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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

3rd Bn, 11th Mar

LtCol D. K. DICKEY, 1-30 Sep

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 11th Mar

1stLt S. L. MATTHEWS, 1-13 Sep
Capt J. P. O'CONNOR, 14-30 Sep

Btry G, 3rd Bn, 11th Mar

Capt M. C. BELL, 1-30 Sep

Btry H, 3rd Bn, 11th Mar

Capt A. J. FURTNEY, 1-15 Sep
Capt P. R. AADNESEN, 16-30 Sep

Btry I, 3rd Bn, 11th Mar

Capt L. W. GATES, 1-2 Sep
1stLt J. W. HOOVER, 3-30 Sep

Mortar Battery, 3rd Bn, 11th Mar

Capt O. C. BALANCE, 1-30 Sep

2. LOCATION

Headquarters Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

1-28 Sep: Hoi An BT132457

28-30 Sep: Da Nang BT988713

Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

1-27 Sep: Hiep Duc BT027341 (6-105)

27-30 Sep: Da Nang BT988713 (6-105)

Battery H, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

1-8 Sep: Hiep Duc AT946345 (6-105)

8-30 Sep: Dai Loc AT965619 (6-105)

Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

1-27 Sep: Hoi An BT131450 (6-105)

27-30 Sep: Da Nang BT988713 (6-105)

Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines

1-23 Sep: Hiep Duc AT983432 (4-4.2)

1-23 Sep: Hoi An BT140446 (2-4.2)

1-28 Sep: Hoi An BT140446 (2-155)

23-28 Sep: Hoi An BT140446 (6-4.2)

28-30 Sep: Da Nang BT988713 (6-4.2)

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Executive Officer	Major H. E. DAVISON, 1-30 Sep
Liaison Officer	Capt C. W. CHEATHAM, 1-20 Sep UNASSIGNED, 21-30 Sep
Adjutant/Personnel Officer	WO J. E. WOODRUFF, Jr., 1-30 Sep
S-2	1stLt R. H. FREESLEY, 1-2 Sep 1stLt T. H. HICKS, 3-22 Sep UNASSIGNED, 23-30 Sep
S-3	Major J. N. PETERSON, 1-30 Sep
S-4/Ordnance Officer	1stLt D. W. THOMAS, 1-20 Sep
S-4	Capt C. W. CHEATHAM, 21-30 Sep
Ordnance Officer	1stLt D. W. THOMAS, 21-30 Sep
S-5	1stLt S. L. MATTHEWS, 1-14 Sep Lt R. V. FORMANEK (USN), 15-30 Sep
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt J. C. RUPPEL, 1-30 Sep
Communication Officer	UNASSIGNED, 1-30 Sep
Supply Officer	1stLt W. G. RANSOM, 1-30 Sep
S-3A	1stLt J. H. RICKERT, 1-25 Sep UNASSIGNED, 26-30 Sep
Survey Officer	1stLt T. H. HICKS, 1-22 Sep UNASSIGNED, 23-30 Sep
Embarkation Officer	1stLt R. K. BLOEDAU, 1-30 Sep
Naval Gunfire Officer	Lt(jg) H. C. GASTLER (USN), 1-20 Sept UNASSIGNED, 21-30 Sep
Battalion Surgeon	Lt R. V. FORMANEK (USN), 1-30 Sep
Battalion Chaplain	UNASSIGNED, 1-30 Sep

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<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>
35	510	3	12	0	1

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September started with the continuation of Operation Imperial Lake in the Que Son Mountains in Que Son District, Republic of Vietnam. Whiskey Battery (-), consisting of four mortars, was colocated with the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines command post at Hill 845 (AT983432). 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines had commenced operations on the 31st of August in the Que Son Mountains to locate General BINH, the Commanding General of the Front 4. The heli-lift of 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines into the Que Son Mountains on the 31st was preceded by a 13,488 round artillery preparation. Over 740,000 pounds of metal were placed on the target area before the infantry displaced. Eleven artillery batteries took part in the preparation. The infantry units completely surrounded the area in which General BINH was thought to be. Then began the difficult task of searching out each ravine and cave. The work of the infantry was difficult at best. Numerous sightings were made of small groups of enemy, and sniper fire was the rule of the day. Bunkers, caves and huts were found, but not the elusive general. Whiskey Battery did its part, firing on the average of one hundred and seventy rounds per day in support of the battalion. In the evening, maximum use was made of preemptive fires, fired on suspected mortar locations and routes of escape from the infantry encirclement. On the 13th, India Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines was heli-lifted into the Que Son Mountains in the vicinity of AT950390. It was suspected that an enemy force of unknown size had slipped south from the encirclement exposed further north by 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. On the morning of the 13th, Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines (OP CON to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines) fired a 512 round preparation for India Company. The infantry was lifted into the LZ with no opposition. Again, they began the difficult task of searching each ravine and cave. Minor contact was made with small groups of enemy, but nothing significant. Search and destroy missions continued throughout the month in the Que Son Mountains with only minor contacts. On the 23rd, part of 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines and Whiskey Battery (-) were displaced back to LZ BALDY.

While Imperial Lake was being conducted in the Que Son Mountains, operations continued in the lowlands east of the mountains. The ARVN's continued to occupy a large portion of the 7th Marines' lowland area of operations. 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines continued to provide a liaison officer to the ARVN Headquarters and was called upon on numerous occasions to provide reinforcing fires. Operation Nebraska Rapids commenced on the 5th and was completed on the 8th. This was a joint operation with the Americal Division to sweep the common boundary between the 7th Marines and the Americal Division. 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines provided the fire support to units of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines participating in the operation.

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As always, artillery moves were a highlight of the month, but even more so during the month of September. On the 8th, Battery H displaced from FSB RYDER (AT946345) to Hill 55 (AT965619). Battery H then became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced from Hill 55 to FSB RYDER and became OP CON to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. On the 17th, the two towed 155mm howitzers and composite crews from Batteries I, G and Mortar were heli-lifted to FSB DAGGER to participate in Operation Catawba Falls. They were OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. They were displaced back to LZ BALDY (DT131450) on the 21st. On the 20th, the headquarters element of 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced to LZ BALDY. The 5th Marines had taken OP CON of 2nd and 3rd Battalions, 7th Marines after Headquarters Company, 7th Marines stood down on the 20th. Batteries G, F, I, Whiskey and K became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines on the 21st. Battery E relieved Battery I at LZ BALDY on the 22nd. At that time, Battery I commenced stand down at LZ BALDY. On the 26th, Battery D relieved Battery G at LZ ROSS (DT027341) and Mortar Battery, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines relieved Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. On the 27th, Batteries G and I displaced to Hill 34. On the 28th, Headquarters and Mortar Batteries displaced to Hill 34. At this time, Mortar Battery transferred the two 155mm towed howitzers permanently to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. All batteries reverted to OP-CON of 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines upon stand down. Throughout the remainder of the month, with no tactical commitments, the preparation for going home was the work for the day. Much of the preparation had started at LZ BALDY and was completed by stand down, but a lot still remained. As always, there was an abundance of administrative details left, along with the final vehicle cleaning and the inspection by the Preventive Medicine Unit. Battery H remained on Hill 55 until 1 October when they stood down and displaced to Hill 34.

For the first time in many months, the high threat observation posts on LZ BALDY and LZ ROSS were not activated. There were no high threat periods indicated by Division and no indirect fire attacks were reported on civilian or Marine installations in the Que Son District.

The over-all enemy activity continued to decrease. Enemy sightings were down, and fewer enemy were killed this month than in any previous month since 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines moved to the Que Son area of operations. This was also the case with the IOD's on FSB RYDER and Hill 425. The first twenty days of the month produced very little activity. The last ten days were busier for the IOD on FSB RYDER with numerous sightings, but these sightings were of only one or two enemy at a time.

Formal GMS training decreased from the previous months due to the displacement of one battery to a remote fire support base and the necessity for all hands to start preparations for cantonment turn-over and stand down. However, gun section drills and safety classes increased.

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As always, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines was honored with the visits of many commanders and dignitaries. On 2 September, LtGen MCGOUTCHION visited Mortar Battery (-) on Hill 845. On the same day, Colonel RUDZIS visited Battery H on FSB RYDER. General JONES visited LZ BALDY on the 3rd. This was followed by the visit of Rear Admiral RUEHL and BrigGen QUINN to FSB RYDER on the 5th. On the 9th, BrigGen MEYER from XXIV Corps visited LZ ROSS and FSB RYDER. Colonel RUDZIS visited Mortar Battery (-) on Hill 845 on the 11th. The high point of the month was the visit of President THIEN to the 1st ARVN Armored Brigade at LZ BALDY on the 17th.

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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>
Div	0	242	109	0	4
5th Marines	0	0	0	0	0
7th Marines	3,489	10,085	1,697	0	681
11th Marines	167	2,357	333	0	165
ARVN	0	2,195	222	0	63
Recon	2	0	1	0	2
Army	0	23	5	0	3
ROK	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3,658	14,902	2,367	0	918

OPERATION INTERIAL LAKEROUNDS BY CALIBER

<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>	<u>4.2"</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>8"</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>TOTAL MISSIONS</u>
7th Marines	3,434	10,762	3,267	249	126	357

SURVEILLANCE

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>KIA (C)</u>	<u>KIA (P)</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>Structures Destroyed</u>	<u>Secondary Explosions</u>
3/11	3	0	3	0	11
3/11 and Others	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	3	0	4	0	11

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	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
(1) Losses				
Administrative	20	381	2	8
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (evac)	0	0	0	0
Battle MIA	0	0	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-battle	0	7	0	0
(2) Replacements	2	44	0	0
(3) Net Loss	18	344	2	8
(4) Net Gain	0	0	0	0
(5) Battle WIA (not evac)	0	0	0	0
(6) Average Strength for September	35	510	3	12

b. Intelligence. Enemy activity in the TAOB during the period from 1 September to 21 September remained basically unchanged from the previous month except in the Que Son Mountains. Enemy initiated incidents were of a harassing nature, utilizing small arms, mines, booby traps and indirect fire in the Que Son Mountains.

The enemy activity involving the CUEP units was basically the same as in August with constant harassment in the form of small bands of enemy hitting and fleeing.

The High Threat OP's were manned for the first 4 days of the month. This was a carry over from the expected enemy attacks during the last of August carrying over into the first few days of September.

The IOD's on FSB RYDER and Hill 425 had a slight decrease in the spotting of enemy over the previous month. The enemy was well aware of the IOD's and were avoiding them at all cost.

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Sensor beds produced no missions in the month of September.

The number of UAS's was slightly less this month. Those fired on were within the minimum time frame imposed by the Battalion Commander.

The only significant indirect fire attacks occurring during the month were in the Que Son Mountains in connection with the Imperial Lake operation. This was due to the fact that the operation was closing in on base camps and supply areas of the enemy. The most significant night of enemy activity involving indirect fire was the night of 12 September when 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines CP received 20 to 25 60mm mortars.

Due to the harvesting of rice and the oncoming monsoons, the enemy will be concentrating on resupply. This will bring about an increase in the sightings of the enemy.

The enemy will continue to discredit the Vietnamization program. He will continue to use harassing tactics with mines and booby traps combined with hit and run attacks. Due to the Imperial Lake operation, his supplies have been greatly destroyed. His operations have been greatly curtailed.

Indirect fire attacks can be expected as pull-out takes place, but due to the Imperial Lake operation, the enemy will be at a severe disadvantage.

With the monsoons coming, observation will be greatly decreased and the enemy will be able to move more freely. There is expected to be increased attacks on villages and bases, but only on a small unit level with no major attacks.

c. Organization and Operation. Battery I continued to occupy a position at LZ BALDY until 27 September. The battalion FDC at LZ BALDY retained tactical and technical fire direction until 21 September. On the 21st, Battery I became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines for one day. On 22 September, Battery I commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34 on 27 September.

Battery H occupied a position at FSB RYDER until 8 September. During this time, Battery H was decentralized tactically and technically. On the 8th, Battery H displaced to Hill 55 and became OP CON to 2/11. Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines displaced to FSB RYDER and became OP CON to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. Battery F occupied FSB RYDER for the remainder of the month and was decentralized tactically and technically. On the 21st, Battery F became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. On 27 September, Battery H was to commence stand down. However, due to the tactical situation, Battery H remained operational until 1 October, under the OP CON of 1st Battalion, 11th Marines. On 1 October, Battery H displaced to Hill 34 and commenced stand down.

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Battery G occupied a position at LZ ROSS until 27 September. During this time, Battery G was decentralized tactically and technically. On 21 September, Battery G became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. On the 27th, Battery G commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34. At that time, OP CON reverted back to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

Mortar Battery (-), consisting of four mortars, continued to occupy a position at Hill 845 until 23 September. During this time, Mortar Battery (-) was decentralized tactically and technically. The other two mortars remained at LZ BALDY, along with the two 155mm towed howitzers. On the 23rd, Mortar Battery (-) displaced back to LZ BALDY. On the 17th, the two 155mm towed howitzers displaced to FSB DAGGER and became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. On the 21st, the remainder of Mortar Battery became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. The two 155mm towed howitzers displaced back to LZ BALDY on the 21st. Mortar Battery commenced stand down on the 27th and displaced to Hill 34 on the 28th. At that time, OP CON reverted back to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

Headquarters Battery remained at LZ BALDY until 28 September when stand down commenced and the battery displaced to Hill 34.

Battery K, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines continued to reinforce 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines from LZ ROSS during the period 1-14 September. On the 14th, Battery K became OP CON to 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. Throughout this period, Battery K was decentralized tactically and technically. On the 21st, Battery K became OP CON to 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines.

Battery M, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines reinforced 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines during the period 1-14 September. On the 14th, Battery M commenced stand down for redeployment. Battery M was decentralized tactically and technically.

d. Training. A total of 17 hours of general military subjects training was conducted during the month of September. In addition, 25 hours of technical MOS training was held. This was a decrease from the previous months. This decrease was caused by the displacement of one battery to a remote fire support base and the preparation of the Battalion for stand down and redeployment.

e. Logistics, Equipment and Supply. Logistical support of LZ ROSS was primarily accomplished by air due to the condition of the road between LZ BALDY and LZ ROSS. This road is dirt, one lane, and very susceptible to enemy mining and sniper fire. Therefore, approximately ninety percent of all supplies and ammunitions were airlifted to LZ ROSS while one hundred percent of all supplies and ammunitions were airlifted to FSB RYDER. During the month of September, approximately 1,678,136 pounds of ammunitions and supplies were airlifted to a number of fire support bases supporting operations such as Nebraska Rapids and Imperial Lake, in addition to the support of maneuver elements within the 7th Marine Regimental area of operations.

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The central water system installed on LZ BALDY has progressed to the point where personnel may utilize the showers provided, which have not been functional in the past due to problems with the purification of the water. Other improvements on LZ BALDY, LZ ROSS and FSD RYDER have been the progressive refurbishing program of all sea huts and bunkers, repairing screen wire and torn or split sand bags. All fighting positions and the berm along the perimeter have been refurbished. There has been a marked improvement in the area occupied by the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

f. Civil Action/Civil Affairs. This Battalion was not assigned a CAAOR, but conducts MEDCAP's thrice weekly in MOC BAI (BT114453) and PHU HIEP (BT1147457), the local refugee center. In addition, the battalion distributed milk provided by AID to the children of THANH MY (Da Ren, BT102509) twice weekly.

g. Psyops. Negative report.

h. Combined Action Company Program. Not applicable.

i. Medical. The Battalion Aid Station treated 213 outpatients. 7 MEDCAP visits were made during the month of September to MOC BAI and PHU HIEP villages, treating some 221 Vietnamese patients. A total of 108 immunization shots were administered, 56 physicals given, 204 laboratory tests completed and 457 prescriptions filled.

2. SIGNIFICANT ENTRIES

- 4 Sep Mission fired on 4 VC at AT907362 by Battery H for IOD (Petrify 82), resulted in 1 KIA. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 4 Sep Mission fired on 2 VC/NVA at AT907374 by Battery H for IOD (Petrify 82) resulted in 1 secondary explosion. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 7 Sep Mission fired on known enemy supply routes, reported by A Command 2/7 (AT990430) of Operation Imperial Lake. Observed 10-15 secondary explosions. Ref: S-2 Journal (Part IV, Appendix II).
- 15 Sep Mission fired on 3 VC at AT906362 by Battery F, 2/11 for IOD (Mad Hatter 82), resulted in 1 WIA. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 17 Sep Mission fired on 5 VC, reported by G 2/5 CUPP #4 (BT120400). Swept area and detained 3 Vietnamese females. Forwarded them to ITT. Ref: S-2 Journal (Part IV, Appendix II).

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- 18 Sep Mission fired on a platoon of VC/NVA at BT055384 by Battery G for Project E (PF's), resulted in 2 KIA and 3 WIA. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 21 Sep Operational control of all firing batteries to 2/11. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 27 Sep Batteries G and I commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34 (BT965619). Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 28 Sep Headquarters and Mortar Batteries commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).
- 30 Sep Battery H remained under OP CON to 1/11. Ref: S-3 Journal (Part IV, Appendix III).

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APPENDIX IS-1 Journal

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DaNang Combat Base

010001 H September 1970 to 302400 H September 1970

010001 Journal Opened
 010800 3 Enl Tr To CONUS
 010800 2 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 010800 1 Enl Fr SK NBC
 010800 1 Enl (Navy) Tr To SK NBC
 011700 3 Enl Jd Fr CONUS
 011700 7 Enl Jd Fr 7th Engr Bn
 020800 1 Enl Tr To USAFH Taohirawa
 020800 2 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 020800 1 Off Tr To Saigon
 021700 1 Enl Jd Fr HqCo HqBn 1stMarDiv
 030800 2 Off Tr To CONUS
 030800 1 Off Tr To Kaneohe, Hawaii
 030800 1 Off Tr To SK NBC
 030800 3 Enl Tr To CONUS
 030800 1 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 030800 1 Enl Fr SK NBC
 040800 2 Enl Tr To CONUS
 040800 1 Enl Tr To USNH GUAM
 040800 3 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 041700 1 Enl Jd Fr HqBtry 11th Marines
 050800 2 Enl Fr SK NBC
 050800 5 Enl Tr To CONUS
 050800 1 Enl Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
 050800 1 Enl Tr To USNH OAKLAND, CALIF.
 050800 1 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 051700 2 Enl Jd Fr CONUS
 060800 1 Enl Fr SK NBC
 060800 2 Enl Tr To CONUS
 060800 2 Enl Tr To SK NBC
 061700 2 Enl Jd Fr CONUS
 070800 2 Enl Fr SK NBC
 070800 3 Enl Tr To CONUS
 080800 4 Enl Tr To CONUS
 080800 1 Enl Tr To USNH OKINAWA
 080800 1 Enl Fr SK NBC
 090800 2 Tr To USNH YOKOSUKA

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091700	1	Enl Jd Fr 1st Tank Bn
100800	1	Enl (Navy) Fr SK NBC
100800	1	Enl Tr To SK NBC
100800	3	Enl Fr SK NBC
110800	2	Enl Fr SK NBC
111700	1	Enl Jd Fr 2ndBn 11th Marines
120800	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
120800	1	Enl Tr To SK NBC
121700	1	Off Jd Fr 1stBn 11th Marines
121700	1	Enl Jd Fr CONUS
130800	2	Enl Fr SK NBC
141700	1	Off Tr To HqBtry 11th Marines
141700	1	Enl Jd Fr 1stBn 11th Marines
141700	2	Enl Tr To HqBtry 11th Marines
150800	1	Off Tr To HqBtry 11th Marines
150800	1	Enl Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
150800	2	Enl Tr To HqBtry 11th Marines
150800	1	Enl Tr To 1stBn 11th Marines
150800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
151700	3	Enl Tr To 1stMAW (REAR)
151700	1	Off Jd Fr HqBtry 11th Marines
160800	2	Enl Tr To CONUS
161700	4	Enl Tr To CONUS
161700	2	Enl Jd Fr HqBtry 11th Marines
161700	2	Enl Jd Fr 2ndBn 11th Marines
161700	1	Enl Jd Fr 1stBn 11th Marines
161700	2	Off Tr To CONUS
170800	3	Enl Fr SK NBC
170800	1	Enl Tr To SK NBC
171700	4	Enl Tr To CONUS
171700	1	Enl Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
181700	6	Enl Tr To CONUS
190800	1	Enl Tr To SK NBC
200800	2	Enl Fr SK NBC
201700	1	Enl Jd Fr 4thBn 11th Marines
201700	3	Enl Jd Fr 2ndBn 11th Marines
201700	3	Enl Jd Fr 1stBn 11th Marines
201700	3	Enl Jd Fr HqBtry 11th Marines
201700	2	Enl Jd Fr 3rd 8" 11th Marines
201700	3	Enl Tr To CONUS
201700	3	Enl Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
201700	2	Enl Tr To 3rd 8" 11th Marines
201700	4	Enl Tr To HqBtry 11th Marines

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201700 2 Enl Tr To 1stBn 11th Marines
201700 2 Off Tr To HqDtry 11th Marines
211700 3 Enl Jd Fr 3rd 8" 11th Marines
211700 1 Enl Jd Fr 2ndBn 11th Marines
211700 1 Enl Jd Fr HqDtry 11th Marines
221700 4 Enl Tr To CONUS
221700 1 Off (Navy) Tr To HqDtry 11th Marines
221700 1 Off (Navy) Tr To CONUS
230300 1 Enl Tr To SK NDC
240300 2 Enl Fr SK NDC
241700 2 Enl Tr To CONUS
251700 1 Off Tr To CONUS
251700 1 Enl Tr To USNH GUAM
251700 4 Enl Tr To CONUS
251700 1 Enl Jd Fr 2ndBn 11th Marines
260800 1 Enl Fr SK NDC
261700 6 Enl Tr To CONUS
261700 2 Off Tr To CONUS
271700 1 Off Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
271700 1 Enl Tr To CONUS
281700 2 Off Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
281700 4 Off Tr To HqDtry 11th Marines
281700 1 Enl Jd Fr HqDtry 11th Marines
281700 3 Enl (Navy) Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
281700 3 Enl (Navy) Tr To 2ndBn 5th Marines
281700 1 Enl (Navy) Tr To 2ndBn 1st Marines
281700 47 Enl Tr To 3rd 8" 11th Marines
281700 86 Enl Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
281700 120 Enl Tr To 1stBn 11th Marines
281700 35 Enl Tr To HqDtry 11th Marines
281700 1 Enl Tr To CONUS
291700 2 Enl (Navy) Tr To 2ndBn 11th Marines
302400 Journal Closed

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010001H September 1970 to 302400H September 1970

010001H Journal opened.

011905H H&S 1/7 Command Post (BT100474), Observation Post in tower observed 2 groups of enemy. 1st group was 4 enemy with weapons and packs, 2nd group was 5 enemy with weapons and packs. Called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

012310H A 1/7 CUPP #7 (BT104499) observed 15 enemy moving north-east. Called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

020700H H&S 1/7 Observation Post in tower observed 15 enemy, 4 with packs, fleeing east. Called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

021100H K 3/7 Platoon Command Post (AT983303) observed 2 enemy with packs and weapons moving west. Called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

022030H OPERATION IMPERIAL LAKE; G 2/7 Squad Ambush (AT991455) while moving to night position heard movement. Engaged movement with small arms fire and M-26 grenades. Called fire mission artillery illumination, observed 4 enemy fleeing west. Negative further findings.

062005H 2/7 Battalion Command Post (AT978419) received 20-25 82mm rounds landing outside of perimeter. Called fire mission artillery (4.2"), with unknown results.

072130H OPERATION IMPERIAL LAKE; A Command 2/7 of Imperial Lake (AT990430) called fire mission artillery on known enemy supply routes. Observed 10-15 secondary explosions. Negative sweep of area due to distance and terrain.

102100H K 3/7 Squad Ambush (BT117376) observed 5 trip flares go off. Engaged with small arms fire and received small arms fire in return. Called fire mission artillery illumination with negative results.

122050H G 2/5 CUPP #3 (BT097402) observed 8 enemy moving west. Called fire mission artillery with negative results.

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122330H OPERATION IMPERIAL LAKE; I 3/7 Squad Ambush (AT944387) observed 3 enemy moving south. Engaged with small arms and M-79. Called fire mission artillery illumination with negative results.

161910H G 2/5 CUPP #2 (BT087383) observed 6 enemy with weapons. Engaged with small arms and received small arms fire in return. Swept area and found 1 NVA helmet. Called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

162350H K 3/7 Company Position (BT039389) received 26 incoming fragmentation grenades and 4 trip flares were tripped. Then received small arms fire resulting in 2 USMC KIA. Returned small arms fire, M-60, M-79 and called fire mission artillery with unknown results.

170730H G 2/5 CUPP #4 (BT120400) observed 5 enemy with weapons moving north. Called fire mission artillery. Swept area and detained 3 Vietnamese females. Forwarded them to ITT.

170730H G 2/5 CUPP #2 (BT081374) observed 7 enemy with packs and weapons moving north. Engaged with small arms and received small arms fire in return. Called fire mission artillery with negative results.

182200H OPERATION IMPERIAL LAKE; F 2/7 Defensive Position (AT963436) received sniper fire from the southwest. Called fire mission artillery illumination with negative results.

211200H Journal closed.

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APPENDIX IIIS-3 Journal

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010001H Journal opened.

012400H Fired 60 missions, expending 2062 rounds.

022400H Fired 33 missions, expending 764 rounds.

032400H Fired 34 missions, expending 917 rounds.

040800H High threat OP's secured.

041030H Mission fired on 4 VC carrying packs and rifles moving N to S into a hootch at AT907362, by Battery H for IOD (Petrify 82), resulted in 1 KIA.

041930H Mission fired on 2 VC/NVA carrying packs and rifles moving S to N at AT907374, by Battery H for IOD (Petrify 82), resulted in 1 secondary explosion.

042400H Fired 38 missions, expending 1046 rounds.

051420H Rear Admiral RUBEL visited FSB RYDER. .

052400H Fired 50 missions, expending 1079 rounds.

061935H Mortar Battery Forward at AT982432 received eight 60mm mortar rounds, resulting in 1 USMC WIA. Fired counter mortar fires which stopped the mortar firing.

062400H Fired 32 missions, expending 760 rounds.

072400H Fired 62 missions, expending 1319 rounds.

081405H Movrep received from Battery F, 2/11, 6 guns displacing from Hill 55 (AT965619) to FSB RYDER (AT946345) by heli-lift.

081425H Movrep received from Battery H, 3/11, 6 guns displacing from FSB RYDER (AT946345) to Hill 55 (AT965619) by heli-lift.

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081630H Firecap received from Battery F, 2/11. Battery center at AT94643415, laid on Azimuth 2300.

082100H Firecap received from Battery H, 3/11. Battery center at AT96476189, 6 105mm howitzers laid on Azimuth 3200 and 2 155mm howitzers laid on Azimuth 4000.

082400H Fired 33 missions, expending 1252 rounds.

091000H BrigGen MEYER (XXIV Corps) visited LZ ROSS and FSB RYDER.

091632H Battery H OF CON to 2/11.

092400H Fired 67 missions, expending 1024 rounds.

102400H Fired 48 missions, expending 909 rounds.

112400H Fired 79 missions, expending 1391 rounds.

122400H Fired 57 missions, expending 1224 rounds.

132400H Fired 34 missions, expending 1236 rounds.

142400H Fired 37 missions, expending 732 rounds.

151131H Col OAKS (XXIV Corps) visited FSB RYDER.

151817H Mission fired on 3 VC in tree line at AT906362, by Battery F, 2/11 for IOD (Mad Hatter 82), resulted in 1 WIA.

152400H Fired 31 missions, expending 472 rounds.

162400H Fired 39 missions, expending 1055 rounds.

170930H Movrep received from Mortar Battery, 2 155mm howitzers displacing from LZ BALDY to FSB DAGGER. Placed under OP CON of 2/11.

171800H President THIEN of the Republic of South Vietnam visited ARVN position at LZ BALDY.

172400H Fired 54 missions, expending 1046 rounds.

181945H Mission fired on a platoon of VC/NVA at BT055384 by Battery G for Project E (PF's), resulted in 2 KIA and 3 WIA.

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182400H Fired 39 missions, expending 619 rounds.
192400H Fired 42 missions, expending 1103 rounds.
201310H Movrep received from Mortar Battery, 2 155mm howitzers displacing from FSB DAGGER to LZ BALDY by heli-lift.
201415H Firecap received from Mortar Battery (2 155mm howitzers). Battery center at BT14004462, laid on Azimuth 4000.
202400H Fired 35 missions, expending 748 rounds.
211159H Operational control of all firing batteries to 2/11.
211200H Fired 14 missions, expending 169 rounds.
271300H Batteries G and I commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34 (BT965619).
281400H Headquarters and Mortar Batteries commenced stand down and displaced to Hill 34.
292400H No entries.
302400H Battery H remained OP CON to 1/11.

VIP/STAFF VISITS

2 Sep LtGen MCCUTCHERON visited Hill 845 (Mortar Battery) with the Battalion Executive Officer.
2 Sep Colonel RUDZIS visited Battery H on FSB RYDER.
3 Sep General JONES visited 7th Marines Headquarters on LZ BALDY.
5 Sep Rear Admiral RUBEL visited FSB RYDER.
5 Sep BrigGen QUINN (ADC, 1st MAF) visited FSB RYDER.
9 Sep BrigGen MAYF (XXIV Corps) visited LZ ROSS and FSB RYDER.
11 Sep Colonel RUDZIS visited Hill 845 (Mortar Battery).
17 Sep President THIEN visited 1st Armored Brigade at LZ BALDY.
302400H Journal closed.

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01 Sept Journal Opened

01 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts consisting of replenishment of expended 105MM, 107MM, 155MM rounds for batteries "G", "H", "I", and Mortar Battery 3/11, and Battery "K" from 4/11. Resupply of essential logistical items also replenished daily. Above to be referred to as; Normal Resupply Airlifts.

02 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

03 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

04 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

05 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

06 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

07 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

08 Sept Airlifted six (6) 105MM Howitzers from Hill 55 to FSB RYDER, for Fox Battery, 2/11. Airlifted six (6) 105MM Howitzers from FSB RYDER to Hill 55, for Hotel Battery, 3/11, also Normal Resupply Airlifts.

09 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

10 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

11 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

12 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

13 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

14 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

15 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

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17 Sept Airlifted two (2) 155MM Howitzers from LZ BAIDY to FSB DAGGER
for Mortar Battery. Also Normal Resupply Airlifts

18 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

19 Sept Normal Resupply Airlifts

20 Sept Airlifted two (2) 155MM Howitzers from FSB DAGGER to LZ BAIDY
for Mortar Battery. Also Normal Resupply Airlifts

21 Sept Journal Closed

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