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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation

3d Battalion, 12th Marines, (-) Rein.
3d Marine Division (Rein)

Commander

LtCol D. B. BARKER
051486/0802
1-8 Nov 67
Major ROGER W. GREER
061366/0802
9-30 Nov 67

Subordinate Units

Battery "G" 3d Battalion
12th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

Capt S. B. GRIMES
082336/0802
1-30 Nov 67

Battery "H" 3d Battalion
12th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

Capt A. C. CONLON
082857/0802
1-30 Nov 67

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion
12th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

Capt N. D. HAMILTON
091615/0802
1-30 Nov 67

1st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery
3d Battalion, 12th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein)

Capt J. TAYLOR
087666/0802
1-30 Nov 67

2nd Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery
3d Battalion, 12th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein)

Capt R. J. LUCAS
083878/0802
1-30 Nov 67

Battery "W" 1st Battalion
13th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

Capt E. M. ASANOVICH
080660/0802
1-9 Nov 67

3d Platoon, 1st Searchlight Battery
12th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

Sgt D. M. BRANTLEY
159513/0811
1-30 Nov 67

2. Location

12th Marines, 3d Marine

Capt R. J. LUCAS
083878/0802

1-30 November 67 Headquarters (Fwd) YD 539318 Thua Thien
Province, Republic of Vietnam

Capt E. M. ASANOVICH
080660/0802

1-30 November 67 Headquarters (Rear) YD 885127 Phu Bai Base Camp
Division (Rein)

Capt J. TAYLOR
087666/0802
1-30 Nov 67

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion
12th Marines, 3d Marine
Division (Rein)

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1st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery
3d Battalion, 12th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein)

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2nd Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery
3d Battalion, 12th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein)

Capt R. J. LUCAS
083878/0802
1-30 Nov 67

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a. Executive Officer

Major R. W. GREER
061366/0802
1-8 Nov 67
Major G. E. ELLIOTT
074987/0802
9-30 Nov 67

b. S-1 Adjutant/Legal Officer

1st Lt L. D. HUNT
093945/0802
1-25 Nov 67
Capt S. J. HAYES
093169/0802
26-30 Nov 67

c. Personnel Officer

W.O. F. P. DURBINO
098602/0130
1-30 Nov 67

d. S-2 Officer

1st Lt C. P. JAMESON
092878/0802
1-30 Nov 67

e. S-3 Officer

Major G. E. ELLIOTT
074987/0802
1-18 Nov 67
Major D. E. VOWELL
076105/0802
19-30 Nov 67

f. S-3A

1st Lt A. A. FINLEY
094691/0802
1-30 Nov 67
1st Lt W. K. LAW
092636/0802
19-30 Nov 67

g. S-4

Capt A. D. NASTRI
082249/0802
1-30 Nov 67

h. Communications Officer

Capt G. E. CADMAN
091721/2520
1-30 Nov 67

i. Motor Transport Officer

2nd Lt L. LUDWIG JR.
0101245/3502
1-30 Nov 67

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j. Supply Officer	2nd Lt J. D. BLEVINS 095582/3002 1-30 Nov 67
k. Survey Officer	1st Lt A. A. FINLEY 094691/0802 1-30 Nov 67
l. Liaison Officer	Capt P. D. WINER 082307/0802 1-30 Nov 67
m. Naval Gunfire Officer	Lt (JG) J. B. GODLEY 687739/1105 1-30 Nov 67

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC		USN		OTHER	
Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
34	541	2	7	0	0

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PART II

During November, the 3d Battalion, 12th Marines continued in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. The 4th Marines maintained security for hill 674, hill 51, and Camp Evans, while continuing to interdict enemy supply and communications.

Operation NEOSHO started on 1 November and continued throughout the month. Operation GRANITE, which was run in conjunction with 1st ARVN Division forces around hill 674 and the VC/NVA Base area 114, terminated on 6 November.

Captain D. DAVIS arrived at Camp Evans on 5 November to give formal schooling on the M-18, Gun Direction Computer (FADAC). The school lasted five days during which two operators were trained.

Command of the Battalion changed hands during a ceremony held on 9 November. LtCol D. B. BARKER was relieved by Major Roger W. GREER, former Battalion Executive Officer. Major G. E. ELLIOTT was assigned as Executive Officer while he continued to function as the Battalion S-3.

The M-16 rifle was issued to the personnel of this Battalion on 14 November. An extensive training program was established to provide each individual with instruction on care, cleaning, and functioning of the M-16. In addition, familiarization firing was conducted, utilizing 400 rounds per man, to ensure each man was familiar with and had zeroed his weapon.

The third major operation for the month, Operation Cove, commenced on 17 November in the canopy to the southeast of Phu Loc (ZD 083004). Battery "G" was displaced to grid ZD 129011 to support the operation. The displacement was made in two phases; a motor march to Phu Bai (YD 885148) on 17 November followed by a helilift to ZD 129011 on 18 November. Command Group "B", headed by Major G. E. ELLIOTT displaced on 17 November to hill 132 (ZD 108009) to control and coordinate artillery and naval gunfire support for Phase I and Phase II of the operation. Phase I was completed on 21 November. However, Phase II was cancelled in its entirety. Battery "G" came under mortar attack during operation Cove, receiving forty 82mm rounds in the battery position. Counter-mortar fire was delivered, silencing the mortars. No personnel casualties were sustained and minor damage to one radio antenna was the only material damage.

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On 19 November, Major D. E. VOWELL joined the Battalion as S-3 Officer and 1st Lt W. K. LAW joined as the assistant S-3 Officer.

A Liaison team was placed with the ARVN battery at Hai Lang (YD 415479) on 24 November to provide for additional artillery support of the 3d Battalion, 26th Marines operating in the My Chanh area (YD 460369).

The Battalion published it's second newsletter during November and plans were made for a special Christmas-New Year issue.

Throughout the month, the 3d Battalion continued to provide artillery support for convoys along National Route #1. In addition, counter-mortar fires were planned and delivered in support of ARVN forces at Phong Dien (YD 528345) and PK-17 (YD 647282).

As the month of November closed, the 3d Battalion, 12th Marines continued in its direct support role of the 4th Marine Regiment on Operation NEOSHO.

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PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

1. Combat missions assigned.

a. 3d Battalion, 12th Marines in direct support of 4th Marine Regiment.

2. Significant Operations Conducted.

- a. Operation GRANITE
- b. Operation NEOSHO
- c. Operation COVE

3. Casualties inflicted on the enemy.

- a. KIA (C) 25
- b. KIA (P) 41

4. Casualties sustained

- a. KIA 0
- b. WIA 0
- c. Died (NBC) 0

5. Equipment. Only 9% of the Battalion's motor transports prime movers are on deadline. Six of the vehicles are down for 3d and 4th echelon maintenance. One 155mm Howitzer is deadlined awaiting a new recoil system, tube and jack parts. The maintenance situation for other types of equipment remains good.

6. Logistics. The overall Logistics situation remains good although some authorized allowance shortages of major items of equipment still exist. During the reporting period this battalion commenced issuing M-16 rifles and recovering M-14 rifles. Total issue and recovery has not yet been completed. Seventeen (17) GP tents were received during the month. A sufficient amount of bunker material was received to build a new Battalion FDC bunker. 1070 bags of cement are still on order to improve gun positions. A total of 32 AN/PRC-25 Radio Sets are inoperable because of lack of handsets.

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a. Food Services. The Battalion served 60% "A" rations, 30% "B" rations and 10% "C" rations during the month.

b. Medical. There were 323 outpatients treated by the Battalion Aid Station during the month. The Battalion had no KIA's, WIA's or personnel hospitalized during the reporting period.

7. Administration

a. Morale has maintained its high level due to 100% participation in R&R opportunities. Also several out of country stand-by quotas were utilized. Training of new administration personnel is being carried out in compliance with the training schedule.

b. A total of 3 Commanding Officer's Non-Judicial punishments were held during the month for the following violations:

(1) Article 92 UCMJ - 1

(2) Article 134 UCMJ - 2

There were no summary, special, or general courts-martial during this period.

c. Administrative procedures are being accomplished in an efficient manner. The respective batteries are coordinating their administrative work with that of the battalion and the results are quite effective.

8. Personnel. The average strength for the month was 85% of the authorized manning level. The Battalion is currently operating at 83% of the manning level. The battalion joined 5 Marine Officers, 68 Marine enlisted, and one Navy enlisted. Four Marine Officers, 35 Marine enlisted, and 2 Navy enlisted were transferred or rotated.

9. Intelligence

a. Enemy Activity. The activity has centered around the Cobi Than Tan Valley and "The Street Without Joy". The enemy forces seemed to be moving toward the more populated areas.

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The Viet Cong forces have also tried to come in under the cover of darkness to mortar Phong Dien district headquarters on three separate occasions.

b. Enemy Intentions. The enemy seems to want to move toward the more populated areas for the winter months in order to get enough food to eat, to have a warm dry place to rest, and to reassert their hold on the people.

c. Administration. The revised counter-mortar/rocket plan was finished.

10. Communications-Electronics

a. During November the communication section continued to support the Battalion located at Camp Evans.

b. Comm provided two liaison teams for Operation Neosho, one at Phong Dien, the other at Hai Lang.

c. Communication for Operation Neosho has been very good.

d. Operation Cove proved to be a challenge for the comm section. The battalion had to provide assets for two FDC's and three FSCC's. The final result was excellent communications in an area covering over fifty miles.

e. The Communication section rewired the Battalion FDC.

f. Radio Central was relocated in FDC and the RC-292's were resited in close proximity to the FDC.

g. A bunker was built around the switchboard and operators area to provide better protection in case of attack.

h. A preventive maintenance program of painting and water proofing communication equipment has been initiated in preparation for the monsoons.

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PART IV
OPERATION NEOSHO

NOVEMBER

1 November

The Naval Gunfire team on hill 674 called fire on one VC in open at YD 557247. At 1340H Battery "H" expended 20 rounds of HE resulting in 1 KIA (probable).

Battery "H" expended 4 rounds of WP and 12 rounds of HE on 3 VC in open at 1710H. Elements of 3/26 called this mission in at YD 549292. No surveillance was given on this mission.

2 November

At 1530H the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery reported that they were laid and ready to fire from YD 536316.

3 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

4 November

Elements of 3/26 requested fire on VC in tree line at YD 546289. At 1820H Battery "H" expended 4 rounds of WP and 18 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

At 0945H Battery "G" reported that they were laid and ready to fire from YD 536323.

5 November

Capt. DAVIS arrived to give formal schooling on the M-18 gun computer.

6 November

The Naval Gunfire team on hill 674 requested a fire mission on 5 VC at YD 556237. Battery "H" at 1215H expended 5 rounds of WP and 24 rounds of HE resulting in 2 KIA's (probable)

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OPERATION NEOSHO7 November

COMPANY CAR (recon) called fire on 5 camp fires at 0730H. Battery "H" expended 2 rounds of WP and 12 rounds of HE at YD 542242. Good shooting was the only surveillance.

8 November

At 0800H Battery "H" and the 2nd Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery displaced to the forward artillery position at YD 633249.

At 1700H the Naval Gunfire team requested fire on 3 VC in open at YD 552255. Battery "G" expended 28 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

At 1500H Battery "H" and the 2nd Provisional Howitzer Battery reported that they were laid and ready to fire at YD 633249.

Battery "G" at 1740H expended 14 rounds of HE, fuzes mixed at 6 VC. Elements of 3/26 called this mission in at YD 557308. Good Coverage of target was the surveillance.

9 November

At 1100H Major Roger W. GREER took over command of 3d Battalion, 12th Marines from LtCol D.B. BARKER.

Recon called fire on a VC machine gun position at YD 509 258. At 1015H the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 1 round of WP and 45 rounds of HE. No surveillance was given for this mission.

At YD 55712540 7VC in tree line were spotted by the Naval Gunfire team on hill 674. At 1730H Battery "G" expended 14 rounds of HE and good coverage of target was the surveillance.

10 November

Elements of 3/26 requested fire on VC moving through a village at YD 555296. At 1050H Battery "H" expended 50 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

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OPERATION NEOSHO

At 1300H elements of 3/26 again requested fire on VC in village at YD 555296. Battery "G" expended 31 rounds of HE. The surveillance for this mission was one secondary explosion.

Between the hours of 1635H and 1805H Battery "G" and the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer expended 11 rounds of WP and 45 rounds of HE at 100 NVA in open at YD 559243. PAROSAL (recon) called this mission in and gave 2 KIA's (confirmed) as the surveillance.

11 November

The XO at 1300H departed the CP for the forward artillery position.

12 November

Elements of 1/4 reported that they were receiving AK-47 sniper fire from YD 577232. At 1300H the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 2 rounds of WP and 4 rounds of HE. Sniper cease was the only surveillance given.

13 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

14 November

BARKWOOD WHISKEY (AO) requested fire on VC in open at YD 531456. The 2nd Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery at 1350H expended 19 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 5 NVA bunkers destroyed.

15 November

At 1325H Battery "H" expended 2 rounds of WP and 24 rounds of HE on 5 bunkers at YD 536257. SCAR FACE 41, (AO) called in this mission and gave 2 bunkers destroyed and 1 damaged as the surveillance.

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OPERATION NEOSHO16 November

At YD 473341 2 VC were spotted on a hill top by elements of 1/4. Battery "H" at 0815H expended 4 rounds of WP and 30 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

BARKWOOK BRAVO (AO) requested fire on 3 huts at YD 568 253. At 1335H 14 rounds of HE was expended by Battery "H". The surveillance was 1 hut destroyed.

The Battalion Ex0 departed for Phu Bai and then to the forward artillery position at 1500H in connection with operation Cove.

17 November

At 1710H Battery "H" expended 9 rounds of WP and 66 rounds of HE on 150 VC in open. PARASOL (recon) called this mission in at YD 572243 and gave 35 KIA's (probable) as the surveillance.

At YD 596245 20 VC in tree line were spotted by PARASOL (recon). Battery "H" at 1825H expended 2 rounds of WP and 13 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

Elements of 3/26 called fire on 20 VC in a rice paddy at 2250H. Battery "H" responded by expending 24 rounds of HE at YD 365281. No surveillance was reported.

G-3 12 displaced to Hu Phu Bai in connection with Operation Cove at 0800H.

At 0900 the 2nd element of Headquarters Battery departed for Operation Cove.

18 November

At 0900H Battery "G" reported that they were laid and ready to fire at ZD 129011.

PARASOL (recon) at 1650H requested fire on 2 VC in open. The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery responded by expending 21 rounds of HE at YD 586245. The surveillance was 2 KIA's (confirmed).

Elements of 3/26 requested fire on 7 VC at YD 591260. At 0945H Battery "H" expended 7 rounds of WP and 4 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

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19 November

At 1805H the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 1 round of WP and 8 rounds of HE on VC coming down a ridge line. Elements of 3/26 called this mission in at YD 526235 and could give no surveillance.

20 November

SMITTY BRAVO (AO) requested fire on bunkers and living quarters at YD 558252 and YD 568254. The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery at 0945H expended 34 rounds of HE. Bunkers destroyed was the surveillance.

21 November

ROGUES (recon) spotted ~~five~~ VC in a rice paddy at YD 588 252. The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery at 1220H expended 1 round of WP and 8 rounds of HE. Rounds on target was the surveillance.

The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery at 1255H expended 1 round of WP and 20 rounds of HE at VC moving with mortars. ROGUE (recon) called this mission in at YD 581257. The final surveillance was 5 KIA's (confirmed).

22 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

23 November

The AO AMERICAN BEAUTY LIMA at 1640H requested fire on VC bunkers. Battery "H" expended 1 round of WP and 12 rounds of HE. Good coverage of target was the only surveillance.

24 November

At 1100H Headquarters Battery sent a liaison team to Hi Lang to coordinate the fires with the ARVN forces in connection with 1/4's operation.

JAW BREAKER (recon) requested fire on 10 VC at YD 556247. Battery "H" at 1635H expended 35 rounds of HE which resulted in 1 KIA (confirmed).

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25 November

At 1300H the Battalion Commander departed for Hi Lang to check the liaison team. They returned to Camp Evans at 1530H.

At 0338H Battery "H" expended 67 rounds of HE on 3 VC. JAW BREAKER (recon) called this mission in at YD 555241. Good coverage of target was the only surveillance.

The A0, CAT KILLER 24 called in a mission on 4 or 5 military structures at YD 558252. Battery "H" at 0850H expended 1 round of WP and 15 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 3 structures destroyed.

26 November

At YD 528450 10 VC in a building were spotted by TRIAL 31 (A0). At 1600H the 2nd Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 9 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 1 building and 1 sampan destroyed.

27 November

At 0845H the 2nd Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 6 rounds of HE on enemy movement at YD 441405. Elements of 3/26 called this mission in and gave 3 KIA's (probable) as the surveillance.

28 November

Elements of 3/26 requested fire on VC in open at YD 540242. Battery "G" expended 4 rounds of WP and 268 rounds of HE at 1305H. Fifteen (15) KIA's (confirmed) was the surveillance.

At YD 545232 elements of 3/26 called fire on a VC training camp and bunkers. At 1750H 34 rounds of WP and 102 rounds of HE were expended by Battery "G". Good coverage of target with 2 secondary explosions as the surveillance.

29 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

30 November

At 1702H Battery "G" expended 36 rounds of HE at VC base camp and tunnels. Elements of 3/26 called this mission in at YD 544238. Negative surveillance was reported for this mission.

Elements of 3/26 at YD 538236 called in a mission on 1 VC in open. At 1407H Battery "H" expended 2 rounds of WP and 18 rounds of HE. Good coverage of target was the surveillance.

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TABLE OF AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES
AND MISSIONS FIRED

OPERATION NEOSHO

NOVEMBER

MISSIONS FIRED	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Obs	6	1	4	1	6	10	5	17	9
Unobs	12		19	1	2	2			1
H&I's	66	49	74	44	63	42	48	46	80
TOTAL	84	50	97	46	69	54	55	63	90
AMMO EXPENDED									
4.2 HE	2	16			18		18	14	
WP	18								
III									
105 HE	113	58	72	78	107	76	76	254	312
WP	4		4	4	4	5	3	8	6
III					10		6		5
155 HE	103	20	204	46	36	50	42	55	111
WP	4		9			4		7	8
III	72	3	276		6	14			
TOTAL	316	97	565	128	181	149	145	343	437
SURVEILLANCE									
KIA (C)							2		
KIA (P)	1								

MISSIONS FIRED	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th
Obs	5	5	11	6	7	1	7	7
Unobs	10	4			7	26	11	1
H&I's	138	51	55	47	47	57	60	58
TOTAL	153	60	66	53	61	84	78	66
AMMO EXPENDED								
4.2 HE								
WP								
III								
105 HE	650	174	200	94	168	233	217	276
WP	8	10	24	9	15	14	4	11
III				1				
155 HE	106	136	53	17	67	117	64	74
WP	3	4	3		3			5
III	1		1	10				6
TOTAL	768	324	282	130	253	364	285	372
SURVEILLANCE								
KIA (C)		2						
KIA (P)							35	

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**TABLE OF AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES
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NOVEMBER

MISSIONS FIRED	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd	23rd	24th	25th
Obs	8	10	3	11	5	9	5	12
Unobs	5	5			1			
H&I's	48	59	69	50	31	45	45	47
TOTAL	61	74	72	61	37	54	50	59
AMMO EXPENDED								
4.2 HE								
WP								
I11								
105 HE	107	48	63	81	45	102	79	215
WP	8		9	8	2	2		9
I11	4		36					
155 HE	143	209	99	90	58	68	60	40
WP		3	3	17		4		
I11	2					4		55
TOTAL	262	260	165	227	128	172	149	319
SURVEILLANCE								
KIA (C)	2			5			1	
KIA (P)								

MISSIONS FIRED	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	TOTAL
Obs	10	7	23	11	14	236
Unobs		2				109
H&I's	44	75	63	48	47	1696
TOTAL	54	84	86	59	61	2041
AMMO EXPENDED						
4.2 HE						
WP						
I11						
105 HE	67	98	512	95	194	4864
WP	12	2		21	7	213
I11	19	56	82	2		159
155 HE	53	91	162	26	82	2490
WP	7	93	23	3		204
I11	3	13		11		507
TOTAL	135	217	856	247	329	8585
SURVEILLANCE						
KIA (C)		15				25
KIA (P)		3				41

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OPERATION GRANITE

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1 November

Elements of 1/4 requested a prep fire at YD 522226. At 0748H Battery "A" expended 3 rounds of WP and 65 rounds of HE. Blood and bandages all over the area was the surveillance

Elements of 1/3 at 0921H requested a prep fire at YD 48 302179. Battery "A" responded expending 1 round of WP and 36 rounds of HE resulting in 1 KIA (confirmed) and 1 weapon captured.

PERSEVERANCE PAPA (AO) requested fire on one VC hut at YD 45552833. Battery "A" at 1130H expended 19 rounds of HE. The surveillance was one hut completely destroyed.

At 2145H Battery "G" expended 3 rounds of WP and 52 rounds of HE on NVA bunkers. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in at YD 515235. No surveillance was given on this mission.

2 November

PERSEVERANCE MIKE (AO) called fire on NVA bunkers and troops in open at YD 488249. At 1130H Battery "A" expended 4 rounds of WP and 108 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 3 secondary explosions, 2 bunkers destroyed and 4 damaged.

3 November

At YD 48652380 elements of 1/3 reported 10 VC in open. At 1450H Battery "G" expended 76 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 10 KIA's (confirmed) and 5 KIA's (probable).

4 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

5 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

6 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

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TABLE OF AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES
AND MISSIONS FIRED

OPERATION GRANITE

NOVEMBER

MISSIONS FIRED	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total
Obs	41	17	16	4	4		82
Unobs	14	23	7				44
H&I's	103	101	54	47			305
Total	158	141	77	51	4		431
AMMO EXPENDED							
105 HE	914	526	692	274			2406
WP	20	42	35	14			111
I11	131	2			4		137
155 HE	78	58					136
WP	1						1
I11	115	17					132
Total	1259	645	727	288	4		2923
SURVEILLANCE							
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KIA (P)			5				5

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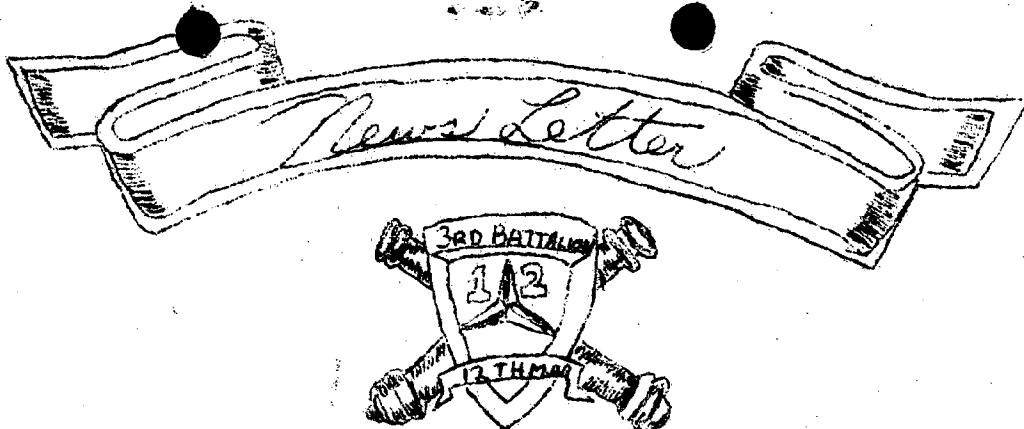
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TOTAL	6	39	49	18	112
AMMO EXPENDED					
105 HE		376	432	268	1076
WP	13	5	12		30
III			108		108
TOTAL	13	381	552	268	1213
SURVEILLANCE					
KIA (C)					0
KIA (P)					0

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CAMP EVANS, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
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OPERATIONS

During November Third Battalion, Twelfth Marines took part in three combat operations against Communist forces in Quang Tri and Thua Thien Provinces, RVN

Early in the month Operation Fremont was terminated and Operation Neosho began in the Camp Evans area with the continued search and destroy operations cutting VC/NVA supply lines.

During the month elements of the battalion moved out of Camp Evans to support other operations while other units remained at Evans to continue to fire support for Neosho.

Battery G and Battery P displaced to a forward position west of Camp Evans for approximately a week to support Operation Granite, an infantry sweep through the jungles of the Annamite Mountains near our encampment. Later in the month Battery G moved south to support Operation Cove. Personnel such as communicators, surveyors, drivers and fire direction center men from Headquarters and "H" and "T" Batteries were attached to the operational units for support.

Enemy mortars hit the Battalion's positions twice during the month but no casualties were sustained and gun crews reacted immediately to return fire.

Infantrymen and forward observers from the battalion reported excellent firing on all of the operations.

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CHANGE OF COMMAND

Maj. Roger W. Greer took command of the battalion in a ceremony at Camp Evans Nov. 9. He relieved Lt. Col. David B. Barker whose tour in Vietnam ended.

Maj. Greer had been serving as battalion executive officer under Lt. Col. Barker. He has been selected by Headquarters Marine Corps for promotion to Lt. Col. and will be promoted to that rank within the next few months.

Taking over the executive officer slot was Maj. Gary E. Elliott who was formerly the battalion S-3 officer and Maj. David E. Vowell came to the battalion to take the S-3 position.

After a short leave, Lt. Col. Barker, along with his family, will report for duty with Headquarters, Fleet Marine Force Pacific in Hawaii.

* * * * * PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

Vice President Hubert Humphery awarded the Presidential Unit Citation to the Third Marine Division while in Phu Bai on an Inspection tour of Vietnam.

The Vice President cited the extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty by the men of the division from March 8, 1965, when the division first landed in Vietnam to Sept. 15, 1967. The Third Division was the first Marine unit and the second unit of all allied forces to win the award in Vietnam.

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In congratulating the Division, Gen. Wallace M. Greene, Jr, Commandant of the Marine Corps said, "The exceptional courage, resourcefulness and valiant fighting spirit of each and every member of the Third Marine Division are a source of great pride to the Marine Corps and to our country."

As members of the division, the men of Third battalion who served in Vietnam before Sept. 15 of this year were partly responsible for the team effort which won the award for the unit.

Each man who was in the division any time during the effective period for which the award was made will be awarded the PUC ribbon to wear signifying that he played a part in these heroic actions.

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DEATH OF GEN HOCHMUTH

The battalion expects 100% participation in the fund drive currently underway within the Third Marine Division to establish a scholarship fund in memory of the late Maj. Gen. B. A. Hochmuth.

Gen. Hochmuth, Division commander since March, was killed Nov. 14 when his helicopter crashed just north of Hue.

In memory of the General, a college scholarship fund is being established by the Third Marine Division Association and a scholarship will be awarded annually to a worthy dependent of some member of the division who was killed in action in Vietnam. The Third Marine Division Association will establish the eligibility rules for receiving the award.

Each man in the Division was been asked to donate any amount he wishes and most personnel from 3/12 have responded.

COOKS WORK FOR CELEBRATIONS

Cooks from all five of the batteries at Camp Evans had their work cut out for them with two of the biggest holidays in the Marine Corps coming in Nov.

For both the Marine Corps birthday, Nov. 10 and Thanksgiving the cooks from all the battery mess halls worked many extra hours preparing the special meals for the celebrations. It was thick steaks prepared over an outdoor grill along with french fries and birthday cake to celebrate the 192nd anniversary of the founding of the Marine Corps and on Thanksgiving turkey and ham with all the trimmings was offered.

Cold soft drinks or beer was provided with each of the holiday meals served between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. both days.

In addition to the extra effort put forth by the cooks, all batteries observed a holiday routine with the men working only at jobs that were absolutely necessary.

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AWARDS

Four members of the battalion were awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received since they have been in Vietnam. The men receiving the award were:

Cpl. K. E. Murra
L/Cpl. R. V. Nicola
PFC G. A. Bauman, Jr.
PFC M. L. Hoskins

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MARINE CORPS SCHOOLS

Each month many Marines in Vietnam are given time off from their normal duties to attend schools either in country or in Okinawa to help them learn more about their jobs.

During October and November several personnel from the battalion attended various schools.

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W.O. F P Durbino attended a school on registered publications and SSgt R Garcia went to Staff NCO Leadership School. L/Cpl G A Mullins and PFC M B Howard were sent to Vietnamese Language School and PFC A K Young took part in an ammunition technician course.

Lt. C P Jameson and SSgt. S Rodrigues attended a personal response school and L/Cpl W A Garrigus and D Cepeda are attending NCO Leadership Courses.

THIRD BATTALION, TWELFTH MAR

THIRD MARINE DIVISION

Bn C O-Maj. Roger W. Greer
 Bn Ex O-Maj. Gary E. Elliott
 Bn SgtMaj-SgtMaj Lewis L. Selover
 G Btry C O-Capt. Sidney B. Grimes
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PROMOTIONS

To CAPT.
 HAYES, S J

MCCAIN, J E
 MELONSON, C L
 MORENCY, D L
 PEEK, J G
 THOMAS, R J
 TRUP, A J
 VALLI, E W
 WALKER, T L
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KREBS, K M
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 MURRAY, G C
 MULLIN, C E
 RUSHING, R W
 TEW, T F
 HEDGEBOCK, O A
 JOHNSON, G D
 BREIER, D J
 SMOUSE, J C

To CPL.

BAKER, J D
 BAILEY, J M
 BAILEY, W H
 BALDERAS, G W
 BUTLER, D E
 CATAGNUS, M
 CHALOUX, D B
 CRAWFORD, D D
 DARAY, D A
 DEMERY, L C
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 HAYS, J H
 HOLDEN, D E
 HUNT, J A
 JONES, J L
 LAVFENBERG, M J

To L/CPL
 BLANCO, D H
 CHILDRESS, T L
 CHOLAK, F D
 COLEY, G W
 DAVIS, R E
 DOUBT, J L
 GAVIN, M T
 HOSKINS, M L
 HUEGLE, J B
 KELL, H A

To PFC
 BIRDWELL, J H
 COFFEY, M
 EVANS, B J
 HORTON, R
 MACDONALD, D J
 WALKER, K J

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BATTALION COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I'm Maj. Greer, the new Battalion commander. I relieved Lt. Col. Barker on 9 Nov. Lt. Col. Barker is currently enroute to his new duty station at Fleet Marine Force Pacific in Hawaii. We wish him "fair weather and a running sea" on his next assignment.

I am very proud of this battalion as are you of the individuals who, together, make it function. Since the last newsletter the battalion has participated in three different operations and has deployed units to different positions, one almost fifty miles from Camp Evans. In each of these, the unit has received the highest compliment from the supported unit--"the artillery was there when requested, timely and accurate." Each man contributed to the successful accomplishment of these tasks and each deserves a "well done."

I will not ask each of you to write to me concerning your loved ones, since I have a large family with whom I correspond frequently. However, please be assured that if you have any question, I will be happy to provide the answer. Remember, your loved one is very important to me also, he makes this battalion function.

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Encl: ✓(1) Daily Chronology of Significant Events
 ✓(2) Table of Ammunition Expenditures and types of
 Missions

1. In compliance with reference (a) the following Combat After Action Report is submitted for the 3d Battalion, 12th Marines (-) (Rein).

2. Code Name. COVE

3. Dates of Operation. 17 to 21 November 1967

4. Location. The TAOR, located in the Thua Thien Province, was bounded on the North by a line from ZC 156000 to ZC 110000; on the West by a line from ZC 110000 to ZC 074986 along the Bach Ma road to ZC 055900; on the South by a line from ZC 005900 to ZC 160900; on the East by a line from ZC 160900 to ZC 160097 along a tributary of the Song Bu Lu (River) to ZC 156000.

5. Command Headquarters. 4th Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

6. Task Organization.

UNITCOMMANDER

3d Battalion, 12th Marines

Major Roger W. GREER

Hq Btry, 3/12

Capt. N. D. HAMILTON

Btry "G", 3/12

Capt. S. B. GRIMES

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7. Intelligence. Enemy presence within the area of Operation Cove was reported to consist of two main force battalions, a local force company and an engineer company. The composite available strength of these units was believed to be approaching 800 personnel.

During the operation the enemy utilized 60mm mortars to attack elements of the 1st Battalion 4th Marines. In addition, the artillery position received forty (40) 82mm mortar rounds. The pattern of enemy action seemed to have as its design the harassment and delay of our units. Sniper fire was received on several occasions by the units in the field and several sightings of enemy in groups of two (2) and three (3) were made.

The attack on the artillery position was believed to have been initiated from a position along the river bank ZD 150035. Several sampans in that vicinity were taken under attack by Marine fixed wing aircraft. Numerous fighting holes and bunkers were discovered within the area of operations.

The northeast monsoon was anticipated to be in effect during the operation, but the weather remained fair throughout the major portion of the time units were deployed.

8. Concept of Operation. Provide artillery support for operations in vicinity of Phu Loc (Vic ZD 085008) for search and destroy mission using 2 Battalions (-). One battalion in blocking position and one battalion will push Northwest in search of the enemy.

9. Mission. Provide fire support for 4th Marines to include close artillery support of troops, interdiction and destruction of enemy rear areas and active counter battery/mortar fires.

10. Execution

a. See enclosure (1) for daily chronology of significant events.

b. Survey. The survey for Operation Cove was conducted by the battalion survey team. The battery center was a map spot. The direction was scaled off the map using the map spotted battery center and the block house on hill 130, YD 117014. The survey/S-3 section provided security for the sweep team each morning.

11. Results. Total confirmed enemy KIA was 0 and the total probable KIA was 0

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12. Communications-Electronics

a. Communications for Operation Cove presented a real challenge. The battalion was tasked with providing communication stations at Camp Evans, Phu Bai, and hill 130, South of Phu Loc.

b. The battalion provided communications equipment for three FSCC's and two FDC's.

c. A covered circuit was employed between all stations, on an "as required" basis.

d. Transmission and reception were much better than anticipated. Stations could communicate from Phu Loc to Camp Evans a distance of over 50 miles on a PRC-25 with a whip antenna.

e. Availability of handsets for the PRC-25 was the major problem encountered. They continue to be in short supply, and transmitter elements are unavailable for repair purposes. New handsets are on order.

f. Transmission security and proper communication procedure is essential at all echelons. Proper instruction and strict supervision is a must. This is a continuing problem with the constant turnover of personnel in Vietnam.

13. Supply

a. Class II requirements were filled by the Battalion Supply which is located at Phu Bai. Class I, III, IV, and V requests were screened and consolidated by the Battalion Logistics Chief who then directed the convoys to the appropriate areas to draw the supplies. This arrangement worked satisfactorily.

b. Although the forward units subsisted on MCI meals, supplementary foods were issued to the units. Excellent cooperation was received from the Division Food Services Officer. These supplementary items provided a good morale booster while adding to the nutritional value of the meals.

c. The artillery units initially carried a basic allowance plus two days of ammunition, two days of MCI and POL, and sufficient Class IV for the basic requirements. These amounts proved adequate.

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14. Commanders Analysis

a. Logistical support from the Phu Bai Combat Base could have been more efficiently accomplished if the using artillery units had received preauthorization to draw needed supplies. Originally, it was established that the S-4 Representative would make direct liaison with FLSG "A" for authorization to draw supplies but it was determined during the operation that this process was not as rapid as expected. It is recommended that future operations set up prearranged authorization with FLSG "A" to facilitate logistical support.

b. The tactical scheme of maneuver was such that the artillery was not notified of the exact time commencement of the helolift of the operation, until just prior to its begining, hence the Fire Direction Center was not ready to fire until fifteen minutes after the heliborne arrival of the howitzers and troops.

It is recommended that where security of the scheme of maneuver of the artillery is of such essence that the battery occupies position at the commencement of troop operations, the artillery commander be advised in order that essential technical gunnery application proceeedures may be initiated in time to be employed at the outset of an operation.


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OPERATION COVE18 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

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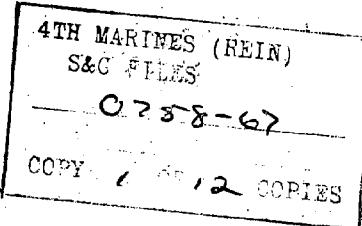
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After Action Report is submitted for the 3d Battalion, 12th
Marines (-) (Rein).

2. Code Name. GRANITE3. Date's of Operation. 26 October 1967 to 6 November 1967

4. Location. The TAOR, located in the Thua Thien Province,
was bounded on the north by a line from YD 4140 to YD 3737
to YD 3437; on the west by a line from YD 3437 to YD 3425
to YD 3725 to YD 3718; on the south by a line following the
Song Bo (River) from YD 5818 to YD 6128; and on the northeast
by a line running from YD 6128 to YD 4540.

5. Command Headquarters. 4th Marine Regiment, 3d Marine
Division (Rein), FMF6. Task Organization.UNIT

3d Battalion, 12th Marines

Hq Btry, 3/12

Btry "A", 1/12

Btry "G", 3/12

COMMANDER

LtCol D. B. BARKER

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Capt. W. D. KENYON

Capt. S. B. GRIMES

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A/A Rpt (Opn GRANITE)

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1st Prov 155mm How Btry

Capt. J. TAYLOR

2nd Prov 155mm How Btry

Capt. R. J. LUCAS

7. Intelligence. The weather was sunny and the temperatures ranged between 75 degrees to 85 degrees with little humidity. After a careful study of the objective area through current ISUMS, special area studies, agent reports, aerial recon photos, and local intelligence sources, a target list was drawn up to be fired as prep fires, H&I fires, and counter-mortar/rocket targets. Based on the timely passage of information by the battalion liaison officers to the firing batteries, the batteries were able to mass their fires most effectively on suspected targets as well as targets of opportunity.

8. Concept of Operation. 3rd Bn, 12th Marines, provided direct support to the 4th Marines search and destroy operation in the vicinity of Hill 674, concurrently providing general support for the 1st ARVN Division conducting a similar operation east of Hill 674.

9. Mission. 3rd Bn, 12th Marines, while continuing the present supporting missions, provided direct support and general support reinforcing fires for the 4th Marines and for the 1st ARVN Division forces conducting combat operations in the VC/NVA Base Area 114.

10. Execution

a. See Enclosure (1) for a daily chronology of significant events.

b. Survey. The Battalion Survey section conducted a position area survey for Operation Granite. A map spot was used for the starting coordinates. The starting azimuth was scaled off a map using the map spot and hill 674. The S-3 section/survey section provided security for the engineer sweep team each morning.

11. Results. Total confirmed enemy KIA was 11 and the total probable KIA was 5.

12. Communications-Electronics

a. Generally, communications for Operation Granite were good.

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b. Some difficulty was encountered at the beginning of the operation due to improper siting of RC-292's, but this was rectified.

c. A manual retransmission team was inserted on Hill 674. This unit provided continuous communication to the forward position and to the tactical FDC at Camp Evans. The team relayed fire missions for units on the reverse side of Hill 674.

d. Wire to the forward position was cut by H&I's fired by our mortars. This was repaired in the morning by a wire team from battalion.

e. A radio relay team was used to back up all wire circuits. Minor difficulties were encountered due to a lack of backup generators for the equipment.

f. A KY-8 was set up at the forward position and at the battalion CP. This circuit worked very well.

13. Supply

a. Batteries initially displaced with;

(1) Basic allowance and two days of ammo.

b. Some difficulty was encountered at the beginning of the operation due to improper siting of RC-292's, but this was rectified.

(2) Two days of MCI rations.
 (3) One day supply of water.
 (4) Required barbed wire, engineer stakes and sandbags.
 (5) Water, rations and required ammo were provided for the infantry security element. Supply support was adequate and no significant shortages existed. Resupply was accomplished by daily convoys utilizing organic vehicles.

b. Some maintenance problems were experienced. Proper gun pits and ammo storage areas could not be constructed because of a deadlined TD-15 tractor. 155mm Howitzers were deadlined at various times because of worn Operator Plugs and spindles. Two 155mm Howitzer could not participate in the operation because they were deadlined for Recoil Systems.

c. No transportation problems were experienced.
 (1) A KY-8 was set up at the forward position and at the battalion CP. This circuit worked very well.

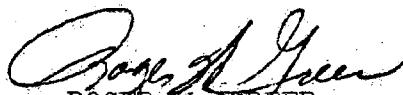
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14. Commanders Analysis. Operation Granite demonstrated the requirement that operations conducted in Mountainous Jungle Areas exact more fire support than normal search and destroy missions demand. Air Clearance was a hinderance to providing adequate fire support. The Helicopter pilots seemed to disregard the saw-a-plane. Many times check fires were called because the Helicopters left the approach and retirement lanes and flew in front of the direct support Artillery Batteries.



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By direction

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26 October

Elements of 1/4 reported it was receiving machine gun fire from YD 511227. At 1550H Battery "G" expended 2 rounds of WP and 22 rounds of HE getting excellent coverage of target as the surveillance.

At 1605H elements of 1/4 reported that it was receiving incoming mortar fire from YD 494224. Battery "G" expended 8 rounds of HE with no surveillance reported.

27 October

Battery "G" at 1710H expended 2 rounds of WP and 165 rounds of HE on an NVA movement. Elements of 1/4 called for a fire mission at YD 506224. No surveillance was given on this mission.

Elements of 1/4 reported it was receiving incoming mortars and small-arms fire from YD 503232. At 1920H Battery "A" expended 20 rounds of HE with negative surveillance.

Battery "A" expended 24 rounds of HE on VC in tree line at YD 504226. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in at 0755H and gave excellent coverage of target as the surveillance.

Elements of 1/4 reported that it was receiving heavy automatic weapons fire from YD 495225. At 1430H Battery "A" expended 2 rounds of WP and 15 rounds of HE. Negative surveillance was reported for this mission.

28 October

NVA in bunkers sinaling in tree line were reported by elements of 1/4. At 1135H Battery "G" expended 14 rounds of HE at YD 499228. Good effect of target was the surveillance.

At 1300H elements of 1/4 requested fire on NVA in bunkers and treches at YD 505225. Battery "A" and the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 60 rounds of 105 HE, 4 rounds of 155 WP and 18 rounds of 155 HE. Outstanding effect on target was the surveillance.

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At YD 505224 elements of 1/4 spotted NVA in bunkers and trenchlines. At 1425H the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 67 rounds of HE. Rounds on target was the surveillance reported for this mission.

At YD 505225 Batteries "A", "G" and the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 63 rounds of 155 HE and 204 rounds of 105 HE at NVA bunkers and trenchlines. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in at 2340H and gave outstanding effect on target as the surveillance.

Elements of 1/3 reported that they were receiving fire from YD 45812204. Battery "G" expended 2 rounds of WP and 28 rounds of HE at 0955H. Negative surveillance was reported for this mission.

At 1009H Battery "A" expended 166 rounds of HE on VC signaling at YD 50412272. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in and could give no surveillance.

At YD 45812240 Battery "G" expended 37 rounds of HE on a mission reported by elements of 1/3 which were receiving fire. At 1020H end of mission was given with no surveillance.

29 October

Elements of 1/3 reported that they were receiving small-arms fire from YD 488219. At 1450H Battery "A" expended 9 rounds of WP and 99 rounds of HE. Outstanding coverage of target was the surveillance.

At YD 47512335 10 NVA were spotted by elements of 1/3. At 1830 Battery "A" expended 6 rounds of WP and 16 rounds of HE. Good coverage of target was the surveillance.

At 1900H elements of 1/3 reported that they were receiving incoming mortar fire. Battery "G" responded expending 6 rounds of WP and 15 rounds of HE at YD 48332153. Mortar fire cease was the only surveillance.

Battery "G" at 0911H expended 1 round of WP and 488 rounds of HE at NVA bunkers. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in at YD 510229. One secondary explosion and 15 to 20 bunkers destroyed. The enemy left weapons and gear behind.

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OPERATION GRANITE
30 October

At 1010H elements of 1/3 reported incoming mortars. The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 1 round of WP and 111 rounds of HE at YD 48212182. Mortars cease firing was the only surveillance.

The 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 3 rounds of WP and 24 rounds of HE on an unknown number of VC at YD 487228. Elements of 1/3 called this mission in at 1245H and gave no surveillance on this mission.

31 October

Elements of 1/3 requested fire on VC automatic weapons fire at YD 47692434. Battery "A" responded expending 35 rounds of HE. Weapons cease firing was the surveillance given.

Elements of 1/3 requested fire on fortified bunkers at YD 48382158. Battery "G" expended 2 rounds of WP and 37 rounds of HE with no surveillance.

At 0600H Battery "A", "G" and the 1st Provisional 155mm Howitzer Battery expended 27 rounds of 155HE and 112 rounds of 105 HE. The surveillance given by 1/3 was reported as bunkers and huts with rice in it destroyed and blood trails all around.

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1 November

Elements of 1/4 requested a prep fire at YD 522226. At 0748H Battery "A" expended 3 rounds of WP and 65 rounds of HE. Blood and bandages all over the area was the surveillance.

Elements of 1/3 at 0921H requested a prep fire at YD 48 302179. Battery "A" responded expending 1 round of WP and 36 rounds of HE resulting in 1 KIA (confirmed) and 1 weapon captured.

PERSEVERANCE PAPA (AO) requested fire on one VC hut at YD 45552833. Battery "A" at 1130H expended 19 rounds of HE. The surveillance was one hut completely destroyed.

At 2145H Battery "G" expended 3 rounds of WP and 52 rounds of HE on NVA bunkers. Elements of 1/4 called this mission in at YD 515235. No surveillance was given on this mission.

2 November

PERSEVERANCE MIKE (AO) called fire on NVA bunkers and troops in open at YD 488249. At 1130H Battery "A" expended 4 rounds of WP and 108 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 3 secondary explosions, 2 bunkers destroyed and 4 damaged.

3 November

At YD 48652380 elements of 1/3 reported 10 VC in open. At 1450H Battery "G" expended 76 rounds of HE. The surveillance was 10 KIA's (confirmed) and 5 KIA's (probable).

4 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

5 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

6 November

No significant missions were fired during this 24 hour period.

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OPERATION GRANITE
OCTOBER

MISSION FIRED	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	31th	TOTAL
Obs	8	28	18	22	32	35	143
Unobs	6	4	2	2	1	8	23
H&I's	8	81	16	78	14	38	235
Total	22	113	36	102	47	81	401
AMMO EXPENDED							
105 HE	246	936	891	1042	456	654	4225
WP	14	56	12	13	50	44	189
ILL		4	23	87	7		121
155 HE	27	250	282	132	158	123	972
WP		8	21	5	7	12	53
ILL		151	45	170	65	151	582
Total	287	1401	1255	1385	823	991	6142
SURVEILLANCE							
KIA (C)							0
KIA (P)							0

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TABLE OF AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES
AND MISSIONS FIRED

OPERATION GRANITE

NOVEMBER

MISSIONS FIRED	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total
Obs	41	17	16	4	4		82
Unobs	14	23	7				44
H&I's	103	101	54	47			305
Total	158	141	77	51	4		431
AMMO EXPENDED							
105 HE	914	526	692	274			2406
WP	20	42	35	14			111
I11	131	2			4		137
155 HE	78	58					136
WP	1						1
I11	115	17					132
Total	1259	645	727	288	4		2923
SURVEILLANCE							
KIA (C)	1		10				11
KIA (P)			5				5

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