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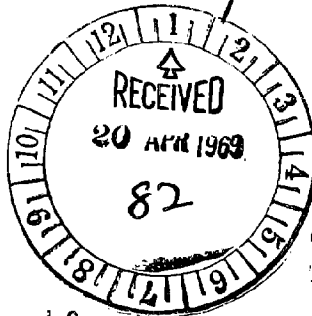
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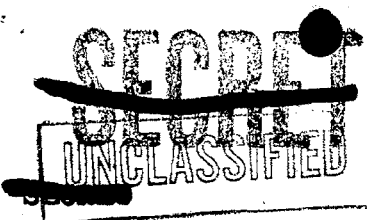
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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

9th Engineer Battalion

COMMANDER

LtCol D. U. DAVIDSON  
1-20 March 1969  
LtCol B. F. VISAGE  
21-31 March 1969

Subordinate Units

Headquarters Company  
Service Company  
Company "A"  
Company "B"

1stLt W. G. WARD  
Capt O. H. JONES  
1stLt D. E. CRAIS  
1stLt G. M. SHERMAN  
1-3 March 1969

1stLt J. D. BRUNE  
3-31 March 1969

Company "C"  
Company "D"

Capt C. H. ROYER  
Capt J. K. NAGAZYNA

Attached Units

3rd Bridge Platoon, 1st Bridge  
Company in direct support

2ndLt K. D. PRICER

2. LOCATION

9th Engineer Battalion Chu Lai, RVN 1-31 March 1969  
Company "A" (-) Hill #10 1-31 March 1969

1st Platoon BT 199390  
Hill #29 1-31 March 1969

3rd Platoon BT 221326  
Tam Ky, RVN 1-31 March 1969

Company "B" Chu Lai, RVN 1-31 March 1969

Company "C" (-) 7th Engr, RVN 1-31 March 1969

1st Platoon 3/11 1-31 March 1969

2nd Platoon Hill #22, RVN 1-31 March 1969

3rd Platoon 2/1 1-31 March 1969

Company "D" Hill #63 1-31 March 1969

BT 136448  
Task Organized Element Tam Ky, RVN 14-31 March 1969

X-Ray; Motor Transport/  
Heavy Equipment Platoon  
Company C; Element Head-  
quarters Company Heavy  
Equipment/Service Company  
Motor Transport Platoon

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Executive Officer  
S-1 Adjutant  
Personnel Officer  
S-2/3 Officer  
S-4 Officer  
S-5 Officer  
Sergeant Major  
Motor Transport Officer  
Construction Officer  
ADM Officer  
Maintenance Officer  
Utilities Officer  
Legal Officer  
Medical Officer

Supply Officer

Embarkation Officer  
NBC Officer  
Training Officer

Education Officer

Chaplain  
Communications Officer  
Heavy Equipment Officer

Major J. W. STEVENS  
1stLt R. J. BURNS  
1stLt R. J. BURNS  
Major E. M. CONDRA  
Major R. B. FIELD  
1stLt W. J. KING  
SgtMaj H. L. NICKLES  
1stLt J. D. BUCHANAN  
1stLt C. J. TOENISKOETTER  
Major E. M. CONDRA  
WO-2 W. E. YORK  
1stLt R. H. MILLER  
1stLt R. J. BURNS  
Lt A. P. IVERSON (USN)  
1-3 March 1969  
Lt C. D. GANTT (USN)  
3-31 March 1969  
1stLt V. H. CUYNO  
1-4 March 1969  
1stLt L. BUCKLEY  
4-31 March 1969  
1stLt D. R. FARO  
1stLt C. J. TOENISKOETTER  
1stLt C. A. ROSS  
1-9 March 1969  
1stLt R. J. CALDARELLA  
9-31 March 1969  
1stLt C. A. ROSS  
1-9 March 1969  
1stLt R. J. CALDARELLA  
9-31 March 1969  
LtComdr R. W. BLACK  
1stLt M. E. WENZEL  
1stLt J. HAWKINS  
1-4 March 1969  
1stLt G. M. SHERMAN  
4-31 March 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
Officers	Enlisted
39	925

USN	
Officers	Enlisted
2	19

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## PART II

1. During the month of March 1969, the 9th Engineer Battalion, LtCol D. U. DAVIDSON Commanding 1-20 March 1969 and LtCol B. F. VISAGE Commanding 20-31 March 1969, continued as its primary mission the maintenance, upgrading, and asphaltic paving of RVN Route #1 from Chu Lai (BT 520044) to the Song Cau Lau (BT 091544). Engineer Support of Free World Forces in the Chu Lai TAOR continued to require a significant engineer effort.
2. Company A (-), located at Hill #10 (BT 199390) was engaged in the process of maintaining and upgrading RVN Route #1 from Tam Ky (BT 330209) to Thang Binh (BT 175418), a distance of 14 miles.
3. Company B was located at Chu Lai (BT 520044) and is engaged in vertical construction in that area. As of 14 March 1969 the Company completed its primary task of paving RVN Route #1 from Chu Lai (BT 520044) to Tam Ky (BT 330209). The Heavy Equipment/Motor Transport Platoon is now part of a task organized element currently upgrading and paving RVN Route #1 from Tam Ky (BT 330209) to Hill #10 (BT 196391) and is responsible for maintaining RVN Route #1 from Chu Lai (BT 520044) to Tam Ky (BT 330209).
4. Company C (-) Command Post was located in the 7th Engineer Battalion Compound, Danang, RVN. The company is engaged in direct support vertical construction for the 1st Marine Division. The Motor Transport/Heavy Equipment section is located in Tam Ky, RVN (BT 294232) and is currently upgrading RVN Route #1 from Tam Ky (BT 312227) to Hill #10 (BT 196391).
5. Company D, located at Landing Zone Baldy (BT 136448) continued maintenance and upgrading of RVN Route #1 from Thang Binh (BT 175418) to the Song Cau Lau (BT 091554) a distance of 11.1 miles and engaged in construction in support of Free World Military Forces.
6. During the month of March, upgrading and repair of RVN Route #1 was broken down into three main areas of responsibility: Chu Lai to Tam Ky; Tam Ky to Thang Binh; and Thang Binh to the Song Cau Lau.
7. Between Chu Lai (BT 520044) and Tam Ky (BT 330209), elements of C Company, and Service Company expended 3,482 man hours and 1896 equipment hours in hauling 6120 cubic yards of rock, 416 cubic yards of sand, and 3814 cubic yards of laterite.

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8. In this same Area of Operations, Company B personnel expended 3779 man hours and 1901 equipment hours in paving RVN Route #1 from Phu Khe (BT 368184) to Tam Ky (BT 330209) spreading and compacting 5710 tons of asphaltic concrete. Assisting in the paving operations were personnel from MCB-58. When completed RVN Route #1 will have a 24 foot traveled way 2½ inches thick. At the end of this period a total of 13.5 miles conformed to the above standards. In addition to paving, Company B hauled 1300 cubic yards of rock in the upgrading of RVN Route #1 and spread 12,750 gallons of MC 250/RC 800 in priming for asphaltic paving.

9. Between Tam Ky and Thang Binh, Company A personnel expended 2219 man hours and 1358 equipment hours in hauling and placing 4487 cubic yards of rock, 6148 cubic yards of sand, 4978 cubic yards of laterite, and spreading 6600 gallons of peneprime.

10. Between Thang Binh and the Song Cau Lau, Company D personnel expended 1148 man hours and 786 equipment hours in hauling 335 cubic yards of sand, 753 cubic yards of laterite, and spreading 19,800 gallons of peneprime.

11. All upgrading in the assigned areas will conform to MACV standards for military roadway. Materials are provided from quarries operated in Chu Lai by RMK-BRJ, laterite and sand pits operated by the 9th Engineer Battalion at Hill #54, a newly opened rock crusher site (BT 109429) operated by Company D, and a newly opened borrow pit in Tam Ky (BT 290233) operated by the 9th Engineer Battalion.

12. During the month of March, 9th Engineer Battalion installed the following culverts, which required 50 feet of 24 inch, 50 feet of 36 inch, and 64 feet of 18 inch culvert.

a.	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>M/H</u>	<u>E/H</u>
	BT 330208	7Mar69	2	18"	32'	358	12
	BT 286247	29Mar69	1	24"	50'	215	26
	BT 285247	31Mar69	1	36"	50'	330	132

b. During this reporting period the following bridges were repaired/constructed/under construction.

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<u>Location</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>E/H</u>	<u>M/H</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BT 219359	40'	60	Steel Stringer Pile Backfill	N/A	N/A	Repair, Incomplete
BT 225347	97'5"	60	Timber Stringer Pile Bent, Pile Backfill Abutment	N/A	N/A	Repair, Incomplete
BT 276261	89'4"	60	Steel Stringer Concrete Support Pile Backfill Abutment	N/A	N/A	Incomplete Repair Tech Asst to 104th ARVN Engrs
BT 282251	40'	60	Steel Stringer Pile Bent, Pile Backfill Abutment	2050	322	New Bridge Completed

c. During the month, the following tactical bridging was installed:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BT 225347	45'	60	M6	Blown Bridge, Installed 25 February 1969

d. During the month the following tactical bridging was removed: None

13. In addition to Major Road and Bridge construction being done on RVN Route #1, the 9th Engineer Battalion was responsible for the repair and maintenance of the sections of road as shown below:

a. Headquarters Company Heavy Equipment Platoon retained the responsibility for upgrading the CP roads in the MAG-12 and MAG-13 areas.

14.. Since 1 March 1969, the 9th Engineer Battalion has provided the following additional Engineer Support for the U. S. Army, U. S. Navy, U. S. Marine Corps, and the Korean Marine Corps units within its area of responsibility.

a. 507th Medical Battalion: concrete pad 7'x45'x4". Date started; 28 February 1969, date completed; 7 March 1969, 165 man hours, 5 equipment hours.

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b. MAG-12: additions to sea huts for Avionics Buildings. Date started: 28 February 1969; date completed: 3 March 1969; 210 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

c. 1st Combined Action Group: dismantle and reconstruct two sea huts. Date started: 28 February 1969; date completed: 10 March 1969; 270 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

d. Americal Division: construct four Porta Kamps. Date started: 7 March 1969; date completed: 22 March 1969; 170 man hours; 23 equipment hours.

e. U. S. O. Americal Division: construct stage. Date started: 8 March 1969; date completed: 24 March 1969; 560 man hours; 4 equipment hours.

f. Tam Ky, 9th Engineer Compound: 28'x14' Maintenance Shed. Date started: 20 March 1969; date completed: 28 March 1969; 64 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

g. Chu Lai, 9th Engineer Compound: grease rack. Date started: 25 March 1969; date completed: 31 March 1969; 995 man hours; 10 equipment hours.

h. 3/16th Artillery Battalion: construct 10'x24' COC Bunker. Date started: 12 February 1969; date completed: 24 March 1969; 385 man hours; 4 equipment hours.

i. CLDC: construct twenty tower bunkers. Date started: 4 January 1969; date completed: 29 March 1969; 399 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

j. Americal Division: construct catwalks first, second, and third bridges, QL-1. Date started: 10 December 1968; date completed: 14 March 1969; 777 man hours; 10 equipment hours.

k. Americal Division: construct catwalk Tam Ky Bridge. Date started: 22 January 1969; date completed: 26 March 1969; 306 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

l. 9th Support Group: concrete deck 110'x6"x36'. Date started: 4 February 1969; date completed: 3 March 1969; 495 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

m. MAG-12: construct twelve sea huts. Date started: 21 January 1969; date completed: 5 March 1969; 1969 man hours; 4 equipment hours.

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n. 6/56th Artillery: construct six missile sites, earthwork. Date started: 14 February 1969; date completed: 7 March 1969; 69 man hours; 36 equipment hours.

o. CLDC - 3/18th Artillery: seven tower bunkers. Date started: 28 February 1969; date completed: 20 March 1969; 1477 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

p. CLDC: precut twenty tower bunkers. Date started: 8 March 1969; date completed: 13 March 1969; 860 man hours; 92 equipment hours.

q. 9th Engineer Battalion, Hill #63: potshack with concrete deck, 12'x10'. Date started: 1 March 1969; date completed: 20 March 1969; 640 man hours; 10 equipment hours.

r. 9th Engineer Battalion, Hill #63: garbage shed with concrete deck, 10'x12'. Date started: 1 March 1969; date completed: 15 March 1969; 430 man hours; 12 equipment hours.

s. 9th Engineer Battalion, Chu Lai: construct gate house. Date started: 14 February 1969; date completed: 29 March 1969; 743 man hours; 15 equipment hours.

t. 9th Engineer Battalion, Tam Ky: construct one 14'x32' Motor Transport Maintenance Building. Date started: 20 March 1969; date completed: 28 March 1969; 64 man hours; 10 equipment hours.

u. 9th Engineer Battalion, Hill #10: 50' steel guard tower. Date started: 14 February 1969; date completed: 27 February 1969; 420 man hours; 12 equipment hours.

v. 9th Engineer Battalion, Hill #10: construct generator shed. Date started: 22 January 1969; date completed: 27 January 1969; 80 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

w. 9th Engineer Battalion, Tam Ky: construct generator shed. Date started: 22 January 1969; date completed: 27 January 1969; 80 man hours; 0 equipment hours.

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## PART III

## Sequential Listing of Significant Events

1. Civic Action.

a. During the month of March 1969 this command was assigned a new area of responsibility for Civic Action, this being Ky Lien Village. Since being assigned this area of responsibility, the Civic Action team, drawing support from Engineer Capabilities within the Battalion, has assisted in construction of three schools, two temples, and various small projects including the provision of scrap lumber. A team of twenty volunteer Marines participates every Sunday afternoon in a Boy Scout program dealing with Vietnamese boys aged 7 to 17 years.

b. The MedCap team as an integral part of the Civic Action operation treated 445 Vietnamese men, women, and children within the new A. O.. This team has inoculated 100 children against cholera, tetanus, and smallpox at the New Life Catholic Orphanage in An Tan.

c. The local villagers have been the recipient of three movies and seven propaganda broadcasts supplied to this unit by the 7th Pay-Ops Battalion, Psy-Ops Team, U. S. Army.

2. Training.

2Mar69	1 Enlisted	Land Mine Warfare School	Danang
8Mar69	1 Enlisted	Basic Inf. Weapons Repair	Okinawa
9Mar69	1 Enlisted	Land Mine Warfare School	Danang
10Mar69	3 Enlisted	ADM School (Cancelled)	Okinawa
16Mar69	1 Enlisted	Land Mine Warfare School	Danang
16Mar69	1 Officer	Officers Leadership School	Danang
16Mar69	1 Enlisted	NCO Leadership School	Danang
17Mar69	1 Staff NCO	Career Planning School	Okinawa
17Mar69	1 Officer	Comm-Crypto School	Japan
23Mar69	1 Enlisted	Land Mine Warfare School	Danang
24Mar69	1 Staff NCO	Career Planning School	III MAF
26Mar69	1 Staff NCO	Organic Supply School	Okinawa
30Mar69	1 Enlisted	Land Mine Warfare School	Danang
31Mar69	1 Enlisted	NCO Leadership School	Danang
31Mar69	1 Officer	Officers Leadership School	Danang
18Mar69	5 Enlisted	Fork Lift School	Danang
30Mar69	1 Enlisted	Embarkation School	Okinawa

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### 3. Engineer Operations.

#### a. 1 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found a wire barricade in roadway at BT 094544. The obstacle was removed and the area swept with negative results.

(2) The Song Ba Ren Bridge within the D Company TAOR received five rounds of 82mm mortar fire, six rounds of B-40mm rocket fire. This resulted in two ARVN KIAs, two ARVN WIAs.

(3) A Company sweepteam found one 20 pound nitro-starch mine buried in roadway at BT 273267. Mine was removed and destroyed.

(4) D Company sweepteam found 2'x4' crater in roadway at BT 101517. Obstacle filled in and road immediately passable.

(5) A Company sweepteam found one 20 pound nitro-starch mine in roadway at BT 274268. Mine was removed and destroyed.

(6) USMC M-51 Dump Truck detonated mine between asphalt and shoulder of roadway at BT 406134. Roadway reswept with negative results and road repaired.

(7) VC destroyed VN flag with flagstaff erected by D Company at BT 101516. Area swept with negative results.

(8) D Company sweepteam received three rounds sniper fire with no known friendly or enemy casualties.

#### b. 2 March 1969.

(1) A Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one VN civilian (male) suffering from shrapnel wounds in the legs.

(2) A Company sweepteam repaired large hole in bridge approach at BT 238326. Hole caused by U.S.A. tracked vehicles.

(3) 9th Engineer Battalion Relay Station personnel assisted Medevac of one VN civilian shot in stomach by VC.

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c. 3 March 1969.

(1) A Company sweepteam repaired large hole in roadway at BT 258289. Hole believed to have been caused by U.S.A. tank retriever.

(2) U.S.A. lowbed trailer detonated mine in roadway at BT 261285, negative casualties. Area reswept with negative results.

d. 4 March 1969.

(1) 9th Engineer Battalion Radio Relay station received five 122mm rocket rounds at BT 238317. Negative friendly casualties.

(2) A Company sweepteam encountered large crater, believed to be caused by shell burst in roadway, at BT 236327. Roadway immediately repaired.

e. 5 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam delayed by fire fight at BT 093544 negative friendly casualties.

(2) D Company encountered propaganda leaflets in English and Vietnamese. Area policed up and swept with negative results.

(3) A Company sweepteam found one M-79 round pointed out by VN civilian.

f. 6 March 1969.

(1) VN civilian truck detonated mine at BT 119489. There was one ARVN WIA. Road repaired and truck removed from traveled way.

(2) MRS-200 detonated 40 pound mine in roadway at BT 248308. One USMC WIA. Area reswept with negative results and roadway repaired.

g. 7 March 1969.

(1) VN civilian vehicle detonated mine in roadway at BT 248308. Negative casualties. Area reswept with negative results and road way repaired.

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(2) A Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of PF male with stomach wound.

(3) U.S.A. truck detonated 10 pound mine at BT 119489. Negative casualties. Road reswept with negative results and subsequently repaired.

h. 8 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found VC propaganda leaflets in Vietnamese language on signs placed on roadway.

(2) D Company sweepteam encountered obstacles in roadway with mine indications. Area swept thoroughly with negative results, obstacles removed.

(3) A Company sweepteam found one 57mm round on road shoulder at BT 219359. Ordnance destroyed in place.

i. 11 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found one 60mm mortar round in roadway at BT 101517. Round was removed and destroyed.

(2) A Company sweepteam found one M-79 round on road shoulder at BT 251306. Round was removed and destroyed.

(3) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of three VN civilians, two males, one with third degree burns, one with gunshot wounds in both legs, one female with gunshot wound in arm. Personnel were lying on roadway at BT 102510.

(4) D Company sweepteam found one bomblet in rice paddy at BT 112482.

(5) A Company sweepteam found 40 pound nitro-starch mine in roadway at BT 256293. Mine destroyed in place and roadway repaired.

j. 12 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found one M-26 grenade in roadway at BT 101518. Grenade removed from road and destroyed.

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k. 13 March 1969.

(1) Headquarters Company found one M-26 grenade with trip wire at BT 108430. Removed and destroyed.

(2) A Company sweepteam found one M-26 grenade on roadway at BT 278325. Grenade was removed and destroyed.

(3) D Company sweepteam found one 60mm mortar illumination round in roadway at BT 093536. Round was removed and destroyed.

l. 14 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of three VN civilians, one female with wounds in leg, one male with shrapnel wounds in back, one male with head wounds. Personnel were found on roadway at BT 102510.

m. 15 March 1969.

(1) A Company sweepteam found one M-26 grenade on roadway at BT 244315. This was removed and destroyed.

(2) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one VN civilian with shrapnel wounds in leg at BT 093542.

(3) D Company sweepteam found one 60mm mortar H. E. round in rice paddy at BT 100159. Round was removed and destroyed.

(4) D Company sweepteam found VC propaganda written in Korean. Policed area and destroyed the same.

(5) D Company sweepteam found one 105mm round in field at BT 105508 with pull switch firing device. Round was found but not set to detonate. Removed and destroyed in place.

n. 16 March 1969.

(1) Third Platoon, D Company received sniper fire on bunker line at BT 108428.

(2) A Company sweepteam found one 81mm illumination round on roadside at BT 243317. Round was removed and destroyed.

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(3) A Company sweepteam found one M-79 round at BT 260290. Round removed and destroyed.

(4) A Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one ARVN with gunshot wounds in head. He was found at BT 258289.

o. 17 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of VN civilian female with shrapnel wounds in head. Woman was found at BT 102511.

p. 19 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found one 105mm round in road-way at BT 119489. Removed and destroyed.

(2) A Company sweepteam received one incoming 122mm rocket round at BT 238317. No friendly casualties.

(3) D Company sweepteam found 10'x3' crater in road at BT 101516. Road swept and repaired for traffic.

(4) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one VN civilian with gunshot wound at BT 135474.

q. 20 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found one 48"x50' culvert destroyed at BT 102517. Area swept and road repaired for traffic. Crater size was 10'x10'x6'.

(2) D Company sweepteam found one 36"x48' culvert destroyed at BT 117492. Area swept and road repaired for traffic.

r. 21 March 1969.

(1) B Company found box mine on shoulder of road at BT 210745. Mine was blown in place and road repaired for traffic.

(2) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one VN civilian with shrapnel wounds in legs. Man was found at BT 163435.

(3) D Company sweepteam found one M-79 round in rice paddy at BT 073540. Ordnance was destroyed in place.

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(4) D Company sweepteam encountered crater obstacle 8'x12'x12' in roadway at BT 105508. Road swept with negative results and repaired for traffic.

(5) B Company sweepteam found one 36"x50' culvert destroyed at BT 410129. Road swept and repaired for traffic.

s. 22 March 1969.

(1) B Company sweepteam encountered obstacles in roadway on top of asphalt at BT 408133. Area swept and obstacles removed.

(2) D Company sweepteam found crater 4'x8' in roadway at BT 119089. Area reswept and obstacle repaired.

t. 23 March 1969.

(1) D Company First Sergeant assisted Medevac of one VN civilian with wounds in head and shoulder. Male found at BT 102517.

u. 24 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of one VN female and one ARVN male both with shoulder wounds. Personnel were found at BT 101511.

v. 25 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam encountered obstacles in roadway at BT 108503. Area swept and obstacles removed.

w. 26 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam found one M-79 round on roadway at BT 123483. Round was removed and destroyed.

(2) D Company sweepteam found one 155 round in rice paddy with pull friction firing device fastened to letter. Device destroyed in place.

x. 27 March 1969.

(1) D Company sweepteam encountered barricade in roadway at BT 105517. Swept area and destroyed obstacle. Removed one VC flag.

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y. 28 March 1969.

(1) B Company sweepteam found one 105mm illumination round on roadway at BT 415126. Round removed and destroyed.

(2) D Company sweepteam found one M-79 round on roadside at BT 097527. Round was removed and destroyed.

z. 29 March 1969.

(1) A Company sweepteam found one 60mm mortar round buried in road at BT 245311. Round blown in place and road repaired.

(2) D Company sweepteam found one M-79 round on roadside at BT 097526. Round removed and destroyed.

aa. 30 March 1969.

(1) B Company sweepteam found one 60mm mortar round at BT 411128. Ordnance removed and destroyed.

(2) D Company sweepteam assisted Medevac of VN civilian with possible internal injuries. Woman found at BT 101511.

ab. 31 March 1969.

(1) A Company found one Chi-Com grenade at BT 201384. Ordnance removed and destroyed.

(2) D Company sweepteam found two VN bodies on road at BT 102414, believed to have been accidentally killed while placing mine in road. Crater on site was 8'x5'. Road repaired and swept.

(3) A Company received four 122mm rocket rounds on perimeter of compound at BT 238317. Negative casualties.

#### 4. Voluntary Informant Program.

a. During the month of March, Vietnamese civilians turned in the following items of ordnance into 9th Engineer Battalion personnel:

(1) Seven 60mm H. E. rounds.

(2) One battery

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- (3) Two 105mm H. E. rounds.
- (4) One 76mm A. T. round.
- (5) Three Chi-Com grenades.
- (6) Two 81mm H. E. rounds.
- (7) Four M-26 grenades.
- (8) Five M-79 rounds.
- (9) One 81mm illumination round.
- (10) One blasting cap.
- (11) One 2.75 rocket warhead.
- (12) Six hundred 7.62mm rounds.
- (13) One 155mm mortar round.
- (14) One M-16 A/P mine.

b. Total amount of funds expended for the period was 8,450 \$VN.

#### 5. Patrols.

a. During the month of March, the 9th Engineer Battalion conducted 31 daylight recon patrols and 31 night recon patrols consisting of checkpoints and observation posts in BT grids 4906, 4905, 4904, 4903, 5005, 5004, 5003, 5105, and 5104, between 2200H and 0400H with negative contact.

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