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3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 January 1969 to 31 January 1969

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

Lt. Col. R.P. JOHNSON
1-31 JanuarySUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Battery

1st Lt. E.H. KROPP
1-22 JanuaryCapt. H.J. NEWMAN
23-31 January

Battery G-3-11

1st Lt. A.W. POWELL
1-31 January

Battery H-3-11

Capt. J.J. JAMES
1-31 January

Battery I-3-11

Capt. W.C. WHITWORTH Jr.
1-31 January

Battery W-3-11

Capt. J.P. RIORDAN
1-31 January2. LOCATION

Headquarters 3-11

1-31 January 1969: Dai Loc AT963619

Battery G-3-11

1-31 January 1969: Dai Loc AT923691

Battery H-3-11

1-31 January 1969: Da Nang AT923737

Battery I-3-11

1-31 January 1969: Da Nang AT883581

Battery W-3-11

1-7 January 1969: Dai Loc AT965610

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major A.F. BAUER
1-31 January

Liaison Officer

Major D.E. SCHAET
1-31 January

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Adjutant	1st Lt. O.J. TOLAND 1-31 January
Personnel Officer	1st Lt. O.J. TOLAND 1-31 January
S-2	1st Lt. E.A. KIEWER 1-31 January
S-3	Major F.H. BUTLER 1-31 January
S-3A	1st Lt. A.D. REISTETTER 1-31 January
S-4	1st Lt. R.D. RODRIGUEZ 1-31 January
S-5	1st Lt. P.R. DAIGLE 1-26 January
	1st Lt. E.A. KIEWER 27-31 January
Ordnance Officer	CWO C.M. SILVER 1-5 January
	Unassigned 6-31 January
Motor Transport Officer	1st Lt. J.W. HENITZ 1-31 January
Communication Officer	1st Lt. E.H. KROPP 1-7 January
	1st Lt. J.M. MARTIN 8-31 January
Survey Officer	1st Lt. E.A. KIEWER 1-26 January
	1st Lt. J.D. WELLS Jr. 27-31 January
Supply Officer	1st Lt. R.A. TRAIL 1-31 January
Medical Officer	Lt. J.D. KILEY USNR (MC) 1-31 January
Naval Gunfire Officer	Lt. J.M. VANASSEK USN 1-31 January

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
45	625

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
4	13

<u>OTHERS</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

On 1 January 1969 the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines was in direct support of the 7th Marines in that portion of the Da Nang TAOR assigned to the 7th Marines.

At 010001H January 1969 assumed Ad Con of Hotel and Whiskey Batteries.

At 071130H January 1969 chopped Op Con of three guns of Whiskey Battery to 1st Field Artillery Group.

At 120900H January 1969 chopped Op Con of remainder of Whiskey Battery to 1st Field Artillery Group.

At 270800H January 1969 "C" platoon 3rd 8" Battery and K-4-11 became General Support-Reinforcing 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

At 271300H January 1969 Operation Lim River began and continued through 312400H January 1969.

CONSOLIDATION OF AMMO EXPENDITURE
 AND SURVEILLANCE

ROUND BY CALIBER

UNIT	105	155	4.2	Total Missions
7th MAR	45,394	0	682	6412
11th MAR	3,344	0	68	258
ARVN	77	0	0	4
RECON	137	0	0	2
Total Rounds	48,952	0	750	6676

SURVEILLANCE

	KIA	WIA	STRUCTURE DESTROYED	SECONDARY EXPLOSION
3/11	40	0	3	0
3/11 & OTHERS	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	40	0	3	0

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Topics.

a. Personnel and Administration

(1) Losses	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
Administration	4	47	0	2
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (evac)	0	1	0	0
Battle WIA (non-evac)	0	1	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non Battle	0	5	0	0

(2) Replacements	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
(2) Replacements	18	258	0	6
(3) Loss	4	47	0	2
(4) Gain	14	201	0	4

b. Intelligence. Nothing significant to report.c. Organization and Operations. Units of the Battalion participated in one operation during the month of January 1969.(1) Operation Linn River. Nothing significant to report.
Expended 1249 rounds 68 Targets. KIA 0 Structures 0 Secondary Explosions 0d. Training. New members of this Battalion attended a three day orientation program.e. Logistics, Equipment and Supply. None

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f. Civic Action/Civil Affairs. Projects continued in HOA BINH, the hamlet assigned to this Organization for civic action aid. These projects included pig breeding, educational improvement, water supply improvement and MEDCAPS.

g. Psychological Operations. Nothing significant to report.

h. Combined Action Company Program. During the period 1-31 January 1969, liaison officers made visits to the CAP units which this Battalion supports and gave two hours instruction on calls for artillery fire, artillery capabilities and defensive fire planning. Liaison Officers also assisted the CAP units with planning and evaluation of the defensive fires for each CAP unit.

i. Medical. Treated 396 Marines and 34 Vietnamese on Hill 55.

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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Da Nang Combat Base
010001H January 1969 to 312400H January 1969SECRET
JOURNAL

010001H Journal Opened

01001H Assumed ADCON of "H" and "W" Batteries., Jd 13 Off, 179 Enl, 3 Navy Enlisted

011700H 3 Enlisted Jd CONUS

030800H 4 Enlisted Dr CONUS

030800H 1 Officer Dr to 11th Marine Regiment

040800H 2 Enlisted Dr CONUS

050800H 4 Enlisted Dr CONUS

050800H 1 Officer Dr to Headquarters Battery, 11th Marine Regiment

060800H 1 Enlisted Dr CONUS

070800H 1 Enlisted Dr CONUS

070800H 1 Enlisted Dr to NSA Guam

070800H 1 Enlisted Dr to NSA Yokohama

070800H 2 Enlisted Dr to 1stFAG, 11th Marine Regiment

070800H 1 Enlisted Dr to Headquarters Battery, 11th Marine Regiment

080800H 4 Enlisted Dr CONUS

081100H 14 Enlisted Jd CONUS

090800H 2 Enlisted Dr CONUS

091600H 17 Enlisted Jd CONUS

091700H 1 Navy enlisted Jd CONUS

100800H 3 Enlisted Dr CONUS

111600H 8 Enlisted Jd CONUS

120800H 2 Enlisted Dr CONUS

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121400H	1 Officer Jd CONUS
130800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
130800H	1 Navy Enlisted Dr CONUS
140800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
150800H	1 Officer Dr, to Headquarters Battery, 11th Marine Regiment
160800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
171430H	2 Navy Enlisted Jd CONUS
171530H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
171530H	1 Enlisted Jd fr Headquarters Battalion 1stMarDiv
170800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
181600H	11 Enlisted Jd CONUS
181730H	3 Officers Jd CONUS
200800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
201500H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
211600H	1 Enlisted Jd fr Camp Butler
220800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
220800H	1 Enlisted Dr to Headquarters Battalion, 1stMarDiv
220800H	3 Enlisted Dr CONUS
230800H	4 Enlisted Dr CONUS

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231200H	10 Enlisted Jd CONUS
240800H	2 Enlisted Dr CONUS
241500H	1 Officer Jd CONUS
251400H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
260800H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
261600H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
261600H	1 Officer Dr CONUS
271600H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
281600H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
291400H	7 Enlisted Jd CONUS
300800H	1 Navy Enlisted Dr CONUS
300800H	1 Enlisted Dr CONUS
301300H	1 Enlisted Jd from 11th Marine Regiment
311300H	1 Enlisted Jd CONUS
312400H	Journal Closed

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S-2, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines
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010001H Journal Opened

312400H Journal Closed

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JOURNAL

010000H Journal Opened

012400H Fired 190 Missions Expending 1131 Rounds.

022400H Fired 219 Missions Expending 1253 Rounds.

032400H Fired 183 Missions Expending 1331 Rounds.

042400H Fired 168 Missions Expending 1254 Rounds.

052400H Fired 154 Missions Expending 906 Rounds.

062400H Fired 190 Missions Expending 1374 Rounds.

071130H Received Move Rep. from "W" Battery.

072400H Fired 202 Missions Expending 1810 Rounds.

082400H Fired 221 Missions Expending 1946 Rounds.

092400H Fired 215 Missions Expending 1576 Rounds.

102400H Fired 212 Missions Expending 1309 Rounds.

112400H Fired 202 Missions Expending 1542 Rounds.

120900H Received Move Rep. from "W" Battery.

122400H Fired 211 Missions Expending 1484 Rounds.

132400H Fired 185 Missions Expending 1151 Rounds.

142400H Fired 186 Missions Expending 1363 Rounds.

152400H Fired 212 Missions Expending 1416 Rounds.

162400H Fired 216 Missions Expending 1589 Rounds.

172400H Fired 255 Missions Expending 1947 Rounds.

181400H Mission fired by "I" Battery, resulted in 3 VC KIA confirmed and 3 structures destroyed.

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181100H Ammunition malfunction at "I" Battery caused one USMC
WIA (minor).

182400H Fired 250 Missions Expending 2103 Rounds.

191400H Mission fired by "G" Battery resulted in 6 VC KIA confirmed.

192400H Fired 194 Missions Expending 1374 Rounds.

202400H Fired 216 Missions Expending 2039 Rounds.

212400H Fired 217 Missions Expending 1414 Rounds.

222400H Fired 218 Missions Expending 1745 Rounds.

232400H Fired 254 Missions Expending 1734 Rounds.

242400H Fired 218 Missions Expending 1646 Rounds.

252400H Fired 217 Missions Expending 1367 Rounds.

261000H Missions fired by "I" Battery resulted in 1VC KIA confirmed.

261800H Received Fire Cap from B-1-13. Assumed unofficial
operational control and provided tactical fire direction.

262400H Fired 257 Missions Expending 1844 Rounds.

270800H C Platoon 3rd 8" Battery and K-4-11 became General Support
Reinforcing to 3-11.

271130H Received Fire Cap from W-1-12. Assumed unofficial
operational control and provided tactical fire direction.

271243H Fired prep fires for Operation Linn River.

271300H Operation Linn River Commenced

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272400H Fired 227 Missions Expending 1972 Rounds.
280900H Fired prep fires for Operation Linn River.
282400H Fired 275 Missions Expending 2199 Rounds.
292400H Fired 246 Missions Expending 2200 Rounds.
301100H Mission fired for ARVN by B-1-13 resulted in 30 VC KIA
confirmed.
302400H Fired 254 Missions Expending 1951 Rounds.
312400H Fired 210 Missions Expending 1760 Rounds.
312400H Journal Closed.

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090900H Commenced pick up at 3rd NCB of materials for 17 strong back CP tents and 4 four hole heads for "H" Battery to be built by "C" Company, 9th Engineers.

101000H Materials mentioned in 090900H picked up and delivered to "H" Battery. "C" Company 9th Engineers commenced construction of "H" Battery cantonment.

101000H Conducted Battalion CMMI at "G" Battery.

260900H B-1-13 arrived this position. Issued 480 rounds of HE, 30 rounds of WP and 60 rounds of Illumination from LSA at Hill 55.

271000H W-1-12 arrived this position. Issued 400 rounds of HE, 30 rounds of WP and 60 rounds of Illumination from LSA at Hill 55.

311000H Conducted Battalion CMMI at "H" Battery.

312400H Journal Closed.

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