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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

COMMANDERLtCol K. H. MUELLER  
1-28 FebruarySUBORDINATE UNITSHeadquarters Battery,  
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesCapt G. BLEY  
1-28 FebruaryBattery G,  
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesCapt J. H. LAGER  
1-28 FebruaryBattery H,  
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesCapt W. A. PARKER  
1-28 FebruaryBattery I,  
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesCapt R. A. CRANE  
1-28 FebruaryMortar Battery,  
3rd Battalion, 11th MarinesCapt C. W. CHEATELLI  
1-28 February2. LOCATIONHeadquarters Battery, 3/11  
1-28 February: Hoi An BT132457Battery G, 3/11  
1-28 February: Hiep Duc BT946345Battery H, 3/11  
1-28 February: Hoi An BT131450Battery I, 3/11  
1-28 February: Hiep Duc BT027331Mortar Battery, 3/11  
1-28 February: Hoi An BT1404463. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major R. J. SEED  
1-28 February

Liaison Officer

Major J. C. MYERS  
1-28 February

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Adjutant/Personnel Officer

1stLt R. H. BESWICK  
1-28 February

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1stLt R. H. SLATTERY  
1-28 February

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Major W. J. SPIETZER  
1-28 February

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Capt J. J. HULHOLLAND  
1-28 February

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1stLt R. H. SLATTERY  
1-28 February

Ordnance Officer

Capt D. P. BIGLER  
1-27 February  
1stLt D. W. THOMAS  
28 February

Motor Transport Officer

2ndLt J. C. RUPPEL  
1-28 February

Communications Officer

Capt G. BELLY  
1-28 February

Survey Officer

1stLt C. W. HCCOY  
1-28 February

Naval Gunfire Officer

Lt(jg) T. H. MOMISEN (USN)  
1-28 February

Battalion Surgeon

Lt R. H. NICHOLSON (USN)  
1-28 February

Battalion Chaplain

Lt P. R. PILASKI (USN)  
1-28 February4. 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>
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During the past month, this battalion continued to support units of the 7th Marine Regiment in search and destroy and rice denial operations throughout the Regimental TAOR.

Operations by the 7th Marines during this period were of a defensive nature. The Battalions in their respective TAOR's deployed to screen the fire bases and base camp areas in anticipation of the predicted TET offensive. The offensive never materialized.

The highlight of the month was Operation DUCNG SON 3/70 conducted by the 1st ARVN Armored Brigade in an area east of the 7th Marines AO.

For this operation, the Brigade headquarters, A Battery (-) and B Battery (-) of the 44th ARVN Artillery Battalion occupied positions at LZ BALDY. Other units of the Brigade include: 17th Cavalry, 37th Ranger Battalion and 39th Ranger Battalion.

Prior to the operation, the following enemy units were believed to be operating in the area: T89 Sapper Battalion, V25th Local Force Battalion, and 70th Local Force Battalion.

The operation commenced on 11 February and consistently heavy contact was maintained until 20 February. By the end of the month, enemy losses totaled 350 KIA, 97 POW, 5 Hoi Chanh, 102 weapons captured and 5 radios captured.

As a result of the operation, the T89 Sapper Battalion is now considered to no longer exist. The 70th Battalion has been reduced to ten percent effective strength. A base for effective pacification of the AO is now possible.

Third Battalion, 11th Marines reinforced the ARVN artillery at various times during the operation.

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AND SURVEILLANCEROUNDS BY CALIBER

<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>4.2"</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>8"</u>	<u>TOTAL MISSIONS</u>
7th Marines	1,827	17,846	3,118	114	1,654
11th Marines	485	3,941	3,220	814	460
ARVN	319	2,454	350	60	101
Recon	0	6	25	0	4
AMC	0	80	113	26	12
ROK	0	0	0	0	0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2,631</u>	<u>24,327</u>	<u>6,824</u>	<u>1,014</u>	<u>2,231</u>

SURVEILLANCE

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>VL(C)</u>	<u>VL(P)</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>Structures Destroyed</u>	<u>Secondary Explosions</u>
3/11	35	23	0	0	1
3/11 & Others	3	10	0	0	1
Others	26	0	0	0	0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. NARRATIVEa. Personnel and Administrative

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
(1) Losses				
Administrative	4	58	1	0
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (evac)	0	2	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-battle	0	0	0	0
(2) Replacements	8	67	1	0
(3) Net Loss	0	0	0	0
(4) Net Gain	4	7	0	0

b. Intelligence. The enemy continues his Winter-Spring Offensive plan of trying to destroy the pacification program. He can be expected to continue his attacks on pacification units, disruption of our lines of communication, and harassing attacks against FVIAF units in the field. He can also be expected to attack FVIAF base areas with attacks by fire or sapper attacks.

c. Organization and Operations. Units of this battalion did not participate in a named operation during the month of February. Firing batteries occupied positions at LZ BALDY, LZ ROSS and FSB RYDER during the month. Battery K 4/11 continued its mission of reinforcing 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. 1st 8" Howitzer Battery (4) also continued its mission of reinforcing 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. On 1 February, Battery I displaced from FSB RYDER (AF946345) to LZ ROSS (BT027341) and Battery G displaced from LZ ROSS (BT027341) to FSB RYDER (AF946345).

d. Training. General military subjects training continued to be held during the month. A total of 57 1/2 hours of technical MOS training were conducted. Artillery gunnery procedures and safety were highly stressed during OJT training. Three cycles of the five-day indoctrination training were held due to the influx of new personnel to the battalion.

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e. Logistics, Equipment and Supply. During the month of February, a total of 2,620,448 pounds of ammunition and supplies were airlifted to FSB RYDER and LZ ROSS. Construction of a centralized electrical system for all units on LZ BALDY by the SEABEES was started within the Battalion CP. Previous reports indicated that completion of a centralized water system for LZ BALDY is to be expected during the month of March. Construction of three bunkers at FSB RYDER was completed during February, with an addition of two others to be completed during March.

f. Civic Action/Civil Affairs. This unit had not been assigned a Civic Action Area of Responsibility during the month of February. However, MEDCAP visits were made to the village of MOC BAI (BT144458) and the Battalion Chaplain held Sunday worship services for the Catholic populace in the village.

g. Psyops. Negative report.

h. Combined Action Company Program. Negative report.

i. Medical. The Battalion Aid Station treated 430 Marine outpatients and referred 13 other Marine patients to higher medical facilities. Four MEDCAPS were held in the village of MOC BAI, treating approximately 90 Vietnamese patients. Immunization shots for all personnel were kept up-to-date with 426 injections during the month.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ENTRIES

- 1 February Battery I displaced to LZ ROSS (BT027341), arriving at 1315H, laid on azimuth 5500 mils. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III), S-4 Journal (Part IV, Appendix IV).
- 1 February Battery G displaced to FSB RYDER (AT956345), arriving at 1318H, laid on azimuth 5300 mils. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III), S-4 Journal (Part IV, Appendix IV).
- 1 February Battery H and Mortar Battery (155mm) were credited with 10 KIA on a mission fired on an estimated two enemy companies at BT145488 for an Army Advisor with RF/PF units, Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 5 February THE STANDDOWN IN EFFECT.

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- 6 February Batteries K 4/11, M 4/11, Mortar Battery (155) and 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry were credited with 10 KIA (Probable) on a contact mission fired at BT00444382 for a recon insert. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 14 February Battery G was credited with 13 KIA on a mission fired on 30 VC/NVA in the open at AT92573733 for the IOD team (RYDER). Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 20 February A TOT mission was fired on large clusters of enemy radio antennas at AT963432 and AT964404 by Batteries G, I and K 4/11, 1st and 2nd Plts, 1st8" HowBtry, and 1st Plt, 3rd175mm GunBtry. Battery I fired 6 rounds of Tactical CS. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 23 February Calibration of Battery G with the IOD at RYDER. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 25 February Battery G was credited with 10 KIA on a mission fired on 10 NVA/VC on trail at AT928369 for the IOD team (RYDER). Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).

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010001H February 1970 to 282400H February 1970

010001		Journal Opened
010600	1	Enl To Sk NBC
010800	4	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler w/sk NBC
010800	1	Enl To Sk WIA
010800	1	Enl Tr To Hq Btry 11th Marines
010800	2	Officer Jd Fr 1st 8" 11th Marines
020945	1	Enl To Sk WIA
021000	1	Enl To Sk NBC
030800	1	Officer Tr To USNA Guam w/Sk
030800	1	Enl Tr To CONUS
031500	1	Enl Jd Fr 1st Bn 13th Marines
041800	1	Enl Jd Fr 5th 175 Gun Btry
051730	3	Enl Jd Fr Hq Btry 11th Marines
051730	1	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
060800	1	Enl Tr To CONUS
061700	9	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
071630	2	Enl Jd Fr 2nd Bn 1st Marines
080800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
080800	1	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler
082220	1	Enl To Sk NBC
090900	2	Enl Fr Sk NBC
091645	2	Officer Jd Fr CONUS
091645	1	Enl Jd Fr Hq Btry 11th Marines
091700	3	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
100800	4	Enl Tr To CONUS
101700	2	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
101700	2	Enl Jd Fr 26th Marines
110800	1	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler
111000	2	Enl To Sk NBC
111700	6	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
120800	5	Enl Tr To CONUS
120800	1	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler
120800	2	Enl Tr To 1st Sk Bn
121000	1	Enl To Sk NBC
121700	3	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
121700	1	Enl Jd Fr 5th 175 Gun Btry
121700	1	Enl Jd Fr 3rd FSB
130800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS

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140800	1	Enl Tr To HQ&D San Diego
141700	1	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
150800	2	Enl Tr To USMI Guam
160800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
170800	1	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler
170800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
171700	2	Enl Jd Tr Camp Smedley Butler
171700	2	Enl Jd Tr Hq Co Hq Bn
180800	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
180800	1	Enl Tr To Camp Smedley Butler
181700	2	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
190800	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
191700	1	Officer Jd Tr CONUS
200800	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
201100	1	Enl To Sk HBC
201700	3	Enl Jd Tr Hq Co Hq Bn
201700	3	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
210800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
210800	1	Enl To Sk HBC
230800	6	Enl Tr To CONUS
230800	1	Enl Tr To 1st 8" 11th Marines
230800	1	Officer Tr To Anglico
230800	1	Enl To Sk HBC
231700	4	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
240800	1	Enl Tr To USMI Guam
240800	1	Officer Tr To 1st Tr Bn
240800	1	Enl Tr To CONUS
241700	3	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
250800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
250800	2	Enl To Sk HBC
251700	1	Enl Jd Tr 2nd Bn 11th Marines
251700	2	Enl Jd Tr 1st Bn 11th Marines
261700	4	Enl Jd Tr CONUS
261700	1	Enl Jd Tr 4th Bn 12th Marines
280800	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
280800	1	Enl To Sk HBC
282400		Journal Closed

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010001H February 1970 to 282400H February 1970  
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010001H

012015H

020145H

021300H

022000H

032015H

052045H

052111H

052250H

A/1/7 CUPP platoon defensive position (BT088401) received 1 82mm mortar round. Called fire mission on suspected enemy position with unknown results.

A/1/7 CUPP team #6 squad combat (BT115478) received 6 82mm mortar rounds resulting in 1 USMC KIA (Evac). Called fire mission 60mm mortars with negative results.

A/1/7 CUPP team #4 squad combat (BT097416) 2 persons from CUPP team #2 were moving ahead of the patrol when 1 ARVN in a civilian vehicle hit a mine, resulting in 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC KIA (Evac), 2 civilians KIA, 1 ARVN KIA (Evac). Team #4 heard the explosion, while moving toward the mine received small arms fire. Returned small arms fire and called fire mission with negative results.

A/1/7 CUPP team #7 (BT104478), IF's received intelligence that 100 VC were in area. Enemy may have mortar. Villagers have left area, village chief requests fire mission. Called fire mission with unknown results.

A/1/7 CUPP team #9 (BT094507) received 5 60mm mortar rounds from the north with negative casualties.

C/1/7 observation post (AT980354) observed 40 enemy moving towards FSB ROSS. Negative engagement due to distance and enemy unit size.

C/1/7 observation post (AT980354) observed movement. Called fire mission with negative results.

B/1/7 squad observation post (BT038310) observed 20 enemy moving north with 2 mortar tubes. Enemy was observed with starlight scope. Called fire mission with unknown results.

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082245H

K/3/7 squad observation post (BT103469) observed 18 enemy moving northeast. Called fire mission artillery and 4.2 mortars with unknown results.

101930H

L/3/7 defensive position (BT104480) received 6 82mm mortar rounds, 15 chicom grenades, 7 satchel charges and small arms fire. Results 1 USMC KIA, 4 USMC WIA (Evac). Returned small arms and called fire mission. Enemy fled southwest. Called medevacs, medevacs received small arms and observed muzzle flashes. Gunships engaged enemy with unknown results.

111900H

L/3/7 defensive position (BT097477) received RPG rounds, M-79 rounds and small arms fire resulting in 5 USMC WIA (Non-evac). Returned small arms, called fire mission, called air strike with unknown results.

A/1/7 CUPP team #9 (BT092509) received information of suspected enemy position, called fire mission. PF's received report that fire mission forced enemy to north into a provincial recon unit ambush. Results 15 enemy KIA, captured 12 AK-47 rifles.

120930H

D/9th engineer road sweep (BT125400) 1 USN dump truck detonated 1 75lb rock mine with pressure detonator. Results 1 USN WIA (Evac).

121700H

C/1/7 company sweep (BT086344) received small arms and automatic weapons fire from unknown size enemy force 100 meters south. Results 2 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA (Evac). Returned fire with unknown results.

141000H

A/1/7 CUPP team #4 (BT108417) village chief killed by VC. PF's investigating incident.

141645H

A/1/7 CUPP team #7 (BT106495) received small arms and automatic weapons fire resulting in 1 PF KIA, 2 PF WIA (Evac), 2 USMC WIA (Non-evac), 1 USN WIA (Evac). Returned small arms, called gunships with unknown results.

L/3/7 defensive position (BT097477) received 6 82mm mortar rounds, 15 chicom grenades, 7 satchel charges and small arms fire. Results 1 USMC KIA, 4 USMC WIA (Evac). Returned small arms and called fire mission. Enemy fled southwest. Called medevacs, medevacs received small arms and observed muzzle flashes. Gunships engaged enemy with unknown results.

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151100H

L/3/7 defensive position (BT101481) C & C aircraft landing received small arms with no hits, from 100 meters south. Returned small arms fire and swept area with negative results.

151130H

A/1/7 CUPP team #4 (BT101415) 1 PF on motor bike was ambushed with small arms. CUPP #4 observed 15 enemy, engaged with small arms with negative results. Medevac received small arms while picking up PF VIA, with negative hits.

151600H

A/1/7 CUPP team #8 blocking position (BT135496) observed 10 enemy on other side of river, engaged with small arms, M-60, and 2 LAAW's with unknown results, not able to cross river.

161400H

L/3/7 day position (BT097475) received small arms, RPG's, mortars and M-79's from north, south, and southwest. Enemy danger close used only gunships and 60mm mortars. Short round resulted in 3 USMC KIA (Evac), 1 KCS KIA (Evac). Received emergency supply of ammo, called fire mission with unknown results. K, L, and M company linked up and established night position.

170730H

A/1/7 CUPP team #4 (BT089394) unknown person notified CUPP #3 that the village chief of Phuoc Truong had been assassinated. 20 NVA in camouflaged utilities had killed the chief and fled east. PF's pursued and received small arms fire from the east. CUPP teams 2 and 3 swept area with negative results.

181800H

I/3/7 squad listening post (BT091423) observed 37 enemy in dark uniforms moving north. Called fire mission with unknown results.

191950H

B/1/7 squad combat (BT007321) observed 20 VC moving southwest in column. Engaged with small arms from hasty ambush, resulting in 6 VC KIA.

200045H

1/7 (AT946344) F-4 aircraft crashed approximately 2000 meters west of FSD RYDER. Squad from RYDER rescued both pilots and returned to RYDER.

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211000H

H/3/7 company position (BT105325) found 3,125 lbs of unpolished rice, in cement crocks (2 1/2' x 3'), buried 2' below ground, 2 5 gallon drums of soy sauce and documents. Documents given to CIT personnel.

211800H

L/3/7 platoon combat (BT107466) observed 15 IVA moving north. Called fire mission (4.2 mortars and 105's) with unknown results.

231415H

C company engineers road sweep (BT096411) 1 scoopload detonated 1 50 lb rock mine resulting in 2 USMC KIA (Evac).

231600H

L/4/7 CUP team (BT112407) observed 12 IVA, engaged with small arms, enemy returned small arms with negative results.

231830H

D/4/7 platoon patrol base (BT977333) received small arms from southwest and northeast resulting in 1 USMC KIA. Called fire mission 81mm mortars and 105's with unknown results.

251915H

I/3/7 platoon patrol base (BT105462) received 10 RPG rounds from the northwest. Returned small arms and called fire mission (60mm and 81mm mortars) with negative results.

252115H

H/3/7 platoon patrol base (BT087472) received 2 satchel charges resulting in 3 USMC KIA (Evac), 1 USMC KIA (Nonevac). Returned small arms and called fire mission with negative results.

261845H

H/3/7 platoon day position (BT107455) observed 25 enemy moving north. Called fire mission with unknown results.

262230H

H/3/7 platoon patrol base (BT101456) received 6 60mm mortar rounds. Called fire mission with unknown results.

282115H

H/3/7 company defensive position (BT107452) received 4 RPG rounds, 5 chicom grenades resulting in 3 USMC KIA (Evac). Called fire mission, basketball and gunships with unknown results.

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282230H

L/3/7 company defensive position (D0132399) received 1 RPG round and 2 chicom grenades resulting in 2 USMC KIA (Evac). Returned small arms with unknown results.

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APPENDIX III  
S-3 Journal

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010001H Journal opened.

010958H MOVREP received from Battery I, displacing to LZ ROSS (BT02683413).

0110005H MOVREP received from Battery G, displacing to FSB RYDER (AT94643445).

011315H FIRECAP received from Battery I, Battery center BT02683413, laid on azimuth 5500 mils.

011318H FIRECAP received from Battery G, Battery center AT94643445, laid on azimuth 5300 mils.

011330H SPOTREP submitted. RF/PF units made contact with an estimated two enemy companies. Army Advisor (M16) requested fire mission at BT145488. Mission fired by Battery H and Mortar Battery (155mm) from 1202H to 1310H, expending 220 HE and 90 HE, respectively. Sweep of area in progress.

011815H SPOTREP submitted. RF/PF and ARVN units made further contact (refer above entry) at BT14084858 while sweeping area. Airstrikes had been run for 15 minutes prior to sweep. Contact with an estimated NVA battalion. Battery H fired continuously, expending 560 HE from 1725H to 1805H. Reported, but unconfirmed, 10 bodies from previous mission (ref: 011330H entry).

012350H SPOTREP submitted. MOC BAI Army Advisor (M16) reports that in missions conducted today by 3/11, a total of 10 NVA KIA confirmed, 1 60mm mortar tube, and 2 AK47's have been found. Further estimated 20-25 enemy bodies remain to be confirmed. During sweep after dark, M16 units came under 82mm mortar fire. Fired counter mortar, mortars silenced. Further sweep of area will be conducted at first light.

012400H Fired 103 missions, expending 2612 rounds.

021515H SPOTREP submitted. A Vietnamese woman with two wounded Vietnamese approached M/3/7 position at BT089389 and said that a few hours prior, some artillery rounds had landed in a village at BT073394, wounding three and killing one. 3/11 had been firing unobserved plan fire on an NVA company with mortars at BT065395 during the morning and fired a TOT at BT053407 at 021410H. Incident under investigation.

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022400H Fired 114 missions, expending 1849 rounds.

032400H Fired 97 missions, expending 1423 rounds.

041845H The Battalion S-3 (Maj SPITZER) reported the suspected artillery incident of SPOTREP 021515H entry was not caused by artillery, but rather by 81mm mortar fire adjusted by the ARVN.

042400H Fired 74 missions, expending 1149 rounds.

051800H To all firing batteries: TEST STANDDOWN IS NOW IN EFFECT. Ci-phered report submitted to Regimental FDC.

052150H SPOTREP submitted. Approximately one company of NVA moving east along Rte 535 toward LZ ROSS with packs and rifles. Artillery ambush was set up at BT005350 with Battery I firing from 2110H-2130H. Prior to entering fire for effect, 2nd Plt, 6/1/7 was located to be at danger close 500. No surveillance at present. C/1/7 sweeping area.

052359H SPOTREP submitted. Approximately 20 NVA were spotted by a patrol from B/1/7. The NVA were moving north (BT030305) and were carrying what appeared to be two mortar tubes. Sightings were made by starlite scope and fire mission controlled by FO. No surveillance, enemy dispersed. Area to be swept tomorrow.

052400H Fired 23 missions, expending 665 rounds.

060944H Mission fired on 100 NVA at BT002436 by 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for IOD team (Hill 425), resulted in 3 KIA.

060950H Contact mission fired at BT00444382 by Batteries K 4/11, M 4/11, Mortar Battery (155mm) and 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for recon insert TERRAPIN, resulted in 10 KIA, probable.

062400H Fired 70 missions, expending 962 rounds.

072400H Fired 126 missions, expending 2279 rounds.

082400H Fired 80 missions, expending 1027 rounds.

090730H SPOTREP submitted. Fragmentation explosion at 082230H one meter from outside wall of Staff and Officers' Club. Sounded alarm, LZ BALDY went on 100% alert. Crater analysis confirmed detonation to be that of M26 grenade. Found spoon and serrated fragments. One SNCO was non-combat casualty while sitting in club. Received fragmentation in back (not serious). Ran med-evac and notified CID at 082300H.

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092400H Fired 92 missions, expending 1034 rounds.

102400H Fired 107 missions, expending 1482 rounds.

110530H Information received from 3/7 via 7th Marines FSCC that a secondary explosion resulted from H&I's fired earlier by Mortar Battery (4.2).

111700H SPOTREP submitted. Battery I conducted a registration from 1315H to 1330H in vicinity of BT100360. Report from an Army unit stated one USA medevac due to fragmentation at BT103360. Grid was cleared by 1/7, 3/7, Que Son, "A" CUPP and Americal Division. Report received at 1550H and sent to Regimental FDC at 1600H.

111907H SPOTREP received from A/1/7 CUPP unit. Battery H fired on a suspected enemy position at BT092509. After mission went into repeat fire for effect, it flushed out the VC/NVA. As they left the target area, they ran into a friendly force which took the enemy under fire. Results, 15 enemy KIA and 12 AK47 weapons captured. No surveillance as to artillery. Surveillance to follow.

112400H Fired 108 missions, expending 1431 rounds.

121214H Mission fired on 4 VC in open (3 wearing green utilities) with rifles at AT92063610 by Battery G for IOD team (RYDER) resulted in 2 KIA.

122015H Mission fired on 50 NVA in open at AT99544805 by 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for IOD team (Hill 425) resulted in 2 KIA.

122400H Fired 56 missions, expending 887 rounds.

132400H Fired 67 missions, expending 683 rounds.

141937H Mission fired on 2 NVA at AT99544805 by 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for IOD team (Hill 425) resulted in 1 KIA.

141950H Mission fired on 30 VC/NVA in open at AT92573733 by Battery G for IOD team (RYDER) resulted in 13 KIA.

141950H Reinforcing mission fired on 30 VC/NVA in open at AT92573733 by Battery K 4/11 for IOD team (RYDER) resulted in 2 KIA.

142400H Fired 57 missions, expending 1163 rounds.

152400H Fired 76 missions, expending 1107 rounds.

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162400H Fired 67 missions, expending 1332 rounds.

172400H Fired 81 missions, expending 1297 rounds.

182400H Fired 80 missions, expending 1313 rounds.

192400H Fired 66 missions, expending 1235 rounds.

201445H Received A-1 report from 7th Marines FSCG that large clusters of enemy radio antennas were located at AT963432 and AT964404. Request to fire tactical CS submitted to 7th Marines and 11th Marines; permission granted by the respective Commanding Officers. A TOT with Batteries G, I, E 2/11, K 4/11 and 1st and 2nd Plts, 1st8" HowBtry and 1st Plt, 3rd175mm GunBtry was fired at 1440H with HE. Battery I fired 6 rounds of CS, in addition to 9 rounds HE.

202400H Fired 64 missions, expending 952 rounds.

212400H Fired 43 missions, expending 732 rounds.

220415H Mission fired on 6 VC at AT99214795 by 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for IOD team (Hill 425) resulted in 4 KIA.

220430H Mission fired on 40 NVA/VC at AT98524736 by Battery K 4/11 for IOD team (Hill 425) resulted in 4 KIA.

222345H SPOTREP submitted. The IOD team (Hill 425) called a fire mission on 150 NVA/VC at BT00414786 from 1925H-2330H. Battery K 4/11, 2nd and 3rd Plts, 1st8" HowBtry fired on the target and was credited with 5, 1 and 4 KIA's, respectively.

222400H Fired 64 missions, expending 797 rounds.

231100H Commenced calibration of Battery G (charge 5) with the IOD at FSB RYDER.

232400H Fired 86 missions, expending 899 rounds.

240323H Mission fired on 8 VC traveling from east to west on trail at AT98524736 by 3rd Plt, 1st8" HowBtry for IOD team (Hill 425) resulted in 1 KIA.

242400H Fired 87 missions, expending 855 rounds.

251840H SPOTREP submitted. IOD team (RYDER) spotted an enemy column moving west to east on trail at AT898362 (Antenna Valley). Ambushed with artillery fire from 1st and 2nd Plts, 1st8" How Btry, and Batteries G 3/11 and K 4/11, resulting in 3 KIA and 1 secondary explosion.

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251940H

Mission fired on 10 NVA/VC on trail at AT928369 by Battery G for IOD team (RYDER) resulted in 10 KIA.

252400H

Fired 82 missions, expending 1027 rounds.

262400H

Fired 89 missions, expending 1714 rounds.

271440H

Mission fired on 3 VC with packs and rifles moving west at AT92123736 by 3rd Plt, 1st 8" HowBtry for IOD team (RYDER) resulted in 1 KIA.

272400H

Fired 74 missions, expending 1195 rounds.

282400H

Fired 98 missions, expending 1695 rounds.

282400H

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APPENDIX IV  
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010001H February 1970 to 282400H February 1970

- 1 February Journal Opened
- 1 February Airlifted normal resupply lies consisting of restockage of 105mm round expenditures to Battery G located at LZ ROSS and Battery I located at FSB HYDER. Commenced moving Battery I from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS and moving Battery G from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER. Lifts commenced at 0900 as follows:
- Lift #1 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, advance party
  - Lift #2 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, advance party
  - Lift #3 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #4 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #5 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #6 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #7 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #8 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #9 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #10 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #11 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, misc gear
  - Lift #12 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, misc gear
  - Lift #13 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #14 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #15 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #16 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 105mm howitzer
  - Lift #17 from LZ ROSS to FSB HYDER, 1 M119 water trailer
  - Lift #18 from FSB HYDER to LZ ROSS, 1 M119 water trailer
- 2 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 7 lifts at 10,000 pounds each. Normal resupply airlifts now going to Battery G located at FSB HYDER and Battery I located at LZ ROSS.
- 3 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 5 lifts at 8,000 pounds each.
- 4 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 10 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
- 5 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 10 lifts at 9,600 pounds each.

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- 6 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 11 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
- 7 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 9 lifts at 9,600 pounds each. Normal resupply airlifts now to include Battery K 4/11 located at LZ ROSS.
- 8 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 12 lifts at 11,000 pounds each.
- 9 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 8 lifts at 10,500 pounds each.
- 10 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 7 lifts at 9,000 pounds each. Airlifted hot food to Battery G located at FSB RIDER.
- 11 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 15 lifts at 11,138 pounds each.
- 12 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 8 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
- 13 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 9 lifts at 8,500 pounds each.
- 14 February No resupply airlifts.
- 15 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 12 lifts at 9,600 pounds each.
- 16 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 8 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
- 17 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 11 lifts at 9,600 pounds each.
- 18 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 8 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
- 19 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 7 lifts at 11,138 pounds each.
- 20 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 13 lifts at 8,500 pounds each.
- 21 February Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 6 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.

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22 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 13 lifts at 10,000 pounds each.
23 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 15 lifts at 5,600 pounds each.
24 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 11 lifts at 12,000 pounds each.
25 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 13 lifts at 11,138 pounds each.
26 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 10 lifts at 8,800 pounds each.
27 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 11 lifts at 7,900 pounds each.
28 February	Normal resupply airlifts consisting of 11 lifts at 11,138 pounds each.
28 February	Journal Closed.

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