

SECRET

HEADQUARTERS, 11TH MARINES
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

~~SECRET~~
UNCLASSIFIED

3/RJP/ps
5750
18 Nov 1968
00127-68

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 October to 31 October 1968

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2A
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: (1) 11th Marine Regiment Command Chronology

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

H.E. Dickinson
H.E. DICKINSON

S&C
HEADQUARTERS
1ST MAR DIV
68-4732
(1-5)

11TH MARINES
S&C FILES
COPY # 1 of 6 COPIES
7761-68

11TH MAR

CMD CHRON

UNCLASSIFIED**UNCLASSIFIED****SECRET**

OCT 1968

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

~~SECRET~~~~SECRET~~

HEADQUARTERS, 11TH MARINES
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

UNCLASSIFIED

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1-31 October 1968

INDEX

PART I Organizational Data
PART II Narrative Summary
PART III Sequential Listing of Significant Events
PART IV Supporting Documents

ANNEX A S-1 Journal
ANNEX B S-2 Journal
ANNEX C S-3 Journal

APPENDIX 1 to ANNEX C Battery and Command Post Locations
APPENDIX 2 to ANNEX C Sitreps
APPENDIX 3 to ANNEX C Frag Orders
APPENDIX 4 to ANNEX C Organization for Combat
APPENDIX 5 to ANNEX C Operation MAMELUKE THRUST
APPENDIX 6 to ANNEX C Operation OWEN MESA
APPENDIX 7 to ANNEX C Operation MAUI PEAK
APPENDIX 8 to ANNEX C Operation HENDERSON HILL
APPENDIX 9 to ANNEX C Operation SABINE DRAW
APPENDIX 10 to ANNEX C Operation GARRARD BAY
APPENDIX 11 to ANNEX C Operation TALLEDEGA CANYON

ANNEX D S-4 Journal
ANNEX E Northern Sector Defense Command Journal
ANNEX F First Field Artillery Group Command Chronology
ANNEX G First Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology
ANNEX H Second Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology
ANNEX I Third Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology
ANNEX J Fourth Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology
ANNEX K Third 8 Inch Howitzer Battery (SP) Command Chronology
ANNEX L Third 155mm Gun Battery (SP) Command Chronology
ANNEX M First Armored Amphibian Company Command Chronology

UNCLASSIFIED

~~SECRET~~
ENCLOSURE (1)

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

UNCLASSIFIED

~~SECRET~~

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DesignationCommander

11th Marine Regiment

Col H.E. DICKINSON

1-31 Oct

UNCLASSIFIED

SUBORDINATE UNITSFirst Field Artillery Group
1st Battalion, 11th MarinesLtCol R.P. JOHNSON
LtCol S.F. THOMAS
LtCol J.A. HAMILTON1-31 Oct
1-6 Oct
7-31 Oct2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesLtCol R.D. JAMESON
Maj A.F. BAUER
LtCol F.M. WOELLER1-31 Oct
1-26 Oct
27-31 Oct4th Battalion, 11th Marines
3rd 8" Howitzer Battery (SP)LtCol J.M. COCKEY
Maj J.P. CROWLEY
Maj R.L. REED1-31 Oct
1-9 Oct
10-31 Oct3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP)
1st Armored Amphibian Company
1st 155mm Gun Battery (SP)Maj V.B. LANHAM
Maj J.E. HARMS
Maj B.A. MUTCH1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 OctATTACHED UNITS1st Battalion, 13th Marines
Btry G (-), 29th Arty (USA)
Btry B, 8th Bn, 4th Arty (USA)LtCol A. NOVAK
Capt J.F. JACKSON (USA)
Capt B.N. O'NEILL (USA)1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct2. Location1-31 October 1968
1-31 October 1968AT 957756 Danang, Republic of Vietnam
YD 881130 Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam3. Staff OfficersExecutive Officer
S-1
S-2

S-3
S-4
Supply Officer
MT Officer
Comm Officer
Radar Officer
Survey Officer
Metro Officer
Assistant FSC9-13 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-10 Oct
11-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 Oct
1-31 OctLtCol C.J. JOHNSON
Capt D.E. MATHIS
Maj R.L. REED
1stLt J.D. McROY
LtCol R.J. PHILLIPS
Capt J.J. READ
1stLt R.D. MEECE
Capt G.L. GRUHL
Maj W.J. MADIGAN
1stLt R.B. GEDDIS
1stLt J.L. CONOVER
1stLt J.L. CONOVER
LtCol G.L. HILLYARD

UNCLASSIFIED

ENCLOSURE (1)

~~SECRET~~

SECRET

Chaplain	1-31 Oct	LtCmdr R.W. HARPER
Surgeon	1-31 Oct	Lt (MC) J.E. TUZINSKI
Hq Commandant	1-31 Oct	Capt G.L. GRUHL
Deputy Commander, NSDC	1-31 Oct	LtCol R.W. MARCH

4. Average Monthly Strength (Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines)

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USMC</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
27	285	4	6	0	0

5. Average Monthly Strength (11th Marine Regiment)

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
222	3384	17	72	0	0

SECRET

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During October 1968, the 11th Marines continued to provide supporting fires for the 1st Marine Division in its defense of the Danang vital area and in operations in the Quang Nam and Southern Thua Thien Provinces. In addition, continued support was provided to Division Reconnaissance Teams, Combined Action Platoons, USA, USN, CIDG, KMC and ARVN forces. Forward observers again accompanied USMC, USA, and ARVN convoys traveling as far south as Quang Ngai and north to Hue.

Artillery fires accounted for 390 of the 910 enemy killed within the Division Area of Operations. Of these, 298 were the result of missions fired for Division reconnaissance teams operating in the 1st Marine Division TAOR. A total of 156,459 rounds were expended on 24,325 missions.

In the month of October, four operations were terminated. Operation Talledega Canyon was initiated on 1 October and terminated on 5 October. The operation was supported by the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines in direct support of the 7th Marines. Operation Owen Mesa, supported by the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines, was terminated on 14 October and Operation Maui Peak, supported by the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines, was terminated on 19 October. Operation Mameluke Thrust, supported by the 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines, was terminated on the 23rd of October.

Three operations were initiated during the month of October. Operation Henderson Hill was initiated on 23 October with the 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines in direct support of the 5th Marines. Operation Sabine Draw began on 8 October and is continuing with the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines in direct support of the 7th Marines. Operation Garrard Bay was initiated on 25 October with the 1st Battalion, 11th Marines in direct support of the 1st Marines.

Improved conventional munitions (FIRECRACKER) continued to be employed throughout the 1st Marine Division TAOR. The Regiment fired 60 FIRECRACKER missions during the month accounting for 237 VC/NVA KIA. All surveillances represent confirmed KIA's and do not include additional probable KIA. Total FIRECRACKER expenditures for the month was 1245 rounds.

On 7 October, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 75 VC in the open, at grid AT 959521. The mission was observed by Recon Team (IPSWICH) and resulted in 46 KIA's. On 11 October, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines; Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 36 NVA at grid AT 803479. The mission was observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN) resulting in 14 KIA's. On the 22nd and 23rd of October the 11th Marines, firing in support of Recon Teams (WAGE EARNER and WEDDING RING), accounted for 177 confirmed KIA's.

ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

Counter-rocket drills continued during the month. Chart drills were conducted unannounced each night to exercise the ability of participating FDC's to compute accurate grids of rocket positions. In addition, counter-rocket firing drills were conducted nightly on possible rocket positions. It is significant to note that there were no enemy-initiated rocket attacks in the Danang TAOR during the month of October.

SECRET

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel and Administration

	<u>Off</u>	<u>USMC</u> <u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>USN</u> <u>Enl</u>
a. <u>Losses</u>				
Admin	19	205	1	2
Battle KIA	1	4	0	0
Battle WIA (Evac)	1	17	0	0
Battle WIA (Non-Evac)	0	7	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-Battle	0	0	0	0
b. Replacements	14	122	4	6
c. Loss	6	106	0	0
d. Gain	0	0	3	4

2. Intelligence

a. During the month of October, enemy attacks against artillery units decreased from the previous reporting period. A total of one recoilless rifle, one mortar and four small arms fire incidents were recorded during the month.

b. The following significant incidents took place during the month of October 1968:

- (1) 041000H: 11th Marines VR flight (AT 966559) received ground fire.
- (2) 071852H: 3/11 (ZC 217549) received 3 to 7 rounds of 75mm recoilless rifle fire.
- (3) 281400H: 11th Marines AO (BT 021619) observed 40 NVA and received small arms fire.
- (4) 281920H: 11th Marines AO (BT 093643) received automatic weapons fire from estimated platoon.
- (5) 290305H: W/2/11 (AT 877400) received 10 rounds of 82mm mortar fire.
- (6) 311830H: 11th Marines AO (AT 953691) received small arms fire.

SECRET

3. Organization and Operations. Units of the Regiment participated in seven operations in the Danang area during the month of October 1968. These were:

- a. Operation MAMELUKE THRUST, 19 May to 23 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 5 to ANNEX C.
- b. Operation OWEN MESA, 1-14 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 6 to ANNEX C.
- c. Operation MAUI PEAK, 6-19 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 7 to ANNEX C.
- d. Operation HENDERSON HILL, 23-31 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 8 to ANNEX C.
- e. Operation SABINE DRAW, 28-31 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 9 to ANNEX C.
- f. Operation GARRARD BAY, 25-31 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 10 to ANNEX C.
- g. Operation TALLEDEGA CANYON, 1-5 Oct 1968. APPENDIX 11 to ANNEX C.

4. Training

a. Forward observer training of non-artillery personnel was again conducted this month. Recipients of this training were personnel from the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Combined Action Groups, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, Division Scout Snipers School, Force Logistics Command and Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division. A total of 227 students received two hours of classroom instruction and from four to six hours of practical application.

b. During the month of October, four one-hour periods of instruction were given to 250 students from Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division. The subjects presented were the characteristics and capabilities of artillery within the 1st Marine Division TAOR.

c. Four officers and thirty-six enlisted Marines attended in-country Division level schools and two officers and fifteen enlisted Marines attended schools out of country.

d. On 14 October 1968, the 11th Marines began an on-the-job training program for ARVN soldiers with a view toward qualifying them as 105mm howitzer (towed) and 155mm howitzer (towed) cannoneers. During the month, 160 ARVN soldiers have completed the training. The classes are scheduled to continue for approximately eight weeks to train ARVN cannoneers for a newly-activated ARVN artillery battalion.

SECRET

5. Logisticsa. Operation Maui Peak

Ammunition resupply for the fire support base at Hill 52 was of primary concern during the initial stages of Operation Maui Peak. A continuous resupply to support twelve 105 howitzers, six 155 howitzers and two 8" howitzers was required. Initially, 3/11 and the Regimental S-4 coordinated the augmentation of vehicles to support the 105 batteries, while 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery handled their respective Battery and Platoon ammo resupply on an individual basis. This proved unsatisfactory from the start for a number of reasons. Although the road from Hill 65 to Hill 52 was outposted by the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines to a point of relative security, India company at Hill 65 had instructions to provide the convoys with additional security. In an effort to do this, they established a check point where Route 4 passes Hill 65 to prevent vehicles from passing at will and to delay vehicles until additional vehicles arrived to make larger convoys. This caused problems in the delivery of ammo and supplies to Hill 52. Large convoys arrived to find that due to the inadequacy of the hill to accomodate large numbers of vehicles it was unfeasible to move more than a couple of trucks on the hill at one time. The additional trucks only caused delay in unloading.

The suggestion was made that a series of three-truck convoys be sent at set time intervals to avoid the overloading in the inadequate space of the hill and that control and organization of the convoys rest with 3/11. Coordination and control by 3/11 was effected and in as much as was practicable, this method was practiced.

Increased numbers of H & I fires, numerous early morning prep fires and the advent of heavier firing for all units on the hill caused some ammo counts to slip to a point of concern in the early part of the day. It was determined that there was a necessity for earlier ammo resupplies; a temporary ammo supply point was established at India Battery on Hill 65. Vehicles were augmented by Division, 11th Marines, 4/11 and 3rd 8" to haul ammo from ASP at Danang. All types of ammo were provided and an adequate supply of 105 ammo was delivered daily. "I" Battery's trucks were used to shuttle ammo and supplies to Hill 52. A 6000 pound rough terrain fork lift was procured by Regiment to alleviate "I" Battery working parties tasked with the chore of manhandling ammunition. By these methods, 3/11 assumed additional control and coordination over vehicles moving between Hill 65 and the fire support base on Hill 52, and was better able to coordinate with the infantry company for security and timely dispatch of practical sized convoys. "I" Battery trucks were able to be preloaded for early morning departures with task loads to meet the fire support base resupply requests based on limited storage space at Hill 52. Maximum storage levels established were 2000 rounds of 105, 1200 rounds 155, and 400 8". Prior to the establishment of a controlling agency and because of the limited storage space on Hill 52, trucks were returning only partially unloaded to be returned the following day.

SECRET

Mortar Battery 3/11 entered the Operation on 7 October 1968 and was heli-lifted to a position not accessible for resupply by road; they carried 551 rounds of HE. An additional 400 rounds were requested from the LSA at Hill 55 and delivered by helo. Some of these rounds were found upon inspection to have been manufactured in 1953 and had been subject to improper storage at sometime during their fifteen years resulting in rust, deterioration and corrosion beyond use. These rounds were suspended from use by the Battery Commander and Spot reports submitted. Additional rounds were delivered on 8 October and unserviceable ammo retrieved. 11th Marines and Division Ordnance attention was given this matter and no further problems were encountered.

Mortars displaced on 10 October by helo to a new position forward of Hill 52 which was accessible by road. However, resupply vehicles encountered some difficulty traversing the route because of two wash outs, but tanks and amtracks serving as escorts on all runs were available by road for resupply until 12 October when inclement weather caused the trip to mortars to be impractical due to inability of the trucks to negotiate the road.

Heavy rains started on 12 October. Otter support was requested from Division Motors to support the 4.2" battery. 4.2" ammo was trucked to Hill 52 and hauled forward to the mortars by otters. All roads became less trafficable and eventually the road from Hill 65 to 52 washed out. Otters were called on to haul ammo from Hill 65. The otters proved their worth but developed extreme maintenance problems. The heavy rain lasted almost continuously until 21 October 68. During this period roads and bridges washed out on route 540 cutting off access to Hill 65. Resupply by helicopter was resorted to; this was sporadic depending on the weather and availability of helicopters. On one occasion the 4.2 battery was short of water for almost 24 hours. This was the only major deficiency or supply problem encountered.

To ensure adequate support for all artillery units on Hill 52, a central dump system was established at Hill 52. Supply personnel were provided by 3/11 to supervise and control the rationing of all classes of supplies other than ammo. A consolidated supply request was submitted daily via a logistics net.

Early in the operation, two trucks were provided to 3/11 by 11th Marines and tasked to haul class I and II supplies from Hill 55 to 52 daily. Items requested were drawn from both the LSA and Organic Supply System. Seldom was an item requested not provided. Trucks were first loaded with essentials such as tentage, C-Rats, engineer stakes, sandbags, mogas, diesel oil, cleaning solvent, PSP, pioneer tools, rags, comm wire, BA 30's and BA 386's, rifle cleaning rods, brushes, patches, ponchos, fighting hole covers, small arms ammo, salt pills, halazone tablets, lined tablets, message books, and toilet paper.

SECRET

A Medical Officer was provided by 3/11 and required resupply of medical items on two occasions. The following items were required over a ten-day period: procaine, penicillin, tetracycline tablets, heatrash solution, diazinor, rat poison, hydrogen peroxide, adhesive tape, 21 guage needles, compazine, undecylenic acid ointment, gama benzoin ointment and thermometers.

Once essentials and medical supplies were loaded, trucks were filled to capacity with a variety of any of the following: mail, newspapers, books, dry clothing and boots as required, poncho liners, sundry packs, beer, soda, ice, frozen fruit, fresh fruits, milk and ice cream, fresh eggs, coffee, onions and chili sauce, pinto beans, rice, canned hamburgers, soup, beverage powders, raisins and cookies. Mortar Battery personnel on Hill 52 received these items as long as they were accessible by road. The heavy rain fall eventually washed out Mortar Battery; they were extracted and moved back to the 3/11 CP.

Throughout the rainy spell, "I" Battery encountered excessive fogging of panosonic sights, having from three to five guns down at a time due to this condition. On 20 October a contact team from FSR was flown to "I" Battery to determine the problem. The contact team reported that "I" Battery was doing all possible and that excessive fogging was due to age and condition of sights. On 23 October 1968 the 11th Marines obtained and delivered four sights to "I" Battery alleviating the problem.

Other maintenance problems encountered: A fuel line on one of Kilo's M109 guns was borken, a contact team was dispatched by 4/11, flown to Hill 52 and performed repairs. 4/11 EIMCO tractor required a starter and a contact team performed the repair. Kilo needed 20 leaf springs for a breachlock; these were obtained from 4/11 and delivered. The lunette on a water buffalo belonging to 8" "A" was broken; a replacement was obtained from 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery and flown to Hill 52. Sights on three LVTH-6's were fogged; ALVT's responded by sending a man to Hill 52 with 4 sights. A round was stuck in an LVTH-6 tube; 11th Marines obtained an EOD team, dispatched the team by helicopter, and the round was removed.

b. General

During the reporting period the Regiment was augmented with twenty-seven M-52 tractor trailers, eleven M-54 trucks with dolly converters and thirteen M-54 trucks to transport ammunition and support all 11th Marines operational committments. Organic and augmentation transportation transported in excess of 92,000 artillery rounds and associated fuzes during the month of October 1968.

In addition, nine M-52 tractor trailers were used for the movement of 1/13 and five lowboys were used for movement of TD-15 and EIMCO tractors to widely displaced units and deadlined tractors to FSR. Upon cessation of Operation Maui Peak, a total of twenty-seven 2 1/2 and 5 ton trucks were furnished as augmentation to displace artillery units.

SECRET

6. Civic Action Report for Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines

MedCaps and emergency medical aid were offered in the hamlet of Da Son AT 960765, Hoa Khan (V), Hoa Vang (D), Quang Nam (P). Emergency medical care was maintained on an on-call status. MedCaps were provided five times a week. Approximately 934 Vietnamese civilians were treated at the MedCap unit.

MedCap and Civic Action supplies were requisitioned from III MAF. Medical supplies for MedCap and assorted bath soap for the hygienic program were requisitioned for the dispensary. 2382 bars of soap were requisitioned for the dispensary.

DenCaps are offered once a week. Approximately sixty Vietnamese people were treated this month.

Two students were selected for the General WALT Scholarship program. The scholarships were awarded to the students by a representative from this Headquarters.

Headquarters Battery has continued to provide food waste for supporting the pig project in Da Son hamlet. Nine piglets were born during this reporting period.

7. Air Observation

The 11th Marines air observation section flew 138 missions for a total of 195.7 hours. The unit was supported by aircraft from VMD-2 and MAG-16, based at Marble Mountain Air Facility. The unit also had light observation helicopters attached from the 11th Infantry Brigade, 198th Light Infantry Brigade, 196th Light Infantry Brigade and the Americal Division Artillery, USA.

Missions flown in support of the 11th Marine Regiment were:

Artillery Registrations	27
Rocket Belt Reconnaissance	94

Missions flown in support of other 1st Marine Division units were:

Infantry assists	3
Air strikes	2
Artillery missions	8
Trim missions	1
Med-Evac	3

During part of this reporting period the unit provided one air observer TAD with the 1st Marine Air Wing.

The unit encountered seven ground fire incidents with four aircraft taking hits. All were Army aircraft, resulting in two friendly WIA: one USA and one USMC.

11.

ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

8. Northern Sector Defense Command

Northern Sector Defense Command is a rear area defense organization commanded by the Commanding Officer, 11th Marines. During the month of October, Condition 4 was set twenty-two times and Condition 3-Modified was set nine times.

There were 114 day recons and 53 day combat patrols. There were 78 night recons and 151 night combat patrols, with 164 night ambushes. The total patrols conducted for the month was 560.

9. Psychological Operations

During the month of October, the 11th Marines performed the following PSYOPS in the Danang Rear Area.

Distribution of leaflets:

Health - 6370
Reward - 5525

Movies:

Two and one-half hours of entertainment movies were shown to the people of Da Son hamlet. Attendance was about 300 people. Prior to the showing of the movies, entertainment and propaganda tapes were played.

10. Surveillances

VC/NVA KIA	390
Secondary Explosions	12
Bunkers destroyed and damaged	25
Structures destroyed and damaged	20
Sampans destroyed	4
AK-47 Captured	1
AK-47 magazines captured	4
Chi-Com grenades captured	4

SECRET

11. Monthly Ammunition Expenditures

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>105mm</u>	<u>107mm</u>	<u>155mmH</u>	<u>155mmG</u>	<u>8"How</u>	<u>175mmG</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1st FAG	0	0	2,008	1,458	378	0	3,844
1st Marines	14,968	1,922	1,682	0	127	0	18,699
7th Marines	34,260	988	7,546	178	97	92	43,161
26th Marines	11,693	1,074	3,877	301	91	32	17,068
General Support	128	0	2,548	1,159	1,357	508	5,700
Recon	2,797	89	1,773	147	15	26	4,847
Army	0	0	85	0	0	0	85
ARVN	12	0	0	0	0	0	12
Opn MAMELUKE THRUST	18,335	1,253	3,538	201	0	0	23,327
Opn OWEN MESA	3,900	1,597	841	0	0	0	6,338
Opn MAUI PEAK	7,872	1,427	2,346	473	584	410	13,112
Opn HENDERSON HILL	8,764	832	1,554	46	48	0	11,244
Opn SABINE DRAW	2,962	223	110	3	0	0	3,298
Opn GARRARD BAY	969	0	284	0	0	0	1,253
Opn TALLEDEGA CANYON	3,170	636	532	0	133	0	4,471
TOTAL	109,830	10,041	28,724	3,966	2,830	1,068	156,459

MISSIONS: 24,325

13.

ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
S-1	
PLACE	
11th Marines	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0001 1 October 1968	2400 31 October 1968

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
			011206	1 Enl F/2/11 KIA 10Oct68 Aprx 0400 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd GSW left leg, left side abdomen, right side back and left butt fr en rfl fire while on patrol.		
			011208	1 Enl F/2/11 KIA 10Oct68 Aprx 0400 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd GSW right side chest, right leg, and back fr en rfl fire while on patrol.		
			011345	1 Off F/2/11 WIA 10Oct68 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd frag wd thru and thru abdomen, exit back fr en grenade while on patrol.		
			011620	1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 291315 Sep68		
			011630	Drop Off-4 Enl-3 Join Off-0 Enl-0		
			021620	1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 300556 Sep68		
			021630	Drop Off-0 Enl-6 Join Off-0 Enl-3		
			031429	1 Enl D/2/11 WIA 20Oct68 Aprx 1415 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd superficial frag wd both legs fr en mort fire while on patrol.		
			031630	Drop Off-1 Enl-8 Join Off-0 Enl-13		
			041630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-3 Enl-8		
			051501	1 Off HqBtry WIA 4Oct68 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd superficial frag wd left side face of hcptr bubble when hcptr he was riding in rec'd en rfl fire.		
			051620	1 Enl HqBtry med-evac 031411 Oct68 1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 050300 Oct68		
			051630	Drop Off-0 Enl-7 Join Off-0 Enl-17		
			061630	Drop Off-2 Enl-2 Join Off-0 Enl-3		
			071630	Drop Off-2 Enl-6 Join Off-0 Enl-4		
			081374	1 Enl 3d8 HowBtry DAI 7Oct68 Aprx 1700 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd puncture wd neck with crushed right side ribs and abrasions neck when brakes failed to work on vehicle he was riding in and vehicle overturned while on ammunition re-supply run.		
			081630	Drop Off-0 Enl-8 Join Off-0 Enl-2		
			090242	1 Enl HqBtry med-evac 090242 Oct68		
			091358	1 Enl B/1/11 KIA 9Oct68 Aprx 0930 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd GSW posterior head fr en rfl fire while on patrol.		
			091620	1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 071127 Oct68		
			091630	Drop Off-3 Enl-9 Join Off-3 Enl-6		
			101620	1 Enl 3/11 med-evac 091131 Oct68		
			101630	Drop Off-1 Enl-12 Join Off-0 Enl-0		
			111620	1 Enl 3d8 HowBtry med-evac 091119 Oct68		
			111630	Drop Off-0 Enl-16 Join Off-0 Enl-4		

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

ANNEX A

(Classification)

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVJMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
S-1	
PLACE	
11th Marines	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
0001 1 October 1968	2400 31 October 1968

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
			121341	1 Enl 1/3/11 WIA 10Oct68 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd frag wds right eye and both legs fr friendly grenade when mistaken for the en while approaching sentry in CP area.		
			121630	Drop Off-3 Enl-7 Join Off-0 Enl-0		
			131630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-3 Enl-4		
			141620	1 Enl G/3/11 med-evac 141620 Oct68		
			141630	Drop Off-1 Enl-7 Join Off-1 Enl-0		
			151620	1 Enl 3/11 med-evac 141203 Oct68		
			151630	Drop Off-1 Enl-5 Join Off-0 Enl-2		
			161630	Drop Off-0 Enl-7 Join Off-0 Enl-3		
			171418	1 Enl 1stArmdAmphibCo 8Oct68 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd snake bite left side chest.		
			171630	Drop Off-1 Enl-3 Join Off-0 Enl-2		
			181117	1 Enl Hq/4/11 dead (DAI) Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd fatal GSW Aprx 181135 Oct68 fr M-16 rifle when another Marine came into the Btry Officer to check on mail laying his rifle on the counter and it went off accidentally, he expired at 181210 Oct68.		
			181620	1 Enl 3/11 med-evac 171228 Oct68		
			181630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-0 Enl-2		
			191630	Drop Off-0 Enl-5 Join Off-0 Enl-3		
			201102	1 Enl W/2/11 18Oct68 Aprx 1530 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd GSW face when SNM was allegedly intentionally shot by another Marine with M-16 rfl while in CP area		Killed
			201630	Drop Off-0 Enl-2 Join Off-0 Enl-1		
			211630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-0 Enl-1		
			221630	Drop Off-0 Enl-7 Join Off-1 Enl-1		
			231630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-0 Enl-1		
			241620	1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 220648 Oct68		
			241630	Drop Off-0 Enl-5 Join Off-0 Enl-4		
			251630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-0 Enl-8		
			261630	Drop Off-0 Enl-18 Join Off-0 Enl-1		
			271620	1 Enl HqBtry med-evac 251244 Oct68		
			271630	Drop Off-0 Enl-0 Join Off-1 Enl-6		
			281060	1 Enl B/1/11 WIA 27 Oct68 Loc Quang Nam, RVN. Rec'd frag wd left knee, blast burns right arm and traumatic amputaion right leg below knee fr en expl device while on patrol.		
			281620	1 Enl 2/11 med-evac 270954 Oct68		
			281630	Drop Off-0 Enl-10 Join Off-0 Enl-0		
			291620	2 Enl 1/11 med-evac 270957 Oct68		
				1 Enl 1stArmdAmphibCo med-evac 291620 Oct68		
			291630	Drop Off-0 Enl-12 Join Off-2 Enl-1		

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

2

UNIT OR SECTION

S-1

PLACE	
-------	--

11th Marines

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

0001 1 October 1968

2400 31 October 1968

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

3

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION

S-2

PLACE

DaNang Republic of Viet Nam

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

010800H Oct 1968

010800H Nov 1968

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps S-Staff T-Troops F-File
IN	OUT				
020900H		J-1	020900H	11th Mar Intsum 275-68	
030815H		J-2	030815H	11th Mar Intsum 276-68	
040830H		J-3	040830H	11th Mar Intsum 277-68	
050900H		J-4	041000H	11th Mar spt rpt	
050900H		J-5	050900H	11th Mar Intsum 278-68	
060900H		J-6	060900H	11th Mar Intsum 279-68	
060900H		J-7	060730H	11th Mar spt rpt	
070900H		J-8	070900H	11th Mar Intsum 280-68	
071910H		J-9	071852H	3/11 spt rpt	
080830H		J-10	080830H	11th Mar Intsum 281-68	
082235H		J-11	082235H	Cap 2-7-3 spt rpt	
090905H		J-12	090905H	11th Mar Intsum 282-68	
100800H		J-13	100800H	11th Mar Intsum 283-68	
110900H		J-14	110900H	11th Mar Intsum 284-68	
120040H		J-15	112244H	FSR spt rpt	
120415H		J-16	120415H	Cap 2-7-3 spt rpt	
120920H		J-17	120920H	11th Mar Intsum 285-68	
130845H		J-18	130845H	11th Mar Intsum 286-68	
140845H		J-19	140845H	11th Mar Intsum 287-68	
150900H		J-20	150900H	11th Mar Intsum 288-68	
161015H		J-21	161015H	11th Mar Intsum 289-68	
170845H		J-22	170845H	11th Mar Intsum 290-68	
181140H		J-23	181140H	11th Mar Intsum 291-68	
190950H		J-24	190950H	11th Mar Intsum 292-68	
191630H		J-25	191630H	1/11 spt rpt	
200950H		J-26	200950H	11th Mar Intsum 293-68	
210900H		J-27	210900H	11th Mar Intsum 294-68	
220900H		J-28	220900H	11th Mar Intsum 295-68	
231040H		J-29	231040H	11th Mar Intsum 296-68	
240920H		J-30	240920H	11th Mar Intsum 297-68	
251030H		J-31	251030H	11th Mar Intsum 298-68	
260930H		J-32	260930H	11th Mar Intsum 299-68	
260940H		J-33	260800H	11th Mar spt rpt	
270935H		J-34	270935H	11th Mar Intsum 300-68	
280825H		J-35	280825H	11th Mar Intsum 301-68	
291030H		J-36	291030H	11th Mar Intsum 302-68	
291630H		J-37	281400H	11th Mar AO spt rpt	
291130H		J-38	281920H	11th Mar AO spt rpt	
290340H		J-39	290305H	W/2/11 spt rpt	
300250H		J-40	292145H	FLC spt rpt	
300840H		J-41	300840H	11th Mar Intsum 303-68	
301800H		J-42	301800H	26th Mar spt rpt	
310925H		J-43	310925H	11th Mar Intsum 304-68	
311830H		J-44	311830H	11th Mar AO spt rpt	
010345H		J-45	010330H	K/4/11 spt rpt	
010912H		J-46	010912H	11th Mar Intsum 305-68	

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

ANNEX B

(Classification)

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION

S-3

PLACE

Regt Hq Btry, 11th Marines Danang, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

010001HOct68

TO (Date and hour)

312400HOct68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
			021245H	Btry K, 4thBn, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 879578 enroute to grid AT 787559. Arrvd in pos at 021430H.		
			021300H	Two 155G from 3rd 155 Gun Btry displaced from grid AT 915583 enroute to grid AT 879579. Arrived in pos at 021410H.		
			041300H	Two 155 How (SP) from Btry K, 4thBn, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 879578 enroute to grid AT 787552. Arrvd in pos at 041630H.		
			041330H	1stPlt, 3rd8" How Btry, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 965618 enroute to grid AT 880580. Arrvd in pos at 041530H.		
			050630H	Btry E, 2ndBn, 11thMar departed grid AT 877472 enroute to grid AT 788520. Arrvd in pos at 051700H.		
			050815H	Three LVTH-6's from 3rdPlt, 1stArmdAmphCo departed grid AT 997723 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrvd in pos at 051700H.		
			050900H	Two LVTH-6's, one from 1stPlt and one from 3rdPlt, 1stArmdAmphCo departed grid AT 921799 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrvd in pos at 051700H.		
			051225H	One LVTH-6 from 3rdPlt, 1stArmdAmphCo departed grid AT 975705 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrvd in pos at 051700H.		
			051300H	BtryH, 3rdBn, 11thMar departed grid AT 932666 enroute to grid AT 963610. Arrvd in pos at 051455H.		
			051530H	1stPlt, 3rd8" HowBtry, 11thMar departed grid AT 880580 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrvd in pos at 051700H.		
			051530H	One 175G from BtryB, 8thBn, 4thArty departed grid AT 985719 enroute to grid AT 876575. Arrvd in pos at 051650H.		
			060805H	MortBtry, 3rdBn, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 914714 enroute to grid ZC 087574. Arrvd in pos at 061500H.		
			070859H	One gun from BtryB, 8thBn, 4thArty displaced from grid AT 985719 enroute to grid AT 880580. Arrvd in pos at 071244H.		
			071000H	Prov 155 HowBtry, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 877476 enroute to grid AT 868471. Arrvd in pos at 071715H.		
			100920H	MortBtry, 1stBn, 11thMar displaced from grid ZC 087574 enroute to grid ZC 202558. Arrvd in pos at 101200H.		

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO. 1.

(Classification)

Annex C

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVJMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION S-3	
PLACE Regt Hq Btry, 11th Marines Danang, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour) 010001HOct68	TO (Date and hour) 312400HOct68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
			101315H	BtryA, 1stBn, 11thMar displaced from grid BT 070656 enroute to grid BT 012626. Arrvd in pos at 101740H.		
			101315H	BtryB, 1stBn, 11thMar displaced from grid BT 012626 enroute to grid BT 070656. Arrvd in pos at 101740H.		
			110802H	One gun from 3rd8" HowBtry displaced from grid AT 921799 enroute to grid AT 985719. Arrvd in pos at 110915H.		
			140805H	2nd Plt, 3rd8" HowBtry departed grid YD 888127 enroute to Danang by LCU.		
			141210H	Two 175 Guns from BtryB, 8thBn, 4thArty departed grid AT 876575 enroute to grid AT 985719. Arrvd in pos at 141522H.		
			141600H	MortBtry, 3rdBn, 11thMar displaced from grid ZC 202558 enroute to grid AT 787552. Arrvd in pos at 141900H.		
			141630H	MortBtry, 1stBn, 13thMar displaced from grid ZD 116012 enroute to grid AT 872995. Arrvd in pos at 141730H.		
			151445H	Two 155How(TD) from 1stBn, 13thMar displaced from grid AU 808015 enroute to grid AT 989714. Arrvd in pos at 151840H.		
			161240H	MortBtry, 3rdBn, 11thMar departed grid AT 882578 enroute to grid AT 963609. Arrvd in pos at 161615H.		
			151815H	MortBtry, 3rdBn, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 787552 enroute to grid AT 882578. Arrvd in pos at 151845H.		
			161315H	One 155How(TD) from 1stBn, 13thMar departed grid AU 808015 enroute to grid AT 989714. Arrvd in pos at 161700H.		
			170900H	MortBtry, 1stBn, 13thMar displaced from grid AT 872995 enroute to grid AT 925735. Arrvd in pos at 171200H.		
			170900H	BtryC, 1stBn, 13thMar displaced from grid AT 871994 enroute to grid AT 925735. Arrvd in pos at 171200H.		
			211020H	BtryE, 2ndBn, 11thMar displaced from grid ZC 212550 to grid AT 876472. Arrvd in pos at 211400H.		
			220845H	Two guns from Btry C, 1stBn, 11thMar displaced from grid AT 988714 enroute to grid AT 991675. Arrvd in pos at 221150H		

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO. 2.

(Classification)

Annex C

UNIT OR SECTION

S-3

PLACE

Regt Hq Btry, 11th Marines Danang, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

TO (Date and hour)

010001HOct68

312400HOct68

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO. 3.

(Classification)

Annex C

DAILY SITREPS
1 to 31 OCTOBER 1968

APPENDIX 2 to ANNEX C
DAILY SITREPS

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 273 From 010001H to 012400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 011430H, Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 1 VC with weapon, grid AT 990596. Observed by Observation Post Launch.
SURVEILLANCE: 1 VC KIA

b. At 011435H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on bunkers, grid BT 006485. Observed by Recon Team (EAGLEVIEW SUE).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 VC KIA

(LATE EVENINGS)

a. At 3001005H, Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on suspected VC movement, grid AT 897537. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 301520H, Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on 20 VC in open, grid AT 833539. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 301730H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a mission on VC in open, grid AT 950512. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 7 VC KIA

d. At 301915H, 3rd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER TOT, grid AT 842659. The TOT was sent to 8" from the 11th Marines and was unobserved.

e. At 301915H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER TOT, grid AT 846652. The TOT was sent to 4th Battalion, 11th Marines from the 11th Marines and was unobserved.

f. At 302000H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on a troop concentration in grid squares, AT 8365, AT 8266, AT 8366, AT 8666, AT 8264 and AT 8465. This mission was sent by the 11th Marines and was unobserved.

(LATE ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 301545H, two 155mm Guns (GP) from 3rd 155mm Gun Battery, 11th Marines departed grid AT 921799 enroute to grid AT 915565. Arrived in position at 301815H.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	27
7th Marines	366 397
26th Marines	104 125
General Support	45 52
1st F40	17 19
Recon	11 13
Opn MANGLUKE THRUST	83 115
Opn OWEN MESA	57 38
Total	665 766

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA 9

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 276 From 020001H to 022400H October 1968.

1. Highlights

a. At 020905H, Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a prep fire, grid AT 851664. Observed by an observer from 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

(LATE ENTRY)

a. At 012245H, Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIVE-CHUCKER mission on suspected VC, grid AT 922654. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 021245H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 879578 enroute to grid AT 787559. Arrived in position at 021430H.

b. At 021300H, two 155 guns from 3rd 155 Gun Battery, displaced from grid AT 915583 enroute to grid AT 879579. Arrived in position at 021430H.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	79 21	f. Recon	76 11
b. 7th Marines	93 28	g. ARVN	1
c. 26th Marines	175 222	h. Opn MANELUKE THRUST	95 120
d. General Support	75 27	i. Opn OWEN MESA	88 13
e. 1st F&G	9 11	j. Total	483 614

COPY OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

1

6. Forward Observers school was held for ten students from the Division Scout Sniper School. Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired five missions for the school.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 277 From 030001H to 032400H October 1968.

1. Highlights

a. At 030805H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on VC in the open, grid AT 797489. Observed by an observer with the 11th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 021835H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 25 VC in tree line, grid AT 801479. Observed by Marine Air Observer (OFFSPRING 64).

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	835 38
7th Marines	376 404
25th Marines	725 165
General Support	790 139
1st FAG	21
Recon	72 14
Army	2 6
Opn MAMELUKE THRUST	68 81
Opn OWEN MESA	101 102
Total	805 846 970

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

2

COPY _____ OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 278 From 040001H to 042400H October 1968

1. Highlights. At 041040H, AO section, 11th Marines killed one VC at grid AT 965559 by small arms fire.
(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 031423H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 5 to 10 VC, grid AT 825536. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 031650H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on 10 VC, grid AT 801474. Observed by an observer with 11th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 041300H two 155 Howitzers (SF) from Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 879578 enroute to grid AT 787552. Arrived in position at 041630H.

b. At 041330H, 1st platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 965618 enroute to grid AT 890380. Arrived in position at 041530H.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	28 21	Recon	11
7th Marines	25 251	Opn MARLBOR THURST	109 132
26th Marines	129 157	Opn OWEN MRL	102 105
General Support	116 130	Total	737 835
1st PAC	19 28		

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	1
--------	---

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARNIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 279 From 050001H to 052400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 050135H, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired on VC in open, grid ZD 175025. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 26th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

(DATE ENTRIES)

a. At 042315H, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired on 100 NVA, grid ZD 179034. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 26th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 042305H, Battery E, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 35 VC in open, grid ZC 140320. Observed by an observer with the Army. (Thuong Duc)

SURVEILLANCE: 10 KIA

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 050630H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines departed grid AT 877472 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrived in position at 051700H.

b. At 050815H, three LVTH-6's from 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company departed grid AT 997725 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrived in position at 051700H.

c. At 050900H, two LVTH-6's, one from 1st Platoon and one from 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company departed grid AT 921799 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrived in position at 051700H.

d. At 051225H, one LVTH-6 from 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company departed grid AT 975705 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrived in position at 051700H.

e. At 051300H, Battery B, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines departed grid AT 932666 enroute to grid AT 963610. Arrived in position at 051455H.

f. At 051530H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines departed grid AT 880580 enroute to grid AT 788552. Arrived in position at 051700H.

g. At 051530H, one 175 Gun from Battery B, 8th Battalion, 4th Artillery departed grid AT 985719 enroute to grid AT 876575. Arrived in position at 051650H.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(LATE ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 301025H Sep, two LVTH-6's from 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company departed grid AT 960758 enroute to grid AT 997723. Arrived in position at 301155H Sep.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	1741
7th Marines	193 232
26th Marines	120 129
General Support	51
1st PAC	37 41
Racon	10
Opn MAMSLAKE THRUST	91 101
Opn OWEN MESA	122
Total	643 727

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	11
--------	----

6. FO School. On 5 October 1968 an FO School was conducted for 104 students from 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th CAG. The school included 2 1/2 hours of classroom instruction. No practical application was held.

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 280 From 060001H to 062400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 060400H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on a VC ambush site, grid AT 967529. Observed by Recon Team (IPWICH). SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA.

b. At 060655H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 5 VC in the open, grid AT 800465. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN). SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA.

c. At 060800H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 7 VC in the open, grid AT 829479. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN). SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

d. At 061300H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 12 VC, grid AT 809473. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN). SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

(LATE ENTRY)

e. At 051715H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 10 NVA in the open, grid AT 813469. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN). SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA.

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 060805H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 914714 enroute to grid ZC 087574. Arrived in position at 061500H.

b. At 061230H, 2nd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, displaced from grid YD 891154 enroute to grid YD 888127. Arrived in position at 061400H.

COPY _____ OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	3134
b. 7th Marines	448 463
c. 26th Marines	8285
d. General Support	429
e. 1st FAD	1620
f. Recon	1723
g. Opn MANEJLUKE THRUST	6772
h. Opn OWEN MESA	8898
i. Opn MAUI PEAK	7593
j. Total	828917

5. Daily Surveillance

VC RIA

9

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARETV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 281 From 070001H to 072400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 071430H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on 75 VC in the open, grid AT 999521. Observed by Recon Team (IPSWICH).
SURVEILLANCE: 46 KIA.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 061650H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on 5 VC in the open, grid AT 815472. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

b. At 061750H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 VC, grid AT 825467. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 4 KIA.

c. At 061820H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 8 VC, grid AT 815480. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA.

d. At 062200H, Battery X, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on a mortar site, grid UC 093575. Observed by an observer with 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 070859H, one gun from Battery B, 8th Battalion, 4th Artillery displaced from grid AT 985719 enroute to grid AT 880580. Arrived in position at 071244H.

b. At 071000H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 877476 enroute to grid AT 868471. Arrived in position at 071715H.

COPY OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	26 29
b. 7th Marines	398 409
c. 26th Marines	145 149
d. General Support	7 12
e. 1st FAG	8 1
f. Recon	8 11
g. Opn HAMMILKE THROST	66 83
h. Opn OWEN MESA	103 110
i. Opn MAUI PEAK	54 81
j. Total	806 885

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

54

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 282 From 080001H to 082400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 080745H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 NVA in open, grid AT 803476. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

b. At 080815H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 NVA in open, grid AT 807477. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

c. At 081145H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on 25 VC in tree line, grid AT 800468. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(LATE ENTRY)

a. At 071905H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 VC, grid AT 819471. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	1217
b. 7th Marines	226252
c. 26th Marines	209246
d. General Support	1818
e. 1st FAG	45
f. Recon	407
g. Opn MAMELUKE THRUST	8188
h. Opn OWEN MESA	8182
i. Opn MAUI PEAK	82155
j. Total	709870

5. Daily Surveillance: VC KIA 3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 283 From 090001H to 092400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 090905H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 30 VC in open, grid AT 930493. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 4 KIA

b. At 091010H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 8 NVA, grid AT 920490. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 5 KIA

c. At 091100H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 8 VC in open, grid AT 822475. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).

SURVEILLANCE: 4 KIA

d. At 091115H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on VC in open, grid ~~822475~~. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. *2C 202574*

SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA

e. At 091200H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 10 NVA, grid AT 817477. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

f. At 091415H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 10 VC in open, grid AT 815473. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).

SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA

g. At 091450H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 VC in open, grid AT 815473. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

(LATER REPORTS)

a. At 081750H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines; 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines and 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibious Company fired on an NVA Battalion, grid 2C 193513. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 081820H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 4 VC, grid AT 812486. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	2846
7th Marines	170 200
26th Marines	68
General Support	238
1st FAC	86
Recon	2530
Opn HAMELUNG THURLET	959 6
Opn OWEN MESA	9698
Opn MAUI PEAK	191 226
Total	673 808

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	18
--------	----

6. FL School. On 9 October 1968 an FL school was conducted for 8 students from Headquarters Battalion and 12 students from Division Scout Snipers. Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired 4 missions in support of the school.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 284 From 100001H to 102400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 101304H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 3 VC in the open, grid AT 812476. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

b. At 101505H, Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 11 NVA, grid BT 003541. Observed by Recon Team (IN SWICH).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 091820H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 190 NVA, grid AT 814472. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN). 12
SURVEILLANCE: 9 KIA.

b. At 091925H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on suspected enemy movement, grid AT 817472. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 100920H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid EC 087574 enroute to grid EC 202558. Arrived in position at 101200H.

b. At 101315H, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid BT 070636 enroute to grid BT 012626. Arrived in position at 101740H.

c. At 101315H, Battery B, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid BT 012626 enroute to grid BT 070636. Arrived in position at 101740H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

COPY _____ OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	3539
b. 7th Marines	339372
c. 26th Marines	140152
d. General Support	7583
e. 1st F&G	1014
f. Recon	1013
g. Opn MAMELUKE THRUST	6577
h. Opn OWEN MESA	110112
i. Opn MAUI PEAK	4588
j. Total	836950

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	11
--------	----

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 205 From 110001H to 112400H October 1968.

1. Highlights

a. At 110930H, Battery E, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-
CRACKER mission on a NVA base camp, grid ZC 175605. Observed by an ob-
server with 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 101655H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines
fired on enemy on trail, grid ZC 180580. Observed by an observer with
3rd Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

b. At 101700H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on VC
in the open, grid AT 791589. Observed by an observer with 4th Battalion,
11th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

c. At 101725H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery fired a FIRE-
CRACKER mission on an enemy anti-aircraft position, grid ZC 200576. Ob-
served by an observer with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties.

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 110802H, one gun from 3rd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery dis-
placed from grid AT 921739 enroute to grid AT 985719. Arrived in position
at 110915H.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the re-
porting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

COPY _____ OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	2530
b. 5th Marines	
c. 7th Marines	271294
d. 26th Marines	98102
e. General Support	37
f. 1st FAG	1325
g. Recon	38
h. Opn HAMELUKE THRUST	6596
i. Opn OWEN MESA	121130
j. Opn MAUI PEAK	7496
k. Total	693788

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	2
--------	---

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARRIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 286 From 120001H to 122400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 120436H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on enemy contact, grid ZC 180561. Observed by an observer from 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 15 VC KIA

b. At 120450H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on VC in trees, grid ZC 180561. Observed by an observer with 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 3 VC KIA

c. At 120550H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on an active mortar position, grid ZC 185507. Observed by an observer with 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

d. At 121120H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on NVA positions, grid ZC 149579. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 4 NVA KIA

e. At 121240H, Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired on 10 VC, grid AT 814478. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 2 VC KIA

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 110700H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a series of prep fires in grid square ZC 1556. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 8 KIA

b. At 111745H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines; Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 36 NVA, grid AT 803479. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 14 KIA

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	37 38
7th Marines	142 168
26th Marines	74 75
General Support	3 8
1st FAG	5 17
Reson	4 6
Opn MAMELUE THRUST	72 79
Opn OWH MESA	89
Opn NAUI PEAK	90 110
Total	515 590

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/NVA KIA	46
------------	----

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 287 From 130001H to 132400H October 1968

1. Highlights - (Late entries)

a. At 121715H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 15 NVA, grid AT 817483. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICEMAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA.

(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 130900H, Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid AT 927846 enroute to grid AT 949753. Arrived in position at 131200H.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

a. 1st Marines	45 46
b. 7th Marines	212 237
c. 26th Marines	111 118
d. General Support	19 43
e. 1st FAC	4 16
f. Recon	8 9
g. Army	7
h. Opn MAMELUKE THRUST	100 110
i. Opn OWEN MESA	120 121
j. Opn MAUI PEAK	52 83
k. Total	680 783

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

1

COPY _____ OF 7 COPIES

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

1. Highlights. None.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 131315H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 10 NVA, grid AT 806476. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 NVA KIA

b. At 131438H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines and Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 30 NVA, grid AT 814468. Observed by Recon Team (SERVICE MAN).
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 131550H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 7 VC in open, grid AT 979519. Observed by an observer from 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 1 VC KIA

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 140805H, 2nd Platoon, 3rd 8 Inch Howitzer Battery departed grid YD 888127 enroute to Danang by LCU.

b. At 141210H, two 175mm Guns from Battery B, 8th Battalion, 4th Artillery departed grid AT 876575 enroute to grid AT 985719. Arrived in position at 141522H.

c. At 141600H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid XC 202558 enroute to grid AT 787552. Arrived in position at 141900H.

2. Weather had a slightly adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy 4 of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	43 44
7th Marines	238 229
26th Marines	92 124
General Support	2 12
1st PAC	35
Recon	14 16
Opn KAMELUKE THRUST	108 115
Opn OWEN MESA	168
Opn MAUI PEAK	43 54
Total	115 797

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/NVA KIA	2
------------	---

6. FO School. On 14 Oct 1968 an FO School was conducted for 40 students from the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. Two hours of classroom instruction was provided, however there ~~was~~ no missions fired due to inclement weather which hampered visibility. *WERE*

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARINE

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 289 From 150001H to 152400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None.

(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 150850H, 2nd Platoon, 3rd 8 Inch Howitzer Battery departed the Hue LCU ramp enroute to grid YD 888127. Arrived in position at 150915H.

(LATE ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 141630H, Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid ZD 116012 enroute to grid AT 872995. Arrived in position at 141730H.

2. Weather had a slightly adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	22 22
7th Marines	162 83
26th Marines	354 356
General Support	16 38
1st FAG	36 38
Recon	24 15
Cpn MANEuvre THRUST	335 144
Cpn MAUI PEAK	33 34 40
Total	769 770 836

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

0

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 290 From 160001H to 162400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 160420H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired on a VC escape route, grid 2C 155576. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: 12 KIA

(LATE ENTRY)

a. At 151850H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on a suspected VC movement, grid 2C 210570. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 151445H, two 155H (TD) from 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid AU 808015 enroute to grid AT 989714. Arrived in position at 151840H.

b. At 151815H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 787552 enroute to grid AT 882578. Arrived in position at 151845H.

c. At 161240H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines departed grid AT 882578 enroute to grid AT 963809. Arrived in position at 161615H.

d. At 161515H, one 155H (TD) from 1st Battalion, 13th Marines departed grid AU 808015 enroute to grid AT 989714. Arrived in position at 161700H.

2. Weather had a slightly adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	63	Recon	± 2
7th Marines	101 135	Opn MAPLELEKE THRUST	100 145
26th Marines	223 228	Opn MAUI PEAK	77 85
General Support	15 28	Total	642 730
1st FAG	42 44		

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA 12

Copy ____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 291 From 170001H to 172400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 170900H, Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid AT 872995 enroute to grid AT 925735. Arrived in position at 171200H.

b. At 170900H, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid AT 871994 enroute to grid AT 925735. Arrived in position at 171200H.

2. Weather had a slightly adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Manipulation of Missions

1st Marines	30
7th Marines	233
26th Marines	127
General Support	38
1st FA	28
Recon	8
Opn NAMELURE THRU	116
Opn NAU1 PEAK	78
Total	658

5. Daily Surveillances

VC KIA

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 29² From 180001H to 182400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None
2. Weather had a slightly adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.
3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.
4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	16
7th Marines	279
26th Marines	207
General Support	25
1st FAG	36
Recon	12
Opn MAHOLUKE THROST	90
Opn MAUI PEAK	42
Total	707
5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA
6. Re School. On 18 October 1968 an FO school was conducted for 40 students from 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. The school included 3 hours of classroom instruction. Practical application was not conducted due to poor visibility.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINE

TO: FIRST MARINE

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 293 From 190001H to 192400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	15
7th Marines	280
26th Marines	186
General Support	87
1st P&G	29
Recon	48
Cpn NAMELESS THIRST	86
Cpn MAUI TEAK	20
Total	751

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 294 From 200001H to 202400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 200655H, Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on 8 VC on a river bank, grid AT 903560. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 200715H, Battery X, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on VC in open, grid AC 189562. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 191700H, Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on a suspected VC Harbor sight, grid AT 954603. Observed by OP Laugh. ^{SITE}

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 191830H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on suspected enemy movement, grids AC 185594 and AC 183565. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 192050H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery, fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on suspected enemy movement, grids AC 183560 and AC 194567. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

2. Weather had a slightly adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	35
7th Marines	388
26th Marines	233

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

General Support	47	
1st FAG	0 no communications	34
Recon	10	
Opn RAMELICAL THRU AT	137	
Total	850	884

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	2
--------	---

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARSIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 295 From 210001H to 212400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 210430H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on suspected enemy movement, grids UC 201573, UC 210588 and UC 202564. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 211220H, Battery C, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on a VC squad in open, grid AT 888667. Observed by an observer from 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 211350H, Battery C, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission on VC in open, grid AT 888666. Observed by an observer from 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 211020H, Battery B, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid UC 212550 enroute to grid AT 876472. Arrived in position at 211400H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	40
7th Marines	330
26th Marines	174
General Support	74
1st YAG	34
Recon	30
Opn 1st L&K TROOP	71
Total	733

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	0
--------	---

Copy _____ of _____ Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 296 From 220001R to 222400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 220005H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery fired a FIRECRACKER mission on suspected VC mortar sites, grids XC 200565 and XC 195563. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 221015H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 10 VC in open, grid AT 801505. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE EARNER). SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA

c. At 221145H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 10 NVA at grid AT 804493. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE EARNER). SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA

d. At 221310H, Tango Battery, ^{208N} 11th Marines fired on 8 VC at grid AT 805502. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE EARNER). SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

e. At 221420H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 10 NVA in open, grid AT 808480. Observed by Recon Team (WEDDING RING). SURVEILLANCE: 5 KIA

f. At 221430H, Tango Battery, ^{208N} 11th Marines fired on VC in open, grid AT 801499. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE EARNER). SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

(LATE SIGHTING)

a. At 211800H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on 12 VC, grid AT 801503. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA

b. At 212110H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on VC movement, grid XC 202562. Observed by an observer from 4th Battalion, 11th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 212112H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission on VC movement, grid XC 195556. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(ARTILLERY & VC)

a. At 220045R, two guns from Battery C, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 980714 enroute to grid AT 991675. Arrived in position at 221150R.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	39
7th Marines	226
26th Marines	221
General Support	17
1st FAG	27
Recon	20
Opn MANHOLE TROOP	88
Total	638

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/NVA KIA	16
------------	----

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: Sitrep # 297 From 230001H to 232400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 230700H, Battery A, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines; Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (66 rounds) on 100 VC, grid AT 804489. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE BARBER).
SURVEILLANCE: 52 KIA

b. At 230820H, Battery E, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a mission on 200 VC, grid AT 801486. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE BARBER).
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 230830H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines and Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (77 rounds) on 100 AVA, grid AT 804478. Observed by Recon Team (WEDDIE RING).
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

d. At 230830H, 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company fired a FIRECRACKER mission (36 rounds), on 200 VC, grid AT 801488. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE BARBER).
SURVEILLANCE: 15 KIA

e. At 230925H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company fired a FIRECRACKER mission (10 rounds) on fifty plus VC, grid AT 801483. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE BARBER).
SURVEILLANCE: 57 KIA

f. At 230925H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a mission on VC carrying bodies at grid AT 801483. Observed by Recon Team (WEDDIE RING).
SURVEILLANCE: 6 KIA

(LAT. 122000H)

g. At 221800H, Battery F, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (42 rounds) on 80 VC with rockets and automatic weapons, grid AT 801483. Observed by Recon Team (WAGE BARBER).
SURVEILLANCE: 22 KIA

h. At 221930H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery fired a FIRECRACKER mission (1 round) on suspected enemy movement, grid AT 800573. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

c. At 222150H, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 15th Marines fired on enemy movement, grid AT 905835. Observed by an observer from 1st Battalion, 26th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 230830H, 2nd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery displaced from grid YD 868127 enroute to grid AT 921799. Arrived in position at 231735H.

b. At 230915H, two 4.2" Mortars from Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 991675 enroute to grid BT 012626. Arrived in position at 231045H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	58
7th Marines	289
26th Marines	92
General Support	47
1st PAC	No Communications
Recon	22
OPN. (RECON. THROST)	100
Total	608

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/RVA KIA 154

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST BATTAL

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 298 From 240001H to 242400H October 1968

1. Highlights

13 a. At 240650H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (5 rounds) on 13 VC in open, grid AT 802486. Observed by Recon Team (WAGG BARNER).

SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA

b. At 241540H, Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (2 rounds), grid AT 985600. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(LATER ENTRY)

14 a. At 231530H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 6" Howitzer Battery and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 30 NVA, grid AT 806487. Observed by Recon Team (WAGG BARNER).

SURVEILLANCE: 7 NVA KIA

(ARTILLERY NVA)

a. At 241430H, one 155mm Gun from 3rd 155 Gun Battery departed grid AT 879579 enroute to grid AT 921799. Arrived in position at 241750H.

2. Weather had no adverse affect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	67
7th Marines	330
26th Marines	313
General Support	35
1st FIC	62
Recon	9
Opn Reconnaissance, Hill	88
Total	904

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/NVA KIA	10
------------	----

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 299 From 250001H to 252400H October 1968

1. Highlights - Late Entries

a. At 241950H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 13th Marines fired a FIRE-CHARGER mission (8 rounds) on a night defensive fire, grid YD 914064. Observed by an observer with 4th Battalion, 13th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 242008H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 13th Marines fired a FIRE-CHARGER mission (13 rounds) on a night defensive fire, grid YD 924065. Observed by an observer with 4th Battalion, 13th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 242025H, Battery F, 4th Battalion, 13th Marines fired a FIRE-CHARGER mission (4 rounds) on a night defensive fire, grid YD 919073. Observed by an observer with 4th Battalion, 13th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties
(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 251400H, one gun from 3rd 155 Gun Battery displaced from grid AT 879579 enroute to grid AT 921799. Arrived in position at 251705H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	74
7th Marines	360
26th Marines	236
General Support	70
1st PAC	40
Recon	8
Opn REMBERG HILL	110
Total	898

5. Daily Surveillances

VC KIA 0

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARINE

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 300 From 260001H to 262400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 251214H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 15 VC in open, grid AT 806506. Observed by an observer from 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

b. At 251935H, 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (12 rounds) on enemy movement, grid AT 816556. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 252150H, 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (13 rounds) on enemy movement, grid AT 813560. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

d. At 252200H, Battery A, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (6 rounds) on enemy contact, grid AT 79995756. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

e. At 252200H, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (24 rounds) on an intelligence target, grids BT 003584 and BT 003576. The mission was unobserved.

(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 261345H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 964609 enroute to grid AT 917582. Arrived in position at 261600H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	58
7th Marines	71
26th Marines	324
General Support	115
1st FAG	8
Recon	12
Opn HENDERSON HILL	93
Total	681

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	1
--------	---

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 301 From 270001H to 272400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 261730H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (12 rounds) on 12 VC, grid AT 819530. Observed by Recon Team (PARKER TEN).

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

b. At 261745H, Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 3 VC, grid AT 816525. Observed by Recon Team (PARKER TEN).

SURVEILLANCE: 3 VC KIA

c. At 261936H, Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (30 rounds) on VC movement, grid AT 804564. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 270830H, Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines displaced from grid AT 923737 enroute to grid AT 931889. Arrived in position at 271400H. (3 Guns)

(LATE ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 261740H, one gun from 3rd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery departed grid AT 985719 enroute to grid AT 967618. Arrived in position at 261845H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	54
7th Marines	553
26th Marines	314
General Support	45
1st FAC	48
Recon	7
Opn BENDERBURN HILL	72
Total	1093

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA

3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST BATTAL

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 302 From 280000H to 282400H October 1968

1. Highlights. None.

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 271705H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (6 rounds) on 6 VC in open, grid AT 818531. Observed by Recon Team (PARSON FBN).
SURVEILLANCE: 4 KIA

b. At 271830H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (22 rounds) on 100 NVA, grid XC 170555. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 271945H, Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRE-CRACKER mission (40 rounds) on suspected enemy movement, grid AT 810567. Observed by an observer from 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVED)

a. At 281210H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8 Inch Howitzer Battery displaced from grid XC 211551 enroute to grid AT 921799. Arrived in position at 281555H.

b. At 281425H, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 787552 enroute to grid AT 879579. Arrived in position at 281550H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	64
-------------	----

7th Marines	40
-------------	----

26th Marines	232
--------------	-----

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

General Support	18
1st PAC	27
Recon	3
Opn BENDERAGE FIELD	77
Opn SABINE DRAG	196
Total	657

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	4
--------	---

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 303 From 290001H to 292400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 291130H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines and Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (72 rounds) on 12 to 15 NVA, grid AT 796455. Observed by an observer from 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

b. At 291345H, Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (6 rounds) on 12 VC, grid AT 938505. Observed by an observer with 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 261700H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (12 rounds) on 9 NVA with rockets, grid AT 819530. Observed by Recon Team (PARKER PER).
SURVEILLANCE: 2 KIA

b. At 261745H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 5 NVA, grid AT 816529. Observed by Recon Team (PARKER PER).
SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

c. At 261800H, Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines and Batteries A, B, and C, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (85 rounds) on 30 VC, grids BT 093643 and BT 097635. Observed by an Air Observer (Deerlodge 64) from 11th Marines.
SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 291500H, 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company displaced from grid ZC 212550 enroute to grid AT 879579. Arrived in position at 291800H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	49
7th Marines	208
26th Marines	202
General Support	81
1st MAG	39
Recon	15
Opn HEMLOCK HILL	93
Opn SABINE TRAIL	6
Total	693

5. Daily Surveillance

VC/NVA KIA	4
------------	---

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARDIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 304 From 300001H to 302400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 300130H, Batteries A and B, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (22 rounds) on a suspected assembly area, grids HT 097636 and HT 093633. The mission was unobserved.

b. At 301220H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a prep fire, grid AT 902529. Observed by an observer from 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: 3 KIA

(LATE ARTILLERY)

a. At 291840H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 8 VC with packs, grid AT 816529. Observed by Recon Team (JERKER FAN). SURVEILLANCE: 5 KIA

b. At 291845H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a FIRECRACKER mission (59 rounds) on an active mortar position, grid AT 918524. Observed by an observer from 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(ARTILLERY MOVES)

a. At 300800H, 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery displaced from grid AT 921799 enroute to grid AT 877475. Arrived in position at 301400H.

b. At 301125H, 3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company displaced from grid AT 879579 enroute to grid AT 995723. Arrived in position at 301350H.

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	54
7th Marines	280
26th Marines	210
General support	62
1st F&G	37
Recon	13
Cpn HENDERSON HILL	85
Cpn SABINE TRAIL	62
Cpn CARRARD BAY	11
Total	814

5. Daily Surveillance

VC KIA	8
--------	---

6. FC School. On 30 October 1968 the 11th Marines conducted an FC school for 10 students from Division Scout Snipers and 3 students from F&G. Two hours of classroom instruction and 4 hours of practical application were conducted. Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines fired 6 missions in support of the school.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: FIRST MARGIV

RELEASED BY _____

SUBJ: SITREP # 305 From 310001H to 312400H October 1968

1. Highlights

a. At 311025H, Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a prep fire on grid AT 940499. Observed by an observer with 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines. SURVEILLANCE: 1 KIA

b. At 311130H, Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 20 VC with packs and rifles, grid AT 935512. Observed by A.O. (May Fly). SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

c. At 311440H, Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired on 10 VC in tree line, grid AT 949507. Observed by an observer with 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.

SURVEILLANCE: Rounds on target, no observed casualties

(LATE ENTRIES)

a. At 301730H, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines fired a mission on 16 VC on trail, grid AT 818529. Observed by Recon Team (HAWKEN PEN). SURVEILLANCE: 5 KIA

(ARTILLERY MOVE)

a. At 311330H, Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from grid AT 964609 enroute to grid AT 949591. Arrived in position at 311530H. 917521 964609 964610

2. Weather had no adverse effect on artillery operations during the reporting period.

3. Artillery Operations. See attached forms.

4. Recapitulation of Missions

1st Marines	59
7th Marines	243
26th Marines	236
General Support	63
1st MAG	23
Recon	9
Opn HINTERLAND HILL	90
Opn CHINA DRAW	17
Opn CARBON BAY	0
Total	740

5. Daily Surveillance

VC - 12

6

Copy _____ of 7 Copies

CONFIDENTIAL

FRAG ORDERS

1 to 31 OCTOBER 1968

APPENDIX 3 to ANNEX C
FRAG ORDERS

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJOR W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 4 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR 56	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 040850Z		PRECE- DENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
			ACTION			XXXX			
			INFO			XXXX			

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY (SP)
3RD 155MM GUN BTRY (SP)

BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L

TRAGO 55 - 68

1. THIS CONFIRMS PREVIOUS VERBAL ORDERS.
2. 3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY (SP): DISPLACE 1ST PLT TO HILL 65. DIRECTION OF FIRE 4500.
3. 3RD 155MM GUN BTRY (SP): DISPLACE ONE PLT TO HILL 65. DIRECTION OF FIRE 4500.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

040850Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 4 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR 81	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 04/1515Z OCT 68		PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
			ACTION			XXX			
			INFO			XXX			

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 2ND BN, 11TH MAR
3RD BN, 11TH MAR
4TH BN, 11TH MAR
1ST ARMD AMPHIB CO

BT

CONFIDENTIAL

FRAGO 56- 68

1. THIS CONFIRMS PREVIOUS VERBAL ORDERS AND WARNING ORDERS.

2. A. 2/11. CHOP OPCON E-2-11 TO 3/11 EFF 050730H OCT 68. DISPLACE FROM PRESENT POSITION TO HILL 65.

B. 3/11. ASSUME OPCON E-2-11 UPON ARRIVAL HILL 65 AND FURTHER DISPLACE TO HILL 52. FORM BTRY GP WITH K-4-11 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. CO, K-4-11 DESIG BTRY GP CMDR.

C. 1ST ARMD. ON ORDER DISPLACE ONE PLAT FROM VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN FIRST MARDIV TAOR TO HILL 52. MISSION: REIN 3/11. DIRECTION OF FIRE 4500. FIRE DIRECTION TO BE FURN BY E-2-11.

D. FOR ALL ABOVE. RESUPPLY TO BE COORDINATED THROUGH S-4, 3/11. COMM REQUIREMENTS AS DIRECTED BY CO, 3/11.

E. 4/11. TWO 155 HOW (TD) IN CP PSN TO ASSUME PRIORITY OF FIRES TO SSDC VICE 3RD PLAT, 1ST ARMD.

GP-4

BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

04/1515Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJOR W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 5 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)	PRECE- DENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL (IMMEDIATE)	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED	
	050804Z OCT 68	ACTION			XXX				
		INFO			XXX				

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 3RD BN, 11TH MAR
3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY (SP)
3RD 155MM GUN BTRY (SP)

INFO: 4TH BN, 11TH MAR
1ST ARMD AMPHIB CO.

BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L

FRAGO 57 - 68

1. THE FOLLOWING CHANGE IN TACTICAL MISSION IS DIRECTED EFF 051800H OCT 68:

A. 3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY: CHANGE TACTICAL MISSION 1ST PLT TO GS REIN
3RD BN, 11TH MAR.

B. 3RD 155MM GUN BTRY: CHANGE TACTICAL MISSION BRAVO PLT TO GS REIN
3RD BN, 11TH MAR.

2. EFF 051800H OCT 68 DISOLVE BTRY GROUP ESTABLISHED BY VERBAL ORDER. 3RD BN,
11TH MAR FORWARD FDC WILL CONTROL ALL ARTY LOCATED AT HILL 52.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

050804Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL (when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 11 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) <i>110320Z OCT68</i>		PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL (IMMEDIATE)	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
			ACTION			XXX			
			INFO			XXX			

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY

INFO: 1ST BN, 11TH MAR
BTRY B, 8TH BN, 4TH ARTY

BT

CONFIDENTIAL

FRAGO 58 - 68

1. (C) ON 11 OCT 68 DISPLACE ONE GUN TO AT 985719 (175 GUN BTRY PSN). DIR OF FIRE 3200. MISSIONS REMAINS G/S. ESTAB QUICK FIRE CHANNEL TO 1/11.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

110320Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 13 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR 141	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 131000Z OCT 68		PRECE- DENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
			ACTION			XXX			
			INFO			XXX			

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 1ST FAG
3RD 8" HOW BTRY
BTRY B, 8TH BN, 4TH ARTY

INFO: 2/11
3/11

BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L

GRAGO 59 - 68

1. (C) 1ST FAG. ON 14 OCT 68 DISPLACE 2ND PLAT, 3RD 8" HOW BTRY FROM PRESENT PSN TO DANANG. PLAT CHOPS OPCON TO 3RD 8" HOW BTRY ON ARRIVAL DANANG.

2. (C) 3RD 8" HOW BTRY. ASSUME OPCON 2ND PLAT ON ARRIVAL DANANG AND BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO FURTHER DISPLACE IT TO AN HOA. ON ARRIVAL AN HOA 2ND PLAT WILL CHOP OPCON TO 2/11.

3. (C) BTRY B, 8TH BN, 4TH ARTY. ON ORDER, 14 OCT 68 DISPLACE ONE PLAT FROM HILL 65 TO PERM PSN.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

131000Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY <u>LTJGOL R.S. PHILLIPS</u>		DRAFTED BY <u>MAJOR J.L. CLONER</u>		PHONE EXT. NR.	PAGE	PAGES		
DATE <u>21 OCTOBER 1968</u>	TOR/TOD	ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY	OF			
MESSAGE NR <u>125</u>	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) <u>10400</u>	PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
		ACTION				<u>XX</u>		
		INFO				<u>XX</u>		

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 2ND BN 11TH MAR
3RD BN 11TH MAR

BT
CONFIDENTIAL

PRAGO 60 - 68

1. (C) THE FOLLOWING CHANGE IN TASK ORGANIZATION IS DIRECTED EFF 211500H OCT 68.

A. 2ND BN, 11TH MAR: ASSUME OPCON OF BTRY E, 2ND BN, 11TH MAR FROM 3RD BN, 11TH MAR.

B. 3RD BN, 11TH MAR: TRANSFER OPCON OF BTRY E, 2ND BN, 11TH MAR TO 2ND BN, 11TH MAR.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)
10400

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL (when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 25 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR 176	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 25/5/57 Oct 68			PRECEDENCE ACTION INFO	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY XXX	ROUTINE DEFERRED

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 4TH BN, 11TH MAR
1ST BN, 13TH MAR

BT
CONFIDENTIAL

PRAGO 62 - 68

1. (C) THE FOLLOWING CHANGE IN TACTICAL MISSION IS DIRECTED EFF 251200H OCT 68.

A. 4TH BN, 11TH MAR: CHANGE TACTICAL MISSION BTRY M, 4TH BN, 11TH MAR TO
G/S REIN 1ST BN, 13TH MAR.

GP-4
BT

B.P. [Signature]

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

25/5/57 Oct 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL (when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28A (REV. 3-61)

CONFIDENTIAL

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 30 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR 196		DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 300044Z		PRECEDENCE ACTION		FLASH		EMERGENCY	
				INFO		OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE XXX		PRIORITY	
						ROUTINE		DEFERRED	

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: 2ND BN 11TH MAR
4TH BN 11TH MAR
3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY

INFO: 3RD BN 11TH MAR
3RD 155 GUN BTRY

BT
CONFIDENTIAL

FRAGO 63 - 68

1. (C) 3RD 8". ON 30 OCT DISPLACE FIRST PLAT TO AN HOA. FORM BTRY GROUP WITH PLAT OF 155 GUNS PRESENTLY AT AN HOA. CAPT BERMAN DESIG BTRY GP CMDR. CHOP OPCON TO 2/11 UPON ARRIVAL. MISSION: REIN 2/11.
2. (C) 2/11. ASSUME OPCON FIRST PLAT, 3RD 8" HOW BTRY UPON ARRIVAL AN HOA.
3. (C) 4/11. BTRY K MISSION NOW G/S.

AP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

300044Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

CONFIDENTIAL (when filled in)

ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT

October 1968

APPENDIX 4 to ANNEX C
ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT

NAVAL MESSAGE

OPNAV FORM 2110-28B (REV. 3-61)

SECRET

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LT COL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJOR W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.	PAGE	PAGES		
DATE 7 OCTOBER 1968	TOR/TOD	ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY	OF			
MESSAGE NR. 108	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 070121Z OCT 68	PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
		ACTION					XXX	
		INFO					XXX	

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: ELEVENTH MARINES ADCON/OPCON

BT
SECRET

1. THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT IS EFFECTIVE 070800Z OCT 68:

1ST BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 1ST MAR
2ND BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 5TH MAR
3RD BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 7TH MAR
4TH BN, 11TH MAR	G/S
BTRY K	REIN 3/11
BTRY L	G/S REIN 3/11
BTRY M	G/S
PROV BTRY, 11TH MAR	G/S REIN 2/11 ((OPCON 2/11)
1ST BN, 13TH MAR	D/S 26TH MAR
1ST FAG	G/S 101ST AIR CAV DIV
1ST 155 GUN BTRY (SP)	OPCON 1ST FAG
BTRY K, 4TH BN, 13TH MAR	OPCON 1ST FAG
1ST ARMD AMPH CO	G/S
1ST PLT	G/S 2ND ROKMC BDE
2ND PLT	OPCON 3RD MAR DIV
3RD PLT	REIN 3/11
3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY (SP)	G/S
1ST PLT	G/S REIN 3/11
2ND PLT	OPCON 1ST FAG
3RD PLT	G/S
3RD 155 GUN BTRY (SP)	G/S
2-155 GUNS	G/S REIN 3/11
BTRY B, 8TH BN, 4TH ARTY (175 GUN) (USA)	G/S
BTRY G, 29TH ARTY (-) (SEARCHLIGHTS) (USA)	G/S

2. THE ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT WILL BE PUBLISHED ON A WEEKLY BASIS.

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

GP-4
BT

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

070121Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

SECRET

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE

OPNAV FORM 2110-28B (REV. 3-61)

SECRET

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJOR W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 14 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR. 144	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 131240Z		PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
			ACTION					XXXXX	
			INFO					XXXXX	

FROM: CO, 11TH MARINES
TO: 11TH MARINES

BT
SECRET

CO, 11TH MAR 070121Z OCT 68

1. THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT IS EFFECTIVE 140800H OCT 68.

A. NO CHANGE TO REF A.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

131240Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

SECRET

(when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE

OPNAV FORM 2110-28B (REV. 3-61)

SECRET

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJON W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.		PAGE		PAGES	
DATE 21 OCTOBER 1968		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY		OF	
MESSAGE NR. 163		DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 201210Z		PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE
				ACTION					XXXX
				INFO					XXXX

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: ELEVENTH MARINES ADCON/OPCON

BT
SECRET

1. CO, 11TH MAR 070121Z OCT 68
1. THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT IS EFFECTIVE 210800H OCT 68.
- A. NO CHANGE TO REF A.

GP-4
BT

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

R. Bustillo

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

201210Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

SECRET (when filled in)

NAVAL MESSAGE

OPNAV FORM 2110-28B (REV. 3-61)
S/N 0107-705-4200**SECRET**

(when filled in)

RELEASED BY LTCOL R.J. PHILLIPS		DRAFTED BY MAJOR W.H. COOPER		PHONE EXT. NR.	PAGE	PAGES		
DATE 28 OCTOBER 1968	TOR/TOD	ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY	OF			
MESSAGE NR. 186	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT) 280210Z	PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
		ACTION					XXX	
		INFO						

FROM: ELEVENTH MARINES
TO: ELEVENTH MARINES ADCON/OPCON

BT
S E C R E T

1. THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT IS EFFECTIVE 280800H OCT 68:

1ST BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 1ST MAR
2ND BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 5TH MAR
3RD BN, 11TH MAR	D/S 7TH MAR
4TH BN, 11TH MAR	G/S
BTRY K	REIN 3/11
BTRY L	G/S REIN 3/11
BTRY M	G/S REIN 1/13
1ST BN, 13TH MAR	D/S 26TH MAR
1ST FAG	G/S XXIV CORPS
1ST 155 GUN BTRY (SP)	OPCON 1ST FAG
BTRY K, 4TH BN, 13TH MAR	OPCON 1ST FAG
1ST ARMD AMPH CO	G/S
1ST FLT	G/S 2ND ROKMC BDE
2ND FLT	OPCON 3RD MARDIV
3RD FLT	REIN 3/11
3RD 8 INCH HOW BTRY (SP)	G/S
1ST FLT	G/S REIN 3/11
2ND FLT	G/S
3RD FLT	G/S
3RD 155 GUN BTRY (SP)	G/S
2-155 GUNS	OPCON 2/11
BTRY B, 8TH BN, 4TH ARTY (175 GUN) (USA)	G/S
BTRY G, 29TH ARTY (-) (SEARCHLIGHTS) (USA)	G/S

2. THE ORGANIZATION FOR COMBAT WILL BE PUBLISHED ON A WEEKLY BASIS.

DISTRIBUTION:
(PAGE ONE ONLY)

GP-4
BT

DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)

280210Z OCT 68

REPRODUCTION OF CLASSIFIED MESSAGES IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF ISSUING OFFICE

SECRET (when filled in)

SECRET

a. Operation MAMELUKE THRUST. A 5th and 7th Marine operation supported from 1 to 23 October 1968 by:

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Mortar Battery, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery
 Provisional 155 Battery, 11th Marines
 Detachment, 3rd 155 Gun Battery
 Battery B, 8th Battalion, 4th Artillery
 1st Armored Amphibian Company (-)
 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
 Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
 4th Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines
 Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines

The supporting units expended 23,327 rounds and fired 2,342 missions.

Operation Mameluke Thrust was an operation that commenced on 19 May 1968 and terminated on 23 October 1968. Both the 5th Marine Regiment and 7th Marine Regiment participated in this operation with the 2nd and 3rd Battalions of the 11th Marines in direct support.

For details see enclosures (1) (After Action Report, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines) and enclosure (2) (After Action Report, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines), and ANNEXES H and I.

APPENDIX 5 to ANNEX C
 (OPERATION MAMELUKE THRUST)
 ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET

2/21 S&C
4245-68
4 of 10

HEADQUARTERS
2d Battalion, 11th Marines
1st Marine Division, (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

3/DJB/jbl
3480
Ser:
3 Nov 1968

CONFIDENTIAL

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 5th Marines (S-3)
Subj: Combat Operation After Action Report
Ref: (a) DivO 3480.1A
(b) 5th Marines Operation Order 301A-68

1. In compliance with reference (a) and (b), the following report is submitted.

- a. Code Name. Mamaluke Thrust.
- b. Dates of Operation. 251200HJUL68 - 231200HOCT68.
- c. Location. Thua Thien and Quang Nam Provinces, RVN.
- d. Command and Control Headquarters. 5th Marine Regiment.
- e. Reporting Officer. Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 11th Marines.
- f. Task Organization.

Headquarters Battery
Battery D
Battery E
Battery F
Battery W
Provisional Battery

g. Supporting Forces. Provisional Battery, 11th Marines, (1st Platoon
3rd 155 Gun Battery)

- h. Intelligence. 5th Marines Intsums.
- i. Mission. Direct Support of 5th Marines.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS, DECLASSIFIED
AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10.

CONFIDENTIAL

ENCLOSURE (1) to APPENDIX 5

CONFIDENTIAL

3/DJB/jbl
3480
3 Nov 1968**k. Execution.**

At 261400HJUL68 1st FAG transferred OpCon of this battalion to the 11th Marines. The battalion displaced to the vicinity of An Hoa (AT 875475) arriving 271400HJUL68. Since arrival in An Hoa the battalion has provided fire support for the 5th Marines in Operation Mamaluke Thrust. In addition, Operation Susse Bay was conducted simultaneously during the period 290900H AUG68 to 091200HSEP68. This operation was the subject of a previous after action report.

On 050600HAUG68 E 2/11 was heli-lifted to a fire base at grid AT 8689 3601. The battery remained at this fire base, co-located with F 2/27 for security, until 200800HAUG68 when it was heli-lifted back to the An Hoa Combat Base. During this period of time E 2/11 did not engage any targets of significance, most of their firing being devoted to unobserved fires or in support of elements of the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. On 271200HSEP68 this battalion was given OpCon of Provisional Battery, 11th Marines. On 15 Oct 1968 Provisional Battery, 11th Marines was disbanded. The four 155mm Towed Howitzers of the Provisional Battery and their crews, were transferred to this battalion.

During Operation Mamaluke Thrust the 5th Marines concentrated the majority of their operations in the western two thirds of the Regimental AO. This allowed maximum artillery support to be available at all times. The battalion was able to mass in almost any area of infantry operation as well as call upon the general support elements of the 11th Marines to provide added reinforcing fires as required.

Increased infantry contacts and aggressive action by the 5th Marines resulted in increased effectiveness of artillery fire in regards to confirmed KIAS as well as the increasing use of general support artillery in firing preparation fires and targets developed by the intelligence sources of the 5th Marines.

At 010100HOCT68 2/5 chopped OpCon to the 7th Marines and at 060800HOCT68 3/5 chopped OpCon to the same regiment. In addition E 2/11 was chopped OpCon to 3/11. All of these units were involved in Operation Maui Peak.

This action resulted in a considerable reduction in the number of artillery missions fired in support of the operation Mamaluke Thrust. In addition, heavy rains from 12 thru 20 October 1968 reduced visibility and the number of observed missions. Ammunition expenditure remained at approximately 75% of normal due to an increase in the number of unobserved missions fired. Increased unobserved fires including daytime Harrassing and Interdiction fires were considered mandatory to discourage the freedom of movement available to NVA/VC forces under cover of the reduced visibility.

At 191415HOCT68 2/5 and 3/5 were returned to the control of the 5th Marines and E 2/11 was chopped to this battalion at 211200HOCT68. After two days of minor actions Operation Mamaluke Thrust was terminated.

Second Battalion units fired a total of 8379 missions expending 90686 rounds and accounting for 146 confirmed enemy kills.

l. Naval Gunfire. Naval Gunfire Support was not utilized during this operation.

CONFIDENTIAL

3/DJB/jbl
3480
3 Nov 1968m. Administrative Matters.

(1) Supply - There were minor problems and shortages in most area of supply during various periods of Mamaluke Thrust. The battalion move to An Hoa was accompanied by the usual problems of obtaining building materials in the large amounts required for developing a new area. At times transportation difficulties resulted in rationing of even such vital items as food and fuel. Overall, the battalion has been adequately supplied during the period with the one major exception of monsoon clothing.

(2) Maintenance. - Maintenance has been a problem for the battalion. The establishment of 3rd echelon facilities at the LSU facility relieved the problem, but its limited scope still results in the necessity of evacuation of deadlined equipment to Danang. Transportation difficulties result in frequent delays in evacuation of equipment and the return of repaired or replaced equipment.

(3) Transportation - Transportation has been the largest logistics problem for the battalion. The An Hoa Cantonment has frequently been closed to all but air transport. Bad weather and scarcity of aircraft has often delayed receipt of supplies and evacuation of equipment for 3rd echelon maintenance. The lack of a suitable river crossing facility of the Song Thu Bon (AT 925530) has imposed a tremendous handicap upon the conduct of Operation Mamaluke Thrust.

(4) Treatment of Casualties. - Medical support was provided by the 5th Marines at An Hoa. No problems were encountered.

n. Communications. The communications for Mamaluke Thrust were good for radio communications. Problems were encountered with radio relay and wire communications with higher headquarters. This may be attributed to the erratic behavior of ANTRC-27. Radio relay became more reliable during the last 30 days of the operation. The receipt and utilization of the antenna AS-2236/GNC improved radio communications to a considerable degree and is considered a definite asset to the communication capability of the battalion.

o. Special Equipment and Techniques. A visual device has been developed by personnel of this battalion allowing a radio operator to compute the maximum ordinate of a particular Quadrant Elevation by means of the operator listening to the announced charge and range during the conduct of a fire mission. This graphic device reduces the amount of voice traffic within the Battalion Fire Direction Center and saves an average of 20-30 seconds in the processing of a Sav-A-Plane data. While it is realized that such a device may not be appropriate to mention within the context of this type of report, it is felt worthy of note due to the fact it illustrates the contribution that individual Marines can make to the overall accomplishment of a units mission.

A battalion rear, logistics element, was established at the 11th Marines CP in Danang. This rear echelon consisting of maintenance and supply personnel has greatly facilitated the movement of supply and 3rd echelon repair items.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

3/DJB/jbl
3480
3 Nov 1968p. Commanders Analysis.

The formation of a Provisional Battery, 155 mm Howitzer, within this battalion has given the battalion an extremely responsive reinforcing fire unit as well as enhancing the range capability of the direct support artillery unit. Although general support artillery units of the 11th Marines have been responsive to calls for reinforcing fires, the presence of a medium artillery fire unit controlled by the Battalion Fire Direction has proven to be a highly effective utilization of these weapons.

The lack of an adequate river crossing site and the resupply and maintenance problems caused by this situation, have been a matter of prime concern to this command. The inability of air resupply to function during heavy rains and other periods of low visibility points to the prime requirement of this command, (i.e., a suitable river crossing facility of the Song Thu Bon). It is with grave concern that this command prepares for future operations during the coming monsoon season.

R. D. Jameson
R. D. JAMESON

HEADQUARTERS
 3d Battalion, 11th Marines
 1st Marine Division (Rein) RMF
 FPO San Francisco, California 96602

3/FHB/cmv
 3480
 4 November 1968
 Copy 1 of 45 Copies
 Control No. 0588-68

SECRET

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 11th Marines

Subj: Combat After Action Report

Ref: (a) DivO 13480.1A
 (b) FragO 5-68 issued 231400 May 1968

Encl: FragO 5-68 (original only)

1. Code Name: Search and Destroy Operation Mameluke Thrust
2. Dates of Operation: 190600 May 1968 to 231200 October 1968.
3. Location: Maps Viet Nam 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheets 6640 IV, 6540 I, 6541 II, 6641 III.
4. Command and Control: Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
5. Reporting Officer: Major A. F. Bauer.
6. Organization for Combat

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines Direct Support of
 7th Marines

Major BAUER

Battery F-2-11 Operational Control of 3-11

Battery C-1-13 Operational Control of 3-11

Battery D-2-11 Operational Control of 3-11

Battery K-4-11 (-) Reinforcing 3/11.

Battery KY-4-11 General Support-
 Reinforcing 3-11

Detachment 1st Ammonred Amphibious Company
 General Support

3480
4 November 1968

SECRET

Provisional Battery, 12th Marines General
Support-Reinforcing 3-11

7. Intelligence: Current Intsums

8. Mission: To provide artillery support for forces involved in Operation Mameluke Thrust under the 7th Marines operational control.

9. Concept of Operation: Initially displace one 105mm howitzer (towed) battery, one 155mm howitzer (self-propelled) battery, and Det. LVTH-6s to Hill 52 (vicinity AT 217553) to provide close support for maneuver battalions. Be prepared to displace on order to positions at Thuong Duc airfield (vicinity ZC153540) or the Thuong Duc CIDG Camp (vicinity ZC144530) as dictated by the tactical situation. Additional maneuver elements will be supported from fire bases at Hill 55 (vicinity 968616), Hill 65 (vicinity AT883579), and An Hoa (vicinity 877477) or by further displacements as required.

10. Execution: On 19 May Battery G, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines, Battery K, 4th Bn, 11th Marines, and two LVTH-6s from 1st Armored Amphibian Company, 11th Marines displaced to Hill 52 (vicinity ZC217553) to establish an initial fire base. On 27 May this fire base was displaced to the Thuong Duc airfield (vicinity ZC153540) and Battery C, 1st Bn, 11th Marines was lifted to An Hoa (vicinity 877477) in order to support another tangent of the operation. These fire bases remained essentially the same until Battery G and Battery K were withdrawn to their normally occupied fire bases, Hill 10 (vicinity AT923691) and Hill 65 (vicinity AT883579) respectively, on 15 June. Battery C was returned to the operational control of 1st Bn, 13th Marines and displaced to meet new support requirements. Battery F, 2nd Bn, 11th Marines supported various maneuver elements of the operation from Hill 55 (vicinity of AT 968616) during the period 10 June to 5 July. Battery D, 2nd Bn, 11th Marines briefly supported another extension of the operation in Elephant Valley from positions in the vicinity of AT 897824 (9 July-14 July) and AT 856842 (15 July-18 July). Battery KY, 4th Bn, 11th Marines and Battery I, 3rd Bn, 11th Marines at Hill 65 (vicinity 883579) and Provisional Battery, 12th Marines at Hill 55 (vicinity 968616) provided additional support throughout the operation. 7th Marine participation in Mameluke Thrust actually concluded at 2400 on 8 August.

3480
4 November 1968

SECRETMISSIONS FIRED

F BATTERY 2-11

<u>Type Mission</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	205	491	---	---	---	---	
PREP FIRE	45	1587	66	---	---	---	
TOT	---	---	---	---	---	---	
NDF	10	14	14	---	---	3	
OBS	34	545	72	4	---	2	Total
UNOBS	4	186	---	---	---	---	Rounds
TOTAL	298	2953	152	4	---	5	3014

I BATTERY 3-11

<u>Type Mission</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	237	1586	---	---	---	---	
PREP FIRE	103	2297	96	---	---	1	
TOT	2	15	16	---	---	---	
NDF	22	33	26	---	---	---	
OBS	277	3265	291	180	53	4	Total
UNOBS	108	1399	18	---	---	---	Rounds
TOTAL	809	8577	447	180	53	5	9262

C BATTERY 1-13

<u>Type Missions</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	368	1125	---	---	---	---	
PREP FIRE	26	932	---	---	---	---	
TOT	---	---	---	---	---	---	
NDF	22	43	42	---	---	---	
OBS	55	1037	60	53	---	1	Total
UNOBS	7	57	---	---	---	---	Rounds
TOTAL	478	3244	133	53	---	1	3431

G BATTERY 3-11

<u>Type Missions</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	585	1469	---	---	---	---	
PREP FIRE	75	1048	49	---	---	---	
TOT	8	274	---	15	---	---	
NDF	15	36	43	---	---	---	
OBS	145	1920	142	195	18	---	Total
UNOBS	31	682	3	1	---	---	Rounds
TOTAL	959	5429	237	211	18	---	5895

SECRET

3480
4 November 1968

SECRET

C BATTERY 1-11

<u>Type Missions</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	51	264	—	—	—	—	
PREP FIRE	7	230	12	—	—	—	
TOT	3	95	—	—	—	—	
NDF	22	—	28	—	—	34	
OBS	20	472	20	61	—	—	Total
UNOBS	5	101	—	—	—	—	Rounds
TOTAL	108	1162	60	61	—	34	1317

D BATTERY 1-11

<u>Type Missions</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>FC</u>	<u>SMK</u>	
H&I	34	180	—	—	—	—	
PREP FIRE	13	483	44	—	—	—	
TOT	—	—	—	—	—	—	
NDF	2	1	5	—	—	—	
OBS	11	8	7	12	—	—	Total
UNOBS	—	—	—	—	—	—	Rounds
TOTAL	60	672	56	12	—	—	740

K BATTERY 4-11

<u>Type Missions</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	
H&I		
PREP FIRE		
TOT		
NDF		
OBS	205	Total
UNOBS	365	Rounds
TOTAL	570	5440

11. Results: The artillery accounted for 6 structures destroyed, 0 structures damaged. As identified by fragmentation rounds, 372 KIA and 0 NVA/VC WIA. Of these, 173 KIA's must be shared with other supporting arms.

12. Administrative Matters. Administration details were covered in a conference prior to the operation.

- a. Supplies: Supplies were furnished through normal channels.
- b. Maintenance: Normal.
- c. Transportation: Transportation was furnished by battery trucks and helicopter.
- d. Communications: PRC-25 radios provided the primary means of communications.

3480
4 November 1968SECRET

13. Special Equipment and Techniques. This is the first operation in which 3-11 used firecracker rounds in counter-mortar fire; the results were inconclusive.

14. Commanders Analysis. Operation Mameluke Thrust was in actuality a collective title for several smaller and in some cases unassociated operations. A total of seven maneuver battalions were utilized by the Seventh Marines alone, and the 3rd Bn, 11th Marines had operational control of three batteries plus its own organic batteries to provide the close artillery support. A significant factor in this operation was the demonstration of the flexibility of artillery to task organize to meet all requirements of fire support generated by rapidly developing and sometimes divergent schemes of maneuver.

A. P. Bauer
A. P. BAUER

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
EOD DEC 2000

SECRET

b. Operation OWEN MESA. A 26th Marine operation supported from 1 to 14 October 1968 by:

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
1st Battalion, 13th Marines
Battery C, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines
Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines

The supporting units expended 6,338 rounds and fired 1,448 missions.

For details see enclosure (1) (1st Battalion, 13th Marines After Action Report) to APPENDIX 6 to ANNEX C

APPENDIX 6 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION OWEN MESA)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion(Rein), 13th Marines
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
APO San Francisco, California 96602

3/GRH/top
3000
19 Oct 1968
Ser: 0010A29668

SECRET

SECRET

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 26th Marines

11th Marines

7187-08

Subj: Operation OWEN MESA, After Action Report (U)

Encl: (1) Artillery Support during Operation OWEN MESA

1. Paragraph 7a (Artillery Support) to the 26th Marines After Action Report for Operation OWEN MESA, is forwarded herewith as enclosure (1).

2. This letter is unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

A. Novak
A. NOVAK

Copy to:
CG, 9th MAB
CO, 11th Marines

ENCLOSURE (1) to APPENDIX 6

COPY 12 of 15 COPIES

LCN: 00864

SECRET

SECRET3000
19 Oct 1968

7A. Artillery Support

(1) Units Providing

- (a) Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines
- (b) Battery C (Rein) 1st Battalion, 13th Marines
- (c) Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines

(2) Missions Fired

<u>Observed</u>	<u>Unobserved/Intelligence</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
95	2357	2452

(3) Ammunition Expended

<u>105</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
3885	1925	4637	10,447

(4) Highlights of Missions Fired

(a) On 18 September 1968, three (3) Mortars positioned at Clay More Pass fired 18 rounds at an active mortar site; the surveillance for the mission included 3 bunkers and 2 enemy mortars destroyed.

(b) On 23 September 1968, Battery C (Rein), 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 93 rounds at an enemy village and received a surveillance of 15 houses and 5 bunkers destroyed, 2 secondary explosions and 20 enemy KIA probable.

(c) On 2 October 1968, Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 154 rounds in support of an OPCON element of 3d Battalion, 26th Marines; 17 secondary explosions resulted from these fires.

(d) On 11 October 1968, Battery C (Rein) 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 81 rounds in support of 3d Battalion, 26th Marines element that observed several enemy in the open. A surveillance of 10 enemy KIA probable was received as a result of this mission.

(5) Summary of Artillery Support

(a) The artillery support provided by the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines can be characterized as being close, continuous, rapid and accurate.

ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET

SECRET3000
19 Oct 1968

7A. Artillery Support

(1) Units Providing

- (a) Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines
- (b) Battery C (Rein) 1st Battalion, 13th Marines
- (c) Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines

(2) Missions Fired

<u>Observed</u>	<u>Unobserved/Intelligence</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
95	2357	2452

(3) Ammunition Expended

<u>105</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
3885	1925	4637	10,447

(4) Highlights of Missions Fired

(a) On 18 September 1968, three (3) Mortars positioned at Clay More Pass fired 18 rounds at an active mortar site; the surveillance for the mission included 3 bunkers and 2 enemy mortars destroyed.

(b) On 23 September 1968, Battery C (Rein), 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 93 rounds at an enemy village and received a surveillance of 15 houses and 5 bunkers destroyed, 2 secondary explosions and 20 enemy KIA probable.

(c) On 2 October 1968, Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 154 rounds in support of an OPCOM element of 3d Battalion, 26th Marines; 17 secondary explosions resulted from these fires.

(d) On 11 October 1968, Battery C (Rein) 1st Battalion, 13th Marines fired 81 rounds in support of 3d Battalion, 26th Marines element that observed several enemy in the open. A surveillance of 10 enemy KIA probable was received as a result of this mission.

(5) Summary of Artillery Support

(a) The artillery support provided by the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines can be characterized as being close, continuous, rapid and accurate.

ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET

SECRET

c. Operation MAUI PEAK. A 7th Marine operation supported from 6 to 19 October 1968 by:

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (SLF)
Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines
3rd Platoon, 1st Armored Amphibian Company
Platoon B, 3rd 155 Gun Battery
Battery B, 8th Battalion, 4th Artillery
1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery

The supporting units expended 13,112 rounds and fired 1,417 missions.

For details see enclosure (1) (~~3rd~~ 11th Battalion, 11th Marines After Action Report) to APPENDIX 7 to ANNEX C and ANNEX I.

APPENDIX 7 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION MAUI PEAK)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

HEADQUARTERS
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

3/17/10
3480
25 October 1968
Copy 32 of 45 copies
Control No. 00573-68

SECRET

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 11th Marines
Subj: Combat After Action Report
Ref: (a) Divo 13480.1
(b) Frag Order Issued Verbally

1. Code Name: Search and Destroy Operation Maui Peak.
2. Dates of Operation: 060700 October 1968 to 191500 October 1968.
3. Location: Laos, Vietnam, 1:50,000 MGS Series L7014, Sheets 6640 IV and 6540 I.
4. Command and Control: Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
5. Reporting Officer: Major A.F. Bauer.
6. Organization for Combat:

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines Direct Support of
7th Marines

Maj. Bauer

Battery E-2-11 Operational Control of 3-11

Capt. Savanach

Battery M-3-11 Attached to 2nd Bn, 7th Marines

Capt. Jordan

Battery F-4-11 Reinforcing 3-11

Capt. Smotherman

Company C, 1st Armored Amphibious Bn Reinforcing 3-11

2nd Lt Gazdayka Jr.

Platoon A, 3rd 81 Howitzer Battery General
Support Reinforcing 3-11

Capt. Ferman

Platoon E, 3rd 155 Gun Battery General
Support Reinforcing 3-11

Capt. Yost

Battery B-81 Howitzer 4th (-) (175 Guns) General
Support 3-11

1st Lt Wade

1

SECRET

ENCLOSURE (1) to APPENDIX 7

SECRET

7. Intelligence: Current Intsums.

8. Mission: 3rd Battalion, 14th Marines to provide artillery support for the forces involved in Operation Maui Peak.

9. Concept of Operation: To establish a fire base at Hill 52 (vicinity grid AT788552) for immediate and continuing support of all units in the operation. To lift a mortar battery into LZ Vulture (vicinity grid TC070570) to provide close support for the 2nd Bn, 7th Marines and elements of the 51st AVN Regiment. Additional support to be provided from firebase at Hill 65 (vicinity grid AT883579).

10. Execution: On D-Day minus two Battery E-4-11 was displaced to Hill 52, followed by Battery E-2-11 and Platoon C, 1st Armored Amphibious Company on D-Day minus one, and Platoon A, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery on D-Day. E-3-11 was lifted into LZ Vulture on D-Day, then displaced by helicopter on D-Day plus four to the vicinity of grid TC202550, where it remained until withdrawn from the operation on D-Day plus ten. Platoon A, B-8-41 displaced to Hill 65 on D-Day minus two and provided support until withdrawn on D-Day plus eight. Platoon B, B-8-41 and Platoon B, 3rd 155 Gun Battery, normally based at Hill 65, also supported from that position.

MISSIONS FIREDB BATTERY 2-11

<u>Type Mission</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>MP</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>EC</u>	
Prep Fire	138	1232	23	--	--	
TOT	09	354	--	--	--	
NDF	10	45	19	--	--	
OPS	86	1661	84	71	--	
UNOPS	04	66	--	--	--	<u>Total Rounds</u>
H-I	265	752	--	--	--	
Total	412	4110	126	71	--	4307

B BATTERY 3-11

<u>Type Mission</u>	<u>No. Missions</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>MP</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>EC</u>	
Prep Fire	07	149	06	--	--	
TOT	01	18	--	--	--	
NDF	02	01	03	--	--	
OPS	19	438	10	19	--	<u>Total Rounds</u>
UNOPS	01	12	--	--	--	
H-I	136	977	--	06	--	1639
Total	166	1595	19	25	--	

SECRET

BATTERY 4-11

Type Mission	No. Missions	HE	WP	ILL	EC	
Prep Fire	20	620	20	--	--	
TOT	06	70	--	--	--	
NDF	03	01	06	--	--	
OBS	71	1236	43	42	31	Total Rounds
UNOBS	04	42	--	--	--	
HFI	161	610	--	--	--	2745
Total	273	2603	63	42	31	

BATTERY 3-11

Type Mission	No. Missions	HE	WP	ILL	EC	
Prep Fire	03	130	--	--	--	
TOT	09	60	--	--	--	
NDF	--	--	--	--	--	
OBS	27	225	--	--	22	
UNOBS	19	57	--	--	04	Total Rounds
HFI	26	103	--	--	--	
Total	84	611	--	--	26	637

C PLATOON 1st BN 155 GUNS

Type Mission	No. Missions	HE	WP	ILL	EC	
Prep Fire	14	415	20	--	--	
TOT	12	161	--	--	--	
NDF	02	05	03	--	--	
OBS	44	1246	59	11	--	
UNOBS	09	90	--	--	--	Total Rounds
HFI	151	605	--	--	--	
Total	232	2610	82	11	--	2703

I BATTERY 3-11

Type Mission	No. Missions	HE	WP	ILL	EC	
OBS	04	127	02	--	--	
UNOBS	24	240	--	--	--	Total Rounds
HFI	139	2644	--	--	--	
Total	167	3241	02	--	--	3241

B PLATOON 3rd 155 GUNS

Type Mission	No. Missions	HE	
OBS	03	10	Total Rounds
HFI	80	290	
Total	83	290	290

SECRET

SECRET

11. Results: The artillery accounted for 57 KIA and 12 VC/NVA as WIA. The artillery fire base on Hill 52 (vicinity grid AT788552) received 3 82mm mortars and 8 B-40 rockets. Fired counter-mortar fire causing 4 secondary explosions.

12. Administrative Matters: Administrative details were covered in a conference prior to the operation.

- a. Supplies: Supplies were furnished through normal channels.
- b. Maintenance: Normal.
- c. Transportation: Transportation was furnished by battery trucks and helicopters.
- d. Communications: PRC-25 radios provided the primary means of communication.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: 3rd Bn, 11th Marines provided a forward tactical Fire Direction Center at Hill 52 (vicinity grid AT788552) which effectively provided for additional artillery coordination and control during the operation.

14. Commander's Analysis: The utilization of the above forward tactical Fire Direction Center proved to be a very satisfactory method of coordinating and controlling the artillery for the operation. In addition to alleviating the communication problems that would normally be inherent to an operation with units at a comparatively long distance from the controlling agency, the forward element also made possible a coordinated and efficient logistics effort even under adverse weather conditions. Important also are the considerations that the technique enabled this unit to maintain its close command liaison with the 7th Marines, whose Command Post was not displaced, and also allowed the unit to provide an undiminished effort in fulfilling TAOR requirements.

A. F. Bauer
A. F. BAUER

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
EOD DIV 5200.10

SECRET

d. Operation HENDERSON HILL. A 5th Marine operation supported from 23 to 31 October 1968 by:

- Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
- 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery D, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery T, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery Group (2-155 Guns and 2-8" Howitzers)
- 1st Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery

The supporting units expended 11,244 rounds and fired 708 missions.

Surveillance: Operation continues.

For details see ANNEX H

APPENDIX 8 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION HENDERSON HILL)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

e. Operation SABINE DRAW. A 7th Marine operation supported from 28 to 31 October 1968 by:

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (SLF)
Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (SLF)
4th Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

The supporting units expended 3,298 rounds and fired 281 missions.

Surveillance: Operation continues.

For details see ANNEX I

APPENDIX 9 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION SABINE DRAW)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

f. Operation GARRARD BAY. A 1st Marine operation supported from 25 to 31 October 1968 by:

- Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
- 1st Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery A, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery B, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines
- Battery C, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines
- Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines
- 4th Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

The supporting units expended 1,253 rounds and fired 11 missions.

Surveillance: Operation continues.

For details see ANNEX G

APPENDIX 10 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION GARRARD BAY)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

g. Operation TALLEDEGA CANYON. A 7th Marine operation supported from 1 to 5 October 1968 by:

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (SLF)
Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (SLF)
Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines
Battery L, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines
Platoon A, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery

The supporting units expended 4,471 rounds and fired 279 missions.

For details see enclosure (1) (3rd Battalion, 11th Marines After Action Report) to APPENDIX 11 to ANNEX C and ANNEX I.

APPENDIX 11 to ANNEX C
(OPERATION TALLEDEGA CANYON)
ENCLOSURE (1)
SECRET

SECRET

9. Concept of Operation: On D-Day minus one H-3-11 moved from its primary position to grid AT932666 to be prepared to answer calls for fire from 2-7 operational forces. G-3-11 at its primary position at Hill 10 (vicinity grid AT924693) to answer calls for fire from the 21st Vietnamese Ranger Bn. W-3-11 in position at Hill 22 (vicinity grid AT905718) to answer calls for fire from the 37th Vietnamese Ranger Bn. Battery I-3-11 (vicinity grid AT883579), Battery K-4-11 (vicinity grid AT883579), Battery L-4-11 (vicinity grid AT965619), and A Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzers (vicinity grid 965619) to provide additional support from their present positions.

10. Execution: At 301410 September 1968, H-3-11 arrived at grid AT93206665 and was prepared to answer calls for fire from 2-7 until the operation ended at 050930 October 1968.

MISSIONS FIRED

G BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	WP	ILL	FC	SMK
Prep Fire	--	--	--	--	--	--
NDF	07	24	04	--	--	--
TOT	--	--	--	--	--	--
Obs	09	154	07	--	--	--
Unobs	--	--	--	--	--	--
H&I	45	226	--	--	--	--
Total	61	404	11	--	--	--

Total Rounds- 415

H BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	WP	ILL	FC	SMK
Prep Fire	16	1516	28	--	--	--
NDF	09	--	25	--	--	--
TOT	03	84	--	--	--	--
Obs	24	441	34	--	--	--
Unobs	03	56	--	--	--	--
H&I	16	240	--	--	--	--
Total	71	2337	87	--	--	--

Total Rounds- 2424

I BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	WP	ILL	FC	SMK
Prep Fire	01	49	--	--	--	--
NDF	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOT	02	18	--	--	--	--
Obs	01	16	02	--	--	--
Unobs	--	--	--	--	--	--
H&I	39	244	--	--	--	--
Total	43	327	02	--	--	--

Total Rounds- 331

HEADQUARTERS
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

3/ FB/jer
3480
10 October 1968
Copy 32 of 45 copies
Control No. 00572-68

SECRET

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 11th Marines

Subj: Combat After Action Report

Ref: (a) DivO 13480.1
(b) Fraz Order Issued Verbally

1. Code Name: Search and Destroy Operation Talledega Canyon.
2. Dates of Operation: 011100 October 1968 to 050930 October 1968.
3. Location: Maps, Vietnam 1:50,000 WS Series L7014, Sheets 6640 IV, 6641 III and 6540 I.
4. Command and Control: Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.
5. Reporting Officer: Major A.F. Bauer, Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

6. Organization for Combat:

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines D.S. of 7th Marines

Maj. Bauer

Battery H-3-11 attached to 2nd Bn, 7th Marines

Capt. James

Battery W-3-11 attached to 2nd Bn, 7th Marines

Capt. Riordan

Battery K-4-11 G.S. Reinforcing 3-11

Capt. Smotherman

Battery L-4-11 G.S. Reinforcing 3-11

1st Lt. Chaves

A Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzers General Support

1st Lt. Sieman

7. Intelligence: Current Intsums.

8. Mission: 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines to provide artillery support for forces involved in Operation Talledega Canyon.

SECRET

A PLT 3rd 8"

Type Mission	Number	HE	
Obs	05	69	
Unobs	03	14	
H&I	16	50	
Total	24	133	Total Rounds- 133

K BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	
Prep Fire	34	386	
TOT	01	12	
Total	35	398	Total Rounds- 398

L BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	MF	
Prep Fire	04	133	01	Total Rounds- 134

W BATTERY

Type Mission	Number	HE	
H&I	41	636	Total Rounds- 636

11. Results: There were no reported results.

12. Administrative Matters: Administrative details were covered in a conference prior to the operation.

- a. Supplies: Supplies were furnished through normal channels.
- b. Maintenance: Normal.
- c. Transportation: Transportation was furnished by battery trucks and helicopter.
- d. Communications: PRC-25 radios provided the primary means of communication.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: None.

14. Commander's Analysis: The command structure with Battery H-3-11 and Battery W-3-11 remaining attached to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines did not facilitate the control, coordination, or reporting for the artillery and could easily have been detrimental to the operation.

[Signature]
A. T. BAKER

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIV 5200.10

SECRET

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
S-4	
PLACE	
11TH MARINES	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
010001H OCT 68	312400H OCT 68

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
			011500 H	10 M54 TRKS FROM DIV TO 4/11 FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION		
			051500 H	5 TRACTOR TRAILERS, 3 M54 TRKS, 1 M54 TRK W/DOLLY CONVERTER FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52		
			071200 H	2 M35A2C TRKS FROM HQ BTRY, 11TH MAR TO S-4 3/11 FOR GENERAL SUPPLY SUPPORT OF HILL 52		
			090900 H	9 TRACTOR TRAILERS TO 1/13 FROM DIV FOR MOVEMENT AUGMENTATION		
			090800 H	2 M54 TRKS W/DOLLY CONVERTERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION		
			110800 H	3 M54 TRKS W/DOLLY CONVERTERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			130800 H	1 TRACTOR TRAILER AND 2 M54 TRKS W/DOLLY CONVERTERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			140800 H	3 M54 TRKS W/DOLLY CONVERTERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			180800 H	2 TRACTOR TRAILERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			210800 H	2 TRACTOR TRAILERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			220800 H	2 TRACTOR TRAILERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION 1/11		
			230800 H	4 TRACTOR TRAILERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 10 AND 65		
			240800 H	3 TRACTOR TRAILERS FROM DIV FOR AMMO AUGMENTATION HILL 52 AND 65		
			251000 H	1 LOW BOY TRK AND TLR FROM DIV TO TRANSPORT TRACTOR FROM 4/11 TO FSR		

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)

JOURNAL (3480)
NAYMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
S-1	
PLACE	
11TH MARINES	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
010001 H OCT 68	312400 H OCT 68

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.
2 of 2 Pages

(Classification)

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION

NORTHERN SECTOR DEFENSE COMMAND

PLACE

DA NANG, RVN

FROM (Date and hour)

01 0001H Oct 1968

TO (Date and hour)

21 2400H Oct 1968

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
			010001H 012400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 11 night patrols.	
			020001H 022400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 11 night patrols and 1 LP.	
			030001H 032400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 12 night patrols.	
			040001H 042400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 13 night patrols.	
			050001H 052400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 11 night patrols.	
			060001H 062400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 12 night patrols.	
			070001H 072400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 12 night patrols.	
			080001H 082400H	Set cond 3 Med, 6 day patrols and 15 night patrols.	
			090001H 092400H	Set cond 3 Med, 6 day patrols and 14 night patrols.	
			100001H 102400H	Set cond 3 Med, 5 day patrols and 13 night patrols.	
			110001H 112400H	Set cond 3 Med, 6 day patrols and 15 night patrols.	
			120001H 122400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 15 night patrols.	
			130001H 132400H	Set cond 3 Med, 6 day patrols and 19 night patrols.	
			140001H 142400H	Set cond 3 Med, 5 day patrols and 12 night patrols and 1 LP.	
			150001H 152400H	Set cond 3 Med, 6 day patrols and 11 night patrols.	

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

1

ANNEX E

(Classification)

JOURNAL (3480)
NAVMC 219 (REV. 5-63)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION NORTHERN SECTOR DEFENSE COMMAND	
PLACE DA NANG, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour) 01 0001H Oct 1968	TO (Date and hour) 31 2400H Oct 1968

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
			160001H 162400H	Set cond 3 Mod, 4 day patrols and 12 night patrols	
			170001H 172400H	Set cond 3 Mod, 6 day patrols and 16 night patrols.	
			180001H 182400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 10 night patrols.	
			190001H 192400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 13 night patrols.	
			200001H 202400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 14 night patrols.	
			210001H 212400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 13 night patrols.	
			220001H 222400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 10 night patrols.	
			230001H 232400H	Set cond 4, 4 day patrols and 9 night patrols.	
			240001H 242400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols and 15 night patrols,	
			250001H 252400H	Set cond 4, 6 day patrols XXXX and 15 night patrols.	
			260001H 262400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 12 night patrols.	
			270001H 272400H	Set cond 4, 4 day patrols and 10 night patrols.	
			280001H 282400H	Set cond 4, 3 day patrols and 10 night patrols.	
			290001H 292400H	Set cond 4, 4 day patrols and 11 night patrols.	
			300001H 302400H	Set cond 4, 5 day patrols and 14 night patrols.	

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

2

(Classification)

(Classification)

UNIT OR SECTION	
NORTHERN SECTOR DEFENSE COMMAND	
PLACE	
DA NANG, RVN	
FROM (Date and hour)	TO (Date and hour)
01 0001H Oct 1968	31 2400H Oct 1968

[illegible]

(See reverse side for instructions)

PAGE NO.

(Classification)