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Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), (c), and (d), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 JANUARY 1967 TO 31 JANUARY 1967

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ENCLOSURE (1)

**SECRET**ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Battalion, 13th Marines

LtCol R. L. CHRISTIAN, JR.  
29 Oct 66 - PresentSubordinate Units

HqBtry, 1/13

Capt C. A. AUSTIN  
28 Oct 66 - Present

Btry K, 4/13

Capt D. H. JONES  
14 May 66 - 27 Jan 67  
Capt J. D. EVANS  
27 Jan 67 - PresentAttached Units

Btry G, 3/12

Capt T. P. KIRLAND  
28 Dec 66 - Present  
Capt R. R. CRAIG  
14 Sep 66 - 24 Jan 67  
Capt B. G. SIKES  
24 Jan 67 - Present  
Capt G. F. JOHNSON  
29 Sep 66 - Present

Mortar Btry, 3/12

Btry F, 2/12

2. LOCATION

HqBtry, 1/13

1 Jan 67 - Present

Okinawa

Btry K, 4/13

1 Jan 67 - Present

Okinawa

Btry G, 3/12

17 Dec 66 - 16 Jan 67

Okinawa

MortarBtry, 3/12

17 Jan 67 - Present

Enroute RVN, In RVN

17 Dec 66 - 16 Jan 67

Okinawa

Btry F, 2/12

17 Jan 67 - Present

Enroute RVN, In RVN

1 Jan 67 - 15 Jan 67

In RVN, Enroute Okinawa

16 Jan 67 - Present

Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

CO, 1/13

~~LtCol R. L. CHRISTIAN, JR.~~  
~~054915 USMC~~

XO, 1/13

~~29 Oct 66 - Present~~

Maj A. F. THOMPSON, JR.

058773 USMC

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7 Nov 66 - Present

2ndLt H. D. JEFFERY

097040 USMC

S-2

1 Nov 66 - Present

2ndLt R. C. JOHNSON

093951 USMCR

1 Jan 67 - 23 Jan 67

~~EXPOSURE (1)~~  
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LT(JG) R. K. HENRY  
 678199 USN  
 23 Jan 67 - Present  
 Maj W. D. BENTON  
 058051 USMC  
 12 Nov 66 - Present  
 Capt J. D. EVANS  
 084653 USMC  
 20 Aug 66 - 27 Jan 67  
 2ndLt D. R. RANDALL  
 097687 USMC  
 27 Jan 67 - Present

## 4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
HqBtry, 1/13	14	135+86NC	2	3 +2NC
Btry K, 4/13	6	120	0	1
Btry G, 3/12	9	115	1	3
MortarBtry, 3/12	4	70	0	2
Btry F, 2/12	8	117	1	3

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**SECRET**COMMANDER'S NARRATIVE

On 1 January 1967, Lieutenant Colonel R. L. CHRISTIAN, JR., two officers and thirty-three enlisted personnel from this organization were TAD to the Special Landing Force, Seventh Fleet to participate in Operation DECKHOUSE V in the Republic of South Vietnam. Lieutenant Colonel CHRISTIAN acted as the artillery officer on the staff of CTG 79.5 and as the commanding Officer of the Provisional Artillery Group which was established ashore. The remainder of the personnel provided fire direction assistance to the Provisional Artillery Group headquarters and the LVTH-6 platoon which was incorporated into the Provisional Artillery Group.

On 14 January 1967 Battery F arrived on Okinawa from the Republic of South Vietnam for the purpose of refurbishing equipment and conducting individual and unit training for personnel. Battery G and Mortar Battery completed their refurbishing of equipment and cycle of training for personnel and returned to the operational control of BLT 1/4. While attached to this organization, Mortar Battery conducted a field firing exercise and Battery G calibrated their six 105mm Howitzers.

Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. CHRISTIAN, JR. returned from participation in DECKHOUSE V on 19 January 1967; whereas, the remainder of the personnel from this organization who participated in the operation returned on 23 January 1967.

The Battalion Survey Section dispatched a survey team composed of two officers and nine enlisted to the Zambales Training Area, Republic of the Philippines, for the purpose of establishing permanent survey control points within the training area.

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**SECRET**SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 14 Jan 1967 - Battery F, 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines OPCON/ADCON to 1st Battalion, 13th Marines. RIT-26 Msg 120155Z JAN67
- 16 Jan 1967 - Battery G and Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines OPCON/ADCON to Battalion Landing Team 1/4. RIT-26 Msg 060319Z JAN67
- 16 Jan 1967 - Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines Calibrated their six 105mm Howitzers.
- 19 Jan 1967 - Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. CHRISTIAN, JR. returned from participation in operation DECKHOUSE V with Special Landing Force, Seventh Fleet. UD #16-67 of 19 Jan 67
- 20-21 Jan 1967 - Mortar Battery, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines conducted field firing exercise in Northern Training Area of Okinawa.
- 23 Jan 1967 - Two officers and thirty-two enlisted fire direction personnel from this organization returned from participation in DECKHOUSE V with Special Landing Force, Seventh Fleet. UD #20-67 of 24 Jan 67
- 24 Jan 1967 - Two officer and nine enlisted survey team departed to conduct survey operations Zambales Training Area, Republic of the Philippines. UD #20-67 of 24 Jan 67

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