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4th Battalion, 11th Marines  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO, San Francisco, 96602

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(d) RegtO 5750.2C

Encl: (1) 4th Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), (c), and (d), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

4th Battalion, 11th Marines	LtCol G. R. LAMB	(1 Feb)
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF	LtCol J. M. LANEY, JR.	(2-28 Feb)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Battery	Capt H. M. KISER	(1-28 Feb)
Battery "K"	Capt R. T. BAILEY 1Lt C. E. ASH	(1-6 Feb) (7-28 Feb)
Battery "L"	Capt R. E. PERIMMER	(1-28 Feb)
Battery "M"	Capt R. J. GRAHAM	(1-28 Feb)

2. LOCATION. 1-28 February: CHU LAI, Republic of Vietnam3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Maj P. F. BURAN	(1-28 Feb)
S-1	2dLt J. W. WELLS	(1-28 Feb)
S-2	Capt H. M. KISER Capt R. T. BAILEY	(1-6 Feb) (7-28 Feb)
S-3	Maj G. J. WATERS	(1-28 Feb)
S-3A	Capt C. E. SINCLAIR Capt R. T. BAILEY	(1-6 Feb) (7-28 Feb)
S-4	Maj G. V. MEMMER	(1-28 Feb)
Supply Officer	1Lt E. F. CARSON	(1-28 Feb)
Motor Transport Officer	2dLt L. J. WALSH	(1-28 Feb)
Maintenance Officer	2dLt R. G. SHORE	(1-28 Feb)
Communications Officer	Capt D. A. COSTIN	(1-28 Feb)
Medical Officer	Lt H. R. BIRD-BAKER, (MC) USN	(1-28 Feb)

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<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
20	441

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
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PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1-28 February, this battalion continued to support operations of the 1st Marine Division (Rein) in the CHU LAI area. The battalion and its assigned batteries have the following missions:

4th Battalion	G/S Task Force Xray
Battery "K"	Modified mission G/S, Rein, 2d Bn, 11th Marines
Battery "L"	Modified mission G/S, Rein, 2d Bn, 11th Marines
Battery "M"	Modified mission G/S, Rein, 3d Bn, 11th Marines

In addition to organic batteries, this battalion has operational control of the 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery (SP) and the 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) for coordination of local security, camp construction, messing, billeting, maintenance and combined fire direction center at collocated positions at coordinates BT441100, BT39461445, and BS53909441. The battalion manned observation posts at coordinates BS517778 (Nui Tron) from 1-28 February and at coordinates BS474864 (An Hoa) from 8-28 February. Elements of the battalion participated in Operation DESOTO and RIO GRANDE. During February 1967, the battalion fired 926 missions, with a total of 10,279 rounds.

Normal administrative functions were accomplished during the month. No difficulties were encountered.

During the month of February, this battalion utilized its two observation posts, An Hoa and Nui Tron, to furnish reports on VC movements and action. No new VC or NVA units were confirmed to be located in the battalion's area. An expanded civic action program also brought local villagers to the battalion with lost Marine equipment and reports of VC activity and movement.

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PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel and Administration. (See Appendix 1)

a. The following losses and gains in personnel occurred during the period:

(1) Losses:

(a) Battle: None

(b) Non-battle: None

(c) Administrative: 101 enlisted, 6 officer, 2 Navv.

(2) Gains:

(a) Replacements: 20 enlisted, 2 officers, 1 Navv.

b. POWs captured: None

c. Morale: Excellent

d. Personal Services: The weekly PX run for personnel of the battalion and collocated units was continued. Once monthly, a mail run (money orders, stamps, etc.) is sent to each battery.

e. Promotions: 53 enlisted.

f. Awards and Decorations: 1 Cross of Gallantry; 2 Purple Hearts.

g. The following courts-martial and Article 15s were awarded:

(1) Special: None

(2) Summary: None

(3) Article 15: 1

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~~SECRET~~2. Intelligence. (See Appendix 2)

a. A perimeter patrol was conducted daily during the month of February and listening posts and ambushes were established on different occasions throughout the month. Very few aiming stakes or drawings were discovered. During the dark of the moon, VC harassment with grenades was quite heavy.

b. On four occasions Vietnamese Nationals/agents volunteered information to this battalion concerning VC movements and sightings. Although none of these were confirmed, a new trend may be starting due to an expanded Civic Action program.

c. The Battalion's Forward Observers on Nui Tron and An Hoa received several reports from local villagers and ARVN interpreters on VC movements, activities and sightings in their areas.

3. Training. Normal training on general military subjects and technical training was conducted.4. Logistics, Equipment and Supply. Approximately 60% of the total requisitions submitted since arrival in Viet-Nam have been filled. As a result, 29% of our motor transport vehicles are deadlined for parts. Brake shoes, truck batteries, electrolyte, and inner tubes are a continuing source of deadlined vehicles.

a. Two cannon tubes (from Battery "M") have reached the condemnation point (5000 E.F.C. rounds) and are being replaced.

b. During the month, the Battalion fired its 100,000th round since arriving in-country.

5. Civic Action/Civil Affairs

a. The Civic Action program of this Battalion increased appreciably during February. Med Caps were conducted twice weekly with the exception of the Tet holiday period. As the general populace became more aware of the purpose of the Med Cap many more people were seen and treated. It has been noticed that the local officials have increased the volume of intelligence reports to this unit.

b. Due to the wet conditions and operational commitments no work was accomplished on the road located at BT440100. It is hoped that this project will be completed during the month of March. The clearing of sand from rice paddies at BT438102 was completed on 27 February 1967.

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~~SECRET~~6. Organization and Operations. (See Appendix 3)a. Command:

<u>Units</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Direction of Fire</u>
Headquarters, 4th Battalion	BT441100	
Battery "K"	BT44150955	4500
Battery "L"	BT39461445	4600
Battery "M"	BS53909441	4200
Hq Platoon, 3d 8" HowBtry (SP)	BT438097	
1st Platoon, 3d 8" HowBtry (SP)	BT43910964	4000
2nd Platoon, 3d 8" HowBtry (SP)	BS53999442	4000
3rd Platoon, 3d 8" HowBtry (SP)	BT43810974	4800
Hq Platoon, 3d 155mm GunBtry (SP)	BT437098	
1st Platoon, 3d 155mm GunBtry (SP)	BT39511445	4900/4600
2nd Platoon, 3d 155mm GunBtry (SP)	BS54069429	3750
3rd Platoon, 3d 155mm GunBtry (SP)	BT43780965	5100/4200

b. Operations. A detachment consisting of one officer, 12 cannoneers, 3 radio operators, 8 fire control men and 1 corpsman deployed 020700H to Nui Dau BS868318 to advise and man two (ARVN) 155mm Howitzers (TD) with the assigned mission of reinforcing I/3/11(-) in conjunction with Operation DESOTO. (See attached overlay Appendix 3).

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c. Elements of the battalion participated in Operation RIO GRANDE from 161630 to 230900H. Battery "K" displaced under OPCOM 3/11 with the mission of GS/Rein 3/11. Battery "M", 2nd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery (SP), and the 2nd Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) supported the operation from present positions with the mission GS/TFX-RAY Rein 3/11. Battery "K" was assigned mission DS/1/5 from 211100 to 220900H. (See attached position area overlays).

7. Close Combat. (See Appendix 3).

a. During this period, the Battalion Headquarters complex, located at BT441100, consisting of Headquarters Battery, Battery "M", 3d 8" Howitzer Battery (SP), and the 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP), Battery "M" at BS53909441, and Battery "L" at BT44150955 experienced eight incidents of enemy contact, consisting of probes, harassing small arms fire and fragmentation grenades. There were no known enemy casualties. (See Appendix 3).

8. General Support. (See Appendix 3).

a. The following missions were fired during the reporting period:

<u>OBSERVED</u>	<u>UNOBSERVED</u>	<u>H&amp;I</u>
221	127	578

b. The following rounds were fired:

<u>155mm How</u>	<u>8" How</u>	<u>155mm Gun</u>
9210	626	323

c. The battalion has been credited with:

<u>VC KIAs (Conf)</u>	<u>VC KIAs (Prob)</u>	<u>VC WIAs (Prob)</u>
30	34	5

PART IV  
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Staff Journals

- ✓ a. S-1 (Appendix 1)
  - ✓ b. S-2 (Appendix 2)
  - ✓ c. S-3 (Appendix 3)
  - ✓ d. S-4 (Appendix 4)
- ✓ 2. Operation Overlays. (Addendum to Appendix 3).

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APPENDIX 1 (S-1 Journal) to Enclosure (1) (Command Chronology) of CO, 4/11, ltr 3:GJW:jew over 5750 serial 82-67 dtd 28Feb67.

- 010830 Appointment of Certificate for Gunnery Sergeant presented to Staff Sergeant M. ROBERTS (Battery L) by Battalion Commander.
- 011000 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry (Silver) awarded to Lieutenant Colonel G. R. LAMB (Battalion Commander) on 1 February 1967.
- 011400 Lieutenant Colonel J. M. LANEY Jr. assigned EFF 2 February 1967 primary duty as Battalion Commander vice Lieutenant Colonel G. R. LAMB transferred.
- 011430 Purple Heart Medals presented to Major P. F. BURAN (Headquarters Battery) and Gunnery Sergeant J. B. WATSON (Headquarters Battery) by Battalion Commander.
- 020830 Casualty reports submitted to Division on Staff Sergeant J. E. BAILEY, Corporal J. L. CLIMIE, Lance Corporal J. L. BAKER, Lance Corporal T. PETHERS (Headquarters Battery) for wounds received on 29 January 1967.
- 020831 Chief of Police Ky Khuong and Civic Action Officer escorted Vietnamese Civilians into Compound to redo grave sites located inside perimeter wire.
- 020840 American Red Cross message received concerning Private First Class B. G. HATCHELL (Headquarters Battery). Emergency leave requested from Division and approved. Leave orders issued to leave on or about 2 February 1967.
- 021000 At 1000 the Bn CAO officer accompanied the Hamlet Chief of Khuong Phu and Khuong Hung with corpsman on a Med Cap in Khuong Phu Hamlet.
- 030800 Private First Class R. D. CROSS, Private First Class S. A. LAROSA, and Lance Corporal K. N. STIDHAM departed for Operation DESOTO (all HQBtry).
- 031000 Private First Class M. F. JABAUT departed for Field Radio Operator School, Camp Hansen, Okinawa.
- 060900 At 0900 the Bn CAO accompanied the Hamlet Chief of Khuong Phu and Khuong Hung with corpsman on a Med Cap in Khuong Phu Hamlet. Will not have Med Cap the 9th because of Tet Holiday.
- 060910 Captain R. T. BAILEY (Headquarters Battery) assigned as assistant S-3 vice Captain C. E. SINCLAIR (Headquarters Battery) transferred. First Lieutenant C. E. ASH (Battery K) assigned as Commanding Officer Battery K vice Captain R. T. BAILEY relieved. Both assignments effective 6 February 1967.
- 070935 Captain H. M. KISER (Headquarters Battery) departed for Operation DESOTO

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- 071330 Second Lieutenant J. J. MILLER (Battery M) departed the Battalion for return to CONUS PCS.
- 071331 CAO visited the Village Chief of Ky Khuong and invited him to dinner Thursday, 9 February 1967. The village chief accepted the invitation to dinner and on Thursday the school kits will be handed out in the presence of the village chief.
- 080819 First Lieutenant D. L. HERRING (Battery M) departed the Battalion for return to CONUS PCS.
- 081300 Division Administrative Inspection Team inspected administration of Kilo Battery, Headquarters Battery, and Battalion S-1.
- 091000 Village Chief of Khuong Vin reported mines that the VC laid. CAO went out and the PF's had removed them. They also caught a man who put up a VC flag by the mines.
- 091200 The village chief of Ky Khuong attended lunch with his family and XO and CAO in mess hall.
- 100930 Call received American Red Cross concerning Private First Class A. J. YAMTELLI (Headquarters Battery). Message: Birth of baby boy 6 February 1967 at 2015. Weight 7 lbs, 4 oz; 20 inches long; wife and baby doing fine. First Sergeant of Headquarters Battery passed the word to Private First Class A. J. YAMTELLI.
- 121500 Escorted 15 villagers into CP to visit graves. Went to the village of Khuong Hung to contact Mr. Chit in regards to a claim. Mr. Chit had moved to the hamlet of Khung Phu. Located Mr. Chit and processed his claim. During the afternoon the CAO visited the hamlet chief of Khuong Phu and had dinner with the chief and his family.
- 131100 Had dinner with the hamlet chief and family of Khuong Hung. In the past few days we have had several instances of the hamlet officials reporting intelligence information to this unit.
- 141000 Received report from S-3 that local security located a suspected rice cache in the hamlet of Khuong Hung. Upon investigation, along with the hamlet chief, it was discovered that the rice was the farmer's and he had not sold his last crop on the market, but was selling it to the hamlet people instead.
- 151300 The Trung Wee of Ly Tin District visited 4/11 for the purpose of co-ordinating an ambush in the village of Khuong Hung. CAO escorted the Trung Wee to the hamlet of Khuong Hung where the rice (approximately 2000 lbs) was found on 13 February 1967. The people of Khuong Hung are still quite hostile to the American Forces.

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- 161200 A Marine came to the CAO and stated that a Vietnamese person was lying in a ditch and was bleeding quite heavily from a head wound. The Vietnamese person was brought to the Battalion Aid Station and treated by the Battalion Surgeon. The wound on the head was accidental. The Vietnamese person was sent to "B" Med for X-Rays.
- 161300 The Med Cap was conducted in Khuong Phu hamlet.
- 180845 A Vietnamese woman was brought to the Battalion Aid Station and stated that automatic weapon fire had come through the roof of her home and dislodged a timber which struck her. Upon investigation it was determined that the base plug of a 155mm illumination round had fallen through the roof thereby breaking a beam and then striking the woman. Solatium payment of \$10.00 was recommended. Contacted Trung Wee of Ly Tin in regards to the relocating of Vietnamese civilians who live within 100 meters of the outer wire.
- 181630 Trung Wee and Major STANTON (U. S. Army) arrived at 4/11 and the CAO went with them to the families in question. It was decided that three of the families would be relocated by Friday, 24 February 1967. Permission was granted to level out certain areas for better vision and fields of fire.
- 201300 Division Team inspected the Battalion in the area of Counter-intelligence Security.
- 201400 The CAO visited the Chief of Khuong Phu to deliver forms for one of his people (Mr. Nguyen Chit) to submit combat claim. The Chief stated that the VC tax-collectors were in the area of Khuong Hung, Khuong Phu, Khuong Dia, and Khuong Vinh on the night of 18-19 February 1967. The information was passed on to the Battalion S-2.
- 201400 The Med Cap was conducted in Khuong Phu and Khuong Hung.
- 210930 American Red Cross message received concerning Private First Class E. E. STAFFORD, Jr. (Battery L). Emergency leave requested from Division and approved. Leave orders issued to leave on or about 22 February 1967.
- 230800 Lance Corporal B. MCCURRY (Headquarters Battery) departed for TAD with 7th Marines Fire Support Co-ordination Center (FSCC).
- 230801 Lance Corporal K. B. SCHWICHOW (Headquarters Battery) and Lance Corporal J. D. MOHR (Headquarters Battery) departed for operation DESOTO.

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- 231400 Med Cap conducted in Khuong Phu and Khuong Hung.
- 240800 Lance Corporal R. G. WILLIAMS (Headquarters Battery) departed for TAD at Wire School, Camp Hansen, Okinawa.
- 240900 Accompanied Village Chief of Ky Khuong and hamlet chiefs of Khuong Nhan, Khuong Phu, and Khuong Dai to a Tet celebration.
- 240930 Private First Class J. W. FREY was referred to the Battalion Commander who recommended a Summary Court Martial for alleged violation of Article 113, Uniform Code of Military Justice.

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- 021530H M-24 (An Hoa) reported 2 VC roadblocks at grid BS518887 and BS501885. All persons being checked by VC. One Vietnamese female was shot by VC while trying to bypass roadblock.
- 052130H M-24 (An Hoa) reports alert system now established for enemy movement. Villagers will beat kettles and drums if VC are in area.
- 071330H Battery "K" discovered a booby trapped fragmentation grenade in position area. It had been covered by sand and recent rains and wind exposed it. Destroyed in place by EOD.
- 072240H M-24 (An Hoa) reported alarm sounded by villagers of An Hoa. One Popular Forces man KIA and one Popular Forces man WIA by 6 VC in village. OP remained on full alert throughout night. Received no incoming fire.
- 090900H Civic Action Coordinator Tran LAI of Khoung Dai (2) reported that a platoon of VC had been in local area during the night and had mined roads and left VC banners in area. Tran LAI felt that VC had dispersed in the local villages. Popular Forces unit later reported that VC had left area.
- 101000H N-24 (Nui Tron) sighted 10 VC with packs and rifles at grid BS534766. Three additional VC sighted at 101700H at BS525763. VC were carrying packs and rifles. Reported info to higher authority.
- 110930H Battery "L" wireman found 60mm round with electrical tape on it at grid BT417122. Round blown in place by EOD.
- 111845H Vietnamese agent Chung VIEN reported sighting 120 VC at grid BT415112 and 10 VC at grid BT425099. VC were wearing black pajamas, had 2 mortars, 2 heavy machine guns and numerous automatic weapons. Sighting was made at 111800H. Reported information to 1st FAG and 3rd Bn, 5th Marines.
- 121440H M-24 (An Hoa) reported that 3 VC surrendered. One had Thompson sub-machine gun with 2 magazines. VC reported that approximately 30 VC were in area of grid BS409872. Battery "M" fired 12 rounds. No surveillance.
- 171200H M-24 (An Hoa) reports that villagers of An Hoa sighted 1 VC company along road between BS5088 and BS5388. VC were wearing green uniforms and carrying rifles.

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- 191100 M-24 (An Hoa) reports that a woman of An Hoa saw a possible company of VC laying mines and bamboo stakes on road at Grid BS5068 -BS5088. An Air Observer reported no VC in area at 191530H.
- 211500H Vietnamese agent Chung Vien reported sighting of approximately 600 VC with four 81mm mortars and numerous 60mm mortars in area bounded by Grid BT383062 to 398067 to 375062. VC were wearing green uniforms and helmets. Agent feels they are NVN. Information passed to higher authority.
- 251500H Local Vietnamese who works in Tam Ky reported sighting of VC in following area; (1) Unidentified Battalion at AT929206 (2) 300 VC AT985233-BT136337 (3) 500 VC BT090300 BT065284 (4) 200 VC with 30 civilian workers 2 60mm mortars and 2 machine guns at BT316035. All sightings on 23 Feb 67 rated F-6; Vietnamese being checked by 7th CIT.
- 261230H M-24 (An Hoa) reported that 1 VC company was located at the following areas, Grid BS495891, BS500880 and BS510875.
- 261755H M-24 (An Hoa) reported that 56 armed VC had moved into An Phong (2) village BS484879 at 261400H and were presently occupying the village. Report was received from NOK Recon patrol. Information passed to higher authority.
- 261915H M-24 (An Hoa) reported 200 Hard Core VC at An Phong (2) BS484879 and were planning to attack village of An Hoa and M-24 position using 70 captured villagers as shield. VC were reported to have unknown quantity of mortars. At 261930H, VC were reported at BS486875. Information was received from village chief of An Hoa. Report passed to higher authority.

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- 011055H 1st Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) fired 8 rounds HE on VC on trail at BT19079872 reported by 1st Recon team resulting in 2 KIA (Conf).
- 020700H A detachment of one officer and 24 enlisted deployed to Nui Dau BS868318 in conjunction with Operation DESOTO.
- 020740H 2d Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) fired 6 rounds HE on VC platoon with packs at BS519801 reported by N-24 (Nui Tron) resulting in 10 KIA (Conf), 5 WIA (Prob).
- 021525H Battery "L" fired 8 rounds HE and 3 WP on 5 VC with rifles at BT371061 reported by 1st Recon team resulting in 2 KIA (Prob).
- 051525H Battery "M" fired 2 rounds HE and 13 rounds WP at a VC village assembly area at BS480861 reported by N-24 (Nui Tron) resulting in the village being burned.
- 070945H 2d Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) fired 7 HE on 5 VC in grey uniforms with automatic weapons at BS457988 reported by Catkiller 13 (Army Air Observer) resulting in 1 KIA (Prob).
- 090020H Battery "M" Post #8 received 2 rounds small arms fire. Muzzle flashes were observed approximately 100 meters in front of post #8. Sentry returned 3 rounds small arms fire at location of muzzle flashes with inconclusive results. Fire team patrol searched area for 1 hour commencing at 090715H reporting no signs of activity.
- 112240H Battery "K" Post #10 on southeast corner of battalion perimeter received one fragmentation grenade on outer wire. Illuminated area and observed one man approximately 75 meters out running east. No small arms received or returned. Close observation continued with sniperscope with no further sightings.
- 122312H Post #3 on the northwest side of the battalion perimeter received one incoming fragmentation grenade 60 meters to the north. Observed area with a sniperscope with negative sightings.
- 130105H Post #4 on the northwest side of the battalion perimeter received 4 rifle grenades and 15 rounds small arms fire. Two grenades landed in wire, 2 grenades landed in position to the rear of an 8" howitzer and the exec pit. Three figures were observed under illumination running along outer wire. Thirty rounds small arms fire returned with negative results. Follow-up patrol at 130645H searched the area and found footprints along wire and drag marks leading toward the river. Drawings were found in the sand with arrows pointing toward battery position.

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- 130830H Battery "L" fired 114 HE, 84 WP; 1st Platoon and 3rd Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery (SF) fired 73 HE on VC supply point at BT294074 reported by 1st FAG resulting in 7 secondary explosions, 12 houses burning and 6 VC flushed from village.
- 131746H Battery "L" fired 17 HE and 1 WP on 5 VC at BT291071 reported by 1st Recon team resulting in 1 KIA (Conf).
- 152220H Post #3 on the North West portion of the Battalion perimeter received one fragmentation rifle grenade 20 meters behind the post. Area was observed under illumination with negative sightings.
- 161630H Battery "K", under OPCON 3/11 for Operation RIO GRANDE conducting motor march to vicinity BS568728.
- 162200H Post #3 on the North West portion of the Battalion perimeter received 2 fragmentation grenades and 10 rounds small arms fire in position and near the post. At 162225H post #2 on north side perimeter, west side Highway #1, received 1 fragmentation grenade. At 162300H post #2 received 2 fragmentation grenades and post #3 and #5 on the West side of the perimeter received 5 rounds small arms fire. Returned 50 rounds at muzzle flashes and figures running North on Highway #1. A fire team patrol searched area at 170715H vicinity post #2, #3, and #4 on north side perimeter. Numerous footprints were observed with no sign of VC casualties.
- 170810H Battery "K" (FWD) arrived BS568728. Left Platoon laid on direction of fire 5000m and Right Platoon laid on direction of fire 5500m in conjunction Operation RIO GRANDE.
- 172225H Post #20 on North side Battalion perimeter East side Highway #1 received one fragmentation grenade 30 meters to North. Area was illuminated with negative observations. The listening post located outside wire about 100 meters heard noises and threw one fragmentation grenade, noises ceased. The listening post, upon return at 180630H, found no sign of enemy casualties.
- 181335H Battery "K" (FWD) displaced to BS545733. Arrived in position 181530H, Direction of fire Left Platoon 5200m, Right Platoon 5900m.
- 210205H Post #11, Battery "M" received one fragmentation grenade 20 meters to the right (North West side perimeter) and inside wire. No further activity observed. A fire team patrol searched area at 220715H for one hour with negative results.
- 211000H Battery "K" (FWD) displaced to BS60457215, arrived 211110H. D/S 1/5 Operation RIO GRANDE.

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- 211300H Battery "M", 2d Platoon, 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery (SP) and 2d Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) revert primary mission.
- 221500H Battery "K" (FWD) revert OPCOM 4/11, mission DS 1/5.
- 221520H Battery "L" fired 21 rounds HE on 6 VC at BT272119 reported by 1st Recon team resulting 1 KIA (Prob) and 1 VC boat destroyed.
- 230900H Battery "K" (FWD) displaced to 4/11 CP, arrived 231135H and resumed primary mission.
- 241210H Battery "L" fired 15 HE at BT316124 on 3 VC in fortified village reported by Army Air Observer (Catkiller 15) resulting in 5 houses damaged, 2 KIA (Conf), and 1 KIA (Prob).
- 241626H Battery "M" fired 20 HE and 10 WP at BS633961 on 3 VC in cave reported by Marine Air Observer (Blackcoat 14) resulting in excellent effect on target, and 2 buildings destroyed.
- 251330H Battery "M" fired 31 rounds HE on VC sniper location at BS474855 resulting in 3 houses destroyed, cessation sniper fire.
- 251400H At BS474864 (An Hoa) resupply helicopter was fired upon from unknown location while at landing site unloading observer team and equipment. Air Observer adjusted artillery on suspect sniper position with negative surveillance.
- 260745H Battery "M" fired 28 rounds HE on 4 VC in a house at BS47718970 reported by N-24 (Nui Tron), destroying the house.
- 261110H Battery "M" fired 20 rounds HE on 10 VC on a hill at BS47538572 reported by M-24 (An Hoa) resulting in 5 KIA (Prob).
- 271125H 2nd Platoon, 3rd 155mm Gun Battery (SP) fired 10 HE on 7 VC snipers at BS498782 reported by N-24 (Nui Tron) resulting in good coverage of target and cessation of sniper fire. Target was refired at 1210 with 6 rounds HE with same results. No further activity, target area.
- 280835H Battery "M" fired 11 rounds HE on 20 VC on a trail at BS501891 reported by M-24 (An Hoa) resulting in 15 KIA (Conf).
- 281625H Battery "M" fired 51 rounds HE on VC Battalion at BS448881 reported by 1st Recon team resulting in 10 KIA (Prob).
- 281755H Battery "M" fired 27 HE on 14 VC in wood at BS477851 reported by M-24 (An Hoa) resulting in 14 KIA (Prob).

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ltr 3:GJW:jev over 5750 serial 82-67 dtd 28Feb67.

Operation RIO GRANDE

Map: 1:50,000 (Vietnam)

Series: L7014

Sheet: 6739III

Position #1

Grid: 56857283

Btry: Btry "K", 4/11 (TD)

Az of Lay: Left Platoon - 5000 mils

Right Platoon - 5500 mils

Occupation: 170810 to 181335H Feb 1967

Position #2

Grid: 545733

Btry: Btry "K", 4/11 (TD)

Az of Lay: Left Platoon - 5200 mils

Right Platoon - 5700 mils

Occupation: 181530H to 211000H Feb 1967

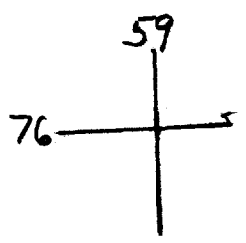
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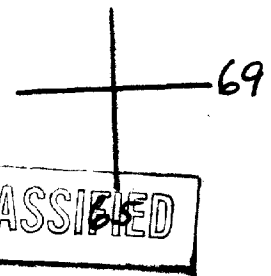
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ltr 3:00W:jev over 5750 serial 82-67 dtd 28Feb67.

Operation RIO GRANDE

Map: 1:50,000 (Vietnam)  
Series: L7014  
Sheet: 6739II

Position #3

Grid: 60457215  
Btry: Btry "K", 4/11 (TD)  
Az of lay: 4 howitzers - 6000 mils  
Occupation: 211110H to 230900H Feb 1967



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APPENDIX 4 (S-4 Journal) to Enclosure (1) (Command Chronology) of CO, 4/11,  
ltr 3:GJW:jew over 5750 serial 82-67 dtd 28Feb67.

- 060900 Received nine (9) new trailers (M416B1).
- 110700 Road reconnaissance south on Route 1 to Quang Ngai and vicinity.  
Three (3) vehicle reconnaissance party.
- 161600 Convoy of Battery "K" to 3rd Bn, 11th Marines Command Post for  
Operation RIO GRANDE. Wrecker and two (2) M54 from Headquarters  
Battery and one (1) M54 from Battery "L" to accompany Battery "K"  
on operation.
- 170800 Seabees from MCB-40 (D Co) commenced cantonment construction.  
Battalion will have constructed one (1) mess hall with concrete  
deck, two (2) mess hall with wood deck, eight (8) strongback  
GP tents, and five (5) tin roof huts. All mess decks to be tin  
roofed.
- 181200 Received one (1) new M35 6x6; to Battery "K".
- 190900 Logistics visit to Battery "K" (FWD) at Quang Ngai.
- 270800 Road Reconnaissance to TAM KY area; two (2) vehicle party.

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