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1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), (b), and (c), enclosure (1) and (2) are submitted.

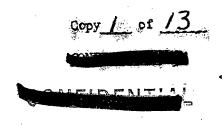
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Designation

4th Battalion (-)(Rein), 12th Marines 3d Marine Division

Subordinate Units

Hq Btry Stry K, 4th Bn, 13th Marines

Btry L

Attached Units

1st 155mm Gun Battery (-) (Rein) Btry B, 1st Bn, 13th Marines Mortar Btry(-), 1st Bn, 13th Marines

2. Location

1-31 Aug: PHU BAI, RVN (YD 885129)

3. Staff Officers

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MTO

Average Monthly Strength

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Enlisted 5 31

Commander

LtCol J. K. GASTROCK III (1-31 Aug)

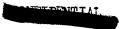
Capt C. M. DAVIS (1-31 Aug) Capt J. D. EVANS (1-2 Aug) Capt F. A. BENDRICK (3-31 Aug) Capt P. B. GAYNOR (1-31 Aug)

Capt M. M. BAIG (1-31 Aug) Capt J. L. LATHROP (1-31 Aug) Capt E. ASANOVICH (2-20 Aug)

Maj J. W. CAMPBELL (1-31 Aug) SgtMaj L. J. CYR (1-31 Aug) lstLt R. D. ESMOND (1-31 Aug) GySgt C. G. HOWELL (1-31 Aug) Capt D. E. VOWELL (1-31 Aug) lstLt R. D. HAWKINS (1-31 Aug) Capt H. W. KERN (1-31 Aug) latLt R. P. HORNE (1-31 Aug) Capt J. P. ATHERTON (1-31 Aug) MSgt W. W. COOK (1-5 Aug) 1stLt R. P. FOSTER (6-31 Aug) lstLt D. N. GOAD (1-31 Aug)

Inlisted





PART II

Marrative Summery

As of the first of August, the 4th Battalion was exercising operational control of B/1/13, L(z)/4/12, and the 1st 155mm Gun Battery (-)(Rein). Administrative control was exercised over B/1/13, K/4/13. L/4/12, and the 1st 155mm Gun Battery.

On 3 August, one platoon of the 1st 155mm Gun Battery was returned from Operation CDMBERLAND to the operational control of the 1st 155mm Gun Battery (YD 893128).

W(-)/1/13 (4 weapons) was assigned OPCON to the 4th Battalion on 2 August. The Battery was positioned at PHU BAI (YD 384127) and assigned the mission of general support of the PHU BAI AO. On 11 August, one weapon of W(-)/1/13 was chopped OPCON to the 26th Marines. OPCON of the remainder of W(-)/1/13 (3 weapons) was chopped to 3/12 on 20 August.

On 5 August, the Lth Battalion was assigned the mission of general support of Operation MUSH. B/1/13 was given the mission of direct support of 2/4 and displaced to YD 908045. Operation MUSH terminated on 9 August and B/1/13 returned to PMU BAI (YD 381227).

The 2d Section, 3d Platoon, 1st Searchlight Battery was chopped OPCON on 15 August to the 1st Searchlight Battery. The 3d Section remained emplaced on Hill 180 (YD 844137) and continued the mission of general support of the PHU BAI AO.

At 0152, 30 August, the PHU BAI Vital Area was attacked with 82mm mortars Approximately 100 incoming rounds fell in the vicinity of the airfield (YD 885150). The 4th Battalion returned counter-mortar fires with B/1/13 and L(-)/4/12.

Commencing 30 August, the 4th Dattalion was assigned a general support mission for Operation LIBERTY. Half fires were increased for operation LIBERTY and additional Half fires were assigned to support ARVN forces.

As the month of august closed, the 4th Battalion continued to function as the senior artillery headquarters in the PHU BAI TAOR. B/1/13, L(-)/4/12, and the 1st 155mm Gun Battery remained under the operational control of the

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PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

- 1. a. Combat missions assigned:
 - 1 4 Aug 67 B/1/13 continues D/S of 2/26 5 9 Aug 67 B/1/13 D/S of 2/4

10-31 Aug 67 - B/1/13 continues D/S of 2/26

2 -20 Aug 67 - W(-)/1/13 G/S of PHU BAI AO

1-31 Aug 57 - L(-)/4/12 continues G/S of PHU BAI AO

1-31 Aug 67 - 1st 155mm Gun Battery continues G/S of PHU BAI AO

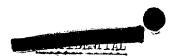
- b. Significant operations conducted:
 - 1 3 Aug 67 Plt/lst 155mm Gun Btry Operation CUMBERLAND
 - 1 -31 Aug 67 2d and 3d Plt/L/4/12 Operation CUMBERLAND
 - 5 9 Aug 67 4th Battalion (-)(Rein) Operation MUSH
 - 1 -31 Aug 67 4th Battalion (=)(Rein) Operation LIBERTY
- . Casualties inflicted on the enemy:

4 Aug 67 - B/1/13 in support of CAC (A/1/C). 5 KIA (Prob) 12 Aug 67 - L(2)/4/12 in support of 3d Recon Bn. 1 KIA (Prob)

- d. Casualties sustained:
 - 1 Aug 67 K/L/13 sustained 1 WIA during hostile mortar/arty attack at GIA LIHN
 - 11 Aug 67 1/11/12 sustained 1 WIA during enemy attack on vehicle convoy to CUMBILLAND area
 - 19 Aug 67 Hq/4/13 sustained 1 KTA and 1 WIA when vehicle struck a mine enroute to PHU LOC
 - 28 Aug 67 K/L/13 sustained 1 KTA and 2 WTA from enemy arty attack on GIA LIHN
 - 30 Aug 67 K/4/13 sustained 1 VIIA from enemy arty at ack on GIA LIHN
- Logistics
- 1. Logistical Situation. Gurrently, 4/12 has ADCON of three medium artillery batteries; K/4/13, E/4/12, 1st 155 Gun Battery, one light artillery battery, B/1/13, and Headquarters Battery, 4/12. 4/12 dropped ADCON of M/4/12 during the last reporting period.
- Supply. The overall supply situation is satisfactory. Major items of equipment on requistion for this organization include;
 - (a) One- Generator Set FU-482/M
 - (b) One- Generator Set PU-348/G
 - (c) One- Generator Set PE-214
 - (d) One- Trk, Cargo, 3/4 Ton, M-37
 - (e) Two-Trk, Utility, N-122







- 3. Food Services. The 4/12 Mess Hall provides messing facilities for Headquarters Battery, B/1/13, L/4/12, 3/12 Rear, and 1st Field Artillery Group.
- 4. Cantonment. Both of the Bulter Buildings allocated to 4/12 have been completed with the exception of a concrete ramp for the Bulter Building in Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines Command Post Area.
 - 5. Water. All batteries truck water to their positions.
- 6. Mct or Transport. Motor Transport 1st and 2d echelon maintenance is satisfactory. 3d echelon maintenance is poor due to the shortage of repair parts at FLSG "A".
- 7. Artillery Maintenance. Artillery maintenance will not support operational objectives due to the shortage of repair parts.
- 8. Embarkation. All batteries are submitting changes in their embarkation data to this battalion monthly.
- 9. Civic Action. During the month of August, fill dirt was hauled to THUY PHU village for the playground project. The school was finished in the village of LOC BON. Eight pigs were given to the LOC BON villagers who had built the bast pig pens.

MEDCAPS were held every day in LOC BON. Also, weekly treatment by a dentist was provided. Weekly MEDCAPS were held in THUY PHU and a shower unit was built at the old MEDCAP site in THUY PHU.

10. Administration. This Battalion currently has ADOON of HO/4/12, B/1/13 L/4/12, H/4/13, and the 1st 155mm Gun Battery.

11. Personnel

Number of replacements received: 8 Officers
Number of personnel rotated: 8 Officers
Number of personnel lost through
attrition other than rotation: 2 KIA 6 WI

8 Officers 70 enlisted 8 Officers 167 enlisted

2 KIA 6 WIA (1 hon hostile med evac)

Promotions:

5 to PFC; 39 to ECPL 21 to CPL; 15 to SGT 1 to SSGT; 1 to GYSGT 3 to 1stLt;



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12. Fire Support. This Battalion provided fire support during the month of August as follows:

13. Recapitulation of fire missions.

PHU BAI AREA 1-31 AUG 67

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	HE	III	WP	TOTAL
155 GUN 155 HOW 105 HOW	26 33 130	30 4 18	4 7 0 598 1390	526 635 1538	1083 1303 6008	109 50 408	39 49 172	1221 1902 6895
TOTAL	289	52	2458	2699	8894	567	360	9982



PART IV

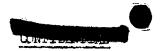
Supporting Documents

- OlooolH Journal opened at PHU BAI, RVN.
- 021515H B/1/13 supported Recon Patrol NETTLERASH I from 290800H Jul to 021515H Aug No missions were fired.
- O21705H Joined W(-)/1/13 (4 weapons) OPCON. Assigned general support of PHU BAI AO.
- 032300H Platoon of the 1st 155mm Gun Battery returned OPCON to 1st 155mm Gun Battery from 1st FAG.
- 040730H W(-)/1/13 emplaced at PHU BAI (YD 884127)
- O4220CH B/1/13 fired for Combined Action Company (Tiger Alpha Che Charlie) at grid 873203; squad of VC; expended 27 HE. 5 KIA(Prob)
- 050730H B/1/13 placed in D/S of 2/4 for operation RUSH. Displaced to YD 908045.
- 050730H 4/12 assigned G/S for operation RUSH.
- 051735H Explosions occured in ammo bunker at 878128. All necessary precautions were taken.
- 071700H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol PUNCTUATE I from 050730H to 071700H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 111730H Chopped 1 weapon of W(-)/1/13 OPCON to 25th Marines.
- 120530H L/4/12 supported Recon Patrol MORBID I from 091100H to 120530H Aug 67. 2 missions were fired
- 151200H 4/12 radio call sign changed to HERSHEY BAR. 1st 155 Gun Btry changed to PEAFOLL.
- 151535H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol PARTYLINE II from 100755 H to 151535H Aug 1967. 1 missions was fired.
- 151700H Chopped OPCON of 2d Section, 3d Platoon, 1st Searchlight Battery to 1st Searchlight Battery.
- 191400H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Remon Patrol INK HORN I from 170830H to 191400H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.

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- 200900H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol EMPRESS ALICE II from 151500H to 200900H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 201330H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol MYPRESS ALICE I from 190800H to 201330H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 202000H Chopped W(-)/1/13 (3 weapons) CPCON to 3/12.
- 251130H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol GALLOWAY BLUE II from 210830H to 251130H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 261400H B/1/13 supported Recon Patrol INK HORN II from 221000H to 261400H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 281030H 1st 155 Gun Btry supported Recon Patrol EMPRESS ALICE I. Patrol extracted after insertion. No missions were fired.
- 281215H L(-)/4/12 supported Recon Patrol EMPRESS ALICE II from 240900H to 281215H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 300152H Received approximately 100 mortar rds (82mm) from YD 873165. Executed counter mortar plans by B/1/13 and L(-)/4/12.
- 300900H L(-)/4/12 supported Recon Patrol INK HORN I from 251030H to 300900H Aug 1967. No missions were fired.
- 312400H Journal closed at PHU BAI, RVN.

