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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

9th Engineer Battalion

LtCol H. E. PEREA

Subordinate Units

Headquarters Company
Service Company
Company "A"
Company "B"
Company "C"
Company "D"

Capt. E. G. PETERS
Major B. K. WIEDERHOLD
Capt. D. W. JOHNSON
Capt. T. K. MCKEOWN
Capt. W. H. SKIERKOWSKI
Capt. J. T. O'KELLEY JR.

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Attached Units3rd Platoon, 1st Bridge Company
in direct support

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2. LOCATION

9th Engineer Battalion (-)	Chu Lai, RVN	1-31 January 1968
Company "B"	Hill 63, RVN	1-22 January 1968
	YD 730110	24-31 January 1968
Company "C"	Hill #10, RVN	1-31 January 1968
*Company "D"	Ca Lu, RVN	1-22 January 1968
	Hill 63, RVN	24-31 January 1968

*Headquarters Platoon is presently at Ca Lu, RVN, but will rejoin Company "D" when transportation becomes available.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer
S-1 Adjutant
Personnel Officer
S-2/3
S-4
S-5/Civil Affairs
SgtMaj
Motor Transport Officer
Construction Officer
ADM Officer
Maintenance Officer
Utilities Officer
Medical Officer

Major C. N. WALL
WO-1 E. M. JOHNSON
WO-1 E. M. JOHNSON
Capt. R. A. TIEBOUT
Major W. B. CHANNEL
Capt. G. B. BARNEY
SgtMaj E. C. YARGER
Capt. B. A. WALKER
Capt. G. B. BARNEY
1stLt H. A. FEIFS
WO-1 G. E. JOHNSON
WO-1 F. A. R. LANDRY
Lt C. E. CREAGH (MC) USN

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Ordnance Officer	WO-1 F. A. R. LAUNDRY
Supply Officer	Capt. C. N. PASTINO
Legal Officer	Capt. E. G. PETERS
Embarkation Officer	Vacant to 6 January 1968
NBC Officer	1stLt D. F. SIMSON from 7 January 1968
Education/Training Officer	1stLt H. A. FEIFS to 12 January 1968
Chaplain	1stLt F. W. LAMOTTE from 13 January 1968
	1stLt W. F. THOMPSON to 9 January 1968
	1stLt J. W. FORMAN from 10 January 1968
	Services conducted by visiting Chaplain
	Capt. E. J. RICHARDSON

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	USN	USMC	USN
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
42	885	1	16

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of January 1968, the 9th Engineer Battalion, LtCol H. E. PEREA Commanding, continued as its primary mission the maintenance and upgrading of RVN Route #1 from Chu Lai (BT 520044) to Thang Binh (BT 175418). After 22 January the 9th Engineer Battalion received an additional road responsibility from Thang Binh (BT 175418) to the Song Cau Lau (BT 092549). The maintenance of road networks for the Americal Division, Force Logistics Support Group-Bravo, and the Republic of Korea Marine Corps plus engineer support of free world forces in the Chu Lai TAOR continued to require a significant engineer effort.

Company "A" continued maintenance and upgrading of RVN Route #1 between Chu Lai (BT 520044) and Tam KY (BT 330209), a distance of 16 miles and engaged in vertical construction in support of the Americal Division.

Company "B" continued maintenance of RVN Route #1 from Thang Binh (BT 175418) to the Song Cau Lau (BT 082548) under the operational control of the 7th Engineer Battalion. On 22 January 1968 Company "B" moved from its position at Hill #63 (BT 132453) to coordinates (YD 730110), a position approximately eight miles south - southwest of Hue. At the completion of the move Company "B" returned to the operational control of the 9th Engineer Battalion.

Company "C" (-) was located at Hill #10 (BT 199390) and was in the process of maintaining and upgrading RVN Route #1 from Hill #29 (BT 226320) to Thang Binh (BT 175418), a distance of 11 miles. The 3rd Platoon, Company "C" was located on Hill #29 and was in the process of upgrading and maintaining RVN Route #1 from Tam Ky north to Hill #29, a distance of 8.5 miles.

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Company "D" was located at Cau Lu, RVN (YD 005458) under the operational control of the 11th Engineer Battalion until 22 January 1968. On 24 January 1968 "D" Company minus 1 platoon returned to Chu Lai, then moved north and replaced Company "B" at Hill 63 (BT 132453). Company "D" is now under the operational control of the 9th Engineer Battalion.

During the month of January, as in previous months, upgrading and repair of RVN Route #1 was broken down into three areas of responsibility, Chu Lai to Tam Ky to Hill 29, and Hill 29 to Thang Binh. After 24 January 1968 an additional 11.1 mile section of road from Thang Binh to the Song Cau Lau river was added to the battalion's area of responsibility.

Between Chu Lai (BT 520044) and Tam Ky (BT 330209), the 9th Engineer Battalion expended 1583 man hours and 1122 equipment hours in hauling and placing 673 cubic yards of rock.

Between Tam Ky and Hill 29 (BT 226320), 9th Engineer Battalion personnel expended 1245 man hours and 879 equipment hours while utilizing 1245 cubic yards of rock and 240 cubic yards of fill.

Between Hill 29 and Thang Binh (BT 175418), 9th Engineer Battalion expended 2179 man hours and 391 equipment hours while hauling and placing 330 cubic yards of rock and 25 cubic yards of fill.

During this same period, 9th Engineer Battalion units replaced and/or repaired three (3) culverts at three (3) locations along RVN Route #1. Replacement of these culverts, necessitated by enemy demolitions, required 80 feet of 36" culvert and 40 feet of 48" culvert broken down as follows:

<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Leng th</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Man Hours</u>	<u>Equipment Hours</u>
BT 259289	1	40'	36"	10	6
BT 230339	1	40'	36"	32	18
BT 264275	1	40'	48"	120	27

During the month of January 1968 Company "C" accomplished the following bridge construction along RVN Route #1.

<u>Bridge#</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Man Hours</u>	<u>Equipment Hours</u>	<u>Est or Act Completion</u>
35	BT 259289	40'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	687	330	16 January 68
* 35	BT 259289	40'	Steel stringer, pile abutment and wingwall	260	109	25 February 68
33	BT 238326	13'	Timber stringer, pile abutment and wingall	418	24	10 February 68

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21	BT 185405	40'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	78	16	6 January 68
** 21	BT 185405	40'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	464	128	16 January 68
***21	BT 185405	36'	Fixed span balk	158	7	26 January 68
24	BT 201383	80'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	1086	158	18 January 68
23	BT 196391	80'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	36	1	7 January 68
32	BT 230339	40'	Steel stringer, pile abutment & wingwall	95	46	1 March 68

*Original Bridge #35 was 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions on 26 January 1968

**Original Bridge #21 was 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions on 12 January 1968

***Repaired Bridge #21 was 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions on 26 January 1968 and was replaced with a 36' fixed span balk bridge.

During the month of January 1968 there were a total of five (5) bridges and eleven (11) culverts destroyed by enemy demolitions. There were four (4) incidents where mines were located and blown in place, two (2) incidents where mines were located, disarmed, and removed, one (1) incident where a minesweep team discovered a booby-trap, and three (3) incidents where craters were blown in RVN Route #1 at locations other than at existing culverts and bridges. The five (5) bridges destroyed by enemy demolitions during January 1968 are listed below.

<u>Bridge Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Date Destroyed</u>
BT 185405	Steel stringer, pile abutment, & wingwall	40'	12 January 1968 26 January 1968
BT 259289	Steel stringer, pile abutment, & wingwall	40'	26 January 1968 30 January 1968
BT 498066	Steel Truss	347'	31 January 1968

The eleven (11) culverts blown by enemy demolitions during January 1968 are shown below:

<u>Culvert Location</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Date Destroyed</u>
BT 263283	1	Concrete	2 January 1968
BT 259289	1	60"	2 January 1968
BT 412128	3	36"	2 January 1968
BT 217364	2	36"	2 January 1968

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BT 234334	1	36"	12 January 1968
BT 203382	1	French Culvert	26 January 1968
BT 068568	1	Concrete	30 January 1968
BT 093535	2	60"	31 January 1968
BT 279257	1	French Culvert	31 January 1968
BT 724265	2	60"	31 January 1968
BT 099525	1	36"	31 January 1968

In addition to the major road and bridge work being done on RVN Route #1, the 9th Engineer Battalion was responsible for the repair and maintenance of other sections of road as shown below:

Company "A" continues (1) the maintenance of 2.0 miles of roadway within the FLSG-B CP (BT 532111), (2) the maintenance of 3.5 miles of roadway within the FLSG-B ASP (BT 520040), (3) the maintenance of 1.6 miles of roadway on Route #22W (BT 512053-BT 498037), and (4) the maintenance of 0.6 mile of roadway on Route #22E (BT 538027-BT 549029).

Headquarters Company Heavy Equipment Platoon retained the responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the Americal Perimeter Road (BT 521071-BT 519049), a distance of 8.5 miles.

Since 1 January 1968 the 9th Engineer Battalion has provided the following additional engineer equipment support for U. S. Army, U. S. Navy, and U. S. Marine Corps units within its area of responsibility:

(1) Engineer equipment support of one (1) 550 grader in upgrading 400 meters of roadway for the 71st Aviation Company. Date started: 16 December 1967, Estimated Completion date: 22 February 1968, 50% complete, Man Hours: 77, Equipment Hours: 58

(2) Engineer equipment support of two (2) TD-24 tractors to level two large sand mounds at Ly Tin District Headquarters. Date started: 21 December 1967, Date completed: 2 January 1968, Man Hours: 255, Equipment Hours: 28.

(3) Engineer equipment support of one (1) 550 grader and one (1) asphalt distributor for the 1st of the 46th Infantry Battalion to level and pave prime two helipads. Date Started: 8 January 1968, Date completed: 27 January 1968, Man Hours: 60, Equipment Hours: 32.

(4) Engineer equipment support of one (1) 550 grader, one (1) MRS 100, and one (1) MS 100 scraper for the 80th General Support Battalion to level, grade, and install drainage for a reefer bank. Date Started: 12 January 1968, Date completed: 24 January 1968, Man Hours: 281, Equipment Hours: 161.

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(5) Equipment support of two (2) TD-18 tractors to the 26th Engineer Battalion for clearing 2000 meters of land. Date started: 22 January 1968, Estimated Date of completion: 3 February 1968, 60% complete, Man Hours: 60, Equipment Hours: 60:

(6) Engineer equipment support of one (1) EIMCO tractor for MAG-13 to dig pits for the disposal of ordnance. Date started: 26 January 1968, Date completed: 27 January 1968, Man Hours: 13, Equipment Hours: 10.

(7) Engineer equipment support of one (1) TD-18 tractor for MAG-12 to level two laterite mounds at the end of the airstrip. Date started: 1 January 1968, Date completed: 5 January 1968, Man Hours: 50, Equipment Hours: 25.

(8) Engineer equipment support of one (1) EIMCO tractor to MAG-12 for leveling and compacting motor transport area 100 x 200 meters. Date started: 18 January 1968, Estimated Completion date: 5 February 1968, 80% complete, Man Hours: 30, Equipment Hours: 24.

(9) Engineer equipment support of one (1) EIMCO tractor to 1st Radio Battalion for clearing a 50 x 70 meter antenna field. Date started and completed: 13 January 1968, Man Hours: 20, Equipment Hours: 6.

(10) Engineer equipment support of one (1) EIMCO tractor to MCB-6 for use in Binh Son. Date started: 2 January 1968, Date completed: 12 January 1968, Man Hours: 60, Equipment Hours: 56.

During the month of January the 9th Engineer Battalion completed the following vertical construction:

(1) Twelve (12) four hole latrines and three (3) two hole latrines for Americal Division. Date started: 30 November 1967, Date completed: 2 January 1968, Man Hours: 384, Equipment Hours: 43.

(2) Constructing one (1) enlisted club 80' x 32' with 32' x 32' wing for 2nd Surgical Company. This is designed in an "L" shape with a 4" concrete slab and truss with corrugated metal roof. Date started: 1 December 1967, Estimated completion date: 1 February 1968, 5% complete, Man Hours: 1642, Equipment Hours: 167.

(3) Constructing one (1) four hole and one (1) two hole latrine for the 196th Light Infantry Brigade. Date started: 15 December 1967, Date completed: 4 January 1968, Man Hours: 96, Equipment Hours: 10.

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(4) Constructing one (1) 1400 man messhall for the Americal Division Training Center. This is being built in an "H" shape with two 168' x 40' buildings connected by a 20' x 10' passageway. It has a 4" concrete deck with 4" x 4" curbs, truss, and corrugated metal roof. Date started: 16 December 1967, Estimated Completion date: 15 February 1968, 40% complete, Man Hours: 5440, Equipment Hours: 461.

(5) Remodeling 16' x 16' tropical hut for the 2nd Surgical Company. This consists of replacing exterior siding, counters, and scabbing inside of building with plywood. Date started: 21 December 1968, Date completed: 2 January 1968, Man Hours: 255, Equipment Hours: 28

(6) Completed 24' eve drain with 9" down spout for the 26th Engineer Battalion. Date started and completed: 8 January 1968, Man Hours: 10, Equipment Hours: 2.

(7) Constructing two (2) four hole latrines for the 21st Air Recon Company. Date started and completed: 10 January 1968, Man Hours: 96, Equipment Hours: 10.

(8) Constructing one (1) 15' water tower for the 9th Support Battalion. This tower has 2' x 2' x 18" concrete footings, 10" x 10" posts and caps, and 2" x 12" stringers and decking. Date started: 9 January 1968, Date completed: 13 January 1968, Man Hours: 228, Equipment Hours: 8.

(9) Constructing two (2) four hole and one (1) two hole latrines for the 3/18th Artillery Battalion. Date started: 23 January 1968, Estimate d completion date: 5 February 1968, 50% complete, Man Hours: 64, Equipment Hours: 3.

(10) Constructing two (2) four hole latrines for 14th Aviation Battalion. Date started: 23 January 1968, Estimate d date of completion: 5 February 1968, 55% complete, Man Hours: 42, Equipment Hours: 2.

(11) Constructing four (4) bunkers 6' x 8' x 8' for CAG Unit L-5 (BS 714975). Date started: 4 December 1967, Date completed: 3 January 1968, Man Hours: 860.

(12) Constructing four (4) bunkers 6' x 8' x 8' for CAG Unit L-2 (BS 613016). Date started: 8 January 1968, Date completed: 27 January 1968, Man Hours: 316

(13) Constructing three (3) two hole latrines for 1st Hospital Company. Date started: 30 November 1967, Date completed: 23 January 1968, Man Hours: 128, Equipment Hours: 10.

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(14) Completed drilling twenty (20) holes for setting poles for 5th 155 Gun Battery. Date started and completed: 5 January 1968, Man Hours: 8, Equipment Hours: 8.

(15) Construction of two (2) four hole latrines for 5th 155 Gun Battery. Date started: 2 January 1968, Date completed: 13 January 1968, Man Hours: 96, Equipment Hours: 10.

(16) Construction of one (1) enlisted club 104' x 40' with 40' x 30' wing for 9th Engineer Battalion. This is designed in an "L" shape with 4" concrete deck and truss with corrugated metal roof. Date started: 21 September 1967, Date completed: 2 January 1968, Man Hours: 3906, Equipment Hours: 246.

(17) Constructing two (2) security bunkers 10' x 12' x 7' for 9th Engineer Battalion. Date started: 11 November 1967, Estimated completion date: 2 February 1968, 15% complete, Man Hours: 30.

(18) Construction of one (1) 16' x 40' tropical hut to be used as officer's quarters for 9th Engineer Battalion. This is designed with 3/4" plywood deck truss with corrugated metal roof. Date started: 25 November 1967, Date completed: 5 January 1968, Man Hours 866.

(19) Constructing one (1) 15' water tower for the 71st Aviation Company. This tower has 2' x 2' x 18" concrete footings, 10" x 10" posts and caps with 2" x 12" stringers and decking. Date started: 10 January 1968, Date completed: 16 January 1968, Man Hours: 123, Equipment Hours: 8.

During the month of January 1968, 9th Engineer Battalion completed the following horizontal construction:

(1) Construction of one (1) 40' x 40' helipad for MAG-13. Date started: 15 November 1967, Date completed: 6 January 1968, Man Hours: 811, Equipment Hours: 447.

(2) Constructing two (2) fuel bladder storage berms 100' x 100' for MAG-12. Date started: 1 January 1968, Date completed: 13 January 1968, Man Hours: 130, Equipment Hours: 86.

(3) Completed upgrading 300' of roadway for MAG-12. Date started: 4 January 1968, Date completed: 6 January 1968, Man Hours: 40, Equipment Hours: 25

(4) Constructed three (3) 30' x 40' gun pads for 5th 155 Gun Battery. Date started: 9 January 1968, Construction cancelled 28 January 1968, Man Hours: 528, Equipment Hours: 137.

The 9th Engineer Battalion water points produced 5,949,100 gallons of water and expended 3310 man hours and 3329 equipment hours during January 1968.

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During the same period the 9th Engineer Battalion conducted daily minesweep operations from BT 510055 to BT 082548 broken down as follows:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Composition</u>
BT 510055	BT 330209	15 miles	4 men
BT 285247	BT 237326	6 miles	6 men
BT 237326	BT 175418	7 miles	8 men
BT 175418	BT 144456	3 miles	10 men
BT 144456	BT 082548	7.5 miles	10 men

During the past month minesweep personnel from the 9th Engineer Battalion expended 2076 man hours on minesweeps of RVN Route #1 and were responsible for locating those mines previously mentioned.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1 January 1968	Dropped 1stLt HALLORAN, B. F.
3 January 1968	Joined Capt. BAXTER, R. H. JR.
5 January 1968	Dropped GySgt MORROW, J. E.
6 January 1968	Dropped GySgt HALL, R. A.
8 January 1968	Dropped GySgt BERGLUND, R. M.
12 January 1968	Joined 1stLt GOODY, J. B., Dropped SSgt BERTEAU, A. J.
17 January 1968	Dropped 1stLt MATTESON, R. J.
19 January 1968	Dropped SSgt OLIVER, F.
20 January 1968	Joined GySgt BURCHARD, J. E.
	Dropped SSgt MATHIS, D. E.
28 January 1968	Joined SSgt PACK, W. L.

2. CIVIC ACTION

During the month of December medical assistance was provided the people of Tich Tay Hamlet (BT 496067) three times weekly. Corpsman from the 9th Engineer Battalion treated 7 women, 2 men, and 18 children for a total of 27 persons. The Buddhist Temple presently under construction was supported by several truck loads of lumber and miscellaneous hand tools. The flag pole being erected in the school yard was completed and a flag raising ceremony was conducted with personnel from 9th Engineer Battalion attending. Twelve (12) children were given four (4) hours of English language classes. Civic Affairs personnel from the battalion attended a TET dinner given by the Hamlet Chief. Daily contact with the villagers was maintained, and their attitude toward the American people continued to be friendly and grateful.

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1 January 1968 Found one (1) firing device in road at BT 118491. Found one (1) M-26 grenade mine at BT 248308.

2 January 1968 Received 6 rounds sniper fire at BT 107505. Found 81mm mortar round lying in road at BT 237314. EIMCO tractor hit mine on bridge bypass at BT 259289, causing 2 WIA and disabling tractor. Concrete culvert blown at BT 263283. One (1) 60" culvert and bridge 80% destroyed at BT 259289. TD-18 tractor hit mine at BT 263283 damaging blade and causing one WIA. Three (3) 36" culverts blown at BT 412128. Two (2) 36" culverts blown at BT 217364 and one (1) armed 105mm fuze found at same location. Completed construction of twelve (12) four hole latrines and three (3) two hole latrines for Americal Division. Completed remodeling 16' x 16' tropical hut for 2nd Surgical Company. Completed construction of enlisted club for 9th Engineer Battalion.

3 January 1968 Found one (1) 81mm mortar round in road at BT 092583. Two (2) 36" culverts blown at BT 112498. Completed constructing four (4) bunkers for CAG Unit L-5.

5 January 1968 Forty-five balk bridge at BT 101517 partially destroyed. Bridge blown at BT 098582. Found one (1) M-26 grenade at BT 235344. Crater in road at BT 118490. Completed leveling two (2) laterite mounds for MAG-13. Completed drilling twenty (20) holes for setting poles for 5th 155 Gun Battery. Constructed one (1) tropical hut for use as officer's quarters at 9th Engineer Battalion.

6 January 1968 Received 6-8 60mm mortar rounds and semi-automatic weapons fire at BT 398145. Repaired bridge at BT 185405. Completed one (1) four hole and one (1) two hole latrine for 196th Light Infantry Brigade. Completed one (1) helipad for MAG-13. Completed upgrading 300' of road for MAG-13.

7 January 1968 One (1) 48" culvert blown and approximately 150 rounds of sniper fire received at BT 107504. Received 30 rounds of mortar fire at BT 237315. Found 60mm mortar round rigged as mine at BT 107504. Received 8-10 rounds of sniper fire at BT 496036.

8 January 1968 Completed 24' drain with 9" down spout for 26th Engineer Battalion.

9 January 1968 Received 4 rounds sniper fire at BT 104504.

10 January 1968 Received 8 rounds sniper fire at BT 105505. Completed constructing two (2) four hole latrines for 21st Air Recon Company.

11 January 1968 Received 3 sniper rounds at BT 124483.

12 January 1968 Bridge 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions at BT 185405. Received 15 rounds sniper fire and 25 rounds automatic weapons fire at BT 106506. Culvert blown at BT 137471. Culvert blown at BT 234339. Culvert blown at BT 106506. Provided MCB-6 with equipment support of one (1) EIMCO tractor.

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13 January 1968 Received four (4) rounds sniper fire at BT 106506. Completed leveling two (2) large sand mounds at Ly Tin District Headquarters. Completed construction of one (1) 15' water tower for 9th Support Battalion. Completed two (2) 100' x 100' fuel bladder storage berms for MAG-13. Completed construction of two (2) four hole latrines for 5th 155 Gun Battery. Cleared 50 x 75 meter antenna field for 1st Radio Battalion.

14 January 1968 Mortar fire and automatic weapons fire received at BT 396145.

16 January 1968 One (1) electrically detonated mine found at BT 113357. Culvert blown at BT 113475. Crater in road at BT 093548.

17 January 1968 Bridge at BT 185405 complete. Bridge at BT 259289 complete, Completed one (1) 15' water tower for 71st Aviation Company. Vietnamese civilian tripped ARVN boobytrap at BT 128480 causing one (1) U.S. Army and one (1) Vietnamese civilian casualty.

18 January 1968 Bridge at BT 201583 completed.

19 January 1968 Found one (1) M-26 grenade under bridge at BT 201383.

21 January 1968 Crater in road and remains of two (2) bodies found at BT 115495.

23 January 1968 Constructed three (3) two hole latrines for 1st Hospital Company.

24 January 1968 Leveled, graded, and provided drainage for reefer bank in support of 80th General Support Group.

26 January 1968 Bridge at BT 185405 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions. Also bridge at BT 259289 80% destroyed by enemy demolitions. Crater in road at BT 260287. Culvert blown at BT 203382.

27 January 1968 Leveled and peneprimed two (2) helipads for 1/46 Infantry Battalion. Completed digging ammunition disposal pits for MAG-13. Constructed four (4) bunkers for CAG Unit L-5.

28 January 1968 Found one boobytrap in road at BT 089583.

30 January 1968 Road cratered at BT 083584 and at BT 083588. Bridge and bypass at BT 093588 100% destroyed and mine found at same coordinates. Culvert blown at BT 068563.

31 January 1968 Culverts blown at BT 274265. Bridge blown at BT 498066. Culvert blown at BT 101517.

4. TRAINING

5 January 1968 One man to Land Mine Warfare School, 1st Engineer Battalion.

6 January 1968 Four men to CAG School, DaNang. One man to Embarkation School, Okinawa.

7 January 1968 Two men to Motor Transport Maintenance School, DaNang.

12 January 1968 One man to Land Mine Warfare School, 1st Engineer Battalion.

13 January 1968 One man to Motor Transport Maintenance School, DaNang. One man to Basic Ammo Tech Course, Okinawa. Two men to NCO Leadership School, Okinawa.

19 January 1968 One man to Land Mine Warfare School, 1st Engineer Battalion.

24 January 1968 One man to Motor Transport Maintenance School, DaNang.

29 January 1968 One man to Communications Crypto Security School, Japan. One man to NCO Leadership School, Da Nang.

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5. PATROLS

3 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 032200H to 040400H.
4 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 042300H to 050430H.
8 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 082400H to 09040 OH.
10 January 1968 Daytime Reinforced Fire Team Recon Patr ol from 100700H to 101400H.
12 January 1968 Night Reinf orced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 121500H to 130200H.
13 January 1968 Night Rei nforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 132400 to 140400H.
15 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Recon Patrol from 152300H to 160200H.
18 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 182230H to 190400H.
20 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 210100H to 210430H.
23 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire Team Ambush Patrol from 232130H to 240330H.
24 January 1968 Daytime Reinforced Fire Team Recon Patrol from 240700H to 241130H.
28 January 1968 Night Reinforced Fire team Ambush Patrol from 282300H to 290400H.
30 January 1968 Daytime Reinforced Fire Team Recon Patrol from 300700H to 301200H.

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