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1968

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(c) DivO 5750.26

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

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

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

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

Maj. B. M. FLOYD  
 Capt. B. H. DOBBS  
 1st Lt. C. T. MATHEWS  
 1st Lt. D. H. GRISWOLD  
 Capt. T. J. ROMANETZ  
 1st Lt. L. D. NORRIS

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

Sgt. E. SIMONEUX Jr.

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

2nd Lt. C. D. SMITH

2. LOCATION

1-31 July 1968: DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

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

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

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

USN

OFF  
 20

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 410

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 1

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- (c) During the month of July, the Battalion's main efforts were directed at controlling thirteen round-trip Rough Rider convoys to Phu Bai, and five round-trip Rough Rider convoys to Thuong Duc. The Battalion continued to support 11th Marine Regiment through numerous ammo resupply runs to their various gun positions. The Battalion continued to support Operation Allen Brook and Operation Mameluke Thrust with several small convoys transporting both cargo and units. The Battalion moved the 3rd Battalion 26th Marines and portions of the 13 Marines to new positions along national Route 1 between DaNang and Phu Bai. The Battalion participated in transporting units and cargo of the 5th Marine Regiment from their positions along national Route 1 between DaNang and Phu Bai to their new positions in the vicinity of An Hoa.
- (c) At 051100H July 1968, A M-35 2½ ton cargo truck was slightly damaged when a Marine road sweep team detonated two buried mortar shells at AT958584H (VIC). Driver uninjured. At 060905H July 1968 a M-54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT 947699 (VIC) resulting in 3 USMC WIA and vehicle being damaged extensively. At 070830H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT995634 (VIC) destroying the vehicle and wounding the driver. At 071430 a convoy returning from Thuong Duc received four mortar rounds at ZC790540 (VIC) with no vehicles damaged and no USMC casualties. At 141015H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine and received small arms at AT898718H (VIC) damaging the vehicle extensively, wounding 11 Marines and killing the driver. At 170700H Jul68 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at BT085599 (VIC) destroying the vehicle and resulting in two USMC WIA. At 181020H Jul68 a M-35 2½ ton cargo truck from 11th Marine Regiment, a part of a convoy from this Battalion, detonated a mine of unknown size at AT899817 (VIC). This mine caused 20 USMC WIA and the vehicle being destroyed. At 181325H Jul68 a M543A2C from this Battalion detonated a mine at AT 899817 (VIC) resulting in two USMC WIA and one USMC KIA. At 190935H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at BT066671 causing no USMC casualties, but damaging the vehicle extensively. At 201345H Jul68 a M54 5 ton cargo truck

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convoying the center security squad of a Rough Rider convoy returning to DaNang from Phu Bai received claymore type mines, small arms and automatic weapons fire at AT923928 (VIC). The vehicle left the highway and burned. The vehicle was destroyed, and there were 5 USMC WIA and 3 USMC KIA. At 211015H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck received approximately five rounds of sniper fire at AT905737 (VIC). At 211015H Jul68 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT981623 (VIC) causing no USMC casualties and damaging the vehicle extensively. At 241545H Jul68 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size and received small arms at BT 069694 (VIC). Vehicle damaged extensively and two USMC WIA. At 250515H Jul68 an ambush patrol from this Battalion fired at three suspected VC at AT 935763 (VIC) with negative results. At 260745H Jul68 another patrol from this Battalion saw one Vietnamese dressed in black holding some type of rifle at 938763 (VIC). Patrol fired at him with negative results. At 300835H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT997634 (VIC) resulting in one USMC WIA.

- (u) Civil Affairs accounted for 89 Vietnamese civilians being treated at the Battalion Aid Station. Seven civilians were evacuated to 11th Marines Regiment for dental work. Two children were treated at FLC'S Children's Hospital. Personal assistance accounted for 99 cans of garbage for pigs being distributed. The new school was complete and work on the new Well was 10% completed. Two Medcaps were held during the month of July, with 180 people being treated. Six Psyop movies were shown to a total of 550 people. The movie theme's were Entertainment, Education, Propaganda.
- (u) At 151600H Jul68 the Battalion conducted a Change of Command Ceremony. Major B.M.Floyd relieving Lieutenant Colonel J.B.Brown Jr.
- (u) The Battalion received a total of 67 new M54A2, 5 ton cargo trucks and turned in M54 5 ton cargo trucks on the 16 July 1968.
- (u) This Battalion drove 164,368 miles, hauled 11,554 tons, and carried 55,047 passengers during this period.

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- (c) 1 July 1968-Rough Rider Convoy dispatched on 30 June 1968 to Thuong Duc returned this date.  
-Commenced control of 57 vehicle Rough Rider Convoy to Phu Bai  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv 290730Z Jun68 (c)
- (c) 2 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 3 July 1968-Commenced control of 100 vehicle Rough Rider Convoy to Phu Bai  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv 020907Z Jul68 (c)  
-Commenced control of 34 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv 020908Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 4 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.  
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 5 July 1968-Commenced control of 84 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv 020907Z Jul68 (c)  
-At 1100 A M35 2½ ton cargo truck was slightly damaged as two buried mortar shells were detonated by a member of an engineer sweep team at AT 958584 (VIC). Driver uninjured.
- (c) 6 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.  
-Commenced control of 21 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv 041508Z Jul68 (c)  
-At 0905 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine at AT 947699 (VIC) wounding three Marines and extensively damaging the vehicle.

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- (c) 7 July 1968-At 0830 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine at AT995634 (VIC) destroying the vehicle and wounding the driver.  
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. At 1430 convoy received four mortar rounds of unknown size at ZC 790540 (VIC). No USMC injuries. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 8 July 1968-Commenced control of 80 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
-Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 060629Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 9 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 10 July 1968-Commenced control of 62 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 090250Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 11 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 12 July 1968-Commenced control of 83 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 09025Z Jul68 (c)  
-The Battalion received 31 new M54A2C 5 ton cargo trucks.
- (c) 13 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.  
-The Battalion received 36 new M54A2C 5 ton cargo trucks.  
-Commenced control of 13 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 120645Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 14 July 1968-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough Rider terminated.  
-At 1015 a M54A2 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT 898718 (VIC). At the same time the vehicle received small arms fire. The vehicle was damaged extensively, there were 11 Marine WIA, and the driver from this Battalion was killed.

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- (c) 15 July 1968-Commenced control of 92 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 130728Z Jul68 (c)  
-At 1600 the Battalion conducted a change of Command ceremony. Major B.M.FLOYD relieving Lt. Col. J.B.BROWN Jr.
- (c) 16 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 17 July 1968-Commenced control of 61 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 150800Z Jul68 (c)  
At 0700H a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine at BT085599. One of the two passengers was wounded and Medevaced. The driver sustained minor injuries and the vehicle was destroyed.
- (c) 18 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.  
-At 1020 a M35 2½ ton cargo truck, from 11th Marine Regiment as a part of an 11th Motor Convoy detonated a mine of unknown size at AT 899817 (VIC). Vehicle destroyed with 20 USMC WIA, no KIA. All Medevaced.  
-At 1325 a 11th Motors M543A2C wrecker detonated a mine of unknown size at AT 899817 (VIC). Vehicle damaged extensively, 2 USMC WIA, and 1 USMC KIA.
- (c) 19 July 1968-Commenced control of 113 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 170856Z Jul68 (c)  
At 0935 a M54A2C 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at BT 066671 damaging the truck extensively. There were no USMC casualties.
- (c) 20 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. At 1345 a M54 5 ton cargo truck used to carry the center security squad received claymore type mines at AT 923928 (VIC). The vehicle left the highway and burned. The convoy also received small arms and automatic weapons fire. The vehicle was destroyed. There were 3 USMC KIA and 5 USMC WIA. All were Medevaced. Rough Rider Terminated.

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- (c) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ a M54 5 ton cargo truck received approximately five rounds of sniper fire at AT 905737 (VIC).  
 -At 1015 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size at AT 981623 (VIC). Moderate damage to vehicle, no USMC casualties.
- (c) 22 July 1968-Commenced control of 187 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai. The 3rd Battalion of the 26th Marines and Batterys of the 13th Marines were moved on this convoy.  
 Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 210940Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 23 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.
- (c) 24 July 1968-Commenced control of 94 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
 Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 221510Z Jul68 (c)  
 -At 1545 a M54 5 ton cargo truck detonated a mine of unknown size and received small arms fire at BT 069694 (VIC). Vehicle damaged extensively and two USMC WIA.
- (c) 25 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough Rider terminated.  
 -At 0515 an 11th Mothrs Ambush Patrol at AT 935763 (VIC) fired at three suspected V.C. unable to search area at that time. At 0745 another 11th Motors Patrol sent to same area. At AT 938763 (VIC) saw one Vietnamese dressed in black holding rifle. fired at him with negative results.
- (c) 26 July 1968-Commenced control of 96 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
 Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 221510Z Jul68 (c)  
 -Commenced control of 22 vehicle Rough Rider convoy to Thuong Duc.  
 Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 250808Z Jul68 (c)  
 -Effective 261200H Jul68, 1st Platoon Company C, 3rd Motor Transport Battalion, chopped to 1st Motor Transport Battalion.  
 Ref: CG, 1st MarDiv msg 271413Z Jul68 (c)

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- (c) 27 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough  
Rider terminated.  
-Convoy returned from Thuong Duc. Rough  
Rider terminated.
- (c) 29 July 1968-Commenced control of 185 vehicle Rough  
Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 271455Z Jul68 (c)
- (c) 30 July 1968-Convoy returned from Phu Bai. Rough  
Rider terminated.  
-At 300835H Jul68 a M54A2 5 ton cargo  
truck detonated mine at AT 997634 (VIC).  
1 USMC WIA and vehicle destroyed.
- (c) 31 July 1968-Commenced control of 84 vehicle Rough  
Rider convoy to Phu Bai.  
Ref: CG, 1st MarDivO 300754Z Jul68 (c)

NO SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED.

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