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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DesignationCommander

Battery K, 4th Battalion, 13th Marines 10Oct-10Oct  
120Oct-

Capt J. A. KELLEHER  
Capt D. J. LUX

2. Location

Fire Support Base ROSS, RVN at BT 02794.14-34102.24,  
Heip Duc Sheet 6640 III Series L 7014 AMS

3. Battery Officers

Commanding Officer

10Oct-11Oct  
120Oct-200Oct

Capt. J.A. KELLEHER  
Capt. D.J. LUX

Executive Officer

1stLt. J. A. HENRY

Assistant Executive Officer

2ndLt. C. E. WITTIG

Fire Direction Officer

10Oct-16Oct  
17Oct-200Oct

1stLt. G. E. KLATT  
2ndLt. A. J. PARAPOT

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC  
124

USN  
2

OTHER  
0

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period from 1 October through 20 October, Battery K, 4th Battalion, 13th Marines, was in general support of the 7th Marines in the Que Son Mountain and Valley area of Southern I Corps, RVN. Battery K, remained under the command, less opcon of 1st Battalion, 13th Marines and remained under operational control of 11th Marines, Reinforcing 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines.

The Battery fired all types of fire missions during the month, including observed fires, intelligence targets, prep fires, harassing and interdiction fires, and numerous T.O.T's. With the cooperation from the liaison officer 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, grids on siesmie intrusion devices were established for Kilo to fire, but, as of now, have not been fired upon.

3rd Battalion, 11th Marines continued to use Battery K as a general support, reinforcing battery and, as a result, the round expenditure for the period 1 Oct through 20 Oct was less than previous months. The main emphasis during the month was on Planned and H&I type fires, with numerous T.O.T's.

L.Z. ROSS recieved negative incoming during the period covered as a result no counter mortar/rocket fires were shot.

KIA's	-----	1
PKIA's	-----	0
Structures/Bunkers	-----	1
Secondary Explosions	-----	14

Battery Commander J. A. KELLEHER was reassigned to 2/12 on 12 October and was replaced by Capt. D. J. LUX on 13 October Fire Direction Officer G. E. KLATT was transfered to HqBtry 1stBn 13th Marines and his duties were assumed by 2nd Lt A. J. PARAPOT.

Kilo Battery continued improvement on its defensive structures with the construction of new F.D.C. bunker, powder bunkers, and numerous strands of concentina and tangle foot wire.

Personnel gains and losses during 1 October - 20 October were as follows:

Administrative Losses	19
KIA	00
WIANE	00
MIA	00
NBC	03
Replacements	03

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<u>OBSERVED</u>	<u>UNOBSERVED</u>	<u>H &amp; I's</u>	<u>TOTAL MISSIONS</u>	<u>FIRED</u>
59	147	117	323	

AMMUNITION EXPENDITURE

<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
3219	88	32	3339

Rounds observed . . . .	1153
Rounds unobserved . . . .	1728
H&I's . . . . .	458
TOTAL	3339

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

2 October 1st Sgt E. C. HOWLAND left Battery, 1st Sgt J. C. BOUTWELL assumed the duties of 1st Sgt of Kilo Btry

4 October 3rd Battalion 7th Marines assumed control of L. Z. ROSS from 2nd Battalion 7th Marines

10 October Capt J. A. KELLEHER left the battery, executive officer J. A. HENRY assumed his duties until the arrival of Capt D. J. LUX

13 October Capt D. J. LUX officially assumed duties as Commanding Officer of Kilo 4/13

14 October Fire Mission from Bench Mark 61 resulted in 1 KIA, and one bunker destroyed.

16 October 1stLt G. E. KLATT left Kilo Btry to join HqBtry 1stBn 13thMar 2ndLt A. J. PARAPOT assumed duties of Fire Direction Officer

20 October Kilo Battery detached from 1/13 to go under Administrative control of 4/11

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