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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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✓(2) 4th Battalion, 11th Marines Command Chronology


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LtCol V. L. De BOEVER  
Commanding Officer  
4th Battalion, 11th Marines

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1970 to 31 May 1970

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION AND UNIT COMMANDERS

4th Bn, 11th Marines  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF LtCol V. L. De BOEVER (1-31 May)

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Battery, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	Capt D.J. LUX	(1-31 May)
Battery K, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	Capt T.R. SIGGINS	(1-31 May)
Battery L, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	Capt W.M. DIEDRICH Capt L.M. SMITH	(1-17 May) (18-31 May)
Battery M, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	Capt B.S. McKENNA	(1-31 May)

2. LOCATIONS

Headquarters Battery, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	1-31 May 70: DANANG, AT988718
Battery K, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	1-31 May 70: QUE SON, BT028342
Battery L, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	1-31 May 70: DANANG, AT920797
Battery M, 4th Bn, 11th Marines	1-31 May 70: AN HOA, AT867472

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~~SECRET~~3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Maj C.D. BAILEY	(1-31 May)
S-1	Capt R.R. RAFFEL	(1-31 May)
S-2	1stLt A.J. PARAPOT	(1-31 May)
S-3	Maj J.E. MILLER	(1-31 May)
S-4	Capt J.M. MAC EVITT	(1-9 May)
	Maj F.H. DOUGLAS	(10-31 May)
S-5	1stLt W.W. BAUMANN	(1-31 May)
Supply Officer	1stLt J.H. PARKER II	(1-31 May)
Maintenance Officer	Capt D.R. GUICE	(1-31 May)
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt D.F. WHITE	(1-20 May)
	1stLt S.D. WORTHINGTON	(21-31 May)
Communications Officer	1stLt M.G. VOGEL	(1-31 May)
Survey/Metro Officer	1stLt D.L. BROWNING	(1-31 May)
Medical Officer	Lt E.L. FIELDS, USNR	(1-31 May)
Chaplain	Lt B.T. VISOCKY, USNR	(1-31 May)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
OFF	ENL
30	449

USN	
OFF	ENL
2	12

ARVN	
OFF	ENL
0	1

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of May the Battalion remained in General Support of the 1st Marine Division. The Battalion supported no named operations during the month.

Battery K's mission remained Reinforcing, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines. On 031840 May, the Battery received one enemy 122mm rocket in the Battery position, resulting in five WIA, of which four were WIAE.

Battery L remained in General Support throughout the month. On 052115 May, one of the Battery vehicles was ambushed approximately one-half mile south of the Northern Artillery Cantonment, resulting in two WIAE and one totally destroyed  $\frac{1}{2}$  ton M151A1 truck.

Battery M remained in General Support-Reinforcing, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines, with the exception of during the period 25-31 May 1970 when it was assigned the additional special mission of providing "Priority of Fire" to the 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines, for support of a 7th Marines operation in Antenna Valley. The Battery continued to answer calls for fire directly from reconnaissance units and observation posts operating in the southern portion of the 1st Marine Division TAOR.

During the month of May, units of the Battalion fired a total of 1,363 missions, expending 18,576 rounds in support of the following units:

	MISSIONS	ROUNDS
1st Marines	198	1736
5th Marines	44	429
7th Marines	80	1687
11th Marines	959	14057
Recon	76	474
ARVN	6	193

A consolidated surveillance of the above fires yielded:

KIA's	36
Structures Destroyed	5
Boats Destroyed	1
Secondary Explosions	34

The continued low level of enemy activity throughout the month is reflected in the relatively small enemy KIA's during May.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. TOPICSa. Personnel and Administration

	USMC		USN	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
(1) Losses				
Administrative	4	41	0	0
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIANE	0	2	0	0
Battle WIAE	0	6	0	0
Battle DOW	0	0	0	0
Non-Battle (Med-Evac)	1	8	0	0
(2) <u>Replacements</u>	3	13	0	0
(3) <u>Net Loss</u>	2	36	0	0
(4) <u>Net Gain</u>	0	0	0	0

b. POW's Captured: 0c. Morale: Excellentd. Promotion: 0 Officer - 130 Enlistede. Awards and Decorations(1) Awarded: 8 Purple Heart Medals

(2) Recommended: 2 Bronze Star Medals  
 7 Navy Commendation Medals  
 8 Navy Achievement Medals

f. Courts-Martial and Article 15 Awarded(1) Special: 0(2) Summary: 0(3) Article 15: 16

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~~SECRET~~g. Intelligence.

(1) During the month of May 1970, the Battalion S-2 made eight liaison trips to the Regimental S-2 and six liaison trips to Division G-2. For the purpose of training and inspection, Counter Rocket O.P.'s Tiger, Hawk, Lou, Laugh, and Crowsnest were visited.

(2) A total of 14,200 \$VN was expended for the purchase of Ordnance turned in through the Volunteer Informants Program.

h. Organization and Operations.

(1) The Battalion remained in General Support of the 1st Marine Division throughout the month.

(2) Organization for combat at the end of the reporting period was:

Battery K - Reinforcing 3/11  
Battery L - General Support  
Battery M - General Support, Reinforcing 2/11

(3) During the period 1 May to 10 May the 4th Battalion provided a forward observer team which occupied an OP on Hill 327 during the expected high threat period. The team had no enemy sightings during the period.

(4) On 7 May Battery K was inspected by the Regimental Inspection Team for operations and training. The results were satisfactory with very minor discrepancies.

(5) On 17 May the high threat OP on Hill 327 was again occupied by the forward observer team from the 4th Battalion. The team remained in position until 25 May. The team had no enemy sightings during this period.

i. Training.

(1) Normal GMS and MOS training was conducted as operational commitments allowed.

j. Logistics, Equipment and Supplies.

(1) During this period, extended deadline time was experienced on some **major** components for the M109 Howitzer. The anticipated shortage of specialized mechanics will have a deleterious effect on the entire second echelon maintenance program, but greater emphasis on first echelon maintenance should tend to offset this in terms of deadlined equipment.

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(2) The first echelon maintenance of Motor Transport equipment has shown notable improvement during the past month and while there is a variance in the rate, the overall trend is downward. A program is underway to selectively upgrade the vehicles of the Battalion.

(3) Currently 3100 requisitions are pending and during the month 1300 new documents were submitted. The fill rate remains at a high level. Greater education and better reconciliation on the part of customers will produce more adequate support at the customer level.

(4) High winds were experienced 28 May 1970 which collapsed the Generator shed, and did extensive damage to the Maintenance and Motor Transport buildings along with roof damage to the Chapel.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Staff-Journal

- ✓ a. S-1 Journal (APPENDIX A)
- ✓ b. S-3 Journal (APPENDIX B)
- ✓ c. S-5 Journal (APPENDIX C)

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APPENDIX A (S-1 Journal) to Enclosure (2) Command Chronology of CO, 4/11  
ltr 3/JEM/kbs over 5750 Serial 70-086 of 1Jun70

TIME		SER		ACTION
IN	OUT	NO.	DTG	TAKEN
		01	010800H	1stLt J. E. PARKER II asg addu as GarrisonProp0. S&F
		02	040800H	1stLt E. A. ADAMS reasgn fr Btry L to Btry K fordu. S&F 1stLt R. J. ROBERT Jr. reasgn fr Btry K to Btry L fordu.
		03	100800H	Maj J. E. MILLER asg addu as StaffClub0 vice Capt GUICE rel. Maj F. H. DOUGLAS jd fr 11thMar asg pridu as S-4 vice Capt MACEVITT rel. Capt C. G. SIMPSON jd fr 2/11 asg pridu as Btry0, asg addu of Mess0, CostRed0, FireSec0, Mares/ForstatRepCon0, BnPers EffInvenHandBrd0 vice Capt MACEVITT rel. S&F
		04	140800H	Capt L. M. SMITH reasgn fr HqBtry to Btry L for du. Asg pridu as CO Btry L eff 18May70 vice Capt DIEDRICH rel. S&F
		05	150800H	Capt J. M. MACEVITT III tr to CONUS. S&F
		06	200800H	Capt W. M. DIEDRICH tr to 3dMarDiv Okinawa fordu. S&F 1stLt D. F. WHITE tr to 3d MarDiv Okinawa fordu.
		07	250800H	1stLt S. D. WORTHINGTON jd fr 3dMarDiv asg pridu MTO. S&F Asg addu as SpecServ0, Veh AccInvest0, NarConBrdMbr vice 1stLt WHITE tr.

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APPENDIX B (S-3 Journal) TO ENCLOSURE (2) (Command Chronology)  
OF CO, 4/11 ltr 3/JEM/kbs over 5750 serial #70-086 of 1 June 70

TIME IN	OUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0155		1	020155H	Battery L fired Counter Rocket Grid 852887. Expended 10 HE.	S&F
1920		2	021920H	Battery M fired UM 0527, grid 969520. Expended 12 HE. Three (3) KIA, One (1) Boat Destroyed.	S&F
1335		3	031335H	Battery M fired UM 0528, grid 840490. Expended 26 HE. Four (4) KIA, One (1) Hut Destroyed.	S&F
1405		4	031405H	Battery M fired UM 0529, grid 838492. Expended 26 HE. Three (3) KIA, One (1) Hut Destroyed, One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
1450		5	031450H	Battery M fired UM 0529, grid 838492. Expended 1 WP, 63 HE. Six (6) KIA, One (1) Hut Destroyed, Two (2) Secondary Explosions.	S&F
1840		6	031840H	Battery K was attacked by 122mm Rockets. Friendly WIA Five (5), Four (4) MED-E-VAC.	S&F
1915		7	031915H	Battery K fired Counter Rocket Grids 996319, 982309, 990315, 945285, 942283. Expended 90 HE.	S&F
2140		8	032140H	Battery K fired JK 0646, grid 002359. Expended 15 HE. Two (2) Secondary Explosions.	S&F
2210		9	032210H	Battery K fired JK 0648, grid 994353. Expended 53 HE. Three (3) Secondary Explosions.	S&F
0620		10	040620H	Battery M fired UM 0533, grid 963538. Expended 21 HE. Two (2) KIA.	S&F

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TIME		SER	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
IN	OUT	NO. DTG		
1313		11 041313H	Battery M fired UM 0528, grid 84124896. Expended 17 HE. Two (2) KIA, One (1) Hut Destroyed.	S&F
2040		12 042040H	Battery K fired JK 0650, grid 968310. Expended 19 HE. Two (2) Secondary Explosions.	S&F
2145		13 042145H	Battery K fired JK 0652, grid 964326. Expended 19 HE. One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
2115		14 052115H	A ¼ ton vehicle belonging to Battery L was ambushed one-half mile from NAC, resulting in Two (2) friendly WIA, One (1) ¼ ton vehicle destroyed.	S&F
1855		15 071855H	Battery K fired JK 0668, grid 980353. Expended 68 HE. Four (4) KIA.	S&F
1400		16 081400H	Battery M fired UM 0541, grid 96885186. Expended 12 HE. Four (4) KIA.	S&F
2125		17 082125H	Battery M fired UM 0542, grid 956522. Expended 12 HE. One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
1910		18 091910H	Battery K fired JK 0680, grid 05384090. Expended 108 HE. Five (5) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
0800		19 100800H	High Threat OP comes down from Hill 327.	S&F
0815		20 100815H	Battery K fired JK 0681, grid 044413. Expended 5 WP, 56 HE. Three (3) Secondary Explosions.	S&F

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1050		21	111050H	Battery K fired JK 0670, grid 00534029. Expended 26 HE. One (1) KIA, One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
1955		22	141955H	Battery M fired IT 0420, grid 99454782. Expended 102 HE. Four (4) KIA.	S&F
1136		23	161136H	Battery M fired UM 0559, grid 885424. Expended 1 WP, 19 HE. One (1) KIA.	S&F
1800		24	171800H	High Threat OP on Hill 327 goes up.	S&F
1520		25	191520H	Battery K fired JK 0713, grid 979347. Expended 19 HE. Two (2) KIA.	S&F
2300		26	202300H	Battery K received 14-18 rounds of 82mm mortar in battery position.	S&F
1340		27	231340H	Battery M received 4 140mm Rockets 25 meters outside of perimeter.	S&F
1328		28	241328H	Battery M fired UM 0567, grid 866359. Expended 4 WP, 155 HE. Two (2) Secondary Explosions.	S&F
1600		29	251600H	High Threat OP comes down from Hill 327.	S&F
0905		30	290905H	Battery L fired UL 0237, grid 883832. Expended 2 WP, 16 HE. One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
1903		31	291903H	Battery M fired UM 0577, grid 891543. Expended 18 HE. One (1) Hut Destroyed.	S&F

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TIME		SER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
IN	OUT	NO.			TAKEN
2150		32	302150H	Battery K fired TL 1519, grid 997370. Expended 24 HE. One (1) Secondary Explosion.	S&F
1540		33	311540H	Battery L fired UL 0244, grid 892868. Expended 37 HE. Nine (9) Secondary Explosions.	S&F

APPENDIX C (S-5 Journal) TO ENCLOSURE (2) (Command Chronology)  
of CO, 4/11 ltr 3/JEM/kbs over 5750 serial #70-086 1 June 70

TIME IN	OUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0900		1	010900H	Gave two pounds IR 20 rice to Hamlet chief at Phu Hoa to be planted for experimental purposes.	S&F
1300		2	021300H	Checked pig and chicken farm at Phu Hoa, took pictures of both.	S&F
1300		3	051300H	Held regular Med-Cap at Phu Hoa. 30 persons treated.	S&F
1300		4	061300H	Went to Phu Hoa to check on IR 20 rice; rice was soaking prior to being planted. Checked area where rice would be planted.	S&F
1000		5	071000H	Took Mr. Dong to rehabilitation center at Danang to be fitted for artificial limb. He will remain there for two weeks.	S&F
1330		6	081330H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 40 persons were treated.	S&F
1400		7	101400H	IR 20 rice planted at Phu Hoa.	S&F
1300		8	121300H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 22 persons were treated.	S&F
1300		9	151300H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 25 persons were treated.	S&F
1300		10	191300H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 28 persons were treated.	S&F
1000		11	201000H	Went to Phu Hoa to observe and take pictures of 10 day old IR 20 rice. Rice is growing well and appears hearty.	S&F
1330		12	221330H	Held regular Med-Cap at Phu Hoa. 31 persons were treated.	S&F

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APPENDIX C (S-5 Journal) TO ENCLOSURE (2) (Command Chronology)  
of CO, 4/11 ltr 3/JEM/kbs over 5750 serial #70-086 1 June 70

TIME		SER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT	NO.			
0900		13	250900H	Took Mr. Ngyen Van Tra to rehabilitation center at Danang to be fitted for an artificial limb. He will remain there for two weeks.	S&F
1300		14	261300H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 36 persons treated.	S&F
1300		15	291300H	Regular Med-Cap held at Phu Hoa. 25 persons were treated.	S&F
0900		16	300900H	Went to Phu Hoa to see transplant of IR 20 rice. IR 20 rice is 21 days old and appears healthy.	S&F