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12th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)
Via: (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
(2) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force, FMF
(3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology

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Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2

Encl: (1) ✓ Headquarters, 12th Marine Regiment (JOURNAL)
(2) ✓ Command Chronology, 1st Bn, 12th Marines
(3) ✓ Command Chronology, 2d Bn, 12th Marines
(4) ✓ Command Chronology, 3d Bn, 12th Marines
(5) ✓ Command Chronology, 4th Bn, 12th Marines
(6) ✓ Command Chronology, 1st 8" How Btry (SP), FMF

1. As directed by reference (a), the following command chronology for the period 1-31 October 1966 is submitted.

a. Organizational Data

(1) Designations/Locations/Task Organization/Tactical Mission

UNIT AND TASK ORGANIZATION	LOCATION/COORD	MISSION
12th Marine Regiment (-)(Rein)	Dong Ha YD 225595	G/S 3dMarDiv
Headquarters Battery (-)	-do- -do-	
Battery "B", 1st Bn, 13th Mar	Khe Sanh XD 837426	Spt 1st Bn, 3d Mar (Attached)
1st Bn, 12th Marines (-)(Rein)	Camp J. J. Carroll YD 062548	D/S 3d Mar
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "C"	-do- -do-	
Battery "E", 2d Bn, 12th Mar	-do- 060546	

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3d Bn, 12th Marines (-)(Rein)	Cam Lo YD 145616	D/S 3d Bn, 4th Mar
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "I"	-do- -do-	
Battery "C", 1st Bn, 11th Marines	Con Thien 115702	D/S 2d Bn, 5th Mar
107mm Mortar Battery	Cam Lo 145616	
4th Bn, 12th Marines (-)	Dong Ha YD 225595	G/S
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "K"	-do- 214597	
Battery "H"	-do- 061546	
Provisional Arty Bn (PhuBai)	PhuBai YD 888127	Arty spt PhuBai TAOR
Battery "B", 1st Bn, 12th Marines	-do- 117012	
Battery "G", 3d Bn, 12th Marines	-do- 888127	
107mm Mortar Battery, 2d Bn, 12th Marines	-do- -do-	
1st 155 Gun Battery (-)(Rein) (SP)	-do- 893128	
1st Bn, 40th Artillery (USA)	Dong Ha YD 221598	G/S
Headquarters Battery	-do- 223599	
Service Battery	-do- 229597	
Battery "A"	-do- 218598	
Battery "B"	-do- 229599	
Battery "C"	-do- 226601	
2d Bn, 94th Artillery (-)(Rein) (USA)	Camp J. J. Carroll YD 063546	G/S
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Service Battery	-do- 235595	
Battery "B"	-do- 060541	
Battery "C"	-do- 058543	
Battery "C", 6th Bn. 27th Arty (USA)	-do- 063549	

(2) Period covered: 1-31 October 1966

(3) Command Staff Assignments

<u>T/O BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
CO	COL BENJAMIN S. READ 019560	1-31 Oct 1966
XO	LTCOL J. W. LUTHER 034383	-do-

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S-1/Adj	CAPT J. L. HALL 085943	1-31 Oct 1966
PersO	1stLt J. F. PERRY 090222	-do-
S-2/AO	Capt G. G. GARWICK 085373	-do-
S-3	Maj A. M. GRAY 056067	-do-
Asst S-3	Capt C. H. HAYES 068305	1-17 Oct 1966
Asst S-3	Capt R. L. GUINN 083336	18-31 Oct 1966
Asst S-3/AO	Capt R. J. MCNEAL 084234	1-31 Oct 1966
S-4	Maj J. P. SMITH 066114	-do-
Asst S-4/SupO	Capt T. S. MAIRS 081905	-do-
MTO	Capt J. R. KNIGHT 075104	-do-
OrdO	CWO A. L. CLARK 082849	-do-
AO	1stLt E. C. BROWN 089725	-do-
AO	2dLt F. R. HAMIL 092090	18-31 Oct 1966
Asst FSCC	Maj W. H. RICE 052158	1-31 Oct 1966
Asst FSCC	Maj R. S. VARNEY 070677	-do-
CommO	Maj R. A. BECKER 071327	-do-
Sur/MetroO	2dLt L. O. HOSEK 082720	-do-
Surgeon	Lt P. E. TOCHET 674176/USN	-do-
Chaplain	LtCmdr D. E. KINZLER 573703/USN	-do-
Hq Commandant	Capt T. E. SWINEY 078948	-do-

(4) Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
181	2190	10	47

2. Sequential Listings of Significant Eventsa. Personnel

- (1) Dropped 19 USMC Officers and 181 USMC Enlisted.
- (2) Joined 13 USMC Officers and 168 USMC Enlisted.

Critical shortages exist in the following MOS's:

0121	0846	3516
0141	0848	3531
0239	1345	
0441	3041	

The MOS's listed above are below 70% of the authorized T/O which categorizes them in a C-4 classification.

b. Intelligence.

- (1) The 12th Marines S-2 section effected a complete move to Dong Ha during the month of October.

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(2) AO coverage of the DaNang TAOR was taken over by AO elements of the 1st MarDiv and the AO's of the 11th Marines. 12th Marines AO's are to take an increasingly active part in coverage of the Dong Ha TAOR.

(3) A complete target acquisition program in the Dong Ha TAOR is being organized by the S-2 section. All available means of acquisition will be coordinated at this headquarters to coordinate all artillery fires and counter-mortar fires.

c. Training. The following training was conducted during October:

- (1) 2 personnel to Field Radio Operators Course.
- (2) 2 personnel to Motion Picture Operators School.
- (3) 6 personnel to Nuclear Refresher Training Course.
- (4) 2 personnel to Basic Infantry Weapons Repair Course.
- (5) 2 personnel to Basic Ammunition Technicians Course.

(6) The remainder of the training within the Regiment was focused on General Military Subjects and refinement of Battalion/Battery Fire Direction Center and firing procedures.

d. Operations.

(1) Deployment of 12th Marines (-)(Rein) to Dong Ha (Operation PRAIRIE).

(a) Headquarters, 12th Marines closed the Danang CP at 100630H Oct and opened at Dong Ha 100930H Oct.

(b) Temporary CP established within Dong Ha combat base at coordinates (YD 238596).

(c) 12th Marines Headquarters Recon party conducted extensive sweeps and reconnaissance throughout area bounded by route 9 to the north, route 1 to the east, grid line 57 to the south and grid line 15 to the west during period 11-17 October in conjunction with the establishment of a new artillery complex. This complex to be comprised of:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Hq, 12th Mar	Vic YD 225595
Hq, 4/12	Vic YD 229587

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Btry K, 4/12	Vic YD 229587
1st Bn, 40th Arty (USA)	Vic YD 221598
Btry A	Vic YD 218598
Btry B	Vic YD 229599
Btry C	Vic YD 228603
Svc Btr, 2nd Bn, 94th Arty (USA)	Vic YD 235595

(d) 12th Marines Headquarters commenced buildup of new artillery complex in grid squares (YD 2259, 2359).

(e) 37 man survey and security party located survey control marker at coordinates (YD 280568) and commenced artillery survey operations throughout Quang Tri province.

(f) Hq 4/12 closed Dong Ha at 201500H.

(g) 2d Bn, 94th Arty (USA) closed Dong Ha at 201600H. Bn (-) closed Camp J. J. Carroll (YD 221598) at 201900H. Service Battery 2/94 established CP vicinity (YD 235595).

(h) 1st Bn, 40th Arty (USA) closed Dong Ha at 261700H.

(i) Btry K, 4/12 displaced to coord (YD 214597).

(j) Btry C, 1/12 closed Dong Ha 281230H and deployed to Camp J. J. Carroll 29 October (YD 062548).

(2) PRAIRIE: 3 August - Continuing

(3) Reconnaissance Battalion Operations HS-251 through HS-267.

e. Communications.

(1) General. Activities for the month of October were highlighted by the displacement of the Regimental Command Post. On 10 October 1966, an advance party flew from Danang to Dong Ha and started making preparations for the remainder of the Regimental Headquarters to come forward. Communications for the advance party consisted of wire to the 3d Division (Fwd) CP and radio communications with 3d Division (Fwd) and all of the units deployed on the Artillery Plateau (Camp J. J. Carroll). Communications continued to improve throughout the reporting period and the present posture of each facet of communications is discussed separately in the following paragraphs.

(2) Radio. 1 October 1966, was the in-service date for the new AN/VRC-12 family of radios. The addition of this new FM equipment has greatly enhanced radio communications within the regiment. The regiment has also activated its KY-8 Voice Ciphery equipment, which is compatible with the AN/VRC-12 series. A covered voice circuit has been

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established between this Headquarters and 1/12, 3/12, and 4/12. All other radio communications have been established within the regiment, in accordance with standing operating procedures.

(3) Wire. Wire Communications was established within the new artillery complex and to 3dMarDiv (Fwd) at the Dong Ha Combat Base.

(4) Radio Relay. This Headquarters is making extensive use of all available radio relay circuits. A TRC-27 circuit, using organic equipment, has been established between this Headquarters and Camp J. J. Carroll. Additionally, 2 channels have been allocated to this Headquarters on the 3d Div (Fwd) TRC-27 circuit, which also terminates in Camp J. J. Carroll. Three channels on a TRC-97 circuit have been allocated to this Headquarters for direct communications with the 3d Division Headquarters at Phu Bai. One channel on an USAF TRC-66 circuit has been allocated to this Headquarters for direct communications with the Army Logistics Com and in Qui-Nhon.

(5) Message Center. Normal message center operations have been established. This Headquarters serves as Com/crypto guard for the following units: Hq, 4/12; 1st Bn, 40th Artillery; Service Btry, 2nd Bn, 94th Artillery. A covered on-line circuit, utilizing KW-7 equipment, has been established with 3d Division Headquarters (Fwd). A RATT circuit, utilizing KW-7/MRC-83 equipment has been established with 1st Bn, 12th Marines (located at Camp J. J. Carroll).

(6) Supply/Maintenance. Supply has not kept pace with the demand and certain items (e. g. dry cell batteries) are in short supply. A motor vehicle accident, during the Danang/Dong Ha Rough Rider convoy, resulted in damage to the majority of the test equipment belonging to this Headquarters. The loss of this equipment has resulted in delays in effecting necessary repairs to downed equipment. Measures have been taken to replace the damaged/lost equipment.

(f) Fire Support.

(1) During the month the regiment fired the following missions:

Observed Missions	769
Unobserved missions	489
Registrations	32
H/I missions	7,220
Total	8,510

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(2) The following ammunition was expended in firing these missions:

105mm High Explosive	23,140
105mm Illumination	487
105mm Smoke (WP)	1,39
107mm High Explosive	3,33
107mm Illumination	101
107mm Smoke (WP)	223
155mm High Explosive	6,174
155mm Illumination	459
155mm Smoke (WP)	376
155mm Gun High Explosive	284
8" How High Explosive	104
175mm Gun High Explosive	2,170
Total	38,186

(g) Logistics. During this period, Headquarters Battery, 12th Marines deployed 70% of their essential equipment and supplies north in conjunction with establishment of the 12th Marine (-)(Rein) in QUANG TRI Province. Movement was made by air, convoy and surface means. It is anticipated that all equipment and supplies will be deployed north by 20 November.

(h) Regimental Chaplain.

(1) Divine Services

Conducted	11
Attendance	149
Catholic Services in units	14
Attendance	154

(2) Professional Counseling Cases: 18

(3) Pastoral Calls

Hospital	96
Field Contacts	544

(4) Conferences

Division/III MAF Chaplains	1
Regimental Staff	6

(5) Miscellaneous - Regimental Chaplain hospitalized 13-28 October.

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UNIT OR STAFF SECTION:

Regimental S-3

ORGANIZATION:

12th Marine Regt.

OPENED:

010600H Oct

CLOSED:

020600 Oct 66

IN	OUT	NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
0715				FSCG rpts that convoy left check point #15 AT 010711	
0845				Click rpts CG Third MarDiv 30155Z directs move of reinf Btry to KHE SANH.	
0902				8" rpts 8" down on Hill 65 indefinitely must go to FLSG.	4/12
0912				1/11 Firep - 0837, Btry A fired in spt of 1-1, VC sniper (06652), sur: Bds on tgt.	
0935				1/11 Firep - 0914, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 VC sniper (035597), sur: Sniper neutralized	
1020				1/11 Firep - 0940&1000, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1, Sniper fire (024699& 053638), sur: Sniper fire ceased.	
1040				2/12 Firep - 1030, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 7 VC (795473), exp 3 HE, sur: unable to obs due to Range.	
				Further sur on two men fired by F-2-12, in spt of Operation Macon 291505, at (805465) sur: 1 KIA (CONF), 6 KIA (PROB), 291600 at (804363), sur: 6 KIA (CONF) in spt of Recon.	
1135				2-12 Firep - 1045, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 5 VC (803458), rds exp 6 HE, sur: None due to rain.	

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TIME		SAR. NO.	DOG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1140				1-11 Firep - 1025, Mort Btry fired in spt of 3-1, at sus ass area (082674), rds exp 6 HE sur: EOM. 4-11 Firep - 1107, Btry B fired in spt of 2-11 at VC boats, (010557), rds exp 21 HE, 12 VT, sur: Exc coverage of tgt.	
1205				Informed Recon 2-3, that 4-1-12 will spt plt H-S 255 Op0 111-66 to do business on conduct of fire net M-438.	
1230				1-11 Firep - 1015, LVTH-6 fired obs msn in spt of 3-1, four VC (BF 082690), sur: Good eff on tgt, exp 3 HC Ti and 8 HE, Q. 1-11 Firep - 1025, LVTH-6 fired unobs TOT at sus VC ass area (BF 082674) in spt of 3-1	
1400	1400			2-12 reported 8" How on Hill 55 displaced to Hill 65, will replace it with in twenty four hours.	
2050				3-12 Rear Firep - 2011, M Btry fired in spt of ARVN at VC Co. with mortars (981139), rds exp 11 HE, sur: Good eff on tgt.	
2115				1-11 Firep - 1935, Btrys B & Mort fired in spt of 1st Mar at sus VC plt (071695), rds exp 2 WP, 35 HE, sur: Rds on tgt. 1-11 Firep - 1910, Mort Btry FWD fired in spt of 3-1, at sus VC position (071695), rds exp 24 HE, sur: Exc eff on tgt.	
2200				4/12 Firep - 1720, 155 G on Hill 65 fired in spt of Recon at pos VC 57mm firing point (178755), rds exp 3 HE, 3 WP. 4/12 Firep - Btry L fired in spt of 3-1, rein 1-11 at pos VC ass area (071694), rds exp 24 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	

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ORGANIZATION:	
12th Marine Regt.	
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010600H Oct	020600 Oct 66

TIME		SER. NO.	DSC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
2210				3/12 Rear, Btry E fired in spt of ARVN at VC in boats, (956070), rds exp 13 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
2330				1-11 Firep Mort Btry fired two msn in spt of 3-1, at two Co. of VC (978688), (987688), rds exp 21 Illum 55 HE. Sur: Good eff on tgt.	
0555				FSCC's Click rpt shows that arty mission fired in spt of 1-3-4 at coord (XD 973615), 011600. Friendly round landed in plt position resulted in 15 USMC WIA, no further info at this time.	
<u>SUMMARY</u> CG THIRD MARDIV directed 12th Marines to move rein Btry to KHE SANH TAOR. 8" reported a 8" How out of action on Hill 65 indefenately must go to FLSCG. Arty fired eleven msn in spt of MAF & two msn in spt of ARVN. Further sur on two msn fired by F-2-12 in spt of Operation Macon 291505H at coord (AT 805465), sur: one VC KIA (CONF) & SIX VC (PROB), 291600 at coord (AT 803463), sur: six vc Kia (Conf) in spt of Recon. Div FSCC reported friendly arty round landed in I-3-4 plt position resulting in 15 USMC WIA, no further info.					

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UNIT OR WASH SECTION:

Regimental S-3

ORGANIZATION:

12th Marine Regt.

OPENED:

020600H Oct

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030600 Oct 66

TIME		SER. NO.	DOC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0746				1/12 Firep = 0706, Btry A fired unobs prep fires (AT 810605, 810570 & 813575), in spt of 2/3. Rds exp 30 HE.	
0747				1/11 Firep - 0737, Mort Btry Fired obs msn in spt of 3/1, sus VC sniper (BT 062674), sur: Exc off on tgt. Exp 6 HE, Q & 2 WP Q	
0820				1/11 Firep - 0802, Btry A fired obs msn in spt of 1-1, VC sniper (BT 052645), sur: Good off on tgt, exp 14 HE & 6 WP.	
0900				1/12 Firep - Btry A fired obs msn for AO VC plt in fox hole (AT 820552), sur: Exc tgt coverage. Exp 9 HE Q.	
0955				8" Reported 8" How on Hill 65 is down for undetermine time recoil trouble will report status.	
LATE ENTRY				S-3-B directed 1/11 to displace (4) LWTH-6 to B/1/13 position (922791), to come Opcon of 1/12.	
1059				1/11 Firep - 1036, Btry A fired obs msn in spt of 1-1, four VC snipers (BT 135606), sur: Exc off on tgt, exp 4 HE Q & 12 HE, VT.	
1115				1/12 Firep - 1102, Btry A fired msn for AO VC platoon (AT 820553), sur: to Follow, exp 12 HE, 5 KIA (CONF), 3 WIA (PROB).	
1140				Third Mar FSCC reported H-S 251 has been extracted.	Informed 4/12
1210				1/11 Firep - 1142, Mort Btry (FWD) fired obs msn in spt of 3-1, sus VC ambush site (BT 085693), sur: Good off on tgt, exp 8 HE Q.	

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TIME	DATE	REF.	NO.	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1220				Div FSCC reported that US Army Btry of 175mm Gun has landed in Operation Prairie area.	
1230				2/12 Firep - 1202, Btry F fired in spt of A-3-9 at firing from tree line (927518), rds exp 1 HE, sur: Firing ceased.	
1345				1/12 Firep - 1327, Btry A fired at VC plt with auto wpms (814556), rds exp 14 HE, sur: Good off on tgt.	
1445				4/12 Firep - 1233 & 1407, Btry L fired two men in spt of 1-26, at VO sniper (979598) rds exp 2 WP, 66 HE, sur: good off on tgt.	
1510				2/12 Op Chief reported 8" on Hill 55 back in action AZ of fire 3200.	S-3-A notified
1535				1/11 Firep - 1348, Btry A fired in spt of 1-1 at hvy sniper fire (185579), rds exp 1 HE, sur: EOM. 1/11 Firep - 1423, Btry A fired in spt of 1-1, at hvy sniper fire (179573), rds exp 1 HE, 20 HE, 2 WP, sur: Good off on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1447, Btry A fired prep fires in spt of 1-1 (179573), rds exp 13 HE, sur: Good off on tgt.	
1725				1/11 Firep - 1644, Btry A fired unobs men in spt of 1-1 at hvy sniper fire (169572), rds exp 12 HE.	
1730				2/12 Firep - 1624, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 11 VC (803462), rds exp 13 HE, sur: 1 KIA (CONF), 1 WIA (CONF), 1 KIA (PROB).	
1830				2/12 Firep - 1809, Btry F fired in spt of Recon, 2 VC (975455), exp 8 HE, sur: Rds on tgt	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DET	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1905				2/12 Spot Rep - 1830, Btry A/1/13 rec'd on rd sniper fire, 1-26 returned fire, Btry alerted	COC, 6, 3
2007				2/12 Firep - 1857, Btry F fired in spt of Recon, 5 VC w/packs and wpns, Exp 12 HE, sur: 2 KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB). 1913 Btry A/1/13 fired in spt of 1-26, 4 VC in spon (968559), exp 12 HE, 1 HC, sur: Rds on tgt. 1914 Btry F fired unobsn for Army Adviser VC Co. (896503, 880500), rds exp 41 HE. 1934 Btry A/1/13 fired in spt of 1-26, VC sniper fire (980645), exp 8 HE, 1 HC, sur: Rds on tgt, sniper fire ceased.	
2040				4/12 Firep - 2000, Btry L fired unobs TOT in spt of 1/11, VC assy area (082677), rds exp 21 HE.	
2130				Sitrep - 4/12, 8" on hills 65 and 55 both up	
2250				Firep 4/12, 2207, Btry L fired in spt of 1/12 VC contact (939839), exp 7 ILL, sur: Good illum.	
2253				Spot Rep 1/12, Det 1/12 in old Mort posn rec 14 rds S/E fire, 3 grenades, K/4/12 fired illum, 1/12 Det exp 65 rds s/a, 1 VC WIA (PROB).	
2313				Maj Rice FSCC rptd FLSG recieving s/a and under mortar attack	
2329				Maj Rice FSCC rptd III MAF rpts mortar attack on FLSG "FALSE ALARM".	
<u>SUMMARY</u> LVTB-6 OPCON 1/22 displacing B/1/13 pos 175 mm Btry in Operation Prairie area Det 1/12 rec'd s/a fire at old mort pos					(1)

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TIME		SAL. NO.	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
				<u>SUMMARY</u> LVTH-6 OPCON 1/22 displacing to B/1/13 pos 175mm Btry in Operation Prairie area. Det 1/12 rec'd s/a fire while at old mort pos one VC WIA (PROB), Arty fired 22 mm in spt of third MarDiv resulting in 7 KIA (CONF) 2 WIA (PROB), 3 WIA (PROB) and the rest on tgt.	

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030600H Oct	040600 Oct 66

TIME	DATE	REF.	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1045			1/11 reported LVTH-6's displaced from 1/11 area at 030520H for B/1/13 position.	
1045			1/12 reported LVTH-6's in new position (922791).	
1050			1/11 Firep - 0916, Btry A fired msn in spt of 1-1, sniper fire (BT 090655), sur: rds on tgt, exp 8 WP Q. 1/12 Firep - 1016, Btry A fired msn for AO, VC mort attack (AT 827557), sur: Mort silenced, sur: To follow, rds exp 18 HE Q 1/11 Firep - 0932, Btry A fired msn in spt of 1-1, sniper fire (BT 095663), sur: Rds on tgt, rds exp 16 WP Q. 2/12 Firep - 0953, Btry F fired msn in spt of HECen, 9 VC (AT 974656), sur: No sur, tgt moved, red exp 7 HE.	
1147			1/12 Firep - 1047, Btry A fired msn for Army AO, VC in tree line, (AT 807570), sur: VC moved beyond obs., rds exp 1 HE.	
1230			1/11 Firep - 1137, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 at sniper fire (BT 036605), sur: Destroyed two houses, rds exp 2 HC T, 12 HE Q. 1/11 Firep - 1157, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 at sniper fire (BT 03526042), sur: One short rd 10 meters from obs. No friendly cas. other rds on tgt, exp 2 HC T, 12 HE Q	
1410			1/12 Firep - Btry A/1/12 fired in spt of Army Adviser, mortar and s/a fire (817548) exp 12 HE, unable to obs, mortars silenced.	
1420			1/11 Firep - 1245, Mort 1/11 fired in spt of 3-1, ambush site (088693), exp 4 HE, sur: Good coverage of tgt.	

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IN	OUT				
1420				1/11 Firep - 1335, Mort 1/11 fired in spt of 3-1, ambush site (085693), exp 4 HE, sur: Good off on tgt.	
1500				1/11 Firep - 1424, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 sniper fire (030604), exp 3 HC & 13 HE, sur: One house destroyed, firing ceased.	
1516				2/12 Firep - 1414, Btry A/1/13 fired in spt of 1-26, VC in open (916534), exp 1 HC, 10 MP & 24 HE, sur: VC dispersed, ECM.	
1535				Rough Rider reached dest. all stations secured	
1815				1/12 Firecap - LETH-6 in position (AT 922791) laid & ready to fire AZ 5000.	
2048				1/11 Firep - 2018, Mort 0(fwd) fired obs msn in spt of 3-1, VC movement (BT 088693), sur: Good effect on tgt, exp 12 HE Q.	
2115				2/12 Firep - 2041, Btry F fired unobs msn in spt of ARVN rec'd hvy VC fire (AT 934470), exp 4 5 HE,	
2130				3/12 (REAR) firep - Btry M fired obs msn in spt of ARVN, VC MG fire (AT 850240), sur: MG fire silenced, exp 9 HE,	
<u>SUMMARY</u> The following number of msn were fired during this reporting period. 1/12 - 5 2/12 - 3 1/11 - 7 Sur on these msn was three houses destroyed					

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TIME		SAR. NO.	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0830				1/11 Firep - 0707, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 hvy sniper fire (021608), exp 15 HE, 3 WP, sur: Good off on tgt.	
1105				1/11 Firep - 0903 & 1019, Btry B fired men in spt of 2/1, Liason, small arm fire (BT 027619), sur to fellow, exp 32 HE Q & 1 WP Q. 1/11 Firep - 1053, Btry B fired one rd of HC smoke at sniper in tree line (BT 006616) in spt of 2-1, sur: EOM, air strike called in.	
1400				1/11 Firep - 1212, Btry B fired in spt of 2-sus VC position (030560), exp 8 HE, 3 WP & 1 HC, sur: Good coverage of tgt.	
1405				LVTH-6 fired in spt of 2-3, 14 VC (899888), exp 1 HE & 6 WP, sur: FO could not obs.	
1750				3/12 Firep - 1334, Btry E fired in spt of ARVN at sus VC Mort position (YD 852199) rds exp 5 HE, sur to fellow.	
2130				1/11 Firep - 1136, Btry B fired in spt of 2-1, at sniper fire from tree line (009611) rds exp 2 HC 8 HE, sur two houses destroyed.	
2130				2/12 Firep Btry F fired in spt of Recon 1218, at 4 VC (967476), rds exp 2 HC, no sur.	
2200				4/12 Firep - 1205, 8" on Hill 65 fired in spt of 2-3, at SPAR report (207570)(200601, 790595), rds exp 6 HE, no sur.	
2330				3/12 Firep - 2245, 2250, Btry E/2/12 fired two unobs men in spt of ARVN at sus VC build up (YD 890231, 910230,) rds exp 24 HE.	
0030				1/11 Firep - 0009, Btry A fired in spt of 1-1 at VC assy area (185562), rds exp 30 HE no sur.	

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IN	OUT	NO.			
				<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired 8mm obs msn and one unobs msn nine obs msn fired in spt of MAF, One obs & one unobs msn fired in spt OF ARVN total sur of msn fired was two houses destroyed.	

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IN	OUT				
0800				1/11 Firep - 0740, Mortar Btry fired obs msn in spt of 2-1, VC sniper (HT 000638), sur: Tgt destroyed, exp 3 WP Q & 6 HE Q.	
0820				Blue Spring rpt from Shave FSCC - 051030 - 1130, at 925810, 5 mile radius, 15,000'	
1445				6 Guns from LVTH-6 are at position of B/1/13 (922791).	
1510				1/11 Firep - Btry B fired in spt of 2-1 at sus VC position (014553), rds exp 10 WP, 6 HE sur: Exc off on tgt.	
1511				2/12 Firep - Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 5 VC (814463), rds exp 6 HE, sur: One KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB).	
1730				1/12 Firep - 1635, Btry A fired in spt of 1-3, at VC beat with supplies (849555), rds exp 8 HE, SUR: Beat damaged.	
1735				1/11 Firep - 1700, Mort Btry fired in spt of plt of B/1/11 at VC sniper (979644), rds exp 11 HE, 8 VT, sur: Exc off on tgt.	
1750				1/11 Firep - 1645, Btry B fired in spt of Btry B patrol at VC sniper (979644), rds exp 7 WP, 14 HE, sur: Good off on tgt, sniper fire ceased	
2145				1/12 Firep - 2145, Btry B fired illum msn in spt of ARVN sus VC movement (957687), exp 5 illum, sur: to follow,	

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0330			USMC 4th Mar rpt F/2/9 rec'd one rds of undetermined size in CP, 3 USMC KIA & 9 USMC KIA, Capt COLDEN rpt's no knew USMC arty firing H&I at that time. Crater analysis at first light.	
0445			4/12 called for med evac (self-inflicted 45 gun shot wound) at coord (AT 921789) called land shark for med evac.	
0517			4/12 rpt's med evac completed.	
			<u>SUMMARY</u>	
			6 LVTH-6 are in position (AT 922791) 4/12 had one med evac from self-inflicted .45 gun shot wound. Arty fired 7 msn in spt of 3d MarDiv results in 1 KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB), 1 boat damage	

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IN	OUT				
0840				1-11 Firep - 0808, Btry A fired for Div 40 at VC (182562), rds exp 10 HE, sur: rds on tgt.	
1100				3-12 Firep - 0820, Btry F fired in spt of ARVN at Two plts of VC (880231) rds exp 22 HE, sur: 3 KIA (CONF) 3-12 Firep - 0951, Btry E fired for Div 40 at VC in treeline (865210), rds exp 40 HE, sur: 2 buildings damaged, good eff on tgt.	
1105				2-12 Firep - Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 6 VC with wpn (818462), rds exp 6 HE, sur: 2 KIA (CONF), 4 KIA (PROB)	
1130				1-11 Firep - 1114, Btry B fired in spt 2/1 at hvy wpn fire (025554), rds exp 15 HE VT, 1 WP, sur: Exc eff on tgt.	
1231				2-12 , Btry F fired in spt of Recon, 11 VC in open (811467), exp 26 HE, sur: 11 VC KIA (CONF).	
1300				1-11 Firep - 1140, Btry A fired in spt of US ARMY adv. at sniper fire (194566) rds exp 24 HE, 4 WP, sur: Exc eff on tgt. 1-11 Firep - 1214, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 at VC crossing river (179560) rds exp 26 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
1305				1-11 Firep - 1213, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1 at hvy sniper fire (027554), rds exp 10 HE, sur: exp eff on tgt.	
1400				2-12 Firep - 1248, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 5 VC (811467), rds exp 10 HE sur: 4 KIA (PROB) 2-12 Firep - 1307, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 5 VC (811467), rds exp 8 HE sur: 3 KIA (CONF). 2-12 Firep - 1315, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 3 VC (811467), rds exp 8 HE sur: 1 KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB)	

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IN	OUT				
1535				2-12 Firep - 1442, Btry F fired in spt of Recon at 4 VC (811467), rds exp 4 HE sur: 1 KIA (CONF) 1 KIA (PROB).	
1540				3-12 Firep - 1436, Btry M-4-12 fired for Div AO at VC camp site (780045), rds exp 2 WP, 27 HE, no sur. 3-12 Firep - 1508, Btry M-4-12 fired for Div AO at VC camp site (788051), rds exp 2 WP, 27HE, sur: Exc off on tgt.	
1615				1011 Firep - 1512, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 at VC sqd (161548), rds exp 18HE sur: 4 KIA (CONF), 4 KIA (PROB).	
1655				1-11 Firep - 1619, Btry A fired for Div AO at sus VC (190562), rds exp 22 HE, 18 VT, sus two boats sunk, 4 KIA (PROB).	
1750				4-12 Firep - 1717, Btry L fired obs msn in spt of 1/26, VC sniper (AT 97995971) sur: Rds on tgt, exp 8 HE Q.	
1800				4-12 Firep - 1617, Btry L fired in spt of 1/26, VC sniper (AT 97995971), sur: sniper fire ceased, exp 6 HE.	
1905				1-11 Firep - 1305, Btry A fired inspt of 2/1 VC sqd (BT 143553), sur: Good eff on tgt, one VC KIA (PROB), exp 10HE Q.	
1930				1-11 reported OP on Marble Mt received info from 3/1 that VC were in village & running people out of village, 1/11 preparing fire msn, mortar (fwd) will fire msn 1/11 Firep - Btry A fired in spt of 1/ VC sniper position (BT 18295610), sur: Rds on tgt. Exp 6 HE, VT & 2 WP Q 4/12 Firep - Btry L fired in spt of 1/26 VC mine field (AT 97995971), sur: positive secondary explosions, exp 20 HE	

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IN	OUT				
1930				4/12 Firep - 1910, Btry L fired in spt of 1/26 VC movement (AT 97715956), sur: none, exp 20 HE, Q.	
2030				1/11 reported that 1st Mar reported that people of GUA-GIANG (BT 7007669) reported to American advisers (59 RE) that many VC (HBA BANG estimated one VC company) moving through GUA GIANG this report has rating B-3.	
2125				1/12 Firep - 2108, Btry B fired in spt of 2/26, suspected VC movement (AT 956 686), sur: Area well illum, exp 7 ILL	
2235				1/11 Firep - 1849, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1, auto wpn fire (BT 027623), sur: EOM ceased fire, exp 16 HE.	
2330				1/12 Firep - 2310, Btry B fired illum msn in spt of 2/26, VC activity (AT 887 57055), sur: Six VC obs ambush sprung patrol search area, exp 8 illum.	
2345				1/12 Spetrep - 2020, OP 1 observed one bright light stationary & two small lights moving away from it, at 062025H light disappeared 1/12 Spetrep - 2343, OP 1 heard two small arm sheets 15 sec apart in pass north of position no muzzle flashes obs obs intermittent flashes of light.	
2400				Capt. GOLDEN reported Btry G displaced another Btry to move in C/1/11 position C/1/11 will be moving to YD 116701	
<u>SUMMARY</u> THE Following missions fired during this reporting period 1/11 - 16 2/12 - 6 4/12 - 3 1/12 - 1 3/12 - 4 Results of Arty missions fired during this period 21 KIA (CONF) 16 KIA (PROB) 2 buildings damaged 2 boats sunk secondary explosions					

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IN	OUT				
1905				1/11 Firep - 1347, Btry A fired in spt of 2/1 VC squad (BT 161551), sur: Good eff on tgt, exp 24 HE. 1/11 Firep - 1321, Btry A fired inspt of 2/1, VC squad (BT 161551), sur: Rds on tgt, exp 19 HE, Q. 1/11 Firep - 1406, Btry A fired in spt of 2/1, VC squad (BT 161551), sur: Rds on tgt, exp 18 HE Q. 1/11 Firep - 1433 Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 sniper fire (BT 200554), sur: rds on tgt, exp 6 WP Q. 1/11 Firep - 1455, Btry A fired in spt of 1/11 sniper fire (BT 19465646), sur: sniper fire ceased exp 6 HE Q.	

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IN	OUT				
0740				1/11 Firep - 0656, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1, VC in open (105627), exp 6 HE, 6 WP, 3 HE, Sur: Outstanding eff on tgt. 0716, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1, sniper fire (033588), exp 4 WP, 4 HE, sur: Good eff on tgt.	
1020				1/11 Firep - 1013, Btry A fired in spt of 1/11 at bunker (149564), rds exp 3WP sur: EOM.	
1140				4/12 Firep - 1008, Btry L fired in spt of 1/26, at VC sniper (993545), rds exp 2 HE, sur: None. 4/12 Firep - 1045, Btry L fired in spt of 1/26, at VC sniper (993594), rds exp 18 HE, 6 VT, sur: Good coverage of tgt.	
1230					
1230				From 4/12 requested med evac for 1 VCE female	
1600				1/11 Firep - 1230, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1, at sus sniper pos (029588), rds exp 15 HE VT sur: Good eff on tgt.	
1930				1/11 Firep - 1837, Mort Btry fired in spt of 3/1, at sus VC position (087698) rds exp 2 HE, sur: EOM, friendlies in area	
2035				CO left CP for Div CP	
2100				1/11 Firep - 2040, Mort Btry fired illum msn in spt of 3/1, at sus VC (999705) sur: Rds on tgt.	
2130				3/12 Firep - 1750, Btry E fired for Div AO at sus VC on Hillside (859057), rds exp 28 WP, sur: 1 KIA (PROB) 3/12 Firep - 1830, Btry M fired for Div AO at vc bunker (905997), sur: Good eff on tgt. Rds exp 5 WP, 3 HE,	
2200				1/11 Firep - 2131, Mortar (FWD) fired illum msn in spt of 3/1 sus enemy movement (BT 033727), sur: EOM peer eff on tgt, exp 4 ILLUM ti.	

SUMMARY

Arty fired 10 msn in spt of 3d Mar
Fire results good eff on tgts.

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IN	OUT				
0906				1/11 Firep - Btry A fired on sniper fire coord (81675500) sniper fire ceased obs AFO4. exp 16 HE Q.	
0909				1/11 Firep - Btry A fired at poss sniper fire (194568) obs Today 61, rds on tgt. exp 6 HE Q, 6 WP Q..	
0907				1/11 Firep A Btry on snipers at (835546) 2 HE Q exp, mission dropped for Priority mission AFO4	
0908				1/11 Fired A btry on Sqd of VC (815570) obs AFO2 sqd disb. 12 HE, Q exp.	
0915				1/11 Fired A Btry on Sniper firing (81675500), obs A FO 4 sniper firing ceased, 10 HE Q, exp	
1015				Btry A/1/11 fired on man groove obs Today 61, sur: Exc off on tgt., exp 1 HC Q, 20 HE, 2 WP Q.	
1110				A/1/12 fired on 60mm mortar (815550) obs Squire 94, Mortars silenced, exp 12 HE Q. A/1/12 fired at 8 VC coord (810569) 3 KIA (PROB) obs Squire 62, exp 20 HE Q	
1200				1/12 Firep - 0703, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, at sniper fire (820570) rds exp 10 HE sur: Sniper fire ceased. 1/11 Firep - 1107, Btry A fired in spt of AO at 30 VC (196569), rds exp 24 HE. sur: EOM. 3/12 Firep - 1045, 155 Gun fired in spt of Recon at 2 VC in brush (745091), rds exp 5 WP, sur: EOM. 1/12 Firep - 0951, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3 at 5 snipers (813547), rds exp 14 HE, sur: Fire ceased 1/11 Firep - 1134, Btry A fired in spt of AO at 30 VC (194565), rds exp 14 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	

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IN	OUT				
1300				1/11 Firep - 1151, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 at VC sniper (184574), rds exp 14 HE 2 WP, sur: Exc eff on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1116, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3 at VC pos (815452), rds exp 15HE, sur: rds on tgt. 1/12 Firep - 1200, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3 at V pos (815557), rds exp 30 HE, sur: Rds on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1220, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1, at sus VC (026591), rds exp 3WP 6HE, sur: Exc eff on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1313, Mortar Btry fwd fired in spt of 1/11, OP at sniper (045709) rds exp 1 WP, sur: EOM.	
1500				1/11 Firep - 1359, Btry A fired for 1/1 at VC sniper (194574), rds exp 14 HE, 12 WP, 12 HE, sur: Exc eff on tgt.	
1600				1/12 Firep - 1527, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, at Village (818559) rds exp 2HE, sur: no sur.	
1615				2/12 Firep - 1512, Btry A fired in spt of 9th Mar, 20 VC w/auto wpns (929511) rds exp 18 HE, sur: Rds on tgt. 4/12 Firep - 1612, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, auto wpns, sniper fire (833546) rds exp 18 HE, sur: sniper silenced.	
1645				2/12 Firep - 1546, Btry B fired in spt of 2/1, sniper fire (020584), rds exp 4 WP Q, 10 HE Q, sur: Good eff on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1620, Btry A fired in spt of 2/1, VC sniper fire (960552), rds exp 20 HE, sur: rds on tgt, firing ceased 2/12 Firep - 1615, Btry A fired in spt of Recen possible mortar position (047707) rds exp 1 WP Q, sur: EOM.	
1705				1/12 Firep - 1636, Btry B fired in spt of 2/3 neutralization of villiage (813575), rds exp 12 HE, sur: tgt neutralized.	

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1705				1/12 Firep - 1640, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, neutralization of village (819578), rds exp 12 HE, sur: TGT Neutralized.	
1735				2/12 Firep - 1704, Btry F fired in spt of Recon, 13 VC in open (946444), rds exp 26 HE sur: rds on tgt, troops dispersed, 5 KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB)	
1750				2/12 firep - 1727, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, VC village w/ride (818559), rds exp 6 WP, 8 HE, sur: Village burning	
1755				2/12 Firep - 1744, Btry A fired in spt of 2/3, rear Guard protection (834561) rds exp 6 HE, sur: Rds on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1710, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 VC trench line (078678), rds exp 15 HE Q, sur: Exc eff on tgt., 100 meters destroyed, 3 HOUSES DESTROYED	
1845				2/12 Firep - 1817, Btry F fired in spt of 3/9, at 12 VC (897520), rds exp 38 HE sur: 1 KIA (CONF), 2 KIA (PROB)	
1915				1/11 Firep - 1751, Mort Btry fired in spt of 2/1 at VC firing at Holo, (071691), rds exp 16 HE sur: Rds on tgt. 1/11 Firep - 1750, Btry A fired in spt of 1/1 at VC sniper (183574), rds exp 12 HE, 2 HC, sur: Good eff on tgt.	
2030				2/12 Firep - 1920, Btry F fired in spt of 3/9, harassing fire (89595209) exp 10 HE, sur: Harassing fire ceased.	
0035				Fire Cap LVTH-6 07076563 AZ of fire 2500	
<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired thirty five mission in spt of MAF. Significant surveillance one mission fired Five VC KIA (CONF), two VC KIA (PROB) Three houses destroyed & one village, LVTH-6 displaced to (BT 07076563)					

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IN	OUT				
1430				11th Mar (-) CP went into opn in the DaNang TAOR.	
1430				12th Mar CP displaced from DaNang to Dong Ha by motor convey.	

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IN	OUT				
1245				Hq Btry main body arrived Dong Ha.	
1345				Hq and K 4/12 arrived Dong Ha.	
1500				H/3/12 departed Phu Bai (SLF).	
1800				Hq Btry 1/12 arrived arty plateau.	

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IN	OUT				
1458				CO Btry E 2/12 reported in from Phu Bai depart for arty plateau escort Capt MAYS.	Notified Click 6 & 3
1500				Btry E 2/12 departed for arty plateau.	

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IN	OUT				
1415				Click 3 & a 20 man recon party left CP to recon proposed new psn GS (2358, 2257 & 2258).	
1645				Recon party returned to CP.	
2100				FIREP: 175mm Guns fired in spt of Div FSOC (fwd), grp of lights (YD 1545) exp 7 rds HE. Unobs msn.	
2200				FIREP: 175mm Guns fired in spt of Div FSOC(fwd), sus WVA psn GS (XD 8949) exp 30 rds HE. Unobs msn.	

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IN	OUT				
0720				12th Marines survey teams departed CP for the new arty CP areas to draw up sketch of area.	
1200				Survey teams returned to CP.	

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IN	OUT				
1155				1/12 Firep - 1058, Btry E/2/12 fired in spt of Recon at sus radio site (YD 019 594), rds exp 43 HE, no sur.	
1225				3/12 Firep - 1000, Btry M/4/12 fired in spt of 3/7, at 20 NVA treeps (YD 050660 rds exp 28 HE, no sur.	
1315				1/12 Firep - 1234, Btry E/2/12 fired in Def Conc for Recon (YD 032602), rds exp 1 WP, 2 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
2140				BtryG/3/12 fired in spt of 3/7, lights on side of hill exp 22 WP, sur: lights went out (030635)	
2140				Btry M/4/12 fired in spt of 3/7 lights on trail (YD 032649), exp 24 HE, sur: Lights went out.	
2110				175mm Guns fired in spt of Recon sus VC Bn. (148652), exp 12 HE, no sur.	
<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired 5 obs msn in spt of OP Prairie results rds on tgt.					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0905				3/12 FIREP: 0855, Btry G fired in spt of Recon at sus VC (YD 022609) exp 5 HE. sur: Good coverage of tgt.	
1810				3/12 FIREP: 1720, Btry M fired in spt of 3/7, Recon by Fire (024648) exp 20 HE. sur: Excellent effect on tgt.	
2015				FIREP: 1917, msn from Kilsner 22 of Recon by fire at (XD 960537) exp 2 WP. Sur: Good effect on tgt.	
2017				3/12 FIREP: 1920, Btry M fired in spt of Mutter 63A, sus VC plt (YD 156616) exp 10 HE. Sur: Good effect on tgt.	
0130				3/12 FIREP: Btry M fired in spt of 3/4 at sus VC plt (YD 156616) exp 8 HE, no sur.	
<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired five significant mns in spt of MAF during this period. Total rds exp on mns, 33 HE & 2 WP.					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1350				1/12 Firep - 0900, Btry E fired Prep fires in spt of E/2/9 (967601) exp 10HE sur: Good tgt.coverage	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1730				3/12 Firep - 1351, Btry M/4/12 fired for Div AO at VC in tree line (XD 956475) rds exp 11 HE, 3 WP, sur: Esc off on tgt.	
1731				0900 Hq Btry 4/12 arr Dong Ha base camp 1500 2nd Bn 94th Arty Hq Btry (-) Ser Btry (-) B and C Btry arr Dong Ha base camp 1600 Btry's B & C departed for arty pos with 3/12	
1945				4/12 Firep - 1820, Btry K fired three unobs msn in spt of 1/4 at sus VC harboring point (GS YD 1561, 1662) rds exp 29 HE, 21 WP, sur: None.	
2020				Btry 'S B & C 2nd Bn, 94th arty USA closed on Arty pos JJ CARROLL.	
2030				7/12 Firep - 1936, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4 at VC activity (YD 033554) rds exp 26 HE, 4 WP, sur: Escaped it neutralized	
<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired three significant msn exp 49 HE & 7 WP rds, 0900 HQ 4/12 arrived at Dong HA base camp 1500 - USA 2ND Bn, 94 Arty Hq Service Btry (-) B & C btry arrived at Dong Ha base camp, 1600 B & C Btry USA Reported for Arty pos with 3/12 1900 Btry B & C 2nd Bn, 94th Arty USA closed on arty pos camp JJ CARROLL					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0830				1/12 Firep - 0735, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4 sus VC OP (976540), exp 14 HE, 2 WP sur: Good coverage of tgt.	
1210				1/12 Firep - 11333, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4 at 3 VC sited (XD 963541), ms exp 22 HE, sur: Good eff on tgt.	
1405				1/12 Firep - 1140, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4, Recon by fire (929544), Recon by fire & sur: EOM exp 4 WP. 1/12 Firep - 1155, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4, 30 VC (926534), exp 12 HE, 6 WP, s sur: Rds on tgt. 1/12 Firep - Btry E fired in spt of 3/4 Recon by fire (931543), exp 8 WP, sur: EOM.	
1825				1/12 Firep - Btry I fired in 4 Def Cond in spt of 3/4 (01355930), 02205710, 033554, 02365545), sur: Rds on tgt.	
2005				4/12 Firep - 1845, Btry K fired in spt of 1/4 Hvy VC movement (154617), exp 8 HE VT, 18 WP, unobs msn 1900 Btry K fired in spt of 1/4 sus VC movement (158617), exp 18 HE, 27 WP, sur: Two secondary explosions	
2030				1/12 Firep - 2030 Btry I fired in spt of 3/9, 4 moving lights (065575), exp 18 HE, sur: Lights out.	
2105				1/12 Firep - 2055 Btry E fired in spt of 2/9, Recon by fire (947495), exp 6 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
0600				4/12 Firep - 212050 - 220010 Btry K fired six def illum missions over Arty city for Hq 12th Mar: (YD 218501, YD 224587 & YD 224587), exp 14 Ill rds.	
0545				4/12 Firep - 212140 - 220420 Btry K fired six ill msn at sus VC movement (YD 148 607 & YD 148600) Exp 43 ill rds	
SUMMARY					
Arty fired sixteen msn in spt of MAF exp 98 HE, 55 WP & 57 Ill.					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0730				Div FSCC rpts Bridge flooded at YD 460 54000) reported by AO.	
1445				1/12 Firep - 1200, Btry E fired in spt of Recon VC infiltration Route (919528) exp 11 HE, sur: EOM.	
				1/12 Firep - 1315, Btry E fired in spt of Recon VC infiltration route (923526) exp 3 HE, sur: EOM.	
1910				1/12 Firep - 1735, Btry E fired in spt of Recon, many VC noises (92475308) exp 38 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
2055				1/12 Firep - 2000 Btry E/2/12 fired obs msn in spt of Recon, VC (XD 919521) sur; Rds on tgt, exp 4 HE Q	
				1/12 Firep - 1950, Btry E/2/12 Fired obs msn in spt of Recon, Recon by fire (XD 95515), sur: Rds on tgt, exp 7 HE Q	
2130				1/12 Firep - 2103, Btry E/2/12 fired in spt of Recon, Recon by fire (XD 915 513), sur: Rds on tgt, exp 10 HE Q.	
				<u>SUMMARY</u>	
				Arty fired 6 obs msn in spt of Operation Prairie.	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1155				1/12 Firep - 1008, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4 VC OP (9767 5404) exp 6 HE, exc eff on tgt.	
1410				1/12 Firep - 1115, Btry E fired in spt of 2/9 Recon by fire, (936495) exp 6 WP & HE, sur: Good coverage of tgt. 2/94 Firep - 1107, Btry C/6/27 fired unobs msn in spt of Recon (XD 912529) rds exp 2 HE,	
2200				1/12 Firep - 1951, Btry I/3/12 fired in spt of 3/4 at sus VC OP OP (XD 979536) rds exp 11 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
<u>SUMMARY</u> 12th Mar (*) Rein fired four significant mission during this period exp 23 HE rds & 6 WP rds.					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1530				4/12 Firep - 1427, Btry K fired unobs msn s/s VC site (114562), exp 18 Rds	
1555				3/12 Firep - 1521, Btry M fired unobs msn (055677), exp 3 HE rds	
1615				1/12 Firep - 1535, Btry I fired in Def conc in spt of 3/4 (9733 5400) exp 4 HE sur: Rds on tgt.	
1705				1/12 Firep - 1650, Btry E fired in Def conc in spt of Recon (953474) 1/12 Firep Btry I fired in Def Conc in spt of 3/4 (9790 5367)	
2025				1/12 Firep - 1904, Btry I fired msn in spt of 3/4, ave of approach (XD 986575) sur: Rds on tgt. exp 2 WP. 1/12 Firep - 1857, Btry I fired msn in spt of 3/4 ave of approach (XD 969580) sur: Rds on tgt. exp 1 WP. 1/12 Firep - 1833, Btry E fired in Def conc in spt of 2/9 (XD 91235191) sur: rds on tgt. exp 2 HC smoke. 1/12 Firep - 1912 Btry I fired msn in spt of 3/4 ave approach (XD 988569) sur rds on tgt. exp 3 WP. 1/12 Firep - 1935, Btry I fired msn in spt of 3/4 ave approach (XD 984564) sur rds on tgt. exp 3 WP.	
0620				2/94 firep - 0543, Btry B fired unobs msn in spt of Recon at s/s VC mort pos (XD 925481) rds exp 6 HE, sur: RDS on tgt.	
				<u>SUMMARY</u> Arty fired 12 obs msn in spt of 3D Mar Div (FWD) results in rdson tgt.	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0822				Shove 4 rpts Rough rider will depart 1200, if bridge is repaired by RVN north of Phu Bai, Rough Rider consists of vehicles of 1/40 and 2/94.	
1005				3/12 Firep - 0910, Btry C/1/11 1 fired in spt of 2/5, Recon By fire (152734) exp 1 WP sur: NONE. 3/12 Firep - Btry C/1/11 Fired in spt of 3/7 Recon By Fire (188702) exp 22HE sur: None.	
1255				Capt QUINN called from FSCC that Rough Rider is not coming 2/94	
1415				2/94 Firep - 1323, Btry B/2/94 fired in spt of Recon mortars (XD 919470) exp 30 HE Q, sur: none.	
1500				Shove 4 rpts Rough Rider cancelled will go 26 Oct, no time estimated for departure	
1630				2/12 Firep - 1615, Btry E fired for AO 6 VC in bunker (968616) sur: Good eff on tgt., two KIA (PROB)	
1732				4/12 reported that at 1919 TD-15 ran over mine (YD 223583) no damage no cas.	informed S-3B
2030				1/12 Firep - 1924, Btry E fired in Def Conc in spt of Recon (XD 947484), sur: Rds on tgt, exp 2 HE. 1/12 Firep - 1945, Btry E fired illum msn in spt of 3d Marines, sus VC activity (XD 965615), sur: Good coverage of tgt, exp 8 illum	
2250				1/12 Firep - 2105, Btry E/2/12 fired coordinated illum msn in spt of 3/4, lights sighted (XD 978615), sur: EOM no lights obsd, exp 3 Illum & 16 HE.	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1105				1/12 Firep - 0945, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4 En Assy Area (964616), exp 18HE, 4 WP, sur: Exc tgt coverage 1/12 Firep - 1014, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4, assy area (960615), exp 16 HE, 2 WP, sur: Exc tgt coverage. 1/12 Firep - 1050, Btry E fired in spt of 2/9, NVA personnel moving East (944 484) exp 36 HE, 6 WP, sur: none at this time.	
1215				1/12 Firep - 1154, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4 Assy Area (964587), exp 10 H ^u , 4 WP, sur: Good tgt coverage	
1235				1/12 Firep - 1030, Btry C/1/11 fired in spt of 3/7, VC Harbor site (204696) exp 36 HE, 1 WP, sur: none. 1/12 Firep - 1120, Btry C/1/11 fired in spt of 2/5 VC village (134674), exp 54HE	
1258				3 HC, sur: Village destroyed From G-4 Rough Rider departs Phu Bai 1330, expected to arrive 1600-1730, depending on bridges	
1315				1/12 Firep - 1240, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4, sus OP (946622), exp 8 HE, sur Exc eff on tgt.	
1520				Capt. GOLDEN rpts Rough Rider from Phu Bai will arrive 1630, with the rest of 1/40	
1640				1/12 Firep - 1625, Btry I fired two msn for AO & 3d Marines sus VC Co. digging in (145505, 145515), exp 36HE sur: None	
1800				1700 1st of 40th arty closed on Dong Ha	
1855				1/12 Firep - 1820, Btry I/3/12 fired in spt of 3/4, sus VC OP (XD 967535), sur: Exc eff on tgt, exp 18 HE.	
				<u>SUMMARY</u> 1700 1st of 40th Arty USA closed on Dong Ha Arty fired 9 msn in spt of 3d MarDiv (FWD) resulting in 1 Village destroyed & Exc eff on tgt on other mns.	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0715				From 4/12 FDO K/4/12 displaced to New Position.	
1000				1/12 Firep - 0920, Btry E fired in spt 3d Mar, sus .50 Cal psn (882525), exp 24 HE, sur: None.	
1125				3/12 Firep - 0835, Btry C/1/11 Prep Fires in spt of 2/5, (145675), exp 60 HE, 2 WP, sur: Good tgt coverage. 3/12 Firep - 1018, Btry C/1/11 Recon by Fire (148671), exp 24 HE, 1WP, sur: No VC observed.	
1340				1/12 Firep - 1123, Btry E fired in spt of Recon, Recon By Fire (965467), exp 14 WO, sur: Good tgt coverage.	
1700				2/94 firep - 1550, Btry C fired unobs msn in spt of Recon (VC positions) 896522 exp 22 HE. 2/94 Firep - 1630, fired unobs msn in spt of Recon (914525, 915529), exp 45HE	
				<u>SUMMARY</u> K/4/12 displaced to (YD 214597) Arty fired 5 obs msn in spt of 3d Mar Div (FWD)	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1330				G-4 rpts Rough Rider departed 1100 Danang eta Dong Ha 1800H. Strong feeling it may be detained at Phu Bai overnight	
1530				G-4 rpts Rough Rider will be detained in Phu Bai, no ETD established for tomorrow,	
1555				1/12 Firep - 1537, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4, def conc (973550), exp 3 WP, 9 HE, sur: Rds on tgt.	
2205	LATE	ENTRIES		1020- Initial element of C/1/12 closed on Dong Ha, Opcen this Hq	
				<u>SUMMARY</u>	
				C/1/12 closed on Dong Ha 281230, ARTY fired 1 mission in spt of 3d MarDiv (FWD), sur: rds on tgt.	

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REGIMENTAL S-3

ORGANIZATION:

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0610				From Div FSCC (FWD) a round landing in a VN Village killing 5 people (ID 129596) between 280330-280430.	
0802				G-4 rpts Rough Rider departed Phu Bai 0800 ETD Dong HA 1030-1100.	
0840				1/12 Firep - 0813m Btry I fired in spt of 3/4, Recon by fire (971591) exp 4 WP, 10 HE sur: exc eff on tgt.	
0915				1/12 Firep - 0843, Btry E fired Prep fires in spt of 2/9 (961463)	
1000				1/12 Firep - 0920, Btry E fired in spt of 2/9, Prep fires (958457), exp 6 HE.	
1055				1/12 - 1029, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4 Def Cenc (978584), exp 2 WP, Sur: Rds on tgt. 1/12 Firep - 0955, Btry E fired in spt of E/2/9, Recon by fire (964460) exp 2 HE, sur: rds on tgt.	
1125				K/4/12 & 1/40 called out of action until further notice. Notified GySgt BLAKELY	Notified Shove 22 Capt GOLDEN
<u>SUMMARY</u> 1/40 USA Regt Arty fired 10 men in spt of 3d MarDiv (FWD), Arty had two misdirected rds reported					

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1145				1/12 Firep - 1044 Btry E fired in spt of 3/4, sus OP (957597) exp 4 WP, 8 HE, sur: Good eff on tgt.	
1205				1/12 Firep - 1054 Btry E fired unebs msn in spt of 3d Mar Intel rpt rating 1A (907561), exp 12 HE, 12 WP	
1315				1/12 Firep - 1220, Btry E fired unebs msn in spt of Recon, VC assy area/CP area (9101-5625) exp 20 HE.	
1855				1/12 Firep - 1815, Btry I fired in spt of 3/4, sus VC OP (XD 957656), sur: Good eff on tgt, exp 2 WP & 4 HE	
1855				1st Bn 40th Arty completed registration	
2030				2/94 Firep @ 1915, Btry C/2/94 fired unebs mission on tgt reported from intell sources in spt of ARVN (XD 907 569).	
2300				Div 22 rptd misdirected rds on coord (YD 152600) no cas. S-3 investigated all units firing at 2305H in vic of (YD 152600) neg report.	S-3 notified, notified 1/40, 4/12

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1030				Div FSCC rptd Recon units will be using Mike designator 456 (35.7) eff today	
1110				2/94 Firep - 0930, Btry B fired for AO VC in open (053707), exp 28 HE, sur: 70% of tgt coverage, Rds looked good	
1222				3/12 Firep - 0810, Btry C/1/11 fired for AO sus NVA trps (053707), exp 40HE sur: 5 KIA (PROB)	
				3/12 Firep - 0850, Btry C/1/11 fired for sus NVA (053807), exp 96 HE, sur: 80% 80% tgt coverage 6 KIA (PROB)	
1517				1/12 Firep - 1433, Btry E	
				3/12 Firep - 1125, Btry C/1/11 fired for AO sus NVA (053507) exp 91 HE sur: 80% Tgt coverage	
1517				1/12 Firep - 1433, Btry E fired in spt of 3/4 Recon by fire (963612), exp 12 HE, sur: Exc eff on tgt.	
1530				3/12 Firep - 1420, Btry G fired for AO newly built structures (025644), exp 108 HE, sur: 50% structures destroyed	
1930				1/12 Firep - 1705, Btry I/3/12 fired unobs msn on tgt reported from intell sources (XD 100553), in spt of 3d Mar exp 18 HE.	
				1/12 Firep - 1809, Btry I/3/12 fired in spt of 2/9, poss VC mortar position (XD 960530), sur: Good eff on tgt, exp 10WP, 16HE.	
				1/12 Firep - 1857, Btry E/2/12 fired in spt of 2/9, sus VC OP (XD 961595) sur: Good eff on tgt. exp 2 WP.	
2150				Capt JONE Div 22 report misdirected rd near airfield (YD 237595) at 302140H S-2 directed ceased fire on 4/12 1/40 & 2/94 commenced investigation 4/12, 1/40 & 2/94 checked out neg misdirected round,	
2200				S-2 directed resume fire	informed 22

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
				<u>SUMMARY</u> Div 22 reported one misdirected rd at (YD 237595) 302140H Arty fired 9 msns in spt of 3d Marine FWD results in 11 KIA (PROB) and good eff on tgts	

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- 1) Provisional Artillery Bn Command Chronology, Nov 1966
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, (Rein), FME
Via: Commanding Officer, 12th Marines

Subj: Command Chronology for November; submission of

Ref: (a) DIVO 5750.1

Encl: ✓ (1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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Enclosure (5)

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Nov 1966

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PART I

1. Reporting Unit - Provisional Artillery Battalion,
12th Marines

2. CP - Phu Bai (YD888126)

3. Period Covered - 1-30 November 1966.

4. Date of Submission - 10 December 1966.

5. Average Monthly Strength

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
Officer	27	0
Enlisted	368	11

6. Commanding Officer - LtCol LAVERN W. LARSON

7. Principal Staff

XO - None

S-1 - WO W. G. JACOBSON

S-2/S-3/S-4 - Capt W. H. WANTLAND

SGT MAJ - Sgt Maj H. G. MCGRUDER

8. Subordinate Units

1st 155mm Gun Btry	Capt W. H. WANTLAND 1-15Nov
	Maj E. D. LITZENBERGER 15-30Nov
Btry B, 1stBn, 12thMar	Capt M. G. ONEILL
Mortar Btry, 2dBn, 12thMar	Capt W. J. ODLE
Btry G, 3dBn, 12thMar	Capt J. K. OSGOOD
Mortar Btry, 3dBn, 12thMar	Capt R. R. CRAIG
Btry H, 3dBn, 12thMar	Capt A. P. BARRY

9. Location of Units

1st 155mm Gun Btry	(YD893128)
Mortar Btry 2/12	(YD888126)
	(YD644285) 7-30Nov for 1 plt 155mmHow
Btry G/3/12	(YD884128) 2-30Nov (Phu Bai Vital Area Position)
	(ZD013025) 10-12Nov (Btry -)
	(YD930058) 2-30Nov (Btry -)
Mortar Btry 3/12	(YD887128) 30Nov
Btry H 3/12	(YD930058) 3-4Nov

Enclosure (1)

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10. Mission

1st 155mm Gun Btry	-	General Support Phu Bai AOR
Btry B 1/12	-	Direct Support 2/26
Mortar Btry 2/12	-	General Support Phu Bai AOR
Btry G 3/12	-	Direct Support 1/4
Mortar Btry 3/12	-	Direct Support 1/4
Btry H 3/12	-	Direct Support 2/4

PART II

1. Personnel

a. Number of replacements received:

USMC - Officers: 1 USN - Enlisted: 6
 Enlisted: 70

b. Number of personnel rotated:

USMC - Officers: 1 USN - Enlisted: 1
 Enlisted: 24

c. Number of personnel lost through other attribution other than rotation:

(1) KIA: 0
 (2) WIA: 0
 (3) Non-Battle: 4 Enlisted

d. R&R Trips: 23

2. Administration

a. Awards

(1) Number Processed: 0
 (2) Number Received: 2 Bronze Star Medals
 2 Purple Hearts

b. Promotions: (by rank)

1 to GySgt; 3 to SSgt; 5 to Cpl; 43 to LCpl; 1 to Pfc

c. Postal: Battalion post office established at 1st 155mm Gun Btry. Mail room completed during month and inspected by Third Marine Division Postal Officer.

d. Legal: 3 Office hours

3. Training: Operational commitments and construction of security measures precluded the establishment and execution of formal training schedules. Occupational specialty training continued in all batteries. Eight Marines from the battalion attended the communications equipment waterproofing course held in PHU BAI.

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4. Special Operations

a. On 3 November, H/3/12 displaced to YD 930058 to provide support for units from 1st Battalion, Fourth Marines. H/3/12 returned to Phu Bai on 4 November and departed via Rough Rider to Da Nang on 5 November.

b. On 7 November, two (2) 155mm Howitzers (Towed) from Mortars/2/12 displaced to YD 644285 to provide support for reconnaissance teams operating in that area. Howitzers were still in position on 30 November.

c. On 10 November, G/3/12(-) displaced to ZD 013025 to support B/1/4 during reconnaissance in force operations in Song Truoi River Valley. Operation secured on 12 November and G/3/12 returned to Phu Bai.

d. On 15 November, G/3/12(-) displaced to YD 930058 to support C/1/4 sweep operation in Song Truoi River Area. On 22 November two (2) 105mm Howitzers returned to Phu Bai. Two (2) howitzers remained in position at YD 930058 on 30 November.

5. Command and Control. Technical fire direction is decentralized. Until 6 November, the tactical fire direction control was exercised by the battery assigned in direct support of the vital area defense battalion. On 6 November the tactical fire direction center passed to Mortar Battery, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines. Due to personnel shortages within the Mortar Battery, and the requirement to man two separate technical fire direction centers, tactical fire direction was assumed by the 1st 155mm Gun Battery on 24 November.

6. Communications and Electronics. What appeared to be a form of jamming was experienced by G/3/12 while operating during the period 10-12 November at ZD 013025. A detailed report was submitted to Third Marine Division. No other difficulties were experienced during the reporting period.

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7. Fire Support and Fire Support Coordination. Primary efforts in fire support coordination were directed towards increasing the effectiveness and efficiency with which fire missions received from CAC units could be accomplished. Direct liaison between the Battalion S-3 and CAC officers was effected.

8. Medical and Dental.

a. Medical Statistics

- (1) Total battle casualties - 0
- (2) Total non-battle casualties - 3
- (3) Total immunizations given this month - 560
- (4) Total evacuated from RVN - 2

9. Logistics.

a. Supply. The frequest movement of batteries in and out of the Phu Bai AOR tends to aggravate certain supply problems. Supplies ordered from parent battalions are frequently delayed and occasionally fail to arrive at the battery area. Batteries operating within the Phu Bai AOR submit most requisitions through the supply officer of the 1st 155mm Gun Battery. A critical situation exists due to the shortage of M100 sights for the M53 and M55. Unavailability of firing locks for the 155mm Howitzer (towed) is another problem area. Mortars Battery 2/12 is lacking three (3) M54s

b. Maintenance. Overall maintenance is satisfactory.

c. Food Service. The 1st 155mm Gun Battery operates it own mess. Mortars 2/12, Mortars 3/12 and G/3/12 are messing with Headquarters Battalion, Third Marine Division. Material has been requested by Third Marine Division to construct one mess hall for the 155mm Gun Battery and one for an artillery battalion headquarters and two firing batteries. B/1/12 operates its own field mess.

d. Cantonement. Cantonement material has not been made available for the Provisional Artillery Battalion.

e. Motor Transport. Deadline rate is about 12%.

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PART III

Chronological Summary of Significant Events

2 Nov - G/3/12 arrived Phu Bai. Assigned indirect support of Vital Area Defense Battalion and occupied position at YD884128

Mortars/2/12 fired 155mm howitzers on suspected VC Company at YD 757098. 85% coverage of target area.

3 Nov - See subparagraph Part II, 4.a - Special operations.
1st 155mm Gun Battery fired on VC in open for Reconnaissance Patrol. One (1) VC KIA (Conf) and three (3) VC WIA (Prob)

5 Nov - H/3/12 departed for Da Nang via Rough Rider to embark with BLT 2/4.

7. Nov - See subparagraph Part II, 4.b - Special Operations.

10 Nov - See subparagraph Part II, 4.c.- Special Operations.

15 Nov - See subparagraph Part II, 4.d - Special Operations.

30 Nov - Mortars/2/12 arrived Phu Bai and assigned indirect support of Vital Area Defense Battalion. Occupied position at YD887128.

Recapitulation of Fire Missions

	<u>Observed</u>	<u>Unobserved</u>	<u>H&I</u>	<u>Total</u>
105mm	86	50	1496	1632
107mm	2	0	16	18
155mmHow	27	13	161	201
155mmGun	17	20	194	231
8"How	5	1	29	35
				<u>2117</u>

Ammunition Expenditures

	<u>105mm</u>	<u>107mm</u>	<u>155mmHow</u>	<u>155mmGun</u>	<u>8"</u>	<u>Total</u>
HE	3568	7	822	424	106	4927
ILLUM	392	29	77	57	0	555
WP	102	0	14	42	0	158
OTHER	10	0	0	0	0	10
Total	4072	36	913	523	106	5650

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