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11th Motor Transport Battalion
 1st Marine Division(Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
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 (Field Historian)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 June to 30 June 1968

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 (b) FMF PACO 5750.8
 (c) DivO 5750.26

End: ✓(1) 11th Motor Transport Battalion Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

11th Motor Transport Battalion
 A Company
 B Company
 C Company
 Transport Company
 H & S Company

1st Platoon, Company B
 5th Motor Transport
 Battalion. Joined from
 RLT-27 (29 Feb 1968)

1st Platoon, Company A
 1st Motor Transport
 Battalion. Joined from
 BLT-3/1 (20 June 1968)

COMMANDER

Lt. Col. J. B. BROWN, Jr.
 2nd Lt. L. C. CROSS
 1st Lt. C. T. MATHEWS
 1st Lt. D. H. W. GRISWOLD
 Capt. T. J. ROMANETZ
 1st Lt. L. D. NORRIS

2nd Lt. K. G. APGAR

1st Lt. T. B. VOGEL

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Platoon, Company C
 3rd Motor Transport
 Battalion (18 May 1968)
 (OPCON)

1st Lt. B. L. LAMDIN

2. LOCATION

1-30 June 1968: Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer
 S-2/S-3
 S-1/Adjutant
 S-4/Supply
 S-5
 Sergeant Major

Capt. S. J. VENO
 2nd Lt. G. D. ANDRESEN
 1st Lt. V. S. WHITE
 2nd Lt. G. D. ANDRESEN
 Sgt. Maj. R. D. PRUETT

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

OFF
19

USMC

ENL
405

OFF
1

USN

ENL
6

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(C) During the month of June, the Battalion's main efforts were directed at controlling thirteen separate round-trip Rough Rider convoys from DaNang to Phu Bai and five round-trip Rough Rider convoys from DaNang to Thuong Duc. The Battalion continued to support the 11th Marine Regiment with almost daily ammo resupply runs to their various gun positions. The Battalion dispatched numerous small convoys to support Operation Allenbrook and Operation Mameluke Thrust by moving both units and cargo.

(C) On 2 June a M-52A2C 5 ton truck-tractor detonated a mine at AT 933668 (VIC) destroying the tractor and injuring two Marines. On 5 June a ten truck bridging convoy received rocket and small arms fire at ZC 193559 (VIC). No damage to vehicles, or casualties incurred. On 6 June this same convoy received mortar fire on two different occasions at ZC 192559 (VIC). One officer and one enlisted Marine from this Battalion were wounded. On 10 June a Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai came under ambush. The convoy received ten claymore mines and an undetermined amount of small arms and mortar fire. Eight Army vehicles were damaged and five Army personnel were wounded. No USMC vehicles were damaged and there were no USMC casualties. On 19 June a Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc received mortar fire, small arms fire and .50 caliber automatic weapons fire. On 22 June a M-54A2 5 ton cargo truck, not from this Battalion, detonated a buried 155mm shell on a Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc at AT 811545 (VIC). On 23 June a M-54 5 ton cargo truck from this Battalion detonated a mine at AT 900805 (VIC). The vehicle was destroyed and seven Marines were wounded. On 24 June a Rough Rider convoy returning from Thuong Duc received seven mortar rounds at ZC 184550 (VIC). No damage incurred or casualties inflicted. On 28 June a Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc received recoilless rifle and automatic weapons fire at ZC 193558. No vehicles were damaged and there were no USMC casualties.

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(U) Civil Affairs accounted for 38 Vietnamese civilians being treated at the Battalion Aid Station. Four civilians were evacuated to 11th Marines Regiment for dental work. One baby boy was delivered at the Battalion Aid Station. Personal Assistance accounted for 103 cans of garbage for pigs being distributed. Three solatium payments of 4000 Piasters were made to victims of motor vehicle accidents. Five Psyops movies were shown and 100 weapons-turn-in leaflets were distributed.

(U) This Battalion drove 121,651 miles, hauled 10,456 tons of cargo, and carried 36,386 passengers.

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(C) 1 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai that had departed 31 May 1968. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 2 June 1968-At 1200 a M-52A2C 5 ton truck tractor detonated an unknown size mine at AT 933668 (VIC). The tractor was destroyed. Two Marines were injured and treated by Corpsman on the scene. No MEDEVAC required.

(C) 3 June 1968-Commenced control of 91 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division O 011518Z June 68 (c).

(C) 4 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Ten M-54 5 ton cargo trucks dispatched to pull M-118 8 ton bridging trailers in support of 1st Bridge Company who had the mission of repairing bridges on Highway 14 between ZC210553 and ZC 180553.

(C) 5 June 1968-Bridging convoy received rocket and small arms fire at ZC 193559 (VIC). No vehicles damaged and no USMC casualties. Commenced control of 130 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division O 031421Z June 68 (c).

(C) 6 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Bridging convoying received six rounds of 82mm mortar fire at ZC 192559 (VIC). At 1450 this convoy received four more rounds of 82mm mortar fire at the same position. One officer and one enlisted Marine, both of this Battalion, were wounded.

(C) 7 June 1968-Ten vehicle bridging convoy returned to

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this cantonment.
-Commenced control of 95 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 041400Z June 68 (c).

(C) 8 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 10 June 1968-Commenced control of 140 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai. At 1250 the convoy was ambushed between AU 846000 (VIC) and AU 834000 (VIC). Ten claymore type mines were detonated and an unknown amount of small arms and mortars of unknown size were received. Eight Army vehicles were damaged, five Army personnel wounded, none requiring MEDEVAC. There were eight Vietnamese civilians wounded and one killed. There were no USMC casualties or vehicles damaged. Twenty undetonated claymore type mines were found in the immediate vicinity.

(C) 11 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 12 June 1968-Commenced control of 84 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 111620Z June 68 (c).

(C) 13 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 14 June 1968-Commenced control of 78 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 130946Z June 68 (c).

(C) 15 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 17 June 1968-Commenced control of 83 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: Frag Order not received.

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(C) 18 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 19 June 1968-Commenced control of 55 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 180812Z June 68 (c).
-Commenced control of 12 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc. At 1430 convoy received incoming mortars, small arms, .50 cal. automatic weapons fire at ZC 192559 (VIC).
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 181716Z June 68 (c).

(C) 20 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 21 June 1968- Commenced control of 52 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 190637Z from 68 (c).
-Commenced control of 19 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 191410Z June 68 (c).

(C) 22 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai Rough Rider terminated.
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. At 1430 at AT 811545 (VIC) a M-54A2C 5 ton cargo truck, not from this Battalion, detonated land mine believed to be a buried 155mm shell. Vehicle damaged extensively and four Marines injured. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 23 June 1968-Commenced control of 36 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 212224Z June 68 (c).
-Commenced control of 36 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 221252Z June 68 (c).
-At 1150 a M-54 5 ton truck dispatched to 3rd Battalion 1st Marines detonated

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an unknown size mine at AT 900805 (VIC) resulting in seven USMC WIA and vehicle being destroyed.

(C) 24 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Convoy received seven rounds of 60mm mortar fire at ZC 184550 (VIC). No USMC vehicles damaged and no USMC casualties.

(C) 25 June 1968-Commenced control of 101 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 231505Z June 68 (c).
-Commenced control of 19 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 231620Z June 68 (c).

(C) 26 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough Rider terminated.

(C) 28 June 1968-Commenced control of 25 vehicle Rough Rider to Thuong Duc. At 1630 lead vehicles of convoy received recoilless rifle and automatic weapons fire at ZC 193558 (VIC). No USMC casualties or vehicles damaged.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 261345Z June 68 (c).

(C) 29 June 1968-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough Rider terminated.
-Commenced control of 91 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 270842Z June 68 (c).

(C) 30 June 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
-Commenced control of 22 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.
Ref: CG, 1st Marine Division 0 290732Z June 68 (c).

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