 0/311/0/0/0/311
 (3) 3/0/0/32
 (4) 7/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons. None(2) Equipment

(a) Co H destroyed 2 60mm mortar shells at (AT 997551) and 1 rudimentary mine, consisting of TNT at (AT 994562).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 090300H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from the DAI LOC District Headquarters that 1 VC Co, with a strength of 350 men armed with 1 81mm mortar, 2 60mm mortars, 1 57mm RR and 2 MG's and commanded by one DUC has displaced from the vicinity of HUU NIEN (ZC 203500) to (AT 883527), (AT 883540) and (AT 871552). The report stated that this VC force is clothed in green uniforms and have 20 Montagnard tribesmen attached. This VC force is presently preparing fighting positions along the VU GIA river from the vicinity of (AT 872558) to (AT 900540). The mission of this VC force is thought to be to attack Hill 65 in (GS 8757) and GIAO THUY hamlet area in GS (AT 9253). The report was rated F-3. (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area of R.20 BR. Current order of battle listings identify DUC as the commander of the R.21 Co. No reason is apparent for an attack on GIAO THUY).

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b. At 100952H, G-2 relayed a report from the National Police at HOI AN that 2 Provincial VC (Main Force) Co's, augmented by local force guerrillas plan to attack DIEM BAN District. These VC plan to disguise themselves as PAT, RF and PF members and to stop all vehicles travelling along on Route #1 and either kidnap or kill the occupants. These activities are planned on Route #1 from the vicinity of VINH DIEM (BT 057588) to the vicinity of THANH QUI (BT 043621). The report stated that the purpose of this activity is to commemorate "Revolution Day" August 15 to 19. The report was rated C-1. G-2 rates the report F-3. (G-2 comment F-3 First report of 2 Main Force Co's this area).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>11 Aug</u>	<u>12 Aug</u>
BHOP	0608	0608
SUNRISE	0631	0631
SUNSET	1914	1913
EECT	1937	1939
MOON PHASE	LAST	LAST
MOONRISE	0102	0150
MOONSET	1424	1524

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.

11. Conclusions. No change.

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

13. Other

a. Below is an excerpt from COMUSMACV msg 030310Z Aug 66 (C):

(1) During recent months US/PVNAF/RVNAF have severely punished VC/NVA forces which have operated in battalion and larger size formation. Enemy losses in these engagements have been substantial. As a result there is growing evidence of a noticeable change in VC/NVA tactics. There is no indication of a significant change in the VC/NVA capability to launch large scale attacks as reported in the current MACV estimate. It appears that the enemy is emphasizing small scale operations. This change in emphasis may be accelerated during the period preceding the September GVN elections. Since it is expected that enemy efforts to disrupt governmental procedures will increase, the VC/NVA may make an all out effort to achieve some semblance of victory and to

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discredit law and order as well as the GVN authorities responsible for enforcement.

(2) It is anticipated that the VC/NVA intensification of local force operations will be manifested by small-scale, multiple attacks against RVNAF/US/RVNAF watch towers, outposts, convoys and lightly defended camps, isolated units and bases. An increase in terroristic activities against individuals (e.g. officials and CHIEU HOI) or small groups and increased sabotage against selected targets is expected.

14. Late Entries

a. At 101010H, a Co A, 1stBn 9thMar squad patrol supported by tanks at (AT 985605) observed 6 armed VC at (AT 987606). The Marines fired 150 S/A rounds, 3 90mm (tank) rounds and observed 2 VC KIA (Confirmed) and estimated 4 VC KIA (Probable).

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From: Commanding Officer
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1. 9th Marines INTSUM #222

2. Period covered 101200H - 111200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 26 Incidents; 6 Harassing; 9 VC Initiated; 2 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 101515H, a Co A FPB at (AT 982607) received 25 rounds of automatic carbine fire from VC at (AT 981602). The Marines returned 32 105mm artillery HE rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 101610H, a Co C fireteam outpost at (AT 954553) received 10 S/A rounds from 2 to 3 VC in a house located at (AT 958548). The Marines returned 50 81mm mortar HE rounds and 20 S/A rounds. ONPOS in support of the CP, fired 7 106mm HE and 1 106mm WP at the house, destroying it.

(3) At 101615H, a Co A squad patrol at (AT 994605) received 1 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 996604). The Marines returned 15 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 101650H, a Co A FPB at (AT 982607) received 30 rounds automatic carbine fire from an estimated 3 VC at (AT 981604). The Marines returned 60 105mm artillery rounds and 5 60mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(5) At 101855H, a Co A FPB at (AT 974609) received 20 carbine rounds from VC at (AT 971607). The Marines returned 30 40mm (M-79) rounds and 32 81mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

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(15) At 110655H, Co A in a blocking position at (AT 982610) observed 3 armed VC in white at (AT 982611). The Marines fired 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and 20 S/A rounds at the VC with undetermined results.

(16) At 110745H, a Co A in a blocking position at (AT 993606) observed 6 armed VC at (AT 992604). The Marines fired 15 S/A rounds, 2 40mm (M-79) rounds and 40 81mm mortar rounds at the VC. VC casualties were 1 KIA (Confirmed).

(17) At 110800H, 3 wounded Vietnamese males were brought to 1stBn 9thMar collection point at (AT 975613) by villagers from DUC KY (AT 9861). These wounded males were identified as VC by the villagers and were evacuated to the ARVN hospital.

(18) At 110830H, Co A in a blocking position at (AT 993606) observed 14 to 15 VC (3 armed) at (AT 989602). The Marines fired 31 81mm mortar rounds with undetermined results.

(19) At 110950H, Co A in a blocking position at (AT 992606) observed 1 armed VC with pack wearing green jungle utilities and camouflaged hat at (AT 991601). The Marines fired 10 rounds S/A with undetermined results. A/O on station had negative sighting.

c. 2dBn 9thMar

(1) At 101230H, a Co E platoon patrol at (BT 012618) received 2 rifle grenades and 15 to 20 S/A rounds from (BT 012619). The area was searched with negative results. Three USMC WIA (medevac).

(2) At 101300H, a Co F squad patrol at (BT 042578) received 1 S/A round from (BT 039592). The Marines returned 5 S/A rounds and 5 40mm (M-79) rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 110815H, an Engineer sweep team discovered a shoe box type mine at (BT 027638). Mine was rigged with electrical detonator and contained 20 to 30 pounds TNT. The mine was destroyed by engineers.

d. 1dBn 9thMar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 101200H, an LVT at (AT 907501) detonated an unknown type of explosive device. No damage to the vehicle nor casualties reported.

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a. At 102134H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from the 51stARVN Regimental S-2 that 1 VC Bn is located at (AT 952526) and (AT 965516), with the mission to attack Marine elements at MY LOC. The report was rated C-3 by 51st ARVN Regimental S-2, and C-3 by 3dBn 9thMar S-2. (S-2 comment: F-3 A VC Co was reported in this area on 8 August. (See para 8a. 9thMar INTSUM #221). Also a NVA Co was reported operating north of this area on 31 July).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>12 AUG</u>	<u>13 AUG</u>
BMOET	0608	0608
SUNRISE	0631	0631
SUNSET	1913	1913
MOET	1939	1939
MOON PHASE	LAST	LAST
MOONRISE	0150	0246
MOONSET	1324	1625

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.

11. Conclusions. Non change

12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
(See para 5b. (AT) for details of reports received from civilians.)

13. Other. None

14. Late Entries

a. At 110925H, Co C, 1stBn 9thMar in a blocking position at (AT 992606) observed 5 VC at (AT 992603) moving south. The Marines fired 15 S/A rounds, 150 60mm mortar rounds and 40 81mm mortar rounds. Enemy casualties were 1 KIA (Probable).

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #223
2. Period covered 111200H - 121200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 17 Incidents; 3 Harrassing; 7 VC Initiated; 4 Mine/Booby Trap
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 111336H, a tank with Co B convoy, moving east on Highway #14, hit a pressure detonated AT mine at (AT 986583), causing extensive damage to the left side of the tank and a crater $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep and 6 feet in diameter.

(2) At 111710H, the tank, damaged by a mine at 111336H (see para 3b(1) above) and being returned to Hill #55, detonated a second mine at (AT 968595) and immediately following the blast, received heavy S/A fire from VC at (AT 966596). The Marines returned 9 90mm cannister rounds and 3,000 .30 caliber MG rounds and searched the area with negative results. The mine was believed to be electric/command detonated.

(3) At 111800H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 963593) received 500 carbine rounds from 10 to 15 VC at (AT 964592). The Marines returned 600 S/A rounds, 30 60mm mortar rounds and 47 81mm mortar rounds. A search of the area revealed extensive blood trails.

(4) At 112320H, a Co D squad ambush at (AT 984622) heard digging noises on the MSR at (AT 985623). The Marines fired 15 S/A rounds, searched the area and found 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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(1) At 111600H, a Co G Marine detonated an U.S. (M-26) grenade rigged with trip wire at (AT 993632). One USMC WIA (medevac).

(2) At 111850H, a Co E squad patrol at (BT 006616) received 5 S/A rounds from (BT 004615). The Marines returned 25 S/A rounds, 5 40mm (M-79) rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 120455H, the Co G (2d Bn 1st Mar OPCON this battalion) CP at (AT 983565) received 2 81mm mortar rounds resulting in 2 USMC WIA (medevac). Crater analysis indicated rounds were fired from the northwest.

(4) At 120950H, a Co E squad patrol at (BT 012617) received 20 to 25 S/A rounds from VC at (BT 012614). The Marines returned 100 S/A rounds and 10 rounds M-79 and searched the area with negative results.

d. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MAGON)

(1) At 111200H, the Co M CP perimeter at (AT 925527) received 10 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 933528). The Marines returned 10 S/A rounds and 30 60mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 111310H, a Co K Marine detonated an explosive device at (AT 942501), resulting in 1 USMC WIA (medevac). The device was thought to be an M-79 round rigged with trip wire.

(3) At 120910H, a Co K PPB at (AT 923499) received 25 automatic and semi-automatic S/A fire from VC at (AT 924506). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds, 2 LAAM (M-72) rounds and 20 105mm artillery rounds. During their search of the area, the Marines observed 3 armed VC wearing helmets and khaki uniforms running southeast at (AT 924506). The Marines fired 20 105mm artillery rounds, 2 LAAM (M-72) rounds and S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

e. 1st Bn 9th Mar (Operation WILCOX)

(1) At 111400H, Co A in blocking position at (AT 989607), received 15 automatic carbine rounds from VC at (AT 994605). The Marines returned 50 S/A rounds, 10 40mm (M-79) rounds, 30 81mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

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(2) At 111630H, Co A while checking a tunnel at (AT 957603), discovered 1 81mm mortar and 1 155mm artillery round which were destroyed in place by the Marines.

(3) At 111730H, Co A in a blocking position at (AT 982607), received 50 automatic carbine rounds from 3 VC at (AT 984605). The Marines returned 38 105mm artillery HE rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(4) At 111830H, the Bu S-2 reported the results of the screening of civilians on 11 August. Fourteen Vietnamese were pointed out by villagers and District officials as suspicious persons. After interrogation by 5E ITT and 3d CTF at the collection point, 4 males were determined to be VCC and 4 males and 7 females were detained as VCS. All were evacuated to DIEM BAN District Headquarters for disposition. Additionally, 3 VCC WIA were brought to the collection point by villagers from DUC KY (4) (AT 9864) and subsequently med-evacuated to the ARVN hospital.

(5) At 112015H, a Co A platoon IPB at (AT 968596), received 10 automatic carbine rounds from 2 VC at (AT 966592). The Marines returned 27 81mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1) Confirmed 0/1/0/0/0/1
 (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
 (3) 0/0/0/0
 (4) 0/0

Operation MAGON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/182/0/0/0/182
 (2) Probable 0/311/0/0/0/311
 (3) 3/0/0/32
 (4) 7/0

Operation MILBEN VC Casualties (Since 110650H Aug 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/0/0/0/0/0
 (2) Probable 0/1/0/0/0/0
 (3) 7/0/0/11
 (4) 0/0

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(3) (a) Co A located and destroyed 1 81mm mortar round and 1 155mm artillery round at (AT 957603).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.b. Terrain. No change.c. Astronomical Data

	<u>13 Aug</u>	<u>14 Aug</u>
BHCT	0608	0608
SUNRISE	0631	0631
SUNSET	1913	1912
BHCT	1936	1935
MOON PHASE	LAST	LAST
MOONRISE	0246	---
MOONSET	1625	---

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.PAGE 4 OF 5 PAGESCONFIDENTIAL**CONFIDENTIAL**

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a. CI report of 8 August indicates that a bottle of Coca Cola purchased from a Vietnamese boy by a Marine of the 3dBn 3dMar was suspect in that small silvery particles were floating in the bottle. Analysis report not yet available. (S-2 comment: Many recent reports of concerted effort by VC to contaminate soft drinks purchased on local market).

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9th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, Calif 96602

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13 Aug 66

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM # 224
2. Period covered 121200H - 131200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 21 Incidents; 6 Harassing; 3 VC Initiated; 2 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 121200H, a bulldozer operating in support of Co A at (AT 953583) exposed an M-16A1 mine (lot# LOP43-4/5-62). The mine was destroyed in place by engineers.

(2) At 121535H, a Co A platoon at (AT 953588), enroute to a PFB location, received 6 S/A rounds from 2 VC at (AT 950588). The Marines returned 30 S/A rounds and 4 40mm (M-79) rounds and the VC fled south.

(3) At 121600H, a Co D Marine tripped an unknown type surprise firing device at (AT 977632), resulting in 2 USMC WIA (medevac).

(4) At 121600H, a Co A squad security for engineers, at (AT 950583), observed 9 armed VC at (AT 946587) moving into a treeline. The Marines fired 35 S/A rounds and 18 81mm mortar rounds. One VC KIA (probable).

(5) At 121700H, a Co A PFB at (AT 978597) received 50 automatic carbine rounds from 2 VC at (AT 984596) and (AT 984597). The Marines returned 4 40mm (M-79) rounds and 31 105mm artillery rounds and searched the area with negative results.

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(6) At 21950H, a Co D PPB at (AT 971635) received 4 rifle grenades and 30 S/A rounds from an estimated 6 VC at (AT 971636). The Marines returned 100 to 150 S/A rounds, 5 40mm (M-79) rounds and 1 81mm mortar rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(7) At 122110H, a Co A PPB at (AT 978597) received 30 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 981595). The Marines returned 20 S/A rounds, 41 105mm artillery rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(8) At 130750H, an H&S Co road security detail fire an engineer sweep team operating in the vicinity of (AT 987636) received 3 rounds of carbine fire from (AT 989635). Returned fire with 75 rounds of S/A fire, 100 rounds of .30 caliber MG. Searched area with negative results.

(9) At 130830H, a Co A PPB vicinity of coordinates (AT 984594) apprehended 1 VCS with minor shrapnel wounds in lower legs. Forwarded to 3d ITT.

(10) At 131005H, a Co B fireteam operating vicinity of coordinates (AT 925543) received 5 rounds of S/A fire from coordinates (AT 927529). Did not return fire due to proximity of friendly units.

(11) At 131035H, a Co B fireteam OP observed 1 armed VC in black pajamas in a treeline at coordinates (AT 925543). VC fired 4 rounds of S/A fire at OP. Returned fire with 16 rounds of 106mm with undetermined results.

c. 2d Bn 9th Mar

(1) At 121200H, Co E while searching an area of an earlier contact (see 9th Mar INTSUM # 223 para 3c (1)) at (BT 000632) apprehended 1 VCS. Suspect reported 6 VC dressed in black and gray uniforms passed through LA THEO BAC (1) at 2100H- 2300H, 11 August going west. VCS sent to 3d ITT.

(2) At 130320H, a Co F Marine detonated an U.S. (M-26) grenade positioned 4 to 5 feet above the ground and rigged with a trip wire, resulting in 3 USMC WIA (medevac).

(3) At 130745H, a Co F, 2d Bn 1st Mar (OPCON 2d Bn 9th Mar) platoon patrol operating in the vicinity of (BT 007618) received 7 rounds of S/A fire from a treeline in vicinity of (BT 007616). Returned 150 rounds of M-60 MG and 6 rounds of 60mm mortar. One USMC WIA (medevac).

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(1) Late Report. At 121115H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 933507) received 3 S/A rounds from 1 VC in a treeline at (AT 937510). The Marines returned 6 S/A rounds, 3 40mm (M-79) rounds and observed the VC fall from the tree. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) Late Report. At 121120H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 933502) observed 4 VC near a treeline at (AT 938506). The Marines fired 16 105mm artillery HE rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 121230H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 927508) apprehended 1 Vietnamese male, age 50, for acting extremely nervous and having no identification card. VCS was sent to the Bn S-2 to be forwarded to 3d ITT.

(4) At 122110H, a Co K squad ambush at (AT 931495) received 8 automatic carbine rounds from VC at (AT 929499). The Marines returned 7 S/A rounds and searched the area with negative results.

(5) At 130942H, a Co K platoon patrol operating in vicinity of (AT 927508) apprehended 1 VCS who tried to avoid capture. Sent to Bn S-2 for interrogation.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (2) Probable 0/1/0/0/0/1/
- (3) 0/0/0/3
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/182/0/0/0/182
- (2) Probable 0/311/0/0/0/311
- (3) 3/0/0/34
- (4) 7/0

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(a) Co A located and destroyed an M-16A1 mine at (AT 953583).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. How Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 121830H, G-2 relayed a report from HOA VANG District Headquarters that 1 VC platoon armed with 2 SMG's and individual weapons was located in the vicinity of (AT 958654) and that 1 VC Co was located in vicinity of (AT 988 620) and (AT 992626). Mission of these units is to attack ARVN and Marine outposts and to conduct operations to disrupt forthcoming GVN national elections. (S-2 comment: F-3 Normal operating area of the Q-16 (LF) Coe Many recent reports of VC plans to disrupt GVN elections).

9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.b. Terrain. No change.c. Astronomical Data

	<u>14 Aug</u>	<u>15 Aug</u>
EMCT	0608	0608
SUNRISE	0631	0631
SUNSET	1912	1912
EBOI	1935	1935
MOON PHASE	LAST	NEW
MOONRISE	---	---
MOONSET	---	---

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10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.
11. Conclusions. No change.
12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No report received during this reporting period.
13. Other. None

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14 Aug 66

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #225
2. Period covered 131200H - 141200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 21 Incidents; 5 Harrassing; 2 VC Initiated; 2 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 131230H, a Co B fireteam OP at (AT 925534) received 10 rounds of automatic fire from VC at (AT 928529). Co I, 3dBn 9thMar, operating in an adjacent area searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 131335H, a Co A squad size patrol at (AT 979599) received 10 rounds of automatic carbine fire from 2 VC at (AT 982600). Returned 30 rounds S/A, 4 rounds of M-79. Searched area with negative results.

(3) At 131455H, a Co A squad at (AT 957587) observed 1 VC with weapon at (AT 958587). PF attached to squad fired 5 rounds of S/A with negative results.

(4) At 131515H, a Co A squad patrol observed 8 armed VC at (AT 959567). Marines fired 700 rounds of S/A, 5 rounds of M-79 and attacked the VC position with negative results.

(5) At 131520H, a Co B squad patrol at (AT 918545) found 1 Vietnamese female cooking a large amount of rice, also found 1 USMC "dog tag" on her person. The woman was apprehended as a VCS and evacuated to the Bn S-2 for interrogation. The rice was destroyed.

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(6) At 131605H, a Co A Marine at (AT 980599) detonated a surprise firing device resulting in 3 USMC KIA (2 medevacs). At 121715H, 56 rounds of 155mm artillery were directed into the area bounded by (AT 980599), (AT 980600), (AT 983600), and (AT 983599) resulting in 9 secondary explosions.

(7) At 131620H, a Co A fireteam OP at (AT 954553) observed 2 armed VC in a treeline at (AT 966556). The VC fired 6 to 8 rounds of S/A at the OP. Marines returned 20 rounds of S/A and 52 rounds of 81mm mortar with undetermined results.

(8) At 132230H, the Co C CP at (AT 907547) received 1 rifle grenade from (AT 945540). Returned fire with 53 rounds of 81mm mortar with undetermined results.

c. 2d Bn 9th Mar

(1) Late Report. At 131100H, Co H (2d Bn 1st Mar OPCON 2d Bn 9th Mar) patrol at (BT 012575) received a heavy volume of S/A fire from VC at (BT 008575). Marines returned artillery fire with undetermined results.

d. 2d Bn 1st Mar

(1) Late Report. At 131130H, a Co H platoon at (BT 012582) received heavy automatic weapons fire from an estimated platoon size VC unit at (BT 008580). Returned heavy S/A and 10 rounds of 60mm mortar. Two VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 131219H, a tank attached to Co H at (BT 029575) sighted 9 VC wearing khaki uniforms, carrying packs and weapons moving from east to west at (BT 025553). The tank fired 6 rounds of 90mm. Two VC KIA (Confirmed).

(3) At 131330H, Co H discovered a 105mm artillery rounds rigged as a surprise firing device at (BT 023571). The device was blown in place.

(4) At 131500H, a Co F Marine tripped a M-16A1 mine which was placed inside a can located in a tree at (BT 001634). The mine failed to explode and was destroyed in place. No casualties.

(5) At 131800H, the Bn CP at (BT 018629) received 1 round of S/A fire from VC at (BT 020633). No fire returned.

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CONFIDENTIALd. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 131230H, B Co X squad patrol at (AT 935504) received 1 round of sniper fire from VC at (AT 943515), resulting in 1 USMC WIA (medevac). Marines returned 20 105mm artillery rounds with unknown results.

(2) At 131530H, a Co I squad patrol discovered 2 large trunks in a tunnel at (AT 906506). The trunks contained rice which was destroyed in place.

e. Other

(1) At 131610H, a truck from 3d MP Bn carrying 4 Marines at (BT 028640) received 1 round S/A fire from VC at (BT 027638). Marines returned 50 rounds of S/A with undetermined results. 1 USMC WIA (medevac).

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1) Confirmed 0/4/0/0/0/4
 (2) Probable 0/2/0/0/0/2
 (3) 0/0/0/1
 (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/182/0/0/0/182
 (2) Probable 0/311/0/0/0/311
 (3) 3/0/0/34
 (4) 7/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

(1) Weapons, None

(2) Equipment

(a) Co H discovered a 105mm artillery round at (BT 023571).

(b) Co F discovered a M-16A1 mine at (BT 001634).

(c) Co I discovered and destroyed 2 trunks containing rice at (AT 906506).

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CONFIDENTIALCONFIDENTIAL(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities

a. At 131050H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from DAI LOC District Headquarters that VC District Chief of DAI LOC ordered VC village chiefs to collect ID's from the people and not to permit them to move to government controlled areas. (S-2 comment: VC may be instituting these tactics to preclude people from registering for and voting in forthcoming GVN elections).

7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 131815H, the 3dBn 9thMar S-2 relayed a report from DUC DUC District Headquarters that 1 VC (MF) Bn with 1 81mm mortar, 3 60mm mortars, 3 automatic rifles was located at (AT 834334), (AT 836335), (AT 811336), (AT 834334), (AT 836335) and (AT 811336). (S-2 comment: Normal operating area of 3dBn of 5th VC (MF) Regt). The report continued that 1 (MF) Co crossed the SONG THU BON from (AT 875514) and moved to (AT 899509) where they split into 2 groups. One group located at (AT 890505) and the other at (AT 890492). The mission of 1 group is to mine the high grounds. The mission of the 2d group is to attack Marine units in the area. (S-2 comment: Many recent reports of platoon and Co size units crossing the SONG THU BON from west to east for the purpose of reconnaissance and harassing USMC units. Normal operating area of R.20 Bn).

b. At 132050H, the 3dMar S-2 relayed a report from the DAI LOC District Headquarters that 25 guerrillas from LOC HUNG and KY TAN villages on the border of DAI LOC and DEEN BAN Districts commanded by NGUYEN CHIEM, armed with 1 SMG, 2 (M-1), 10 mines and unknown number of K-50's and 1 unknown type of rifle. During the day they stay at (AT 943538), (AT 945554) and (AT 926553). At night they move to (AT 928562), (AT 928553), (AT 927559), and (AT 926553) with the intention of mining the road from HOAN MY (AT 923565) to GIAO THUY (AT 923551). (S-2 comment: It is expected that VC will attempt to harass and interdict traffic on LIBERTY road with mines and ambushes).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

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	<u>15 Aug</u>	<u>16 Aug</u>
RISE	0608	0608
SUNRISE	0631	0631
SUNSET	1912	1911
RISE	1935	1934
MOON PHASE	NEW	NEW
MOONRISE	---	---
MOONSET	---	---

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.13. Other. None14. Late Entries.

a. At 141015H, Co B squad Op located at (AT 904543) observed 2 VC wearing black pajamas and carrying weapons at coordinates (AT 899539). Tanks fired 100 rounds of .50 caliber MG. Two VC KIA (Probable).

b. At 141015H, Co D (1stBn 9thMar) platoon patrol at (AT 964648) received 5 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 964645). Did not return fire.

c. At 140800H, Co H (2dBn 1stMar) platoon patrol operating at (BT 028568) received heavy S/A fire from a treeline at (BT 028568). Returned fire with 10 rounds of 81mm mortar. The area was swept with negative results.

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #226
2. Period covered 114120CH - 151200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 16 Incidents; 5 Harrassing; 3 VC Initiated
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 141315H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 974574) encountered 15 to 20 VC at (AT 971575). Marines fired 350 rounds of S/A, 3 rounds of M-72, 2 M-26 fragmentation grenades and 10 rounds of M-79. Three VC KIA (Confirmed). Captured 1 U.S. carbine, 1 Russian rifle, 10 grenades, 1 M-26 fragmentation grenade, 5 cartridge belts, various medical supplies, uniforms and documents. While searching the area, 2 additional VC were flushed out of hiding by a scout dog. Marines fired 20 rounds of S/A killing both. Total VC casualties were 5 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 141430H, a Co C fireteam OP at (AT 954553) observed 1 VC with a weapon running into a house at (AT 966555). Fired 41 rounds of 81mm mortar with undetermined results.

(3) At 141545H, a Co A squad OP located at (AT 977583) observed 2 VC at (AT 980587). Marines fired S/A fire. One VC KIA (Confirmed).

(4) At 141635H, a Co B squad patrol at (AT 955584) observed 2 VC (1 with weapon, and 1 with pack) running toward a treeline at (AT 955580). Marines fired 40 rounds of S/A. One VC KIA (Confirmed). One 5'x5'x3' bunker destroyed.

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(5) At 141715H, a Co D PPB at (AT 955622) received 8 to 10 rounds .30 caliber MG and 6 rounds of carbine from VC at (AT 956624). Marines returned 75 to 100 rounds of S/A and 2 rounds of M-79 and searched the area with negative results.

(6) At 142045H, a Co A PPB at (AT 978606) received 8 to 10 rounds of S/A fire from 2 to 3 VC at (AT 980601). Marines returned 5 rounds of 90mm HE, 40 rounds of 81mm HE and 2 rounds 81mm WP and searched the area with negative results.

(7) At 142245H, a Co B OP at (AT 925534) observed flashing red lights at (AT 913534). Marines fired 6 106mm rounds. The lights were extinguished. The OP then received 2 rounds S/A fire from the same general vicinity where the lights were seen.

c. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 141200H, a Co I platoon at (AT 909504) received 5 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 909505). Marines returned 1 round of M-79, 60 rounds of S/A and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 141410H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 938438) received 6 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 941501). VC wore khaki uniforms. Marines returned 1 M-72 round, 10 rounds of S/A and 28 rounds of 81mm and searched the area with negative results.

(3) At 141600H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 942501) discovered 1 CHICOM grenade rigged with vine as a trip wire, also 1 .50 caliber round rigged as a foot trap. Both were destroyed in place with an M-26 grenade.

(4) At 141625H, the 3d Bn 9th Mar Liaison Officer with elements of the 2d Bn 51st ARVN Regt at (AT 855484) received 20 to 30 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 855485). The 3d Bn 9th Mar perimeter returned 200 rounds of S/A and 11 rounds of 105mm with undetermined results.

(5) At 142115H, a Co I patrol at (AT 932532) observed a boat with 2 armed VC at (AT 939532). Marines fired 100 rounds of S/A, 10 rounds of M-79 sinking the boat. Two VC KIA (Probable).

At 151030H, the Bn S-2 reported that the boat was ~~seen~~ and searched and the following items were found: 21 5 gallon cans containing gas, fuel and sauce, 5 straw hats, 2 to 3 dozen shower shoes, 15 to 25 square yards of camouflaged material, 3 dozen cans of condensed milk, 3 to 4 dozen packages of Vietnamese cigarettes, 12 to 24 toothbrushes, 2 dozen tubes of toothpaste, 5 large boxes of cigarette paper, 6 to 7 packs of headache tablets, 2 dozen block cubes of Vietnamese soap, 1 dozen bottles of cologne and a 150 pound bag of rice.

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(6) At 142145H, a Co I patrol at (AT 901511) received 10 to 15 rounds of S/A fire and 3 rifle grenades from 10 VC at (AT 903512). Marines returned fire with 100 rounds of S/A, 10 rounds of M-79 and 18 rounds of 81mm and searched the area with negative results.

(7) At 150015H, a Co I PFB at (AT 904515) received 2 grenades and 50 rounds of S/A fire from an estimated 4 VC at (AT 905515). Marines returned 50 rounds of S/A, 10 grenades, 10 rounds of M-79, 15 rounds of 60mm and 15 rounds of 81mm and searched the area with negative results.

d. Other

(1) At 142120H, a 9thMar Pay-War team at (AT 967626) received 1 round S/A fire from (AT 974624). Marines did not return fire.

(2) At 150005H, ASP-1 received 6 rounds of S/A fire. The VC positions were unknown.

e. Counterintelligence

(1) On 12 August, the 3d CIT received a report from the DAI LOC District Headquarters that the District VC chief has ordered all VC village chiefs to recruit and send 10 guerrillas each to the VC training camp at NUU NIEN (ZC 2047) for special training. May be in connection with terror campaign prior to and during elections.

(2) There are indications that the VC are attempting to induce Marines to destroy religious edifices and thereby alienate the civilian populace by planting ill concealed mines and booby traps in and adjacent to pagodas and shrines that will be destroyed when Marines blow these mines and booby traps. Care, within limits imposed by tactical consideration, should be exercised to preclude unnecessary damage or destruction of religious edifices.

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- (1) Confirmed 0/7/0/0/0/7
- (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 2/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/182/6/0/0/182
- (2) Probable 0/313/0/0/0/313
- (3) 3/0/0/34
- (4) 7/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons

- (a) Co C recovered 1 U.S. carbine, 1 rifle (Russian) at (AT 971573).

(2) Equipment

- (a) Co C recovered 1 M-26 grenade, 5 cartridge belt, various medical supplies, uniforms and documents (unevaluated).

- (b) Co K discovered and destroyed 1 M1600 grenade and 1 .50 caliber round.

- (c) See para 3c(8) for recap of captured gear by I Co.

(3) Facilities

- (a) Co B destroyed 1 bunker (5'x5'x3') at (AT 965500).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None

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10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.13. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM # 227
2. Period covered 151200H - 161200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 21 Incidents: 6 Harassing; 1 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 151030H, a Co B at (AT 908548) observed 6 Vietnamese males carrying rice and corn who attempted to evade capture. Marines captured 3 and after initial interrogation released 1. The remaining 2 were evacuated Bn S-2 for investigation.

(2) Late Report. At 151130H, a Co B squad patrol at (AT 932547) discovered a M-16A1 mine. The mine was rigged with a trip wire. Destroyed in place.

(3) At 151220H, a Co D PFB at (AT 970630) received 2 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 963635) resulting in 1 USMC WIA (medevac).

(4) At 151400H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 962576) observed 3 VC run out of a village. Marines fired 3 S/A rounds and the VC dispersed. Marines pursued with negative contact.

(5) At 151410H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 957575) observed 1 Vietnamese female running from a village carrying 1 green uniform and 2 ponchos. Marines fired 10 rounds S/A resulting in 1 VC KIA (Confirmed). Patrol apprehended 1 female VCS in the same area and evacuated her to the Bn S-2 for investigation.

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(6) At 151810H, a Co C fireteam OP at (AT 945553) received 6 rounds of S/A fire from an estimated 2 VC at (AT 958549). Marines returned 30 rounds S/A, 1 M-72 and 100 rounds of .50 caliber with undetermined results.

(7) At 151850H, a Co B OP at (AT 925534) observed 8 VC across the SONG THU BON at (AT 907529). Marines fired 12 106mm (ONT08) rounds destroying 1 house, 1 bunker and 1 boat.

(8) At 151911H, a Co D FPB at (AT 970630) received 3 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 970637). Marines returned 30 rounds of S/A and 11 rounds of 81mm HE with undetermined results.

(9) At 152130H, a Co A squad patrol at (AT 967587) observed 2 VC at (AT 967587) who fired 20 to 30 rounds of S/A and 1 grenade. Marines returned 300 rounds of S/A, 5 M-79, 150 rounds of M-60, 7 M-26 and 26 rounds of 81mm; searched area with negative results.

(10) At 152145H, a Co A FPB located at (AT 973588) spotted 3 VC running in a rice paddy at (AT 976592). Marines fired 7 rounds of S/A and 3 rounds of 81mm with undetermined results.

(11) At 160831H, a Co D fireteam waterpoint security at (AT 976605) apprehended 1 Vietnamese male who admitted being a VC. He indicated that 25 VC with 12 weapons operate throughout CAM VAN hamlet (GS AT 9659) at night and stay in DA HOA AN (3) (AT 973580) during the day.

c. 3dMa 9thMar (Operation HAGON)

(1) Late Report. At 151025H, a Co C Engineer sweep team at (AT 938502) discovered a box type mine consisting of an estimated 8 to 10 pounds of TNT rigged for electrical detonation. Destroyed in place.

(2) Late Report. At 151055H, a Co I Fireteam OP observed 6 Vietnamese females enter a village at (AT 921528). The women left the village heading west carrying 50 gallons of rice whiskey. The women were stopped by the Marines and interrogated by PF's who said the whiskey was for the VC. The women were apprehended as suspicious persons and evacuated to DUC DUC District Headquarters.

(3) Late Report. At 151105H, a Co K Marine at (AT 923503) detonated an unknown type explosive device rigged with a pressure detonator resulting in 1 USMC KIA (medevac).

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(4) Late Report. At 151110H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 946501) received 2 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 947501). Marines returned 7 rounds of 105mm HE and searched the area with negative results.

(5) Late Report. At 151155H, a Co I firstteam patrol at (AT 931528) observed 2 VC with green uniforms and weapons on a trail at (AT 931529). The firstteam set up a hasty ambush resulting in 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(6) At 151315H, a Co K squad at (AT 942499) discovered 1 explosive device rigged with a trip wire made made from vine. The device was described as some type of mortar round encased in explosive. The device was destroyed in place.

(7) At 151430H, a Co I reported the villagers of MY LOC (2) at (AT 914 515) pointed out a Vietnamese female as a VC. The translation of a book in her possession contained information on money and rice collected for VC. The VC was evacuated to DAI LOC District Headquarters for investigation.

(8) At 151710H, a Co I squad patrol at (AT 917528) found 1 M-16A1 mine rigged with a trip wire. The mine was destroyed in place.

(9) At 160815H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 940500) received 4 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 942501). Marines returned 50 rounds of S/A, 1 M-72, 4 M-79, 12 rounds of 105mm HE and searched the area with negative results.

(10) At 161040H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 948504) received 1 round S/A from VC at (AT 951508) resulting in 1 USMC KIA (medevac).

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 1/0/0/3
- (4) 0/0

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- (1) Confirmed 0/183/0/0/0/183
- (2) Probable 0/313/0/0/0/313
- (3) 3/0/0/41
- (4) 7/0

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(a) Co B discovered and destroyed a M-16A1 mine at (AT 932547).

(b) Co C Engineer's located and destroyed 1 box type mine at (AT 938502).

(c) Co K discovered and destroyed an explosive device at (AT 942499).

(d) Co I located and destroyed 1 M-16A1 mine at (AT 917528).

(3) Facilities

(a) Co B destroyed 1 bunker at (AT 925534).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.b. Terrain. No change.c. Astronomical Data

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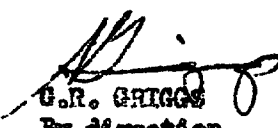
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10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.**CONFIDENTIAL**

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11. Conclusions. No change.
12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
See 15143CH entry this INTSUM.
13. Other. None


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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM#228
2. Period covered 161200H - 171200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 19 Incidents; 3 Harassing; 2 VC Initiated
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 161125H, a Co D platoon at (AT 958640) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 956643). Marines returned 70 S/A rounds, 10 M-79 rounds and 2 3.5 rocket rounds and searched area with negative results.

(2) At 161200H, Co D at (AT 956647) founds 3 freshly dug punji pits with metal stakes. The pits were about 3 days old. Destroyed.

(3) At 161800H, a Co D squad patrol at (AT 958634) observed 5 to 6 VC with weapons moving north to south at (AT 954635). Another squad dispatched to intercept, made contact and directed S/A fire at the VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (Confirmed). A search of the area produced 1 French SM, 1 cartridge belt with 2 loaded magazines.

(4) At 161912H, the Bn S-3 reported a suspected mine field at (AT 931529). Marines fired 169 rounds of 105mm resulting in 19 secondary explosions.

c. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation MACOH)

(1) Late Report. At 161040H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 948504) received 1 round S/A fire from VC at (AT 951508) resulting in 1 USMC WIA (medevac). No fire returned.

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(2) Late Report. At 161115H, a Co K platoon patrol at (AT 949506) received 50 rounds of S/A fire from 8 to 10 VC at (AT 944514), (AT 935510) and (AT 944507). Marines returned 300 rounds of S/A, 20 rounds of M-60 and medevac escort fired rockets with undetermined results. (See 161040H entry above).

(3) At 161300H, a Co L platoon at (AT 874455) observed 5 Vietnamese males in a boat at (AT 877453). Marines challenged and the boat continued to the north shore. Upon reaching shore the Vietnamese males dispersed. Marines fired 100 rounds of S/A with undetermined results.

(4) At 161535H, a Co K squad patrol at (AT 930506) received 10 to 15 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 933508) and (AT 934505). Marines returned 10 M-79 rounds, 4 3.5 rocket rounds, 2 M-72 rounds, 150 rounds S/A, 22 rounds of artillery and searched the area with negative results.

(5) At 161700H, a Co K platoon patrol at (AT 935503) called a medevac for a Vietnamese civilian. The medevac helicopter received S/A fire from VC at (AT 934515). The medevac escort returned fire and the medevac was completed. Two F-4B A/C on station delivered 24 250 pound GP bombs. A F-6 A/C on station expended 4 5" ZUMT rocket pods and 800 20mm rounds on target, resulting in destruction of a treeline from which the VC fire came and several structures.

(6) At 161735H, a Co I platoon at (AT 931529) discovered 3 explosive devices, 1 81mm rigged with homemade mousetrap type device and 2 M-26 grenades rigged inside C-ration cans. All devices destroyed in place.

(7) At 170730H, a Co K platoon at (AT 959494) discovered a CHICOM grenade rigged with a vine as a trip wire at the above coordinates. About 4 feet from the grenade was a punji trap 2'x2'. Grenade and punji trap destroyed.

(8) At 170745H, Co K at (AT 947502) apprehended a 53 year old male VCS. A search of his house revealed rifle cleaning gear and a cardboard container for a M-26 grenade. The VCS was evacuated to the Bn S-2 for interrogation.

(9) At 170800H, a recon OP at (BT 023506) observed 12 boats at (BT 017521) loaded with people. Approximately 150 people were observed on shore at the same location. At 170830H, an additional group of 30 people and 3 boats were observed in the same area and, at 170910H, another group of 130 people were observed at the same location. Appear to be civilians carrying bundles of personal possessions. All moving east.

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(10) At 170830H, a Co K platoon patrol at (AT 939508) apprehended 1 VCS about 30 years of age without ID card. Evacuated to the Bn S-2 for interrogation.

(11) At 170930H, Co K at (AT 964494) discovered 1 M-26 grenade rigged with vine as a trip wire. Destroyed in place.

(12) At 170945H, a Co K platoon at (AT 934513) received 1 S/A round from VC at (AT 934516). Marines searched the area with negative results.

(13) At 170945H, a Co K platoon at (AT 939508) apprehended 2 male VCS, 1 53 years old, the other 16, who walked into the Marines' position. The old man had a penicillin vial in his pocket. Both VCS were evacuated to the Bn S-2 for interrogation.

d. Other

(1) At 161900H, a light section of Co B tanks at (BT 024558) observed 40 to 60 VC moving in column east to west at (BT 023535). Marines fired 10 HE and 1 WP with good coverage but undetermined results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 1/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/183/0/0/0/183
- (2) Probable 0/313/0/0/0/313
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 7/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons

- (a) Co D recovered 1 French SMG at (AT 954635).

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- (a) Co D located and destroyed 3 punji pits at (AT 956647).
- (b) Co D recovered 1 cartridge belt with 2 loaded magazines at (AT 954535).
- (c) Co I located and destroyed 1 81mm mortar and 2 M-26 grenades at (AT 931529).
- (d) Co K located and destroyed 1 CHICOM grenade and 1 puni trap at (AT 959494).
- (e) Co K located and destroyed 1 M-26 grenade at (AT 964494).

(3) Facilities. None3. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities

a. At 162102H, the 3d Bn 9th Mar S-2 relayed results of initial interrogation of 1 VCS apprehended at (AT 915492) who stated he was apprehended by VC 3 months ago. Was taken to a VC indoctrination camp in the mountains southeast of the AN HCA area. He stated there were about 30 people in the camp which was guarded by 5 or 6 guards with SIM's. The VCS was delivered to DUC DUC District Headquarters for disposition.

7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terrain

- a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.
- b. Terrain. No change.

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10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No reports received during this reporting period.13. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #229

2. Period covered 171200H - 181200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 15 Incidents; 2 Harassing; 1 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 171830H, Co D at (AT 977584) observed 5 VC running west to east at (AT 977588). Marines fired 30 rounds of S/A, 3 M-72 rounds, 10 M-79 rounds and 2 90mm rounds. and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 171930H, Bn S-2 reported 3 bunkers destroyed; 1 - 5'x4'x7', 2 - 4'x4'x6' at (AT 905548), 3 more destroyed 1 - 4'x4'x7' and 2 - 4'x4'x6' at (AT 905546) and 3 more destroyed 3'x4'x9' at (AT 905546).

c. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation NACOH)

(1) At 180220H, a recon OP at (HT 021505) observed 10 VC advancing toward the OP from the east and heard sounds of many more VC approaching from the same direction. Marines fired undetermined number of S/A and M-79 rounds and requested extraction which was completed at 180445H.

(2) At 181030H, a Co I at (AT 995533) received fire from 8 to 10 VC armed with 2 automatic and 1 semi-automatic weapons in the vicinity of the above coordinates. Marines attempted to make contact with negative results.

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(1) At 171400H, Co I, 3dBn 9thMar discovered a VC ordnance assembly factory at (AT 969523). More details to follow.

(2) At 171530H, a Co I, 3dBn 9thMar platoon patrol at (AT 996516) apprehended 1 teenage VCS with no ID card. The teenager tried to elude Marines by mingling with a large group of farmers. Evacuated to 3d IRT.

(3) At 171710H, a Co C, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 980540) reported that an A/O spotted 4 VC at (AT 980537). The VC fled into a treeline in which the A/O observed an additional 60 VC in the area of (AT 975530) to (AT 979530). Co C dispatched 3 tanks and 1 platoon to the area. The platoon made contact with the VC and fired 1,000 rounds of S/A and 10 rounds of M-79 resulting in 17 VC KIA (Confirmed). The A/O fired rockets and S/A and a search of the area revealed an additional 20 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 1 Russian carbine, 1 cartridge belt with grenades and a map pinpointing the USMC positions on Hills 55 and 22. Total VC KIA (Confirmed) (17 KBCF and 20 KBMA).

(4) At 171800H, a Co I, 3dBn 9thMar, at (AT 978534) apprehended 11 VCS who attempted to flee. The VCS possessed various medical supplies. At (AT 978535), Co I attempted to apprehend 3 young Vietnamese males dressed in black pajamas who fled. Marines fired S/A resulting in 3 VC KIA (Confirmed). No ID cards were found in their possession.

(5) At 171800H, Co I, 3dBn 9thMar apprehended 5 VCS when attempted to flee at (AT 977534).

(6) At 171830H, Co I, 3dBn 9thMar apprehended 4 VCS who attempted to flee at (AT 973537). An additional 5 VCS who attempted to flee were killed by Marines at the same location. All VCS/VCC were/young Vietnamese males. Enemy casualties were 5 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(7) At 171850H, Co I, 3dBn 9thMar at (AT 951499) confronted 2 VC with weapons. Marines set a heavy ambush, fired 10 rounds of S/A and 1 round of M-79 resulting in 1 VC KIA (Confirmed). One U.S. rifle (M-1) and cartridge belt captured.

(8) At 172300H, a Co I, 3dBn 9thMar Marine stepped into a punji trap at (AT 993546). One USMC WIA (medevac).

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(1) At 171630H, an LVT moving west on route #14 detonated a mine at (AT 992578). The Mine was pressure detonated and consisted of an estimated 40 to 50 pounds of explosives.

(2) At 172100H, a 9th Marines Pay-War team at (AT 966618) making a broadcast received 4 rounds of S/A from (AT 973623). Fire was not returned due to proximity of friendly units.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1)	Confirmed	0/0/0/0/0/0
(2)	Probable	0/0/0/0/0/0
(3)		0/0/0/1
(4)		1/0

Operation MAPON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

(1)	Confirmed	0/183/0/0/0/183
(2)	Probable	0/313/0/0/0/313
(3)		3/0/0/45
(4)		7/0

Operation SWANEE VC Casualties (Since 170600H Aug 66)

(1)	Confirmed	0/26/0/20/0/46
(2)	Probable	0/0/0/0/0/0
(3)		0/0/0/2
(4)		1/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed(1) Weapons

(a) Co C recovered 1 Russian rifle at (AT 975530).

(b) Co I recovered 1 U.S. rifle (M-1) at (AT 951499).

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(a) Co G recovered 1 cartridge belt, grenades and 1 map at (AT 975530).

(b) Co L recovered 1 cartridge belt. at (AT 951499).

(3) Facilities

(a) 1stBn 9thMar destroyed 9 bunkers at (AT 903548), (AT 903546) and (AT 903546).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None

6. Administrative Activities. None

7. New Identifications. None

8. Enemy Movement. None

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	19 AUG	20 AUG
RISE	0609	0609
SUNRISE	0632	0632
SUNSET	1909	1908
RAVE	1932	1931
MOON PHASE	NEW	NEW
MOONRISE	0610	1009
MOONSET	2136	2218

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.

11. Conclusions. No change.

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

13. Others. None

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a. At 170900H, B Co D, 1stBn 9thMar PFB at (AT 938606) apprehended 1 Vietnamese male who tried to elude capture. The Vietnamese male admits to having lived with the VC for 3 years. Evacuated to IIT.

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19 Aug 66

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #230

2. Period covered 181200H -191200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 17 Incidents; 3 Harassing; 4 VC Initiated

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 181100H, a Co E squad (2dBn 3dMar OPCON 1stBn 9thMar) at (AT 969567) encountered 4 VC on a river at (AT 977566). Marines fired S/A at the VC and searched the area. One VC KIA (Confirmed).

(2) At 182145H, a Co B OP at (AT 906550) received 4 rounds of 81mm mortar fire from VC at (AT 914534). At the same time, another OP at (AT 925534) received 20 to 30 rounds of S/A fire from VC at the same location and returned 4 rounds of 106mm which resulted in 2 secondary explosions. Marines also fired 49 rounds of 81mm mortar fire and 25 rounds of 155mm which resulted in 3 additional secondary explosions.

(3) At 190900H, a Co E (2dBn 3dMar OPCON 1stBn 9thMar) platoon at (AT 948548) received 4 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 948544). Did not return fire.

(4) At 190925H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 904534) observed 15 VC in grey and black uniforms with packs and weapons at (AT 891528) moving west to east. Tanks with OP fired 2 rounds of 90mm and 30 rounds of .50 caliber. Enemy casualties were 6 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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(1) Late Report. At 181115H, Co L (3dBn 1stMar OPCON 3dBn 9thMar) at (AT 934519) while returning to the 3dBn 1stMar CP received 62 rounds of S/A fire from VC at unknown location. Fire was not returned.

(2) At 181200H, Co I at (AT 003526) discovered and destroyed 1 M-16A1 mine on a trail rigged with a pressure type detonator.

(3) At 181410H, a recon squad inserted at (AT 979504) immediately received VC fire from (AT 985518). The recon squad was extracted at 181420H.

(4) At 181930H, a Co I platoon patrol at (AT 934526) discovered and destroyed one 250 pound bomb. The bomb was not rigged as a surprise firing device.

(5) At 190800H, an engineer road sweep team discovered an explosive device rigged with a pressure detonator at (AT 908502). The device consisted of 1 CHICOM 60mm mortar round with C-4 and TNT packed around it. The device was destroyed in place causing a crater 5 feet in diameter and 4 feet deep.

(6) Follow up to 171400H entry, para 3d (1) 9th Marines INTSUM #229. Ordnance assembly factory was described as a house in which were located a varied assortment of blacksmith type tools and an small amount of black powder.

d. Operation SWANLEE

(1) Late Report. At 181000H, a Co C, 1stBn 9thMar squad patrol operating at (AT 941544) observed 1 VC walking northeast at (AT 943539). Marines fired and VC fell. A 2d VC with weapon appeared and began to drag the body away. Marines fired at the 2d VC. Unable to search the area due to river. One VC KIA (Confirmed), 1 VC KIA (Probable).

(2) Late Report. At 181030H, tanks in support of Co C, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 990538) observed 8 to 10 armed VC at (AT 993530). Tanks fired 5 90mm rounds and 50 S/A rounds. Enemy casualties were 3 VC KIA (Confirmed).

(3) Late Report. At 181100H, Co A, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 970563) received 10 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 973563). Marines returned 38 rounds of 81mm mortar fire. Marines discovered and destroyed 200 pounds of rice and 200 pounds of corn in a bunker at (AT 970563) and apprehended 2 VCS who were in the area. The 2 VCS were sent to 3d IFF.

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(4) At 181915H, a Co A, 1stBn 9thMar platoon at (AT 973546) while blowing a tunnel, caused a large secondary explosion resulting in 1 USMC KIA (medevac).

(5) At 182000H, Co A, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 976546) received 50 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 973543) and (AT 974545). Marines returned 500 rounds of S/A, 12 M-79 rounds and 10 rounds of 60mm mortar. The area was searched with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1) Confirmed 0/7/0/0/0/7
 (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
 (3) 0/0/0/0
 (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/183/0/0/0/183
 (2) Probable 0/313/0/0/0/313
 (3) 3/0/0/45
 (4) 8/0**

Operation SWANNEE VC Casualties (Since 170600H Aug 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/4/0/0/0/50
 (2) Probable 0/1/0/0/0/0
 (3) 0/0/0/23*
 (4) 1/0

* Represents increase of 19 not listed in totals of IRTSUM #229
 ** Represents increase of 1 not listed in totals of IRTSUM #229

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

(1) Weapons. None

(2) Equipment.

(a) Co I located and destroyed 1 M-16A1 mine at (BT 003526).

(b) Co I located and destroyed 1 250 lb bomb at (AT 974526).

(c) Engineer sweep team located and destroyed 1 CHICOM 60mm mortar at (AT 908502).

(d) Co A located and destroyed 200 lbs of rice and 200 lbs of corn at (AT 973563).

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- (a) Co A destroyed 1 tunnel at (AF 973546).
- (b) Co A destroyed 1 bunker at (AF 973563).

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities

a. Jd:TT reported the results of an interrogation of a VC apprehended by the Jd:TT on 16 August. The VC stated that trail: leading into PHUEN XUYEN (3) located at (AF 8546) were heavily trapped with grenades and traps.

7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	20 AUG	21 AUG
RISE	0609	0609
SUNRISE	0632	0632
SUNSET	1908	1908
SET	1931	1931
MOON PHASE	NEW	NEW
MOONRISE	1009	1107
MOONSET	2218	2307

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians
No report received during this reporting period.13. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #231
2. Period covered 191200H - 201200H
3. Summary of Enemy Activity
 - a. 8 Incidents; 1 Harassing; 2 VC Initiated
 - b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 191520H, a Co D platoon at (AT 965636) discovered and destroyed a 105mm round rigged as a surprise firing device with a pull type detonator.

(2) At 191600H, a Co D platoon at (AT 962628) received 6 rounds of 3/A fire from VC at (AT 962629). Marines returned fire with 2 rounds of M-79 and 2 rounds of M-72. Searched area with negative results.

(3) At 192055H, a Co D squad at (AT 976614) observed 4 VC crossing a rice paddy at (AT 978614). Marines fired 20 rounds of 60mm mortar and 1 WP rifle grenade. Results unknown.

c. Operation SWANEE

(1) Late Report. At 191030H, a Co A, 1stBn 9thMar platoon at (AT 974544) observed 1 VC with a weapon running at (AT 974546). The platoon fired 3 M-79 rounds at the VC and searched area with negative results.

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(2) At 191615H, Co A, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 976546) reported that a resupply helicopter received 10 to 15 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 978542). Marines returned 50 rounds of .30 caliber and 1 round of 90mm with undetermined results.

(3) At 191910H, Co A, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 954553) observed 4 VC at (AT 970563). Marines fired 16 rounds of 105mm HE with undetermined results.

(4) At 192015H, Co A, 1stBn 9thMar at (AT 966549) was attacked by an estimated 50 to 60 VC armed with mortars and small arms from (AT 969551), (AT 965549), (AT 963547), (AT 963545), (AT 974544), (AT 970544), (AT 960550) and (AT 964547). VC fired approximately 750 rounds of S/A fire and 8 rounds of 60mm mortar. Marines returned with 670 rounds of S/A, 600 M-60, 56 M-79, 65 81mm mortar, 114 105mm/155mm and 4 M-26 grenades and a gun/flare ship and HU-1E delivered fire into the area. VC casualties were 10 VC KIA (Probable). 2 USMC KIA, 6 USMC WIA (medevac) resulting from a detonation of a 60mm mortar as it left the tube.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (2) Probable 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 0/0

Operation HAGON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/183/0/0/0/183
- (2) Probable 0/313/0/0/0/313
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 9/0

Operation SWANWEE VC Casualties (Since 171500Z Aug 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/30/0/20/0/50
- (2) Probable 0/11/0/0/0/11
- (3) 0/0/0/23
- (4) 1/0

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(a) Co D located and destroyed 1 105mm round at (AT 965636).

(3) Facilities. None5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement

a. At 200900H, a villager of MY HIEP (3) hamlet, (AT 8954) informed the 3d Bn 9th Mar S-2 that on 17 August 25 VC were located in his hamlet and then departed heading south. (S-2 comment: Probably elements of R.20 Bn (Confirmed) located in this area).

b. At 201130H, the 3d Bn 9th Mar S-2 relayed a report from the DUC DUC District Headquarters (DUC DUC rates B-1) that the V.25 Bn commanded by LAI located vic (AT 870517). One Co dispatched across SONG THU BOM vic (AT 876512). This Co commanded by HUYUN LAI, armed with 1 60mm mortar, 1 .30 caliber MG and assorted personal weapons are presently located in vic of (AT 879509), (AT 872500) and (AT 880500). DUC DUC District believes mission is to attack PHU DA (1) at (AT 865492) or mortar Marine installations tonight. (S-2 comments: F-3 Normal operating area of R.20 Bn (Confirmed)/V.25 Bn (Unconfirmed) (Ass AKA for R.20 Bn). USMC units operating in this area without contact. LAI has been associated with the R.20 Bn and V.25 Bn).

9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.b. Terrain. No change.

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	<u>21 Aug</u>	<u>22 Aug</u>
EMOT	0609	0610
SUNRISE	0632	0633
SUNSET	1908	1907
RECT	1931	1930
MOON PHASE	NEW	FIRST
MOONRISE	1107	1203
MOONSET	2300	2344

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians

See 200900H entry this INTSUM, para 8a.

13. Other. None

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21 Aug 66

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #232

2. Period covered 201200H - 211200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 23 Incidents; 3 Harassing; 7 VC initiated; 1 Mine/Booby trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 201300H, Co A (2dBn 3dMar OPCON 1stBn 9thMar) at (AT 956549) observed 5 VC at (AT 975546) moving into a treeline. Marines fired 26 rounds of 155mm and searched the area with negative results.

(2) At 201530H, a Co E (2dBn 3dMar OPCON 1stBn 9thMar) squad patrol at (AT 967564) discovered 4 tunnels in a river bank and 4 small boats in the same area. Destroyed boats. Will destroy tunnels on 21 August.

(3) At 201545H, a Co A platoon at (AT 958551) observed 1 sniper in a spider hole. The VC threw a grenade wounding a scout dog. The platoon returned 4 rounds of S/A. One VC KIA (Confirmed). Marines apprehended 3 VCS at (AT 967530). VCS sent to the Bn S-2.

(4) At 201630H, a Co E (2dBn 3dMar OPCON 1stBn 9thMar) squad patrol at (AT 952554) was shown a tunnel by a small Vietnamese boy. The tunnel measured 4'x5'x5' and was empty. Destroyed.

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(5) At 201920H, Co C with tanks and antmies crossing the SONG VUA RIA at (AT 901545) and (AT 901543) received 20 rounds of 60mm and 600 rounds of S/A fire from an estimated 15 VC at (AT 909557), (AT 906556) and (AT 895543). Co C returned 5000 rounds of S/A, 500 rounds of .50 caliber, 20 rounds of M-72, 95 rounds of M-79, 12 rounds of 106mm, 24 rounds of 90mm, 212 rounds of 60mm and 305 rounds of 81mm with undetermined results.

(6) At 201940H, a Co D PPD at (AT 945610) received 100 to 125 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 944607), (AT 943601), (AT 944613) and (AT 947610). Marines returned 21 rounds of M-79, 210 rounds of S/A, 75 rounds of .30 caliber, 2 3.5 WP, 21 rounds of 81mm and 4 rounds of M-72 and searched the area with negative results.

(7) At 201945H, Co A at (AT 957550) was attacked by an estimated 50 VC armed with mortars and small arms at (AT 954589), (AT 961552) and (AT 959550). The VC fired approximately 150 rounds of S/A, 300 rounds of .30 caliber M2, 5 CHICOM grenades and 2 rounds of 60mm. Marines returned 9000 rounds of S/A, 120 rounds of M-79, 80 rounds of 81mm, 30 rounds of 90mm and 18 M-26 grenades. A flary gun A/C delivered fire into the area. VC casualties were 10 VC KIA (Probable).

(8) At 202009H, a Co E (2dBr 3dMar OPCON 1stBr 9thMar) ambushed at (AT 977593) received S/A fire from 4 to 5 VC at (AT 978594). The squad returned 500 S/A, 2 rounds of M-72 and 22 rounds of 81mm with undetermined results.

(9) Follow up. To 192015H, incident (para 3e(2) 9th Marines 192015H) Co A investigated the incident and the opinion of all involved in the investigation that the casualties were the results of incoming low level air burst of a 60mm or larger. This is based upon the 60mm position, blast effect, fragmentation damage, and angle of fragmentation entry into the trees and surrounding equipment and casualties.

(10) At 210930H, Co A at (AT 957550) reported that a resupply helicopter received 3 to 4 rounds of S/A fire from (AT 961552). No casualties and no damage.

c. 3dBr 9thMar (Operation MAGON)

(1) At 201425H, a recon OP at (ZC 212503) observed numerous small groups of Vietnamese males with packs moving across a river at (AT 827548).

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(2) At 201435H, a recon OP at (AT 806442) observed 3 groups of 10 people each and 1 group of 2 people running east to west at (AT 802456). The people were dressed in multiple color pajamas and shorts.

(3) At 201235H, a recon squad OP at (AT 988508) was attacked by an estimated platoon of VC. The OP was extracted.

(4) At 210025H, an A/O reported VC snipers in a treeline at (AT 971 519). The A/O called airstrikes and aircraft expended 12 500 pound napalm bombs and 15 5" rockets. Pilots observed 9 secondary explosions, 10 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 20 structures destroyed. The area was illuminated by a flare ship.

(5) At 210740H, an A/O observed 10 VC at (AT 862541) and called for a fixed wing airstrike. A/C expended 4 500 pound bombs, 8 250 pound bombs and 100 rounds of 20mm resulting in 5 VC KIA (Confirmed) and 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(6) At 210815H, a recon squad at (AT 796512) observed 7 VC with 3 automatic weapons, wearing black pajamas and carrying packs at (AT 780514). Called an artillery mission and fired 10 rounds of 105mm with undetermined results.

(7) At 210035H, a fixed wing A/C conducted an airstrike at (AT 876511) and (AT 880518) expending 12 250 pound bombs resulting in 10 VC KIA (Probable).

d. Operation SWANNEE

(1) At 201215H, a Co I, 3dBn 9thMar platoon patrol at (AT 882505) detonated an explosive device identified as a U.S. M-16A1 mine rigged with a trip wire resulting in 7 USMC WIA (medevac).

(2) At 201315H, Co L, 3dBn 9thMar at (AT 874513) received approximately 50 rounds of S/A fire from an estimated 10 VC at (AT 869512). Marines returned heavy S/A and attacked the VC position at (AT 869512). While at (AT 869512) Marines received 800 rounds of S/A from 35 to 45 VC at (AT 866516). Marines returned 900 rounds of S/A, 50 rounds 105mm with undetermined results.

(3) At 201400H, Co's L and M, 3dBn 9thMar at (AT 872521) were attacked by 150 VC at (AT 870520) and the 3dBn 9thMar command group by a smaller force. Co M attacked the VC at (AT 870520) resulting in 10 VC KIA (Confirmed), 5 USMC KIA and 6 USMC WIA.

(4) At 201630H, a Co I, 3dBn 9thMar platoon patrol at (AT 878449) detonated an unknown type explosive device rigged with a trip wire and set in the edge of a treeline. No casualties.

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(5) At 201840Z, Co I, 5th Bn 9th Mar at (AT 865492) received 35 rounds of S/A from an estimated 4 VC at (AT 861492). Co I returned 1000 rounds of S/A, 20 rounds of 60mm, and 6 rounds of 81.5 inch and searched the area with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

- (1) Confirmed 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) Probable 0/10/0/0/0/10
- (3) 0/0/0/3
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041200Z Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/183/0/15/0/198
- (2) Probable 0/313/0/42/0/325
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 8/0

Operation SWANTEE VC Casualties (Since 0370600Z Aug 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/35/0/20/0/35
- (2) Probable 0/11/0/10/0/21
- (3) 0/0/0/23
- (4) 1/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

- (1) Weapons. None
- (2) Equipment. None
- (3) Facilities.

(a) Co A destroyed 4 tunnels at (AT 975546).

(b) Co E destroyed 1 tunnel at (AT 952554).

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	22 Aug 66	23 Aug
EMOT	0610	0610
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SUNSET	1907	1906
EMOT	1930	1929
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONRISE	1203	1303
MOONSET	2344	

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians

See 201630H entry this INTSUM para 3b (4).

13. Other. None

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM/233
2. Period covered 211200H - 221200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

- a. 15 Incidents; 6 Harassing; 3 VC Initiated; 2 Mine/Booby Trap
- b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) At 211300H, a Co D PFB at (AT 963626) received 3 rounds of harassing S/A fire from (AT 963627). Marines returned 50 rounds of S/A fire. VC fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results.

(2) At 211300H, a Co D squad at (AT 967637) received 40 to 50 rounds of S/A fire from 3 VC via (AT 967638). The squad returned 300 rounds S/A, 2 rounds of M-72 and 10 rounds of M-79. VC fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results.

(3) At 211340H, an engineer heavy equipment operator with Co D at (AT 963600) received an undetermined number of S/A rounds from an unknown VC position. One USMC WIA (medevac to 1stBn 9thMar aid station).

(4) At 211417H, a psy-war team conducting a broadcast at (AT 963609) received 3 rounds of S/A fire from 1 VC at (AT 956604). The team did not return fire; the broadcast was continued.

(5) At 211715H, a Co C squad patrol at (AT 975592) received 20 to 30 rounds of harassing S/A fire from VC at (AT 975593). Marines returned 20 rounds of S/A, 6 rounds of M-79 and 1 rounds of M-72. The area was searched with negative results.

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(6) At 211800H, the Co D CP at (AT 962608) received 1 round of S/A fire from VC in the vicinity of (AT 961624). Co D did not return fire.

(7) At 212100H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 923537) saw lights at (AT 907529) and heard loud noises from (AT 927529). Marines fired 10 rounds of 106mm and 25 rounds of .50 caliber at (AT 907529) with undetermined results.

(8) At 212123H, the Co C CP at (AT 954554) received 5 rounds of S/A fire from 3 to 5 VC at (AT 953562). At the same time 7 VC were observed at (AT 956558). Marines returned 20 rounds of S/A and 60 rounds of 81mm. VC fire ceased. The area was searched with negative results.

(9) At 220645H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 925534) observed 4 armed VC at (AT 906528) who appeared to be burning something. Marines fired 10 rounds of .50 caliber and the VC entered a house. Marines then fired 3 rounds of 106mm destroying the house. VC casualties were 2 VC KIA (Probable).

c. 3dBn 9thMar (Operation MACOM)

(1) Late Report. At 211130H, a recon squad OP at (AT 805455) observed 13 armed VC wearing packs moving on a trail at (AT 805455). Marines fired 6 rounds of 105mm HE. VC dispersed. Results undetermined.

(2) At 212015H, a Co K platoon OP at (AT 913493) received 2 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 907491). Marines did not return fire. VC fire was not repeated. H&I fires were directed into the area and a subsequent search of the area revealed a crater with bloodstains in it, a man's coat and trousers and many footprints.

(3) At 212035H, as a result of intelligence report from the DUC DUC District Headquarters (see para 8a below), the 3dBn 9thMar directed 24 rounds of 105mm HE into THU BOM (2) (AT 8750). One secondary explosion was reported.

(4) At 212140H, a Co K platoon OP at (AT 928491) received 3 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 926486), 2 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 923488) and 10 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 924488). Marines returned 30 rounds of M-79, and 8 rounds of 60mm and searched the area with negative results.

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(1) At 211700H, a B battery, 1stBn 11thMar patrol member detonated an unknown type explosive device at (AT 980644) resulting in 1 USMC WIA (medevac). As the medevac helicopter departed approximately 6 VC fired S/A and MG fire from (AT 980644). VC withdrew under fire. No damage to helicopter.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Lossesa. VC Casualties for 24 Hour Reporting Period

(1) Confirmed 0/0/0/0/0/0
 (2) Probable 0/2/0/0/0/2
 (3) 0/0/0/0
 (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041200H Jul 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/183/0/15/0/198
 (2) Probable 0/313/0/12/0/325
 (3) 3/0/0/45
 (4) 8/0

Operation SWAMPON Final Count (170600H - 212000H Aug 66)

(1) Confirmed 0/39/0/20/0/39
 (2) Probable 0/11/0/0/0/11
 (3) 0/0/0/23
 (4) 1/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

(1) Weapons. None

(2) Equipment

(a) H&S Co located a rudimentary mine at (AT 968557).

(3) Facilities. None

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None

6. Administrative Activities. None

7. New Identifications. None

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a. At 211930H, the 3d Bn 9th Mar S-2 relayed a DUC DUC District Headquarters report (rated B-1) that 40 VC with 1 60mm mortar and 2 LMG's had crossed the SONG THU BON from west to east and were located in THU BON (2) at (AT 8750). (S-2 comment: F-2 Many recent reports of VC in platoon to company strength crossing the SONG THU BON in area indicated. Normal operating area of R.20 Bn. THU BON (2) has been reported to have been vacated by civilians population due to VC presence and activity).

9. Weather and Terrain

a. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.

b. Terrain. No change.

c. Astronomical Data

	<u>23 Aug</u>	<u>24 Aug</u>
RISE	0610	0610
SUNRISE	0633	0633
SUNSET	1906	1906
RISE	1929	1929
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONRISE	1303	1401
MOONSET	---	0031

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change

11. Conclusions. No change.

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

13. Other. None

14. Late Entries.

a. At 220745H, H&S Co, 1st Bn 9th Mar engineer sweep team at (AT 968557) discovered a rudimentary mine consisting of approximately 40 pounds of explosive rigged with a pressure/electrical type detonator. The Mine was evacuated to the Bn S-2 for evaluations.

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

1. 9th Marines INTSUM #234

2. Period covered 221200H - 231200H

3. Summary of Enemy Activity

a. 11 Incidents; 4 Harrassing; 4 VC Initiated; 1 Mine/Booby Trap

b. 1stBn 9thMar

(1) Late Report. At 221030H, a Co B squad OP at (AT 904543) observed 3 armed VC wearing black uniforms moving to the east from (AT 899539). Marines fired 14 rounds of 155mm. Four VC KIA (Probable).

(2) Late Report. At 221115H, a SeaBee dump truck traveling south on Liberty Road at (AT 908579) detonated a mine containing approximately 40 pounds of explosives rigged with an electrical/pressure type detonator causing extensive damage to the truck.

(3) At 221210H, a Co C fireteam OP at (AT 954553) observed 3 VC move into a house on the opposite side of the river at (AT 957548). One VC appeared to be carrying a radio. Marines fired 42 rounds of 81mm with undetermined results.

(4) At 221445H, Co B Tanks OP at (AT 962611) received 4 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 958606). Marines returned 30 rounds of .30 caliber, 7 rounds of 90mm and 8 rounds of 81mm with undetermined results.

(5) At 221600H, a Co C fireteam OP at (AT 954553) reported 3 VC fired at a medevac helicopter at (AT 970563). OP called 42 rounds of 81mm on VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (Confirmed).

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(6) At 221800H, a Co D PFB at (AT 972637) and (AT 973639) received S/A fire from VC at (AT 968639). Pursued 10 VC with a reinforced squad who received 200 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 972637), (AT 967636), (AT 976639) and (AT 976648). The squad returned 2100 rounds of S/A, 400 rounds of M-60, 40 rounds of M-72, 40 rounds of M-79 and 2 rounds of 81mm. Searched area, 2 VC KIA (Probable).

(7) At 222055H, a Co a platoon PFB at (AT 971591) received 5 rounds of S/A fire from VC at (AT 979590). Marines returned 41 rounds of 81mm. One VC KIA (Probable).

(8) At 222300H, a Co D squad security outpost at (AT 974615) reported a BU-1E A/C received 2 rounds S/A from VC at (AT 980616). Marines returned S/A and VC returned 4 more rounds of S/A. Marines illuminated the area and the VC fire was not repeated.

(9) At 230815H, a Co A platoon patrol and Engineer sweep team at (AT 954587) and (AT 957586) respectively received S/A fire from an unknown VC at (AT 955585). Patrol did not return fire due to proximity of friendly troops. Searched area with negative results.

c. 3d Bn 9th Mar (Operation MACON)

(1) At 221800H, an Engineer dump truck was ambushed at (AT 923516) by 8 VC with automatic weapons and grenades. An Engineer sweep team went to assist the truck. One USMC KIA; 2 USMC WIA (medevac). Three VC KIA (Probable).

(2) At 221915H, the Co L CP at (AT 915483) received 3 S/A rounds from VC at (AT 917483) from an estimated 2 VC. Dispatched fireteam who fired 15 rounds of S/A at VC and searched area with negative results.

d. Other

(1) At 221000H, 2 groups of approximately 65 Vietnamese Nationals each from DUC KY (4) appeared at 9th Marines/1st Bn 9th Mar CP bearing letters of protest directed against USMC activities in the area, specifically crop and property damage incident to USMC operations. Letters were obviously written by no more than 3 different people. Initially people insisted that the protest was locally generated, however, upon further interrogation, 2 people admitted that the VC instructed them on what to write and when to protest. Twenty-three people were apprehended as suspicious persons - ringleader and VC sympathizers - and were sent to DIAN BAN District Headquarters for further examination.

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- (1) Confirmed 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) Probable 0/7/0/0/0/7
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 0/0

Operation MACON VC Casualties (Since 041500H Jul 66)

- (1) Confirmed 0/103/0/15/198
- (2) Probable 0/316/0/42/0/328
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 8/0

b. Equipment Captured and Destroyed

- (1) Weapons. None
- (2) Equipment. None
- (3) Facilities. None

5. New Obstacles and Barriers. None6. Administrative Activities. None7. New Identifications. None8. Enemy Movement. None9. Weather and Terraina. Weather. Will be promulgated every 12 hours by this headquarters.b. Terrain. No change.

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	<u>24 Aug</u>	<u>25 Aug</u>
BMCT	0610	0610
SUNRISE	0633	0633
SUNSET	1906	1905
SECT	1929	1928
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONRISE	1401	1459
MOONSET	0031	0121

10. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change.11. Conclusions. No change.12. Reports of information of Viet Cong received directly from civilians13. Other. None

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THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #235

2. PERIOD COVERED 231200H - 241200H

3. SUMMARY OF NINTH ACTIVITY

a. 12 INCIDENTS; 4 HARASSING; 2 VC INITIATED; 2 MINE/BOOMY TRAP

b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) RECEIVED, AT 230630H, A CO B FIRMGRAM WITH AN ENGINEER BOOMY TRAP AT (AT 943304) RECEIVED 90 S/A ROUNDS FROM VC AT (AT 953303). MARINES RETURNED 75 ROUNDS OF S/A AND 8 ROUNDS OF M-79. ONE VC KIA (CONTINUED).

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(2) **WHEE REPORT.** AT 230050H, A GO A PLATOON AT (AT 957586) RECEIVED 90 M/A ROUNDS FROM AN ESTIMATED 3 TO 4 VC AT (AT 954587). MARINES RETURNED 10 ROUNDS M-79, 25 ROUNDS OF S/A, 200 ROUNDS OF M-40, 31 ROUNDS OF 81MM AND SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) AT 231800H, A GO D PLATOON OF AT (AT 975622) RECEIVED 3 ROUNDS OF M/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 984623). MARINES RETURNED 30 TO 40 ROUNDS OF S/A FIRE. VC FIRE CEASED. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) AT 240025H, A GO C SQUAD OF AT (AT 955335) OBSERVED 8 TO 10 ARVN VC HIDE IN GRAY UNIFORMS AT (AT 941531). MARINES FIRED 75 ROUNDS OF S/A. TWO VC KIA (CONFIRMED).

(5) AT 240050H, GO A PROVIDING THE GORDON FOR A COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 957637) REPORTED THAT AN ARVN CAPTURED A VC WHO WAS FOUND HIDING IN A SPIDER HOLE AT (AT 957637). THE VC WILL BE EVACUATED AFTER INITIAL INTERROGATION AND EXPLOITATION.

(6) AT 241000H, GO A PROVIDING THE GORDON FOR A COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 957637) REPORTED THAT A MARINE DETONATED AN M-26 GRENADE WHICH WAS RIGGED WITH A TRIP WIRE AT (AT 957643). NO CASUALTIES.

(7) AT 241005H, A GO C FIRETEAM OF AT (AT 954555) RECEIVED 2 ROUNDS OF M/A FIRE FROM (AT 956546). MARINES RETURNED 150 ROUNDS OF .50 CALIBER, 11 ROUNDS OF 90MM and 40 ROUNDS OF 81MM. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(8) AT 241100H, A GO C SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 980590) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED HOMEMADE ANTI PERSONNEL MINE AT (AT 980590). THE MINE WAS RIGGED WITH A PERCUSSION TYPE FIRING MECHANISM. THE DEVICE WAS DESCRIBED AS A C RATION CAN FILLED WITH EXPLOSIVES.

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3. THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES (OPERATION MACHO)

(1) AT 234700H, A CO I SQUAD SECURITY FOR AN ENGINEER SWEEP TEAM AT (AT 908509) RECEIVED 3 ROUNDS OF S/A FROM VC AT (AT 908505). CO I SECURITY RETURNED 30 ROUNDS OF S/A AND THE VC WITHDREW. ONE USMC KIA (MEDDEVAC).

(2) AT 231730H, A CO I PLATOON PATROL AT (AT 896516) RECEIVED 1 ROUND OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 892517). MARINES RETURNED 100 ROUNDS OF S/A, 3 ROUNDS OF M-79, AND SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONE USMC KIA (MEDDEVAC).

(3) AT 232145H, A CO I SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 908494) OBSERVED 9 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST AT (AT 908494). MARINES FIRED 25 ROUNDS OF S/A AND OBSERVED 3 VC FALL. VC RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A FIRE. MARINES FIRED 18 ROUNDS OF 81MM. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) AT 240630H, A CO I FIRETEAM AT (AT 909519) OBSERVED 2 VC AT (AT 909523) DRESSED IN GREEN UNIFORMS. 1 CARRIED A PACK, 1 CARRIED A WEAPON. MARINES FIRED 20 ROUNDS OF S/A, 2 ROUNDS OF M-79 AND 3 ROUNDS OF 60MM. ONE VC KIA (CONFIRMED).

4. KNOWN PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES

a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

(1) CONFIRMED 0/3/0/0/0/3
(2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
(3) 0/0/0/0
(4) 0/0

OPERATION MACHO VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 041500H JUL 64)

(1) CONFIRMED 0/103/0/15/0/199
(2) PROBABLE 0/316/0/12/0/528
(3) 3/0/0/45
(4) 2/0

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1. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

(1) WEAPONS. NONE

(2) EQUIPMENT

(a) CO A LOCATED AND DESTROYED A HEDIMENTARY ANTI PERSONNEL MINE AT
(AT 980530).

(3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES. NONE

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

8. HUMAN MOVEMENT. NONE

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE.

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25 JUL
 0610
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 1928
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26 JUL
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 1952
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10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE.11. COMPLAINTS. NO CHANGE.12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VINE COMS RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.13. OTHER. NONE

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THIRD ANTRAC BATTALION
THIRD ANTI TANK BATTALION
THIRD TANK BATTALION
THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #236

2. PERIOD COVERED 241200H- 251200H

3. SUMMARY OF NINETY ACTIVITY

a. 14 INCIDENTS; 3 HARRASSING; 2 VC INITIATED; 2 MINE/BOONY TRAP

b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) AT 241500H 00 A PROVING GORDON FOR A COUNTY
PAIR AT (AT 954639) REPORTED THE ARVN DISCOVERED A TUNNEL
WITH 9VC HIDING INSIDE. VC FIRED A BURST OF CARTRIDGE FIRE
AT ARVN. ARVN RETURNED 3 M-16 AND 2 WP GRENADES. TUNNEL

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WAS DESTROYED WITH 20 LBS B-4. FIVE VC KIA (CONTINUED).

2 (2) AT 241750H, A GO C SQD PATROL AT (AT 940566) OBSERVED 5 ARMED VC WITH PACES AT (AT 940563). PATROL FIRED S/A AT VC WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

3 (3) AT 242007H, GO A PROVIDING GORDON FOR 1 AT (AT 950640) RECEIVED 35 RND. OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 950643) AND (AT 964 633). MARINES RETURNED 18 RND. OF 155MM. VC FIRE CRASD. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4 (4) AT 242010H, A GO B SQD AT (AT 972614) RECEIVED 4 RND. OF S/A FIRE FROM 1 TO 2 VC AT (AT 972614). MARINES RETURNED 30 RND. OF S/A, 2 RND. OF M-72, 2 RND. OF M-79 WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. VC FIRE CRASD. AT (AT 951552)

5 (5) AT 242225, A GO C SQD PATROL, ENCOUNTERED 1ST. 13 VC. SCOUT DOG WITH PATROL SIGNALLED PRESENCE OF VC. MARINES AND VC FIRED SIMULTANEOUSLY. MARINES ASSAULTED, VC WITHDREW. MARINES FIRED 152 RND. 81 MM AND 26 RND. ARTY ON VC ESCAPE ROUTES. ONE VC KIA (CONF). CAPTURED 1 US M-1 RIFLE, 1 CHIOM CARBINE (7.62 MM TYPE 53), 1 CARTRIDGE BELT, 1 CHIOM GRENADE, SPONCHO, MISC DOCUMENTS AND MED SUPPLIES.

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6 (6) AT 250845H, CO A, PROVIDING COVER FOR A COUNTY PAIR REPORTED THAT THE ARVN BE COVERED A CAVE AT (AT 956639) CONTAINING 3 VC. VC WOULD NOT SURRENDER. CAVE DESTROYED. THREE VC KIA (CONFIRMED). SEARCH OF CAVE PRODUCED 1 CARTRIDGE BELT, 1 U.S. M-26 GRENADE AND 1 HAND DRAWN SKETCH MAP (UN-EVALUATED).

7 c. THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES (OPERATION MACON)

7 (1) LATE REPORT. AT 241115H, CO I GP AT (AT 914514) OBSERVED 6 TO 10 RE ARMED VC AT (AT 907329). MARINES FIRED 5 RND OF 90MM WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

8 (2) AT 241230H, ~~RECEIVED~~ ONTOS WITH CO I AT (AT 907502) RECEIVED 8 TO 10 RND OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT ~~LOCATED~~ (AT 907504). ONTOS RETURNED 8 RND OF 100MM AND 100RDS OF .50 CALIBER WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. VC FIRE CEASED.

9 (3) AT 241430H, TANKS WITH CO I AT (AT 931492) RECEIVED 4 RND OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 936499). MARINES RETURNED 250 RND OF .50 CALIBER. VC FIRE CEASED.

10 (4) AT 250645H A CO I MARINE AT (AT 936532) DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. MINE WAS RIGGED WITH A PRESSURE ACTIVATOR IN CONSISTED OF EST. 40 LBS

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OF EXPLOSIVE. SIZE OF CRATER WAS 6 FT x 4 FT.

(5) AT 2500GCH, AN INTR ROAD SWEEP TEAM AT (AT 907502) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 2 105MM RNDs RIGGED AS SURPRISE FUXING DEVICES WITH FULL-TYPE ACTIVATORS.

4. SEMI PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES

a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/2/0/0/0/2
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/0
- (4) 2/0

OPERATION MACON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 041500H JUL 66)

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/183/0/15/0/199
- (2) PROBABLE 0/116/0/12/0/322
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 0/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

(1) WEAPONS

(a) RECOVERED CO A RECOVERED 1 U.S. M-1 RIFLE AND 1 OMICOM CARBINE AT (AT 951559)

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(2) EQUIPMENT

(a) CO A RECOVERED 1 CARTRIDGE BELT, X 1 CHICOM GRENADE, X 1 POUCH AND MISC DOCUMENTS AND MED SUPPLIES.

(b) RICE TEAM LOCATED AND DESTROYED 2 105 RNDs AT (AT 907502).

(3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES. NONE

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

8. ENEMY MOVEMENT.

12. a. AT 241930, S-2 3RD BN 9TH MAR RELATED A REPORT FROM A CIVILIAN THAT XX AT ABOUT 192000H AUG 66, APPROX 100 VC IN KHAKI UNIFORMS WITH MORTARS PASSED HIS HAMLET, PHU LAC (5) (AT 908516) MOVING S TO N. (S-2 COMMENT: MANY REPORTS OF CO SIZE VC UNITS OPERATING IN THIS AREA. AT 192030H AUG CO A 1ST BN 9TH MARINES WAS ATTACKED BY MORTARS AND S/A AT (AT 966549). SEE PARA 3 C(4) 9TH MARINES INTSUM # 22).

13. b. AT 241940H, S-2 1ST MAR RELATED A REPORT FROM HOA VANG DIST THAT 1 VC CO IS LOCATED AT (AT 997695) - (AT 001695). (S-2 COMMENT: F-3 NORMAL OPERATING AREA OF Q. 16(LF) CO. RECENT REPORTS INDICATE ELEMENTS OF THE 402D ASPPR BN IN THIS AREA).

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8. AT 242145H, 2-8 3D MAR RELATED A REPORT FROM DAI LOG DISTRICT THAT 1 VC CO OF 90-MEN COMMANDED BY LAM ARMED WITH 1 82MM MORTAR, 1 60MM MORTAR AND 1 HWS IS LOCATED AT (AT 858545)-(AT 858542). (S-2 COMMENT: F-2 NORMAL OPERATING AREA BP R.20 NM. VO XUAN LAM CARRIED AS CO OF R.24 CO).

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE P OMMUNICATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE.

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

	<u>26 APR</u>	<u>27 APR</u>
MOONSET	0610	0610
SUNRISE	0655	0655
SUNSET	1905	1904
MOONSET	1920	1927
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONRISE	1552	1644
MOONSET	0814	0709

10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE.

11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE

12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VINE COME RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM HWS CIVILIANS
SEE 241930H ENTRY PARA. 8A AND THIS INTCON.

13. OTHER. NONE
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TO: GS THIRD MARINE DIVISION

INFO: CO FIRST MAW
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THIRD ANTI TANK BATTALION
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THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #237
2. PERIOD COVERED 251200H - 261200H
3. SUMMARY OF RECENT ACTIVITY

- a. INCIDENTS, ¹⁵ HARRASSING; ³ VC INFILTRATED; ³ MINE/BOONY TRAP ³
- b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) AT 251100H A CO B SQD SECURITY ELEMENT AT
(AT 973614) REPORTED RECEIVING 7 ROUNDS OF 81A FIRE FROM (AT
983615) DID NOT RETURN FIRE.

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7 (7) AT 260528Z, CO A ELMS AT (AT 945626) OBSERVED 1 VC AT (AT 945626) BEING BURNING TOWED CO A POSITIONS AT (AT 940623). VC FIRED S/A AT MARINES WHO RETURNED 6 ROUNDS S/A FIRE. 1 VC KIA (CONF). CAPTURED 1 THROUGH SPM, 2 MAGAZINES, 1 M-26 GREN, 1 CARTRIDGE BELT AND MISC DOCS.

8 (8) AT 260830Z, A CO C SQD PATROL APPREHENDED 1 VCS AT (AT 957570). VCS WAS ONE OF SIX VN MALES WHO FLED FROM PATROL.

9 (9) AT 261000Z A CO C PATROL AT (AT 954563) APPREHENDED 1 VN FEMALE WITHOUT ID WHO WAS POINTED OUT BY PT'S AS VCS. WILL BE EVACUATED TO 34 IFF.

10 (10) AT 261000Z, CO A PROVIDENCE GORDON FOR COUNTY FAIR VIC (AT 942609) REPORTED THAT ARVN DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A CAVE AT (AT 951629) RESULTING IN SECONDARY EXPLOSION. SEARCH OF AREA PRODUCED 1 M-26 GREN.

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• THIRD BATTALION MARINES (OPERATION MASON)

11 (1) AT 251520H A CO K SQD PATROL AT (AT 886510) RECEIVED 2 RNDG OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 890517). MARINES FIRED 11 RNDG OF 105 MM ARTY WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

12 (2) AT 251850H A CO I SQD PATROL AT (AT 942526) OBSERVED 2 VC AT (AT 942527). (1 VC DRESSED IN BLACK WITH WEAPON, 1 VC DRESSED IN WHITE.) VC FIRED 2 RNDG OF S/A AT PATROL AND MARINES RETURNED 70 RNDG OF S/A FIRE. 1 VC KIA (KIDNAP) (CONFIRMED).

13 (3) AT 251900H CO L PERIMETER AT (AT 915483) RECEIVED 3 RNDG OF S/A FIRE FROM 1 VC AT (AT 921479). MARINES RETURNED 200 RNDG OF M-60, 3 M-72, AND 20 RNDG OF 81MM. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG. RESULTS. 1 USMC KIA (KIDNAP).

14 (4) AT 251800H, A RECON OP AT (AT 927468) OBSERVED 2 ARMED VC IN BLK PAJAMAS AT (AT 927483) OBSERVING USMC ACTIVITIES VIC (AT 9249). MARINE SQD SENT TO MAKE CONTACT. ADDITIONAL INFO TO FOLLOW.

• SEVEN

15 (1) AT 251100H A TRUCK FROM CO G 9TH MECH BN ROUTED TO HILL 55 AT (AT 990683) RECEIVED 15 RNDG OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 990683). MARINES RETURNED 15 RNDG OF S/A FIRE WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

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20-20 20-20
 (2) S-2 RELAYED REPORT FROM ARMY ADV AT DAI LOC DIST
 HQ THAT AN EST PLT OF VC ATTACKED GVN REFUGEE SETTLEMENT
 VIC (AT 9957) DESTROYING 66 HOUSES. 1 PW KIA AND 7 CIVILIANS
 KIA BY S/A. EST VC CASUALTIES 2 KIA AND 3 WIA. (S-2 COMMENT:
 POSSIBLE VC MOTIVE TO DISCOURAGE PEOPLE FROM MOVING INTO GVN
 CONTROLLED SETTLEMENTS.

(3) AT 260950H, AT (AT 999699) GVN MARINES S-5 APPRE-
 HENDED 1 VN FEMALE WHO WAS POINTED BY 4 BALLIERS AS VC MESSEN-
 GER AND RECRUITER. EVACUATED TO 3D ITT.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES

a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) PROBABLE 0/1/0/0/0/7
- (3) 0/0/0/3
- (4) 1/0

OPERATION MACON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 04500H JUL 66)

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/182/0/15/0/155 200
- (2) PROBABLE 0/516/0/12/0/528
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 8/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

(1) WEAPONS

(a) CO A RECOVERED 1 PHRENCH SMC AT (AT 945616)

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(2) EQUIPMENT

(a) CO C LOCATED AND DESTROYED 1 CHICOM SHOE BOX TYPE MINE AT (AT 957963).

(b) CO C LOCATED AND DESTROYED 1 CHICOM SHOE BOX TYPE MINE AT (AT 974594).

(c) CO A RECOVERED 2 FRENCH BOM MAGAZINES, 1 M-26 GRENADE, 1 CARTRIDGE UNIT AND MISC DOCUMENTS AT (AT 945616).

(5) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES. NONE

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

8. NEWS MOVEMENT.

a. AT 232255Z, 3/9 S-2 RELATED REPORT FROM 2D BN 51ST AVN S-2 THAT 1 VC CO, IDENT AS Q.13, LOC AT (AT 940505) AND (AT 950510) WITH MISSION OF MINING AND INTERDICTION LIBERTY RD TRCN (AT 909401) - (AT 907511). (S-2 COMMENT: W-3 WITHIN NORMAL OPERATING AREA OF Q. 13(LF) CO). SAME REPORT INDICATED THAT 1 VC CO OF 250 MEN MOVED FROM VIC OF BAY LOC NO (AT 850472). CO ARMED WITH 1 60MM MORTAR, 2 80MM MORTARS AND 2 120'S. (S-2 COMMENT: P-3 STRENGTH FIGURES SUGGEST 2 COS OR 1 CO REINFORCED WITH GUERRILLAS AND LOCAL LAOER FORCE. NORMAL OPERATION AREA OF R. 20 BN.)

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9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

	<u>21 APR</u>	<u>21 APR</u>
MOON	0610	0610
SUNRISE	0633	0633
SUNSET	1904	1903
MOON	1927	1926
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONRISE	1644	1731
MOONSSET	0309	0403

10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE.

11. CORRELATIONS. NO CHANGE

12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VINT GONG RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

13. OTHER. NONE
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TO: CO THIRD MARINE DIVISION

INFO: CO FIRST MAW
THIRD MARINES
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THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #238
2. PERIOD COVERED 261200H - 271200H

3. SUMMARY OF HOSTILE ACTIVITY

a. 11 INCIDENTS; 1 BARRASSING; 1 VC INFLATED; 3 MINE/ BOOMY TRAP

b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) AT 261200H CO A PROVIDING GORDON FOR COUNTY FAIR AT
(AT 243675) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ REPORTED THAT ARVN DISCOVERED 6 VC IN A
CAVE. THREE VC SURRENDERED, 3 WERE KILLED BY BOMBARDMENT WHEN THE CAVE
WAS DESTROYED. ONE VC RAN FROM ANOTHER CAVE IN THE SAME VICINITY AND

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WAS KILLED. FOUR VC KIA (CONFIRMED). ONE M-1 RIFLE, 2 M-14
MAGAZINES, 3 VC CAPTURED.

(2) AT 261545H, A CO C SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 959560) REPORTED
A VCS POINTED OUT A TUNNEL TO THE PATROL. TWO VIETNAMESE REFUSED
TO COME OUT. PATROL THREW IN A CS GRENADE INTO THE TUNNEL. ONE
MALE VC KIA (CONFIRMED) WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE. ONE VIET-
NAMESE FEMALE WOUNDED, CAPTURED.

(3) AT 261545H, A CO C SQUAD IER PATROL AT (AT 972593)
REMARKS DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 2 M-16A1 MINES SET IN A TRAIL
AT THE ABOVE COORDINATES. ONE VCS APPREHENDED AND SENT TO IFF.

(4) AT 261750H, CO A PROVIDING A GORDON FOR A COUNTY
PAIR AT (AT 950610) APPREHENDED 2 VCS ON WATER BUFFALOES WHO WERE
ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE AREA. VCS SENT TO IFF.

(5) AT 261750H, A CO C SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 960532)
OBSERVED 2 VC TRYING TO EVADE THE PATROL. SQUAD FIRED 30 RDS OF
M/A PINK, 6 RDS OF M-79 AND 12 RDS OF 60MM. SEARCHED THE AREA WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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(6) AT 261930Z, A CO B SQUAD OUTPOST AT (AT 975615) RECEIVED 10 TO 15 RDS OF S/A FROM VC AT (AT 976614). MARINES RECOVERED 120 RDS OF S/A, 4 RDS OF M-79 WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

(7) AT 270655Z, A CO B SQUAD SECURITY FOR MINERS AT (AT 960555) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 HIDEOUT TYPE AT MINE CONSISTING OF AN EST 25 LBS OF EXPL. SIVS AND RIGGED WITH A PRESSURE TYPE ACTIVATOR.

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C. THIRD BATTALION NINE MARINES (OPERATION MAGN)

(1) FOLLOWUP TO 261010Z MEXY (PARA 3a(4) 9th MAR INF BN (237)). NINE PERSONNEL ATTACKED AND KILLED 2 VC AT (AT 907405). TWO VC KIA (CONFIRMED). ONE SPRINGFIELD 1903 AND 1 SOVIET 7.62MM SNIPER RIFLE WITH SCOTS CAPTURED.

(2) LATE REPORT. AT 261115Z, THE CO I GP AT (AT 995532) RECEIVED 6 RDS OF S/A FIRE FROM VC AT (AT 995532). SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) LATE REPORT. AT 261150Z, A CO L SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 925430) DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE IDENTIFIED AS A CHICOM GRENADE HOOKED WITH A TRIP WIRE. ONE WOUND WIA (MREYAC).

(4) AT 262110Z, A CO L SQUAD OUTPOST SUPPORTED BY TANKS AT (AT 907504) OBSERVED 8 VC WITH TANK'S INFRARED LIGHT AT (AT 907507). TANK FIRED 50 RDS OF .30 CALIBER. SQUAD FIRED 90 RDS OF S/A. SEARCHED AREA FOUND VARIOUS NOTE BOOKS, CIVILIAN CLOTHING, ETC. ONE 81MM DED AT (AT 907504) DESTROYED IN PLACE.

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(5) AT 262130H, A CO I AMBUSH AT (AT 956532) OBSERVED
.50 CALIBER FIRE FROM (AT 945537). CO I DIRECTED 10 RDS OF 103MM
HE HEAVY WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND ETC. EQUIPMENT LOSSES

a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 1/0/0/4
- (4) 0/0

OPERATION MASON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 041500H JUL 66)

- (1) UNCONFIRMED 0/100/0/15/0/202
- (2) PROBABLE 0/316/0/12/0/328
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 10/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

- (1) WEAPONS

(a) RECON RECOVERED 1 SPRINGFIELD 1903 and 1 SOVIET
7.62MM SNIPER RIFLE RIFLE WITH SCOPE.

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(2) EQUIPMENT

(a) CO C LOCATED AND DESTROYED 2 M-16A1 MINES AT
(AT 9T2595).

(b) CO D LOCATED AND DESTROYED 1 REEDIMENTARY SNOW
TYPE MINE AT (AT 968595).

(c) CO A LOCATED AND DESTROYED 1 S-100 (DUC) AND
RECOVERED VARIOUS NOTE BOOKS AND 1 CIVILIAN CLOTHING AT (AT 907501).

(3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW CONTACTS AND BARRIERS. NONE

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES. NONE

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

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8. ENEMY MOVEMENT.

a. AT 261607Z, THE 3RD MAR 5-2 relayed a DUC DUC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS REPORT THAT 1 (MF) VC BN AND LOCAL GUERRILLAS BUNKER ARE LOCATED AT (AT 871343), (AT 845345), (AT 853350), (AT 870360), (AT 842372), (AT 834352) and (AT 840364). ENEMY THEN HAS LP'S AND TRENCHES FROM (AT 827360) LINE TO (AT 829359) FROM (AT 836369) TO (AT 830369). THERE ARE MORE THAN 250 FIGHTING BULBS AND TRENCHES AT (AT 833357). DUC DUC RATE C-2. (S-2 CONT: Y-2 3RD SGTVC NOT REPORTED OPERATING THIS AREA).

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE.

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

MOON	20 APR	20 APR
SUNRISE	0618	0618
SUNSET	0633	0633
MOON	1903	1902
MOON PHASE	1926	1923
MOONRISE	FIRST	FIRST
MOONSET	1731	1813
	0403	0456

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10. SAPPHIRE AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE.11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE.12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VINE COME RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.13. OTHER. NONE

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FROM: **03 NINTH MARINES**
TO: **03 THIRD MARINE DIVISION**

INFO: **06 FIRST MAW**
THIRD MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES
THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES
FIRST ANTRAC BATTALION
THIRD ANTI TANK BATTALION
THIRD TANK BATTALION
THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION

1. **NINTH MARINES INTNUM #239**
2. **PERIOD COVERED 271200H - 281200H**
3. **SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY**

a. **3 INCIDENTS; 1 ENGINEER; VC INTERVIEWED; 2 MINE/BOOBY TRAP**

b. **FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES**

(1) **AT 271200H A CO A PLT WHILE ENGAGED IN SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION AT (AT 94226230) DISCOVERED 2 GREEN UNIFORMS, MISCELLANEOUS MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND, 1 BOTTLE OF CHINESE POISON. ITEMS EVACUATED FOR EVALUATION.**

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~~SECRET~~
 (2) AT 271330H A CO B PLT AT (AT 952617) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A 60MM MORTAR M26 RIGGED AS SURPRISE FIRING DEVICE WITH A PRESSURE TYPE ACTIVATOR.

(3) AT 271600H A CO C SQD PATROL AT (AT 962562) DISCOVERED MED. SUPPLIES, FOOD, CLOTHING AND 1 ID CARD. DESTROYED FOOD AND CLOTHING, MED SUPPLIES AND ID CARD WERE EVACUATED FOR EVALUATION.

~~SECRET~~

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c. THIRD BATTALION NINE MARINES (OPERATION MACON)

(1) LATE REPORT. AT 270745H AN ENGINEER TEAM CONDUCTING A ROAD SWEEP AT (AT 934529) DETONATED WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A CHICOM SHOR TYPE AP MINE LOCATED IN DITCH ALONG TANK TRAIL. RI GED WITH A PRESSURE ACTIVATOR AND CONSISTING OF AN EST 10-15 LBS EXPLOSIVES. 1 MARINE KIA.

(2) LATE REPORT. AT 271100H # GO I ELM SUPPORTED BY TANK AT (AT 905520) OBSERVED 14 ARMED VC IN GREEN UNIFORMS WITH PACKS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS, AT (AT 905528). MARINES FIRED 11RND OF 90MM. 8 VC KIA (KMP) (CONF).

(3) AT 271352H A GO K S D PATROL AT (AT 883503) OBSERVED 1 ARMED VC IN TREE LINE AT (AT 876504). MARINES FIRED 6 RND OF 81A FIRE. SEARCH OF AREA, NEG RESULTS.

~~(4) AT 272030H S/S S-2 REPORTED DUG DUG DIST HQRS REPORTS THAT 1 VC GO CROSSED SON THU SON FROM WEST TO WEST AND WAS LOCATED (AT 822435), (815401), AND (AT 822430). (S-2 COMMENT: F-3 NORMAL OPERATING AREA R-20 BN (CONF) AND F.25 BN (UNCONFIRMED)).~~

(5) AT 272145H A GO L SQD PATROL AT (AT 907501) SUPPORTED BY 2 TANKS OBSERVED 30 VC MOVING ACROSS A RICE PADDY FROM N TO S AT (AT 907504). 2000 RND OF 81A AND SEARCHED THE AREA AND FOUND LARGE QUANTITY OF CLOTHING, MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES, MANY BLOOD STAINS AND 2 VC KIA (CONF). (S-2 COMMENT: APPEARS TO BE VC SUPPLY COLUMN).

4 VC KIA (PROB)

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a. OTHER

20.11.66 12.00 MARINES
 (1) AT 211000H A-360 PATROL AT (AT 979643) DISCOVERED A PIECE OF WOOD WITH PRINTING SAYING "DO NOT TOUCH THIS, IT WILL KILL MARINES." ENGINEERS CHECKED AND FOUND 2 CHICOM GRENADES ATTACHED. RIGGED AS A SURPRISE FIRING DEVICE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES

a. CORRECTION TO VC PERSONNEL/EQUIPMENT LOSSES FOR PERIOD 261200H - 271200H REFLECTED IN 9TH MARINES INTSUM #237.

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/7/0/0/0/7
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 4/0/0/3
- (4) 0/0

VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/7/0/0/0/0/0
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 4/0/0/3
- (4) 0/0

OPERATION MASON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 041500H JUL 66)

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/197/0/15/0/212
- (2) PROBABLE 0/316/0/12/0/328
- (3) 3/0/0/45
- (4) 10/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

- (1) WEAPONS. NONE

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(2) EQUIPMENT

(a) CO A RECOVERED 2 GREEN UNIFORMS, MISC MED SUPPLIES AND 1 BOTTLE OF CHINESE POISON AT (AT 942613).

(b) CON D DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 60MM MORTAR RED AT (AT 952617).

(c) CO C RECOVERED MED SUPPLIES, FOOD, CLOTHING AND ID CARD AT (AT 962562).

(d) ~~CO B~~ DETONATED 1 ~~CHLOROMETHYL~~ ~~TRIP~~ ~~AT~~ ~~MIN~~ ~~AT~~ (AT 953529).

(e) CO L RECOVERED A LARGE QUANTITY OF CLOTHING AND MISC SUPPLIES AT (AT 907504).

(3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES.

a. SUMMARY OF INTERROGATION OF 27 AGS OF VILLAGERS OF LE SON (2) (AT 955640) AND CHAU SON (1) (AT 946613) RE: VC TAXATION OF CIVILIANS.

VILLAGERS WILL BE ASSESSED RICE TAX BASED ON WEALTH OF INDIVIDUAL FAMILY. THIS USUALLY AVERAGES OUT TO ABOUT 2 AGS PER FAMILY.

RICE TAX WILL BE COLLECTED PRIOR TO 1 OCT SUBSEQUENT TO RICE HARVEST. VILLAGES VC CADRE HANDLE THE ASSESSMENT.

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PEOPLE ARE NOT TOLD SPECIFICALLY WHERE OR TO WHOM THE RICE IS DELIVERED. VC TELL PEOPLE WHEN TO HAVE IT READY AND WHEN INSCRIPT LOCAL LARGE FORCE TO CARRY IT TO STORAGE AREA.

(GEN COMMENTS)

HARVEST WILL BE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER.

NO CENTRAL CONTROL OVER HARVESTING, STORAGE OR DISTRIBUTION OF RICE BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

A COMMITTEE OF ONE IS MADE TO HARVEST HOWEVER EACH FARMER STORES HIS OWN AND/OR TRADES IT.)

6. AT 271925H AN INITIAL EVALUATION OF THE DOCUMENTS CAPTURED AT COUNTY FAIR #25 AT (AT 953608) CHAN SON HAMLET INDICATES THE KI LAM NAM HAMLET AT (AT 953545) IS A VC ASSEMBLY POINT AND THAT A POLITICAL GATHERING IS SCHEDULED FOR 25-31 AUG 66.

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

8. ARMY MOVEMENT.

a. AT 271952H THE 3D BN 9TH MARINES 2-2 REPORTED 37H CHILDREN REPORTED 15 V IN CHAN PHONG (2) (AT 943497). WHEN MARINES CAME INTO AREA THE Y MOVED TO LE NAM (3) AT (AT 953510). BOYS ON WATER BUFFALO ARE USED TO WARN VC WHEN MARINES ENTER AREA. LE NAM(3) IS A GOOD GROUND FOR VC. (2-2 CONTINUED: P-2 MANY REPORTS OF VC ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA.)

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13. UNCL. ROME14. LATE REPERIES

2. AT 280920H, A USMC DUMP TRUCK DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE AT (AT927519) CAUSING MODERATE DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE AND RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (NON-MEDVAC) WHO WAS STANDING ALONG ROAD. EXPLOSIVE DEVICE BELIEVED TO BE A PRESSURE ACTIVATED SHOCK TYPE MINE. SP44

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8. AT 272043H THE 3D MARINE S-2 RELAYED A REPORT FROM DIA LOC
 WEST HQRS THAT 1 VC CO WAS LOCATED IN VIC OF (AT 943500). (3-2
 COMMENT: P-3 POSSIBLY SAME GUERRILLA UNIT THAT DESTROYED SVN
 REFUGEE SETTLEMENT AT 270100H. SEE PARA 3.2.(2) 9TH MARINES
 INFSUM #257.)

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY
 THIS HQS QUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

	29 AUG	30 AUG
RMCY	0640	0611
SUNRISE	0633	0634
SUNSET	1902	1901
RMCY	1925	1924
MOON PHASE	FIRST	FULL
MOONRISE	1813	1851
MOONSET	0456	0547

10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE.

11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE

12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VICE COM RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
 NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

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TO: FIRST BN NINTH MARINES
THIRD BN NINTH MARINES

INFO: CG THIRD MAR DIV

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ENI'S

1. FOLLOWING ENI'S, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:
 - A. WHAT IS VC RICE TAX ASSIGNMENT LEVIED UPON INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY/REGIMENT?
 - B. WHEN IS RICE TAX TO BE PAID? TO WHOM?
 - C. WHEN IS TAX LEVIED? BY WHOM?
 - D. WHAT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED FOR TRANSPORTING RICE TO VC CACHES?
WHERE ARE CACHES/SUPPLY AREAS LOCATED?

OBTAINED

2. MAKE INITIAL REPLY HLT 5 SEP 66 AND ADDITIONAL REPORT AS COORDINATE.

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #240
2. PERIOD COVERED 281200H - 291200H

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

- a. 9 INCIDENTS; 2 HARRASSING; 1 MINE/BOoby TRAP
- b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) AT 281230H A CO B SQD PATROL AT (AT 912550)
DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A BUNKER CAUSING A SECONDARY
EXPLOSION BELIEVED TO BE A 105MM ARTY MND.

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(2) AT 201700H A CO C SQD PATROL AT (AT 966577) SEARCHED A HOUSE AND DISCOVERED 17 RND OF ASSORTED S/A AMMO WHICH WAS EVACUATED FOR EVALUATION. DESTROYED HOUSE.

(3) AT 201745H A CO A PFB AT (AT 974609) OBSERVED 5 VC WITH WEAPONS AT (AT 975604). FIREWRE FIRED 22 RND OF 105MM WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

(4) AT 290605H, A CO A PLT IN BLOCKING POSITIONS FOR COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 982614) RECEIVED 5 RND OF S/A FIRE FROM (AT 977606). MORTARS RETURNED 8 RND OF M-79, WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. VC FIRE NOT REPEATED.

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3. THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES (OPERATION MACON)

(1) AT 281700H, TANKS IN SUPPORT OF CO I AT (AT 910528) OBSERVED 3 VC CROSSING SOME TEN KM AT (AT 906525) FROM EAST TO WEST. TANKS FIRED 6 90MM RNDs AND VC MADE THE WEST BANK.

(2) AT 281750H A CO K SQD PATROL AT (AT 887502) OBSERVED 5 VC WITH WEAPONS AND HELMETS AT (AT 882505). SQD FIRED 150 RNDs OF 81A, 10 RNDs OF M-79, 2 RNDs OF M-72, 12 RNDs OF 105MM. 2 VC KIA (PROBABLE).

(3) AT 282510H A CO B SQD AMBUSH AT (AT 941500) OBSERVED 2 VC WITH WEAPONS APPROACHING THE AMBUSH SITE. VC TURNED AND FLED THROWING THEIR WEAPONS IN A RICE PADDY. MARINES FIRED SMALL ARMS AT VC. TWO VC KIA (CONF). NO WEAPONS OR EQUIP RECOVERED.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES**a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD**

(1) CONFIRMED 0/7/0/0/0/7
 (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
 (3) 4/0/0/3
 (4) 0/0

OPERATION MACON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 041500H JUL 66)**MACON**

(1) CONFIRMED 0/199/0/15/0/214
 (2) PROBABLE 0/318/0/12/0/330
 (3) 3/0/0/45
 (4) 10/0

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b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

- (1) WEAPONS. NONE
- (2) EQUIPMENT. NONE
- (3) FACILITIES. NONE

(a) CO B DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED ONE BUNKER AT (AT 912558).

(b) CO C DESTROYED 1 HOUSE AT (AT 966577).

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE**6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**.

a. AT 231200H A CO I SQD PATROL AT (AT 924514) APPREHENDED 25 VN FEMALES WHO WERE MOVING EAST TO WEST CARRYING A LARGE QUANTITY OF SUPPLIES INCLUDING 1 BASKET OF RICE, 19 BASKETS OF SALT, 11 5 GAL CANS OF KEROSENE, 14 5 GAL CANS FISH OIL, 7 BOLTS OF BLACK AND WHITE CLOTH, 17 BARS OF SOAP AND 48 SMALL PACKAGES OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES. AFTER INTERROGATION AT 3/9 CP 2 VCS WERE DETAINED AS LEADERS OF VC SUPPLY COLUMN. THEY INDICATED THAT VC USE LA THAP (1) (AT 9451) AS A MARKET PLACE; THEY WOMEN OF CU BAN (1) (AT 9352) BUY FROM THIS MARKET AND SELL TO WOMEN OF HUE LAC (6) (AT 9252) WHO IN TURN TRANSPORT SUPPLIES TO DESIGNATED AREAS AND SELL THEM TO VC.

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7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE
8. ENEMY MOVEMENT. AND LOCATION

a. AT 281919H 3D MARINES S-2 RELAYED A DAI LOC DIST REPORT
~~THAT VC PLT IS LOCATED AT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING COORD: (AT 954571),~~
 THAT VC PLT IS LOCATED AT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING COORD: (AT 954571),
 (AT 958568), AND (AT 955566). THEY ARE EQUIPPED WITH 1 81MM
 AND 2 60MM MORTARS. (S-2 COMMENT: F-3 WEBS OF THIS UNIT ARE
 THOSE CARRIED BY MF CO SIZE UNITS. LOCATION WITHIN OPERATING
 RANGE OF R.20 HW.)

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS
 HEADQUARTERS.

b. TERRAIN. NO CHANGE

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

	<u>30 AUG</u>	<u>31 AUG</u>
BHCT	0611	0611
SUNRISE	0634	0634
SUNSET	1901	1901
RECT	1924	1924
MOON PHASE	NEW FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	1851	1927
MOONSET	0547	0636

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10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE
11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE
12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VIET CONG RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.
13. OTHER. NONE
14. LATE ENTRIES.

a. AT 291045H CO A COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 984613) RECEIVED 8
 RND5 SNIPER FIRE FROM (AT 984613) WOUNDING MARINE IN STOMACH
 AND RIGHT ARM. MEDEVACD.

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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES

1. NINTH MARINES INTCON #241
2. PERIOD COVERED 291200H - 301200H
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 - a. 13 ENEMY WKS: 2 VC KILLED
 - b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) AT 291000H, DURING SCREENING OF CIVILIANS AT COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 985624) A RAMBLER POINTED OUT 2 VC F MALES AS VC MESSENGERS. SUSPECTS SENT TO ITT.

(2) AT 291115H TANKS WITH A CO. 1 SD OF AL (AT 906539) ~~RECEIVED~~ FIRED ON AND SANK 4 BOATS IN THE WATER AT (AT 899543) FIRED 1000 ROUNDS 30 CAL AND 10 ROUNDS OF 90MM

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AT 4 UNOCCUPIED BOAT IN THE HONG VU GIA AT (AT 899543).
BOATS WERE DESTROYED.

(3) AT 291140H, A PHEDEVAC HELICOPTER LAND AT EO A
COMBAT FIRM SITE AT (AT 902612) RECEIVED 50-100 ROUNDS OF S/A
FIRE FROM ESTIMATED 15 VC AT (AT 907613) (AT 906606) (AT 905615).
MARINES RETURNED 87 ROUNDS OF 81MM, 16 ROUNDS OF 105MM, 2 ROUNDS M16
M-72, 92 ROUNDS M-79, 3000 ROUNDS OF S/A, 13 ROUNDS OF 60MM, 13 M26
GRENADES, AND 3 M16 90MM. ENEMY FIRE CEASED.

(4) AT 291700H A CO A PLATOON PROVIDING GROUND FOR
COMBAT FIRM A (AT 901614) OBSERVED 1VC JUMP BEHIND A PADDY
FIELD AT (AT 903614). MARINES FIRED 10 ROUNDS OF S/A AND 5 ROUNDS
OF M-79. SEARCHED AREA AND RESULTS.

(5) AT 292040H, A CO D HQD AMBUSH AT (AT 906637)
OBSERVED 1VC 40-50 METERS FROM AMBUSH SITE. MARINES FIRED
15 ROUNDS OF S/A, THE VC FLED AND MARINES SEARCHED AREA WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(6) AT 292200H, A CO C SQD PATROL AT (AT 954554)
WAS ALERTED BY SCOUT DOG AND OBSERVED 3 VC AT (AT 955534).
MARINES FIRED 65 ROUNDS OF 81MM AND 500 ROUNDS OF S/A. SEARCHED
AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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(7) AT 300210H, CO A PROVIDING CORDON FOR COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 982611) RECEIVED 50-100 ROUNDS OF S/A, 5 ROUNDS OF 60MM AND 5 GRENADES FROM 6-10 VC AT (AT 982611) (AT 983611) (AT 984611). MARINES RETURNED FIRE WITH 400 ROUNDS OF S/A, 26 ROUNDS M-79, 12 ROUNDS 60MM, 8 GRENADES, 87 ROUNDS OF 81MM, 48 ROUNDS OF 155MM AND 50 ROUNDS OF 105MM. 1 VC KIA (CONFIRMED).

(8) AT 300300H CO A PLT PROVIDING CORDON FOR COUNTY FAIR AT (AT 982611) HEARD MOVEMENT AT (AT 983611). MARINES FIRED 5 ROUNDS OF M-79, 18 ROUNDS OF 60MM AND 11 ROUNDS OF 81MM. MOVEMENT AND NOISE CEASED. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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(9) AT 300450H A CO A PLT PROVIDING CORDON FOR COUNTY FAIR HEARD MOVEMENT AT CLOSE RANGE. MARINES FIRED 4 M-79, 90 ROUNDS OF S/A AND 20 ROUNDS OF 81MM. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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c. THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES (OPERATION MAON)

(1) AT 291300H TANKS IN SUPPORT OF CO L AT (AT 954494) OBSERVED 6 VC IN GREEN KHAIKI AND BLACK UNIFORMS AT (AT ~~943503~~ 943503). TANKS FIRED 6 RND OF 90MM. 1 VC KIA (PROB).

(2) AT 292155H A CO K S&D AMBUSH AT (AT 883511) HEARD SOUNDS ON THE WEST SIDE OF SON THU BOM AT (AT 880514). AREA WAS ILLUMINATED WITH 4 RND OF ARTY ILLUMINATION. SOUNDS CEASED.

(3) AT 292300H, TANKS IN SUPPORT OF CO L AT (AT 907504) OBSERVED 20 VC AT (AT 907501). MARINES FIRED 9 RND OF 90MM AND 1 S&D SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 1 PACK.

(4) AT 300015H, TANKS IN SUPPORT OF A CO L PFB AT (AT 907500) OBSERVED 10 VC AT (AT 906504). MARINES ILLUMINATED THE AREA AND FIRED 8 RND S 90MM AND 800 RND S/A. SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED MANY BLOOD SPAINS. 4 VC KIA (PROB). ONE VCS ~~NIXX~~ FEMALE WAS APPREHENDED IN THE AREA.

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4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES
a. VC CASUALTIES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/1/0/0/0/1
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 2/0/0/0
- (4) 0/0

OPERATION MACON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 001500H JUL 66)

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/199/0/15/0/214
- (2) PROBABLE 0/323/0/12/0/335
- (3) 3/0/0/46
- (4) 10/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

- (1) WEAPONS. NONE
- (2) EQUIPMENT.

(a) GO L RECOVERED 1 PACK AT (AT 907501).

- (3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE
6. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES.

a. AT 291315H 3/9 S-2 RELAYED A REPORT FROM DUC DUC DIST HQTRS THAT AT 250800H ONE NGO CHAU HOANG (VC CADRE) HELD A

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WSE INC WITH CURRILLA ELEMENTS OF SON THUAN VILLAGE. SECURITY FOR HQ WISE WAS PROVIDED BY 1 (MP) CO, LOCATED AT (PC 162298) (PC 175306) (PC 184300) (PC 167284). PURPOSE OF MESSAGE: HQ TO MAKE PLANS FOR W/LOOKING A RED CHINESE OFFICIAL WHO WOULD ENTER SOUTH VIETNAM FROM LAOS. (S-2 COMMENT: P-6)

6. AT 292050H 3/9 RELAYED A REPORT FROM DUC DUC DIST R. THIS REFERRING TO SITS OF COMING OVER ELATIONS. TO HAVE CONDUCTED CHANGES FOR CATCH UP WAYS AND MEANS OF DISRUPTING THE RECEPTIONS IN THE SAME AREAS BY INCLUDING THE VILLAGERS TO DISRUPT THE AND STOPPING VILLAGERS ENTER TO THE FOLLS.

7. NEW IDENTIFICATIONS. NONE

8. STEADY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION.

a. AT 300930, S-2 2/3 RELAYED DAI LOC DIST HQ REPORT OF 290820 THAT 2 VC CO COMMANDER AT DUC WITH STRENGTH OF 250 MEN ARMED WITH 1 81MM, 2 60MM, 1 57 MM AND 1 LMG AND LOCATED IN AND OPERATING WITH LOCAL CURRILLAS AT (AT 850548), (AT 072 556) AND (AT 890547). PRESENT ACTIVITY INCLUDES CONSTRUCTING FORTIFICATIONS AND FENCED. (S-2 COMMENT: P-2 NORMAL OPERATING AREA OF R.20 BY DUC CARRIED AS CO OF R.21 CO.)

9. LESSON AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE PROMULGATED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

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D. TERRAIN. NO CHANGEE. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

DACT

SUNRISE

SUNSET

DACT

MOON PHASE

MOONRISE

MOONSET

31 AUG

0611

0634

1901

1924

FULL

1927

0636

1 SEP

0611

0634

1900

1923

FULL

2000

0723

10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VICTORY COIN RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
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THIRD ENGINEER BATTALION
SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES

1. NINTH MARINES INSUM #242

2. PERIOD COVERED 301200H - 311200H

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

a. 12 INCIDENTS; 2 HARASSING; 1 VC INITIATED; 2 MINE/BOoby TRAP

b. FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(1) LEE REPORT. AT 300910H A AMTRAC RESUPPLYING CO B DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE AT (AT 916549) CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE. THE DEVICE CONSISTED OF AN ESTIMATED 30-40 LBS OF EXPLOSIVES AND WAS ARMED WITH A PRESSURE TYPE ACTIVATOR.

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(2) LATE REPORT. AT 300940Z A BEX CO A FFB AT (AT 981610) RECEIVED 2 BBS OF S/A FROM AND OBSERVED 2 VC AT (AT 9856070). MARINES RETURNED 30 BBS OF S/A FIRE, 13 BBS OF M-79, 100 BBS OF M-60 AND 21 BBS OF 81MM. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(3) LATE REPORT. AT 301100Z, A CO A PROVIDED CO DOW FOR COUN- TY 341Z AT (AT 981619) OBSERVED A VN FEMALE AT (AT 981619) WHO APPEAR- ED TO BE ENROLLING VC OF FURTHER PROGRESS IN THE AREA BY WAVING HER SPOON HAT. WAS APPREHENDED BY VCS.

(4) AT 301815Z CO D FLEW AT (AT 979622) RECEIVED 3 BBS OF S/A FROM VC AT (AT 947624). MARINES RETURNED 90 BBS OF S/A, 100 BBS M-60. BOMB FIRE CEASED. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(5) AT 310720Z A CO D FLEW AT (AT 971636) REPORTED MARINE SLEEPED INTO A HOLE AND DETONATED A SUMP TEN FILING DEVICE EXCEEDED 2X IN DISCHARGE AS A GRENADE RIGGED WITH A PRESSURE ACTIVATOR. 1 US KIA (KILLED).

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c. THIRD BATTALION MARINES (OPERATION MAGN)

(1) LATE REPORT. AT 301030H A CO L S-D PATROL AT (AT 904513) OBSERVED 1 VC WHO TRIED TO EVADE CAPTURE BY RUNNING INTO TRAILING. VCS SENT TO BN S-2 FOR INITIAL INVESTIGATION.

(2) AT 301205H A RECON UP AT (AT 939438) OBSERVED 3 VC, 1 WITH A WEAPON, MOVING N.E. ON TRAIL AT (AT 946441). MARINES FIRED 16 RNDG OF 105MM WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

(3) AT 301820H, A CO I OUTPOST SUPPORTED BY ONCOS AT (AT 936534) OBSERVED 7 VC MOVING WITH A BOAT TOWARD THE BONG THU SON FROM COORD (AT 945536). ONCOS FIRED 3 RNDG 106MM. VC WITHDREW.

(4) AT 302250H A CO I FT OF AT (AT 928520) OBSERVED 3 VC IN BLACK PJTS AT (AT 928521). FIRED 100 RNDG OF S/A, 4 RNDG OF M-79, AND 1 RND M-72. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(5) AT 310700H A CO L PLT PATROL AT (AT 943500) OBSERVED 2 VC CROSSING A HIGH PADDY AT (AT 940500). MARINES FIRED 30 RNDG OF S/A. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(6) AT 310720H A CO L PLT PATROL AT (AT 940500) OBSERVED 11 VC WITH WEAPONS AT (AT 937507). MARINES FIRED 14 RNDG OF 105MM AND 21 RNDG OF 81MM. SEARCH OF AREA INDICATED 1 VC KIA (PROB).

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(7) AT 310730H A CO L FLY PATROL AT (AT 928539) RECEIVED 15 RNDG OF S/A FROM VC AT (AT 937507) TO (AT 943513), FROM ESTIMATED 4 VC, AND 20 RNDG. OF S/A FROM 6 VC AT (AT 943513). MARINES REPORTED FIRE WITH 150 RNDG OF S/A, 10 RNDG OF 105MM. 2 VCS APP. ENDED.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT LOSSES
a. VC CASUALTIES: FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (2) PROBABLE 0/0/0/0/0/0
- (3) 0/0/0/1
- (4) 0/0

OPERATION MACON VC CASUALTIES (SINCE 001500H JUL. 66)

- (1) CONFIRMED 0/199/0/15/0/214
- (2) PROBABLE 0/524/0/12/0/336
- (3) 3/0/0/49
- (4) 10/0

b. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED AND DESTROYED

- (1) WEAPONS. NONE
- (2) EQUIPMENT. NONE
- (3) FACILITIES. NONE

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS. NONE

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6. ADMIN. DAMAGE ACTIVITIES. NONE

7. REINFORCEMENTS. NONE

8. ENTRY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION.

9. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. WEATHER. WILL BE FURNISHED EVERY 12 HOURS BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

b. WEATHER. NO CHANGE

c. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

	1 SEPT	2 SEPT
DUSK	0611	0611
SUNRISE	0654	0654
SUNSET	1900	1859
NOCT	1925	1922
MOON PHASE	FULL	FULL
MOONRISE	2000	2036
MOONSET	0725	0820

10. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES. NO CHANGE

11. CONCLUSIONS. NO CHANGE

12. REPORTS OF INFORMATION OF VICTIMS RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM CIVILIANS
NO REPORTS RECEIVED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

13. OTHER. NONE
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