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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
(Attn: Field Historian)

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(b) FMFPACO 5750.8_
(c) DkvO 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. Designation

11th Motor Transport Battalion
"A" Company
"B" Company
"C" Company
Transport Company
Headquarters and Service Company

Commander

LtCol W. R. KEPHART
1stLt R. S. MURRAY
1stLt D. L. JOHNSON
1stLt L. A. KASSIN
1stLt A. E. FABISZAK
Capt R. B. TUCKER

2. Location

01-31 December 1969, Danang, RVN

3. Staff/Officers

Executive Officer

01-06 Dec
07-31

Maj M. J. ZACHODNI
Maj W. H. WALTERS

S-1/Adjutant

CWO W. D. GUYN

S-2

1stLt P. F. TARICONE

S-3

Maj B. A. GARNISH

S-4

1stLt W. A. TWEED

S-5

1stLt R. L. JAFFE

Medical Officer

LT W. D. BAILEY (USN)

Chaplain

LT R. T. GROTHAUS (USN)

Sergeant Major

SgtMaj C. D. LAKIN

4. Average In-Country Strength

USMC

OFFICER

ENLISTED

23

480

USN

OFFICER

ENLISTED

3

7

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. In operations conducted during December, 11th Motor Transport Battalion participated in thirty-one (31) convoys to An Hoa Combat Base, five (5) to Landing Zone Baldy and two (2) to Phu Bai. The convoys were conducted in support of the First, Fifth and Seventh Marine Regiments. Convoys conducted to Phu Bai were in support of Bridge Company, Seventh Engineer Battalion. The M116A1 Huskie and the M733 Armored Huskie were employed in support of the Danang Barrier and the Fifth, Seventh, and Twenty-Sixth Marines.

b. During December, Civil Affairs provided sixty-five (65) barrels of waste food products to the Khanh-Son Hamlet for the feeding of pigs. A pagoda rebuilding project was completed and dedicated on 25 December. Fire wood distribution continued to the Khanh-Son Hamlet and well pumps were installed within the Hamlet area. Ten (10) Vietnamese were treated at the Battalion Aid Station, two of which were dental patients. In addition, two-hundred-fifty (250) persons were treated by the MedCap Program.

c. On 1 December BGen ROBERTSON, the Assistant Division Commander paid a visit to the Battalion. MajGen SIMPSON visited the Battalion on 11 December and toured the Battalion area. On 15 December the Battalion participated in the Commanding Generals Change of Command Ceremony; MajGen WHEELER relieved MajGen SIMPSON as the 1st Division Commanding General. On 16 December, MajGen WHEELER visited the Battalion, and on 22 December BGen ROBERTSON inspected the perimeter defenses.

d. During December the vehicles of 11th Motor Transport Battalion travelled 103,351 miles, hauled 20,921 tons of cargo, and transported 20,452 troops.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF EVENTS

- 1 Dec Conducted a twenty-four vehicle convoy to An Hoa.
- 2 Dec Conducted a twenty truck convoy to Landing Zone Baldy.
- 2 Dec Conducted a twenty-six vehicle convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 3 Dec Conducted a twenty-six truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 4 Dec Conducted a Nineteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 5 Dec Conducted a twenty-one truck convoy from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.
- 5 Dec Conducted a twenty-two truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 6 Dec Conducted thirty-four vehicle convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 6-7 Dec Conducted a twenty-four truck convoy, consisting of bridging trailers from Danang to Phu Bai.
- 7 Dec Conducted a twenty-nine truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 8 Dec Conducted a twenty-two truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 8 Dec Conducted an eighteen truck convoy from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.
- 9 Dec Conducted a thirteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 10 Dec Conducted a thirteen truck convoy from Danang to the Stack Arms R&R Center. Two-hundred-thirty troops were transported.
- 10 Dec Conducted a forty truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 11 Dec Conducted a twenty-seven vehicle convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 12 Dec Conducted a fourteen truck convoy from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.
- 12 Dec Conducted a thirty-eight truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 13 Dec Conducted a twenty-eight truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 13 Dec Conducted a thirteen truck convoy carrying troops from 1st Battalion, 1st Marines to the Stack Arms R&R Center. Two-hundred-forty troops were transported.
- 14 Dec Conducted a twenty-four truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 15 Dec Conducted a twenty-two truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
- 16 Dec Conducted a twenty-three truck convoy from Danang to Phu Bai.

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16 Dec Conducted a twenty truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
17 Dec Conducted an eighteen truck Convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
18 Dec Conducted a twenty-nine truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
19 Dec Conducted a nineteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
20 Dec Conducted a twenty-five truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
21 Dec Conducted an eighteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
23 Dec Conducted a thirty-four truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
24 Dec Conducted a thirty-nine truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
25 Dec Conducted a twenty-one truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
26 Dec Conducted a thirteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
27 Dec Conducted a seventeen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
28 Dec Conducted a nineteen truck convoy from Danang to Landing Zone Baldy.
28 Dec Conducted a thirty-nine truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
29 Dec Conducted a thirteen truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
29-30 Dec Conducted a twenty-four truck convoy from Danang to Phu Bai in support of 7th Engineer Battalion.
30 Dec Conducted a forty truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.
31 Dec Conducted a twenty-eight truck convoy from Danang to An Hoa.