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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 April 1970 - 30 April 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

2d Bn, 11th Marines

1-30 April 1970

COMMANDER

LtCol D. C. STANTON

SUBORDINATE UNITS

HQ Battery

1-30 April 1970

Capt W. H. WARTLAND

Battery "D"

1-30 April 1970

Capt C. G. SIMPSON

Battery "E"

1-30 April 1970

1stLt D. DUFF

Battery "F"

1-30 April 1970

Capt J. R. HARPER

Mortar Battery

1-30 April 1970

Capt J. E. HAYES

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2d Bn, 11th Marines	1-30 April 1970	An Hoa	AT 866472
HQ Battery	1-30 April 1970	An Hoa	AT 866472
Battery "D"	1-24 April 1970	Hill 65	AT 883579
	25-30 April 1970	Hill 65	AT 883579
Battery "D" X-Ray	1-14 April 1970	Hill 65	AT 883579
	15-30 April 1970	Hill 52	AT 787551
Battery "E"	1-30 April 1970	An Hoa	AT 877472
Battery "F"	1-30 April 1970	Hill 55	AT 965619
Mortar Battery	1-30 April 1970	An Hoa	AT 864471
Mortar Battery (-)	16-27 April 1970	Hill 10	AT 924692

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Bn Executive Officer	1-30 April 1970	Maj G. W. RYHANCH
Bn Sergeant Major	1-30 April 1970	SgtMaj V. L. KELLER
S-1 Officer	1-30 April 1970	WO E. R. SIMPSON III
S-2 Officer	1-30 April 1970	1stLt M. J. RANSOM
S-3 Officer	1-30 April 1970	Maj W. M. HARBORTH
S-4 Officer	1-30 April 1970	Capt H. M. HITT
S-5 Officer	1-30 April 1970	1stLt W. R. MADDOX
Communications Officer	1- 7 April 1970 8-30 April 1970	1stLt J. E. POWER 1stLt J. J. GRAHAM
Motor Transport Officer	1-30 April 1970	1stLt J. H. HALL
Supply Officer	1-30 April 1970	1stLt T. I. WILLIAMS
Liaison Officer	1-30 April 1970	Maj J. H. TINSLEY

AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<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>
46	594	3	13	0	0

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AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES

<u>CALIBER</u>	<u>5TH MAR</u>	<u>RECON</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>7TH MAR</u>	<u>1ST MAR</u>
105mm How	9527	2406	331		
4.2" Mortar	1186	152	359		
155mm How	165	12	293		
8" How	130	14			

TOTAL ROUNDS 14575

MISSIONS FIRED

<u>OBSERVED</u>	<u>S-2</u>	<u>UNOBSERVED</u>
509	99	196

HARRASSING AND INTERDICTION

<u>MISSIONS</u>	<u>ROUNDS</u>
939	10630

TOTAL ROUNDS 25205

TOTAL MISSIONS 1743

CONSOLIDATED SURVEILLANCES

During the month of April 1970, 2d Battalion, 11th Marines was credited with 95 confirmed KIA's, 13 probable KIA's, 17 structures damaged or destroyed, and 4 secondary explosions.

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PART II

The 2d Battalion, 11th Marines continued to provide timely and accurate fire support to the 5th Marines during the month of April 1970. In addition, Battery "T", 2d Battalion, 11th Marines continued in its additional mission of General Support/Reinforcing the fires of the 1st Battalion, 11th Marines, supporting elements of the 1st Marine Regiment.

On 3 April 1970, three enemy rockets impacted in 2d Battalion, 11th Marines positions in the An Hoa Combat Base; two 122mm rockets in Battery "E" position, and one 140mm rocket in Mortar Battery. While those rockets impacting at Battery "E" resulted in no casualties or damage, the 140mm rocket impacting at Mortar Battery resulted in two Marines wounded in action, one of whom was evacuated by air.

Operations during the month of April were highlighted by the helicopter displacement of a provisional, four gun 155mm Howitzer Battery (towed), Delta X-Ray, 2d Battalion, 11th Marines from Hill 65 (883579) to Hill 52 (787551) to provide responsive fire support for Operation Hung Quang 1/32, an ARVN operation conducted by the 2d and 3d Battalions, 51st ARVN. One forward observer team was provided to the 3d Battalion, 51st ARVN for the duration of the operation commencing 15 April 1970.

Two mortars from Mortar Battery, 2d Battalion, 11th Marines were provided to the 1st Battalion, 11th Marines from 16 to 27 April 1970 to provide additional fire support for elements of the 1st Marines operating in close cooperation and coordination with ARVN forces on Operation Hung Quang 1/32.

On the evening of 11 April, while conducting .50 Caliber machine-gun familiarization firing within the tactical wire perimeter of the Hill 55 complex, Battery "F", 2d Battalion, 11th Marines sustained two Marines killed in action and thirteen wounded in action. Of the latter, twelve were evacuated by air. A daisy chain, command detonated mine consisting of approximately six 81 or 82mm mortar rounds was detonated while the detail was on the firing line.

To strengthen defenses of Hill 65 Combat Base complex, on 25 April 1970, Battery "D", 2d Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from Grid 883579 to Grid 880579 on Hill 65, thus enabling establishment of a more compact defensive perimeter without materially affecting fire support capabilities.

On 24 and 28 April, in a continuing training program for Regional Forces (RF) and Popular Forces (PF), Mortar Battery, 2d Battalion, 11th Marines conducted Forward Observer School for Combined Action Platoon 292 and their RF/PF forces.

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Commencing 28 April 1970, the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory (LASL) Sound Ranging System was installed in the 5th Marines area of operations by the 2d Battalion, 11th Marines to increase the effectiveness of counter mortar and counter rocket fires of the Battalion.

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TOPIC

a. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

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1. Losses

USMC

USN

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Administration	5	51	1	0
Battle KIA	0	2	0	0
Battle WIA (Evac)	1	11	0	0
Battle WIA (Non-Evac)	0	3	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Non-Battle (Evac)	0	4	0	0
Non-Battle (Death)	0	0	0	0
2. <u>Replacements</u>	4	16	0	0
3. <u>Net Loss</u>	1	35	1	0
4. <u>Net Gain</u>	0	0	0	0
5. <u>Promotions</u>	4	52	0	0
6. <u>Awards</u>				
Purple Heart	1	14	0	0
7. <u>Average Strength</u>	46	594	5	13

b. INTELLIGENCE

While intelligence reports for the month of April stressed a high probability of attack on An Hoa, no attacks were received. Enemy activity appeared to be concentrated more on the pacified village areas and outlying Marine and RVN positions.

c. TRAINING

The Battalion continues to devote a substantial amount of time to training with particular emphasis on security of the position area, gunnery procedures, general military subjects and refinement of skills within each occupational field.

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d. LOGISTICS

The month of April has been productive for this organization in the area of redistribution of T/E equipment within the Division. We have acquired items to fill most shortages. The largest problem still lies with excess vehicles. These vehicles are scheduled for retrograde in the month of May. The report of the CMMI was returned and the discrepancy noted on personal effects has been rectified. Delta X-ray displaced to Hill 52 and now receives the majority of their supplies by air. This has been accomplished with only one real problem and that is lead time for resupply of ammunition.

Communications. Additional Nestor equipment was received allowing for slightly more flexibility. The CMMI report was received and corrections made. Foxtrot Battery was reinspected receiving a satisfactory with discrepancies.

Motor Transport. Motor transport operation made slight improvement this past month. All excess parts have been inventoried and returned to the issue point. Excess vehicles continue to drain away hours that could be used on vehicles needed for operation. The month of May should bring relief from this problem. In the area of repair, the shortage of M-37 parts continues to hamper upgrading of their operation. The major problem continues to be driver maintenance and weekly EM's. Command attention at all levels has been effected and this problem should be curtailed to a large extent in the future.

Engineer. The replacement of secondary wiring has been completed by local personnel and the cantonment now has power from the 100KW generator. The 100KW generator was evacuated to NSA for repair and returned the same day by helicopter. This shortened down time considerably. A drainage system was completed for the Headquarters Battery mess by engineers. The work order for a grease trap is still open and at this time no work has been accomplished.

The CMMI report was received and while there was some problem with the maintenance of the three TD-18's which were evacuated the engineer section received a noteworthy on the generators.

Ordnance. No major problems have been encountered this past month. The CMMI report was received and discrepancies noted have been corrected where possible. Echo, Delta, and Headquarters Batteries will be reinspected early next month. The only problem of note is the continued lack of small arms repair parts which could become critical in the near future. Excess ordnance equipment is being reallocated in accordance with directions from higher headquarters.

e. CIVIC ACTION/CIVIL AFFAIRS

During this reporting period, 75 people were treated on 2d Battalion,

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11th Marines Med Caps. Eight people were medevaced to Da Nang as a result of enemy incoming rounds.

55 pounds of school supplies were distributed to schools in the An Hoa area. In addition to this, 40 pounds of clothing were also distributed to needy Vietnamese civilians. 40 pounds of various, assorted seeds were given to the farmers of Phu Da. A swing set was built on property adjoining So Cap school house.

Orphans were transported to church weekly during the past month. Also, laundry workers and daily hire workers were taken care of on a daily basis.

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TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps S-Staff T-Troops F-File
IN	OUT				
			010001	Journal Opened	
			011430	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			020930	2 MarEnl WIA (Evac)	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			041200	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			051330	Jd 1 MarOff fr 3dMarDiv	
				Tr 1 NavOff to 1/13	
				Tr 21 MarEnl to Conus	
			061400	Jd 1 MarOff fr Conus	
				Jd 1 MarOff fr 1st Bn this Regt	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			071530	Jd 1 MarOff fr 5th 175 Guns	
				Tr 1 MarOff to Hq Btry this Regt	
				Jd 1 MarEnl fr 3dMarDiv	
				Jd 4 MarEnl fr Conus	
				Jd 1 MarEnl fr Hq Btry this Regt	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to Hq Bn this Division	
			081200	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to III MAF	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to 3d Bn this Regt	
			091400	Tr 1 MarOff to Hq Btry this Regt	
			101330	Jd 1 MarEnl fr Conus	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to 1st 175 Guns	
				Tr 2 MarEnl to Conus	
				Jd 1 MarEnl fr Hq Btry this Regt	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to 4th Bn this Regt	
			111820	1 MarOff WIA (Evac)	
				2 MarEnl KIA	
				10 MarEnl WIA (Evac)	
				1 MarEnl (NE)	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to 4th Bn this Regt	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to Hq Btry this Regt	
			151400	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			171330	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			181500	Tr 2 MarEnl to FLC Da Nang	
			191200	Jd 1 MarEnl fr Hq Bn this Division	
				Jd 4 Mar Enl fr Conus	
				Jd 1 MarEnl fr Hq Btry this Regt	
			201430	Tr 1 MarOff to 3d Bn this Regt	
			211230	Jd 1 MarEnl fr 3d Bn this Regt	
			271400	Tr 1 MarEnl to 13th Marines	
				Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			281030	Tr 1 MarOff to Hq Btry this Regt	
			291430	Tr 1 MarEnl to Conus	
			301330	Jd 1 MarEnl fr Conus	
			302400	Journal Closed	

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IN	OUT				
		1	010001	Journal Opened	
		2	011930	Delta 2/11 5 KIA's SD 1051 819530	
		3	020820	Fox 2/11 2 KIA's SF 3028 006544	
		4	021325	Whiskey 2/11 2 bunkers SW 0604 834452	
		5	021755	Fox 2/11 1 KIA SF 3029 019547	
		6	021801	Whiskey 2/11 3 KIA's SW 0608 826467	
		7	021902	Echo 2/11 1 KIA SE 0181 814474	
		8	021902	Whiskey 2/11 4 KIA's SW 0609 814474	
		9	021915	Fox 2/11 3 KIA's SF 3030 001551	
		10	040738	Echo 2/11 4 KIA's SE 0204 859522	
		11	040847	Delta 2/11 4 KIA's SD 1665 867533	
		12	041545	Whiskey 2/11 1 KIA, 1 probable SW 0617 845495	
		13	051740	Echo 2/11 1 probable SE 0213 838539	
		14	051904	"A" Plt 1st 8" 1 KIA, 1 bunker NA 2612 872549	
		15	071343	Delta 2/11 1 KIA SD 1691 830537	
		16	081339	"A" Plt 1st 8" 1 bunker NA 2618 873558	

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IN	OUT				
		17	081845	Delta 2/11 1 KIA SD 1705 870547	
		18	091147	Echo 2/11 1 bunker SE 0229 900495	
		19	101345	Delta 2/11 5 KIA's SD 1718 905529	
		20	110753	"A" Plt 1st 8" 1 bunker NA 2620 872548	
		21	111259	Delta 2/11 1 KIA SD 1723 839544	
		22	111927	Delta 2/11 6 KIA's SD 1051 819530	
		23	111950	Fox 2/11 4 KIA's SF 3053 992544	
		25	121010	Fox 2/11 4 bunkers SF 3054 979559	
		26	121307	Delta 2/11 3 probables SD 1730 808588	
		27	130847	Delta 2/11 3 KIA's SD 1737 855541	
		28	140755	Whiskey 2/11 2 KIA's SW 0646 824468	
		29	141940	Fox 2/11 5 KIA's SF 3059 983556	
		30	150710	Delta 2/11 2 KIA's SD 1753 850544	
		31	150805	Move Rep A. Delta 2/11 B. 4 C. 150800 D. 7874 5521	

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IN	OUT					
		32	151350	Fire Cap		
				A. Delta X-Ray 2/11		
				B. 4		
				C. 78693.6 55097.1		
				D. 5500		
				E. 150830H		
		33	160900	Move Rep		
				A. Whiskey 2/11		
				B. 2		
				C. 160900H		
				D. 924692		
		34	171730	Fox 2/11	2 KIA's	
				SF 3070	004557	
		35	171925	Echo 2/11	1 KIA	
				SE 0289	842530	
		36	171928	Fox 2/11	2 KIA's	
				SF 3071	955528	
		37	171950	Delta 2/11	5 KIA's, 1 bunker	
				SD 1770	872560	
		38	180826	Echo 2/11	4 probables	
				SE 0291	948457	
		39	180903	Echo 2/11	1 bunker	
				SE 0292	815483	
		40	201745	Fox 2/11	2 KIA's	
				SF 3074	978543	
		41	201822	Fox 2/11	11 KIA's	
				SF 3073	015539	
		42	211535	"A" Plt 1st 8"	1 bunker	
				NA 2634	831536	
		43	251010	Move Rep		
				A. Delta 2/11		
				B. 6		
				C. 251010H		
				D. 880580		

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		44	251210	Fire Cap A. Delta 2/11 B. 6 C. 8800 5798 D. 4400 E. 251200H		
		45	251255	Delta 2/11 SD 1806	3 secondaries 872555	
		46	251547	"A" Plt 1st 8" NA 2640	3 bunkers, 1 hootch 874557	
		47	261028	Delta 2/11 SD 0521	3 KIA's 865590	
		48	262107	Fox 2/11 RO 2668	1 secondary 968664	
		49	281233	Fox 2/11 SF 3086	1 probable 983558	
		50	281700	Fire Cap A. Whiskey 2/11 B. 2 C. 86459 47140 D. 6000 E. 281700H		
		51	281845	Echo 2/11 SE 0338	2 probables 874513	
		52	290100	Delta 2/11 H & I	2 KIA's 198611	
		53	291135	Echo 2/11 SE 0340	2 KIA's, 1 probable 835533	
		54	291607	Fox 2/11 SF 3088	5 KIA's 954528	

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