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(b) FMFPACO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2

Encl: ✓(1) Eleventh Motor Transport Battalion Command  
Chronology

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

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## Part I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. <u>Designation</u>	Commander
11th Motor Transport Battalion	LtCol. W. R. KEPHART
"A" Company	1stLt. R. S. MURRAY
"B" Company	1stLt. A. B. LANDIS
"C" Company	1stLt. L. A. KASSIN
Transport Company	01-14 Oct Capt. J. M. ELIZONDO
	15-31 Oct 1stLt. A. E. FABISZAK
H&S Company	Capt. R. B. TUCKER
2. Location	
01-31 October 1969, Danang, RVN	
3. Staff/Officer	
Executive Officer	Maj. M. J. ZACHODNI
S-1/Adjutant	01-16 Oct 1stLt. I. E. STINSON
	17-31 Oct WO3 W. D. GUYN
S-2/S-3	Capt. B. A. GARNISH
S-4/Supply	1stLt. W. A. TWEED
S-5	01-11 Oct 1stLt. P. F. TARICONE
	12-31 Oct 1stLt. R. L. JAFFE
Medical Officer	Lt. W. D. BAILEY (USN)
Chaplain	Lt. R. T. GROTHAUS (USN)
Sergeant Major	Sgt. Maj. W. F. ROBERTS
	07-11 Oct 1stSgt. J. E. WELCH
	15-31 Oct 1stSgt. C. D. LAKIN

4. Average In-Country Strength

USMC  
Officer      Enlisted  
22              473

USN  
Officer      Enlisted  
2              7

## Part II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

(a) During the month of October, fourteen (14) convoys were conducted to An Hoa in support of the Fifth Marine Regiment. There were also six (6) R&R runs to the Stack Arms R&R Center. The units being transported to the R&R site were from the Fifth and Twenty-Sixth Marine Regiments. Additional convoys were conducted to provide logistical support and replacement troops to First Marine Division Infantry Units. The Battalion's M-116A1 Marginal Terrain Vehicles were being used in logistical support roles at the Danang Barrier, and the Fifth, Seventh and Twenty-Sixth Marine Regiments.

(b) On 22 October, the Assistant Division Commander of First Marine Division, Brigadier General C. S. ROBERTSON, visited the Eleventh Motor Transport Battalion Cantonment. On 29 October, Eleventh Motor Transport Battalion personnel were participants in a firing demonstration of the XM-174 Automatic Grenade Launcher firing from the XM-733 and M-54A2C vehicles. This was provided at the request of Lieutenant General NICKERSON, III Marine Amphibious Force Commander.

(c) Civil Affairs provided one-hundred (100) barrels of food waste to Khanh-Son Hamlet for the feeding of pigs. Approximately sixty (60) Vietnamese were treated at the Battalion Aid Station for various ailments. MedCaps were conducted at the Khanh-Son Hamlet and approximately three-hundred-twenty-five (325) Vietnamese were treated. A fire wood project for the hamlet was also initiated using scrap lumber.

(d) On 30 October, the Battalion enhanced its perimeter security with the acquisition of three (3) sentry dogs and handlers from Third Military Police Battalion. They will be assisting the defensive perimeter sector commanders during the hours of darkness and are being considered for use on ambush patrols.

(e) During October, Eleventh Motor Transport Battalion vehicles traveled 78,921 miles, carried 16,496 tons of cargo and hauled 19,025 troops.

## Part III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF EVENTS

Oct 1      Conducted a five (5) truck troop movement from Danang to Hill 55.

Oct 2      Conducted a nine (9) truck convoy from Hill 65 to the Stack Arms R&R Center.  Approximately two-hundred (200) troops were transported.

Oct 4      Conducted an eleven (11) truck convoy from the Stack Arms R&R Center to Hill 65.

Oct 4-5     Conducted a round trip convoy of eleven (11) trucks to Landing Zone Baldy.

Oct 6      Conducted a twenty (20) truck convoy from the Marine Air Support Squadron-2 area to the Deep Water Pier.  Four-hundred (400) troops were transported.

Oct 7-  
13        Inclement weather and poor road conditions prevented any long range convoys from being conducted.

Oct 14     Conducted troop movement consisting of eleven (11) trucks to Hill 65.

Oct 14-  
15        Conducted a round trip convoy to Landing Zone Baldy from Danang consisting of twenty-one (21) trucks.

Oct 15-  
16        Conducted a round trip convoy of thirteen (13) trucks from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.

Oct 17     Fifteen (15) bridging trailers were sent in a convoy to Lanco Bridge.

Oct 17-  
18        Round trip convoy of twenty-four (24) trucks was conducted from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.

Oct 18     Eighteen (18) truck convoy was sent to Lanco Bridge, fifteen (15) of which were bridging trailers.

Oct 19-  
20        A ten (10) truck convoy was conducted from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy and back

Oct 25 Conducted troop movement from Hill 190 to Stack Arms R&R Center. Ten (10) trucks were involved.

Oct 27 Conducted a ten (10) truck troop movement from the Stack Arms R&R Center to Hill 190.

Oct 28 Convoy conducted from Seventh Engineer Battalion to the Stack Arms R&R Center.  
Twelve (12) truck troop movement convoy conducted from Hill 37 to ARVN Boot Camp and back.

Oct 30 Convoy conducted from the Stack Arms R&R Center to Hill 124. Eleven (11) trucks were involved.