

HEADQUARTERS
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
Via: Commanding Officer, 11th Marines (-)
Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) DivO 5750.2
(b) RegtO 5750.1

Encl: ✓(1) First Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology

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

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Appendix A to part 4

FIRST BATTALION ELEVENTH MARINES COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1. Organizational Data

a. Location

- (1) 1 July 1965 - 10 Aug 1965 Camp Pendleton, California
 (2) 10 Aug 1965 - 28 Aug 1965 Enroute Okinawa

(3) 28 Aug 1965 - 31 Dec 1965 Camp Hansen, Okinawa

b. Period covered by this report

(1) 1 July 1965 - 31 Dec 1965

c. Name/Rank of Commanding Officer, Staff and Chief

Subordinates

- (1) Commanding Officer - Maj. B. C. MARKS 010913 1 Jul - 5 Aug
 LtCol W. C. OLSEN 031569 5 Aug - 31 Dec
- (2) Executive Officer - Maj. J. D. SHOUP 055007
- (3) Sergeant Major - SgtMajor N. G. MILLS 514429
- (4) Adjutant - 1stLt L. C. McDONALD 086374 1 Jul - 15 Nov
 1stLt J.K. JOHNSON 090332 15 Nov - 31 Dec
- (5) S-2 - 1stLt J. T. FISCHBACH 087315 1 Jul - 29 Sept
 1stLt L. J. RAWSON 088171 - 29 Sep - 1 Dec
 1stLt T. E. MACDERMANT 089827 1 Dec - 31 Dec
- (6) S-3 - Maj C. SOLOMON 059085 1 Jul - 8 Nov
 Maj B. F. OGDEN 061164 8 Nov - 31 Dec
- (7) S-4 - 1stLt J. E. TRUMMEL 083760
- (8) Supply - 1stLt V. D. TUDOR 088372
- (9) MTO - 1stLt T. C. GREENWOOD 087542
- (10) CommO - Capt J. A. WEINGARTEN 083786 1 Jul - 20 Oct
 Capt F. T. GRIFFITH 078692 2 Oct - 31 Dec
- (11) HqBtry CO - 1stLt R. M. CIRAMI 086957 1 Jul - 20 Oct
 Capt J. A. WEINGARTEN 083786 2 Oct - 27 Dec
 1stLt V. D. SWEENEY 27 Dec - 31 Dec
- (12) "A" Btry - Capt R. J. SEED 074672

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(13) "B" Btry CO - 1stLt D. A. CAPITANIO 085413 1 Jul - 2 Aug
 Capt R. C. GREGOR 078614 2 Aug - 31 Dec

(14) "C" Btry CO - Capt J. O. CRANFORD 068044

(15) Howtar Btry CO - 1stLt A. J. EDWARDS Jr 082609 1 Jul - 28 Jul
 1stLt J. A. KENNIGER 085160 28 Jul - 31 Dec

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2. Commander's Narrative Summary of Significant Events.

a. This Battalion deployed from CONUS during the month of August, reestablished itself on Okinawa and prepared for any assigned missions. Two batteries were provided to Second Battalion, First Marines for employment on the SLF. One Battery went in country with BLT 1/3. The Battalion (-) participated in an extensive Regimental FFEK in Japan during October 1965 and returned to further prepared for in country operations. Two batteries from the 12th Marines were reequipped, retrained, and in some cases restaffed by this Battalion.

3. Description of Significant Events

a. Training. During the period 11 October through 29 November, the 1st Battalion (-), 11th Marines (-) conducted an extended field firing exercise at Camp Fuji, Japan, to acquire an increased state of combat readiness.

4. Chronology of Events

28 Jul Activation of RLT - 1

1st Battalion (-), 11th Marines (-) began planning with RLT - 1 for future deployment

8 Aug "A" Btry departed

On this date "A" Btry attached to BLT 1/1 departed CONUS

10 Aug RLT - 1 departed

Hq Btry, 1stBn(-), 11thMar(-) with Battery "B" and 107 MM Mortar Btry departed for Okinawa

23 Aug "C" Btry departed CONUS

Attached to BLT 3/1 Btry "C" departed for Okinawa

28 Aug RLT - 1 arrives Okinawa

Hq 1/11 along with Btry "B" and Howtar Btry arrived on Okinawa this date and moved to Camp Hansen

29 Aug "A" Btry arrives Okinawa

Btry "A" joined the rest of the battalion on 29 August

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- 8 Sep "B" Btry and 107 MM Mortar Btry left on SLF with BLT 2/1
After a couple of weeks of training on Okinawa these two batteries departed with SLF
- 12 Sep "C" Btry arrives Okinawa
The last battery to leave CONUS arrived on this date
- 4 Oct 11th Marines (-) and 1stBn(-), 11thMar(-) left Okinawa for Japan
The 1stBn(-), 11thMar(-) (HqBtry and "C" Btry) departed for Japan where an extended field firing exercise was conducted at Camp Fuji
- 6 Nov 1stBn(-), 11thMar(-) returned with the 11thMar(-) to Okinawa
After completing a three week exercise the Battalion (-) returned to Okinawa
- 13 Nov "A" Btry departs with BLT 1/3
Btry "A" attached to BLT 1/3 departed for duty in Viet Nam
- 29 Nov "B" Btry 1/12 and Howtar Btry 3/12 arrive in Okinawa
BLT 2/3 arrived from RVN with B-1-12 and 107 MM Mortar-3-12 attached. Upon arrival these two batteries joined 1/11. This Battalion was to provide administrative and logistical support.
- 28 Dec "C" Btry 1/11 was attached to BLT 3/1
Here again administrative control was passed, but logistical control continued.
- 20 Dec "B" Btry 1/12 was attached to BLT 2/3
Administratively B-1-12 was part of BLT 3/1, but 1/11 supported them logistically.

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