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Encl: V(1) 3d Battalion, 12th Marines Command Chronology

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

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION3d Battalion, 12th Marines  
3d Marine Division (Rein)COMMANDERMajor R.E. GIBSON  
064655/0802  
1-30 June 1969SUBORDINATE UNITSBattery "G", 3d Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)Capt K.C. KALBFLEISCH  
084123/0802  
1-18 June 1969  
Capt R.A. LIST  
085450/0802  
19-30 June 1969Battery "H", 3d Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)1st Lt W.J. WALCKLI  
010236/0802  
1-9 June 1969  
Capt J.N. ELY  
087519/0802  
19-30 June 1969Battery "I", 3d Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)Capt L.R. KROLAK  
088148/0802  
1-30 June 1969Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)1st Lt R.W. DUNLAP  
0104572/0802  
1-30 June 1969Mortar Battery, 3d Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)1st Lt E.M. CAMPBELL  
0104549/0802  
1-30 June 19691st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery  
3d Battalion, 12th Marines  
Division (Rein)1st Lt J.G. FERRARI  
096660/0802  
1-30 June 1969OPCON UNITSBattery "E", 2nd Battalion  
12th Marines, 3d Marine  
Division (Rein)Capt H.C. BARNUM Jr.  
084262/0802  
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Mortar Battery, 2nd Battalion  
 12th Marines, 3d Marine  
 Division (Rein)

1stLt J.D. MASON  
 0103654/0802  
 14-18 June 1969

2. LOCATION.

1-30 June 1969 Command Group "A" YD000484 Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN.  
 1-30 June 1969 Headquarters (Rear) YD300551, Quang Tri, Province, RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS.

a. Executive Officer	Major E.J. DORAN 067907/0802 1-30 June 1969
b. S-1 Adjutant/Legal Officer	2ndLt J.G. DUNN 0107442/0802 1-30 June 1969
c. S-2 Officer	1stLt J.S. EVANS 0102766/0802 1-30 June 1969
d. S-3 Officer	Major P.M. PULETZ 079944/0802 1-27 June 1969 Major W.D. BENJAMIN 073007/0802 28-30 June 1969
e. S-4 Officer	1stLt L.J. WHITLES 0105318/0802 1-30 June 1969
f. S-5 Officer	Capt E.C. BROWN 089725/0802 1-30 June 1969
g. Communications Officer	1stLt P.O. BANNON 0104448/2502 1-30 June 1969
h. Motor Transport Officer	1stLt M.T. SULLIVAN 0105668/3502 1-30 June 1969

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i. Supply Officer

1stLt D.J. MCCARRY  
0105583/3002  
1-30 June 1969

j. Survey/Metro Officer

1stLt A.F. O'SULLIVAN  
0105219/0602  
1-30 June 1969

k. Liaison Officer

Capt R.J. COULTER  
090587/0602  
1-30 June 19694. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH.USMC  
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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY1. General Overview of all Activities.

During the month of June the 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines continued to provide direct support artillery for the 4th Marine Regiment. The battalion operated from Fire Support Bases Russell, Neville, and Cates. Hill 691, near Fire Support Base Cates, was occupied by 3/12 batteries on 15 June. 691 then became the new Cates, and the old Fire Support Base Cates was closed.

2. Mission Assigned.

From 1 June through 30 June 1969 the 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines continued in its assigned mission of direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment.

3. Operations Summary.

Operation Herkimer Mountain continued throughout the month of June. To provide adequate support to the 4th Marine Regiment, additional batteries were assigned OPCON to 3/12 during the month. The batteries were as follows: Battery "W", 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines at Vandegrift Combat Base, 14-18 June 1969; Battery "E", 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines at Vandegrift Combat Base, 23-30 June 1969.

Naval Gunfire Teams from 3/12 manned observation posts at Con Thien and Oceanview from 20 through 26 June 1969.

4. Results of Operation.

During the month of June the 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines was credited with 9 confirmed NVA KIA's. The battalion suffered 0 KIA's, 0 MIA's, and 4 WIA's. The battalion was credited with destroying 6 107mm rockets, 8 packs and 1 automatic weapon. The battalion was also credited with 49 bunkers destroyed, 16 bunkers damaged, 25 secondary explosions, 1 mortar position destroyed and 2 .50 cal positions destroyed.

5. Intelligence Summary.

Enemy elements encountered during June consisted mainly of groups

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from the 57th Regiment, 304th NVA Division to the north along the DMZ.

The beginning of the "NVA summer offensive" predicted in May did not materialize. There were 6 rocket attacks on Vandegrift Combat Base by elements of the 84th Artillery/Rocket Regiment. Vandegrift Combat Base took a total of 66 rockets. Of this total 46 were 107mm rockets and 20 were 122mm rockets. The rockets were fired from west northwest of the base. The attacks took place in the morning usually commencing somewhere between 0730 and 0930. Volleys were spaced about 15 minutes apart and each volley consisted of from 4 to 6 rockets. The fire support bases enjoyed a period of comparative calm while ground units were involved in scattered small unit contacts.

#### 6. Logistics.

The motor transport maintenance situation continued to show improvement during the month of June as the deadline rate dropped to 9% at the end of the reporting period. The low deadline rate of motor transport assets has enabled this battalion to meet its transport commitments with no difficulty. During the reporting period, two 105mm howitzers were exchanged for two rebuilt howitzers under the R & E program, which improved the ordnance maintenance situation.

The overall shortages of combat essential equipment is approximately 11%. These shortages have not severely affected the battalion's operating capabilities during the period. Supply action on all shortages is pending with valid requisitions held. The overall class II type II supply situation is satisfactory with minor problem areas.

Approximately 30,000 rounds of 105mm and 3,000 rounds of 155mm ammunition was helilifted to fire support bases in the 4th Marines' AO, while the Mortar Battery, located at Quang Tri Combat Base, continued to be resupplied from the Quang Tri ASP.

The battalion messhalls at Quang Tri and Vandegrift fed approximately 70% "A" rations and 30% "B" rations.

The messhall at Vandegrift continued to provide hot meals to the fire support bases daily, tactical situation and weather permitting.

#### 7. Communication - Electronics.

The major effort during June consisted of maintaining and improving all fire direction and conduct of fire nets required by the battalion FDC. Fire direction nets were maintained between Vandegrift Combat Base and firing batteries at Vandegrift, Fire Support Bases Russell, Neville, and Cates. Conduct of fire nets were maintained for all supported units in the field and the appropriate FSCC's.

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All nets were VHF/FM. Directional antennas (AS-2236) or elevated ground plane antennas (RC-292) were used, depending upon the specific requirements of each net. Regimental FSCC circuits were maintained by double remoting FDC radios.

Administrative traffic was passed from and to all units by radio through the Vandegrift/Quang Tri Command Net. All nets were VHF/FM radio.

8. Personnel and Administration.

During the month of June the battalion strength averaged 93% of the manning level. Four Marine officers and fifty Marine enlisted joined the battalion. Four Marine officers and thirty Marine enlisted were rotated or transferred.

There were six Commanding Officer's Non-judicial Punishments awarded for violation of Articles 113, 86, and 134.

9. Training.

During the month, training was carried out in both general military and Vietnam-oriented subjects. Training in compliance with COATIP requirements was also accomplished. A major part of the training was OJT.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

## 1. Significant events during or in Direct Relation to Combat Operations.

At 1847H on 1 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 46 rounds of shell HE on grid XD965594. Nature of target was 3 NVA in the open. Battery "K" 4/12 fired 44 rounds of shell HE on same grid. The surveillance was 4 probable KIA's. The mission was fired in support of the 9th Marine Regiment.

At 1645H on 5 June the 1st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery 3/12 fired 120 rounds of shell "Firecracker" on grid XD794393. The nature of target was a 6 to 12 man NVA patrol. Negative surveillance was reported by the AO.

At 1645H on 8 June Battery "G" fired 18 rounds of shell HE on grid XD838665. Nature of target was Recon Team in contact. Surveillance was 1 unconfirmed NVA KIA.

At 2315H on 9 June the 1st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery 3/12 along with Battery "I" 3/12 fired a total of 250 rounds of shell HE on grid XD987411. Nature of target was column of enemy troops. Six additional Batteries also fired on this grid. Total surveillance for all artillery on this target was 28 confirmed NVA KIA's. The mission was fired in support of the 9th Marine Regiment.

At 0634H on 10 June Battery "G" 3/12 fired 30 rounds of shell HE on grid XD836479. Nature of target was fresh trails. The surveillance was 1 confirmed NVA KIA.

At 1201H on 11 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 12 rounds of shell HE on grid XD864615. Nature of target was 6 NVA. Hotel was put into check fire for fixed wing. There was negative surveillance.

At 2400H on 11 June the 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines lost operational control of the 1st Provisional 155 Howitzer Battery 3/12 and Battery "I" 3/12 to the 5th Battalion of the 4th Regiment USA Artillery.

At 1628H on 12 June the 1st 8" Howitzer Battery, 12th Marines fired 33 rounds of shell HE on grid XD898644. Nature of target was

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30 to 40 bunkers. Surveillance was 2 confirmed NVA KIA's, 12 bunkers destroyed and 50 meters of trench line destroyed.

At 2045H on 13 June Battery "K" 4/12 fired 46 rounds of shell HE on grid XD956557. Nature of target was 5 NVA. Surveillance was 2 secondary explosions and 1 fire. The mission was fired in support of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.

At 0830H on 14 June the 3d Battalion, 12th Marines assumed operational control of Battery "W", 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines at Vandegrift Combat Base.

At 1208H on 14 June Battery "G" 3/12 fired 76 rounds of shell HE on grid XD900645. Nature of target was bunkers/.50caliber position. Surveillance was 4 bunkers and 1 mortar destroyed.

At 1635H on 15 June Battery "H" 3/12 along with Battery "K" 4/12 fired a total of 238 rounds of shell HE on grid XD933661. Nature of target was NVA firing at an AO. Surveillance was 1 confirmed NVA KIA, 6 bunkers destroyed and one secondary explosion.

At 2300H on 16 June Battery "G" 3/12 fired 331 rounds of shell HE on grid XD878588. Nature of target was enemy contact. The infantry swept the area and found 6 107mm rockets and several helmets and packs covered with blood.

At 1346H on 17 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 36 rounds of shell HE on grid XD838641. The nature of target was an active mortar. Surveillance was mortar silenced.

At 1200H on 18 June the 3d Battalion, 12th Marines lost operational control of Battery "W", 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines.

At 1246H on 18 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 66 rounds of shell HE on grid XD975656. Nature of target was 5 NVA. Surveillance was 2 confirmed NVA KIA's and 5 packs.

At 0008H on 19 June Battery "I" 3/12 fired 164 rounds of shell illumination on grid XD978558. Nature of target was Recon Team in contact. Battery "H" 3/12 fired 37 rounds of shell HE on grid XD979-564 for the Recon Team. There was negative surveillance given.

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At 1259H on 21 June Battery "G" 3/12 fired 49 rounds of shell HE on grid XD886572. Nature of target was enemy escape route. Surveillance was 2 confirmed NVA KIA. The mission was fired in support of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines.

At 1000H on 22 June Battery "I" 3/12 displaced to Hill 691 from Vandegrift Combat Base.

At 1000H on 23 June the 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines assumed operational control of Battery "E", 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines at Vandegrift Combat Base.

At 1540H on 23 June Battery "E" 2/12 fired 88 rounds of shell HE on grid XD933476. Nature of target was NVA/secondary explosions. Surveillance was 6 large secondary explosions.

At 1559H on 26 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 30 rounds of shell HE on grid XD940653. Nature of target was bunkers/camouflaged weapons and trails. Surveillance was 4 bunkers destroyed and 1 automatic weapons position destroyed.

At 1111H on 28 June Battery "H" 3/12 fired 62 rounds of shell HE off grid XD935660. Nature of target was active mortar. Surveillance was 1 very large secondary explosion and numerous small explosions.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- ✓1. Table of Rounds Expended and Missions Fired.
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## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

TABLE OF AMMUNITION EXPENDED AND MISSIONS FIRED

June 1969

MISSIONS FIRED	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Obs	25	21	28	15	15	17	17	24	37	40	12
Unobs	36	25	46	25	7	25	19	31	37	52	63
H&I's	87	93	111	100	129	128	121	97	66	97	71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>146</b>

AMMO EXPENDED

<b>105 HE</b>	1141	1240	873	513	757	1437	1120	1243	944	341	627
WP	29	24	18	13	17	16	28	26	56	10	12
III	1	29	1			23		4	31	10	71
<b>Firecracker</b>			16								
<b>Beehive</b>											
<b>155 HE</b>	72	116	75	74	82	153	222	101	130	156	209
WP	2	1	2		18	6	5			4	3
III								80			
<b>Firecracker</b>				120							9
<b>107 HE</b>	13	16		96		88	52	106	44	228	56
WP	1	1									2
III											45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1264</b>	<b>1427</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>1723</b>	<b>1127</b>	<b>1480</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>1043</b>

SURVEILLANCE

MISSIONS FIRED	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd
Obs	12	19	33	22	26	22	27	33	24	22	29
Unobs	22	38	36	24	14	11	8	72	59	58	63
H&I's	63	90	99	74	83	76	89	112	63	74	72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>164</b>

AMMO EXPENDED

<b>105 HE</b>	1559	599	410	815	918	659	1852	926	1001	1568	1601
WP	24	13	17	21	23	39	36	39	41	26	25
III		4	1	2		191	11			13	6
<b>Firecracker</b>	60	8									
<b>Beehive</b>											
<b>155 HE</b>											
WP											
III											
<b>Firecracker</b>											

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<u>107 HE</u>	43	38	70	150	23	128	156	197	151	53	79
WP			9	11	1	3		4	4	28	
<u>111</u>											
<u>TOTAL</u>	1391	662	507	999	1035	829	2235	1189	1202	1688	1711

SURVEILLANCE

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MISSIONS FIRED	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	TOTAL
Obs	25	21	30	17	23	18	16	71	384
Unobs	36	38	46	31	44	45	50	66	1132
H&I's	48	71	87	86	63	79	64	33	2529
<u>TOTAL</u>	109	130	165	124	130	112	130	130	4345

AMMO EXPENDITURE

<u>105 HE</u>	1976	2000	2697	1024	782	1875	936	1834	35198
WP	27	43	28	30	19	11	8	18	737
<u>111</u>	24		5		1	6			124
Firecracker					3				87
Beehive					12				12
<u>155 HE</u>									1390
WP									41
<u>131</u>									80
Firecracker									129
<u>107 HE</u>	47	42	76	36	46	56	54	40	2264
WP									69
<u>111</u>									57
<u>TOTAL</u>	1350	2099	2801	1095	847	1958	1034	1892	40188

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**Command Journals 1 June to 30 June 1969**  
**3d Battalion, 12th Marines**  
**Vadegrift Combat Base, RVN.**

010001H to 012400H June 1969

**0645H** 4th Marines FSSC advised this station counter mortar plan **Lion** and Cow are in checkfire, due to birds.

**1434H** Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines grid **XD968667**. NVA in open, "H" 3/12 will fire CH-3761.

**1440H** Found out the people at the above grid entry at 1434H are friendlies.

**2400H** Journal closed.

020001H to 022400H June 1969

**0930H** Received active mission from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, grid **XD832617**, active small arms. "G" 3/12 to fire CG3449.

**0945H** 1st Battalion, 4th Marines gives "G" 3/12 end of mission, CG3449, due to friendlies in the area.

**1756H** Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, grid **ID991589** active enemy mortar position. "H" 3/12 will fire CH3773.

**1815H** Called 12th Marines to get "X" 4/12 on a mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, grid **ID965594**. Enemy movement.

**1834H** "G" 3/12 and "K" 4/12 in check firing for AO.

**1930H** EOM "K" 4/12 and "G" 3/12, expended 100 HE and 2 WP. Surveillance 4 KIA (probable).

**2400H** Journal closed.

030001H to 032400H June 1969

**0934H** Division AO check firing 1st Prov 3/12 precision destruction mission. Due to fixed wing.

**1007H** Division AO gives 1st Prov 3/12 EOM on it's destruction mission due to air.

**2400H** Journal closed.

040001H to 042400H June 1969

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0338H 1st Prov 3/12 assigned to fire illumination CQL637 for Division AO to observe Recon.

0415H Division AO gives 1st Prov 3/12 EOM without firing due to Spooky and gunships.

1939H "H" 3/12 reported small arms fire on their position. Also reported NVA in open and firing direct fire.

1943H Requested AO from 12th Marines to observe Fire Support Base Russell.

1947H Had "G" 3/12 lay on Fire Support Base Russell.

2020H 12th Marines reported that the infantry at Fire Support Base Russell did not want an AO, so division did not want to send an AO out. The FDO informed me to tell 12th Marines to disregard the AO request.

2400H Journal closed.

050001H to 052400H June 1969

1101H Received mission from a Division AO, grid XD924425, 3 NVA. "I" 3/12 to fire CI3781.

1145H EOM "I" 3/12 on CI3781. They expended 32 HE and 1 WP. No surveillance at this time.

1148H 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines reported active small arms, south west of Fire Support Base Cates. Had "I" 3/12 lay their guns on Cates.

1608H Division AO has spotted 6 to 12 man enemy patrol. 1st Prov 3/12 was assigned to fire HY2054.

1623H Called 12th Marines and asked for reinforcing fires on mission for Division AO.

1716H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, grid XD 893614 active .50 caliber position. "H" and "Q" 3/12 to fire CG3492 and CH3794.

1724H Division AO mission was put in check firing for fixed wing.

1737H EOM on "G" 3/12 .50 caliber position, CG3492 good coverage of target.

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1740H Received another .50 caliber mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, "G" 3/12 to fire CG3494.

1801H EOM "H" 3/12 on .50 caliber position for 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, CH3794, excellent coverage of target.

1828H Battalion of NVA in open was spotted at grid XD800367. 1st Prov 3/12 to fire pending clearance at this time CQ0168.

1838H EOM 1st Prov 3/12 on Division AO mission. Negative surveillance at this time.

1842H 1st Prov 3/12 is laid on Battalion of NVA in open at this time CQ0168.

2400H Journal closed.

060001H to 062400H June 1969

0335H Received word from division for all units to be on 100% alert.

0855H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD 875589. 8 NVA in open, "G" 3/12 to fire CG3506.

0858H This position taking incoming rockets at this time, counter rocket plan Tiger is in effect.

0918H Radar got XD94104840 as position of rockets. "K" 4/12, 3rd Prov and "D" 2/12 are all firing this grid. 1st Prov 3/12 will also fire on this grid.

0944H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD881594. 25 NVA in open. "H" 3/12 CH3703 and "G" 3/12 CG3506 will fire.

1153H EOM "G" and "H" 3/12. Expended 211 HE and 4 WP. Negative surveillance at this time.

1422H 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines sent in grid with 3 NVA in open. "G" 3/12 was assigned to fire CG3515 on grid XD898572.

1642H Received EOM, CG3515 expended 2 WP and 139 HE. Negative surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

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070001H to 072400H June 1969

0729H This station taking incoming rockets at this time. Counter mortar plan Tiger in effect.

0745H Received two radar grids XD9199048110, 9135046920. 3d Prov will fire.

0813H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD912564. 4 NVA "G" 3/12 will fire CG3532.

0930H EOM "G" 3/12 on CG 3532. Expended 38 HE and 1 WP no surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

080001H to 082400H June 1969

2354H Received mission from illumination for American Beauty (Recon) at grid XD835670. "G" 3/12 to fire CG3569. Spooky on station.

2400H Journal closed.

090001H to 092400H June 1969

2205H Received mission from 12th Marines column of troops 500 meters long at grid XD987412, "I" and 1st Prov 3/12 due to fire.

2313H Check firing "G" "I" and 1st Prov 3/12 due to air.

2325H EOM on "G", "I" and 1st Prov 3/12 mission. Negative surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

100001H to 102400H June 1969

0100H Received mission from 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines at grid XD 911440. Troops in open, "I" 3/12 to fire.

0105H EOM on mission for 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines, wrong grid.

2400H Journal closed.

110001H to 112400H June 1969

1136H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD864615.

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6 NVA/movement. "G" 3/12 to fire CG3563 and "H" 3/12 CH3870 to fire.

1147H EOM "G" 3/12 on CG3593. They can not hit target, high angle.

1222H EOM "H" 3/12 on CH3870. They expended 2 WP and 12 HE. No surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

120001H to 122400H June 1969

0939H Received mission from Division A0. Bunkers/Hooches. "H" 3/12 to fire CH3873.

1052H EOM on CH3873. Destroyed 4 bunkers.

2400H Journal closed.

130001H to 132400H June 1969

0845H This station is taking incoming rockets at this time. 4th Marines reports that counter rockets plan Tiger is not cleared because of friendlies.

1213H 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines reported 3 NVA in open. Requested "K" 4/12 to fire CX1458.

1405H EOM "K" 4/12 on CX1458 expended 8 WP and 22 HE. Negative surveillance at this time.

2038H Received active mission 5 NVA at grid XD956551 from 3d Battalion, 4th Marines. "K" 4/12 to fire CX1459. Shot at 2042, "K" 4/12 fired 1 WP and 46 HE, 2 secondary explosions also started one large fire.

2400H Journal closed.

140001H to 142400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

150001H to 152400H June 1969

0445H 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines reports taking active mortars "H" 3/12 assigned to fire CG3627.

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0547H EOM "G" 3/12 on CG3627. Negative surveillance at this time.

1053H 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines called in a mission with troops in open. "G" 3/12 assigned to fire CG3630.

1113H EOM "G" 3/12 on troops in open. Negative surveillance at this time.

1630H Division A0 reported taking fire from NVA. "H" 3/12 and "K" 4/12 assigned to fire. CH3905 and CX1466.

1740H EOM for "H" 3/12 and "K" 4/12. Surveillance was 1 KIA, 6 bunkers destroyed and 1 secondary explosion.

2400H Journal closed.

160001H to 162400H June 1969

1251H Received from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines fire mission nature of target, enemy contact. "G" and "H" 3/12 assigned to fire, CH3915, CG3637.

1338H Received fire mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 5 NVA in open. "K" 4/12 was assigned to fire CX1467.

1446H "G" 3/12 mission CG3637 continues. Nature of target is now NVA in open carrying mortar tubes.

1740H EOM "G" 3/12 CG3637. Surveillance of 6 captured 107 rockets, helmets and packs covered with blood.

1917H Received mission from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, nature of target NVA in open. "G" 3/12 assigned to fire CG3641.

2000H EOM "G" 3/12 CG3641. Surveillance will be obtained at first light.

2400H Journal closed.

170001H to 172400H June 1969

0821H Received mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. 18 NVA in open "H" 3/12 to fire CH3934.

0947H EOM "G" 3/12 from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. Negative surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

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180001H to 182400H May 1969

1030H Received fire mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. 2 NVA in open. "H" 3/12 assigned to fire CH3945.

1133H EOM "H" 3/12 on 2 NVA for 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, CH3945. Expended 1 WP and 78 HE rounds. Negative surveillance at this time.

1240H Received fire mission from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, grid XD968656. 5 NVA in the open. "H" 3/12 to fire CH3948.

1345H EOM "H" 3/12 on CH3948 expended 66 rounds of HE. Surveillance 5 pack and 2 confirmed NVA KIA's.

2400H Journal closed.

190001H to 192400H May 1969

2400H Journal closed.

200001H to 202400H June 1969

1649H Received mission from 3d Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD947440 8-12 personnel in open. "I" 3/12 to fire CI3837.

1652H 3d Battalion, 12th Marines sent in new grid XD847440. This was out of our A.O. given to Task Force Hotel FSCC.

2400H Journal closed.

210001H to 212400H June 1969

1010H Received from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, fire mission, 3 NVA in open. "G" 3/12 assigned to fire CG3692.

1044H EOM "G" 3/12, CG3692. Negative surveillance at this time.

1342H 1st Battalion, 4th Marines reports 6-12 NVA on trails. "G" 3/12 assigned to fire CG3694, grid XD886572.

1500H EOM "G" 3/12 CG3694. Surveillance 2 confirmed NVA KIA's.

2400H Journal closed.

220001H to 222400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

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230001H to 232400H June 1969

1555H Received mission from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines grid XD 940640. Enemy contact/active mortars. "H" 3/12 to fire CH4035.

1809H EOM "H" 3/12 on CH4035. Negative surveillance at this time.

1811H Received mission from 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, grid XD 944634. NVA in open. "H" 3/12 to fire CH4036.

1917H EOM "H" 3/12 on CH4036. Surveillance excellent coverage of target.

2400H Journal closed.

240001H to 242400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

250001H to 252400H June 1969

0930H Received from 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. Fire mission with 3 or 4 NVA in the open "G" 3/12 is assigned to fire CH3744.

1148H EOM "G" 3/12 on CG3744. Surveillance at this time is 3 bunkers destroyed.

2400H Journal closed.

260001H to 262400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

270001H to 272400H June 1969

0945H VCB taking incoming rockets at this time. Counter Rocket Plan Tiger put into effect.

2400H Journal closed.

280001H to 282400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

290001H to 292400H June 1969

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0002H Received from 3d Battalion, 4th Marines, 6 NVA in open. "I" 3/12 is assigned to fire CI3863.

0040H EOM "I" 3/12, CI3863. Negative surveillance at this time.

2400H Journal closed.

300001H to 302400H June 1969

2400H Journal closed.

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ORIGINATED MESSAGES FROM 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines  
for June 1969

<u>DTG</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
✓1. 020530Z June 1969	COMBAT LOSSES
✓2. 040931Z June 1969	FROM TO FIRST LIEUTENANT
✓3. 090249Z June 1969	PAY RECORD AND HEALTH RECORD
✓4. 090440Z June 1969	T/E REVIEW
✓5. 120515Z June 1969	EXCESSIVE QUANTITY
✓6. 150519Z June 1969	PVT HOWARD R. SHEPARD

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DRAFTED BY: CAPT. E.C.BROWN  
SECTION: S-1  
DATE: 02 JUNE 1969

ROUTINE 020530Z JUNE 1969

FM: THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR  
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
INFO: TWELFTH MAR

BT  
UNCLAS E F T O  
COMBAT LOSSES, THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR  
A. DIVO 4100.16

1. IAW REF (A) NEGATIVE REPORT OF COMBAT LOSSES IS  
SUBMITTED FOR THE PERIOD 0001H 1 MAY TO 2400H 31 MAY 69.

BT

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DRAFTER A. J. HOFFMAN  
SEC ADJ PHONE 396  
CWO

PRIORITY 040931Z JUNE 69

FROM: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
TO: CAG

INFO: THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR

UNCLAS E F T O

FOR CMC (DHB)

SUBJ: PROM TO FIRST LIEUTENANT

1. NO PROM RECD FOR SECOND LIEUTENANT MARVIN D. FERGUSON  
010 59 05 USMCR. ELIGIBLE 2 APR 69.

CCN 0583 RELEASED BY \_\_\_\_\_ TIME 041620H

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DRAFTER: CPL J. M. PASNAK  
SEC ADJ PH MS QUANG TRI 211  
CWO

IMMEDIATE PRIORITY 090249 JUN 69

FROM: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
TO: USS REPOSE

INFO: THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR

UNCLAS

PAY RECORD AND HEALTH RECORD; CASE OF LCPL DON E. VARNER 236 35 26/0811  
USMC

1. SN RPT TOUR ACTY 28 APR 69 AS PATIENT. HAD PR AND HR IN POSSESSION.  
UPON DISCHARGE 14 MAY 69 PR AND HR DID NOT ACCOMPANY UPON RET TO PARENT

ORG.

2. REQ SEARCH BE MADE FOR HIS PR AND HR. IF FOUND REQ FWD DIRECT  
TO THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR. NEGAT RPT REQ.

CCN 1361 RELEASED BY 090910H

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DRAFTED BY: GMSGT CHAPMAN  
SECTION: COM  
DATE: 9 JUNE 1969

ROUTINE 0900Z JUNE 1969

FM: THIRD BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES  
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

BT  
UNCLAS E F T O  
T/E REVIEW  
A, CG THIRD MAR DIV 050350Z  
ATTN: SC-10  
1. ALLOWANCE OF ONE SUFFICIENT. ITEM NOT O/H IS ON ORDER.

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DRAFTED BY: LT MCCRARY  
SECTION: SUPPLY  
DATE: 8 JUNE 1969

ROUTINE 120515Z JUNE 1969

FM: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
TO: CG FORLOGCOMD  
INFO: THIRD BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES

BT  
UNCLAS E F T O  
FOR CHALLENGE SECTION  
EXCESSIVE QUANTITY, REQUISITION CHALLENGE  
A. CG FORLOGCOMD MSG 041216Z JUNE 69  
1. REQUEST THE BELOW ITEMS BE CANCELLED.  
  
(A) AC1/MCL/T/8340-543-7788/EA/00031/13330/9022/5504/R/  
BLINK/CELINK/BLINK/892/12/BLINK/BLINK/  
TENT GEN PURPOSE.

BT

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DRAFTED BY: SSGT BRIGGS  
SECTION: S-1  
DATE: 7 JUNE 1969

PRIORITY 150519Z JUNE 1969

FM: CG THIRD MAR DIV (REIN)  
TO: NAV HOSP PHILA PA  
INFO: THIRD BN TWELFTH MARINES

BT

UNCLAS E F T O  
PVT HOWARD R. SHEPARD 238 15 36 USMC  
A. YOUR 031355Z JUNE 69  
B. MY 020515Z JUNE 1969

1. REF (B) CONTAINS ALL AVAILABLE INFO ON PVT SHEPARD'S DISCIPLINARY STATUS.
2. ADDITIONAL III MAF CID REPORT 369-69 MAILED TO YOUR ORGANIZATION 7 JUNE 1969.

BT

RELEASED BY: 2ND LT J. G. DUNN, BN ADJ