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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 6TH BATTALION, 56TH ARTILLERY
APO 96491

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3 February 1967

SUBJECT: Operational Report for Quarterly Period Ending 31 January 1967,
Reports Control Symbol CSFOR-65 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer
97th Artillery Group (AD)
APO 96307



1. (U) In compliance with AR 1-19 and USARV Regulation 870-2, the Operational Report for Quarterly Period Ending 31 January 1967 is herewith submitted.

2. (U-FOUO) Organization for Combat

UNIT	COMMANDER(S)
6th Battalion, 56th Artillery	LTC Peter B. Farrell (5 Sep 66 -)
Headquarters Battery	CPT Charles C. King (30 Jun 66 - 31 Dec 66)
	CPT Edward D. Foust (1 Jan 67 -)
Battery A	CPT Jerry L. Kintigh (2 Oct 66 -)
Battery B	CPT John H. Little (14 Sep 66 -)
Battery C	CPT Fred R. Clifton (20 Aug 66 -)
Battery D	CPT Paul P. Hagerty (23 Aug 66 -)

SECTION I (C) Significant Organizational or Unit Activities

1. (C) GENERAL

a. During the reporting period, the units of this battalion continued to accomplish their primary mission of providing air defense for their assigned area of the Republic of Vietnam.

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b. There have been two moves in the battalion during this reporting period. On 15 December 1966, Battery A made a tactical move from Tan Son Nhut Airbase to their new location in the Hoc Mon District of Gia Dinh Province. On 20 December 1966, Battery B made a tactical move from Bien Hoa Airbase to their new location at Long Binh. Both moves were conducted by echelon displacement with the units maintaining an operational capability on a three hour alert status throughout. Both moves were completed without incident.

c. There has been one change of Command in the battalion during this reporting period. The Headquarters Battery Commander, CPT Charles C. King, 05400781, assumed the duties of Battalion S4 after completing six months of command; CPT Edward D. Foust, 05405518, the former Battalion S4, assumed command of Headquarters Battery on 1 January 1967.

d. During the period 10 - 24 November 1966 the battalion was called upon to form a provisional truck company to move vitally needed supplies to the forces conducting Operation Attleboro. Personnel and vehicles from the batteries were consolidated and organized, and within three hours from the initial notification the first supply convoy was on the road. During the fourteen days of the operation, this provisional truck company was credited with moving over two thousand tons of supplies to the forward area of Operation Attleboro.

e. Savings Bond participation is at 98.6% of the assigned strength.

f. (1) Small Civic Action tasks have been accomplished in Nhon Trach District of Bien Hoa Province. In progress at present is the repair and refurbishing of a school and a TET party for approximately 800 children of the area around Phuoc Thien. Operations of a much greater magnitude are planned which will utilize 200 men and 50 vehicles. Med Cap, both training of VN medical personnel and sick call, is scheduled to begin in February. Other construction projects are being surveyed by District personnel at this time.

(2) The two Vietnamese women referred to in the previous report have been treated. An operation for facial burns was successful for one lady. One eye operation was successful and another is scheduled for the second lady.

g. Distinguished visitors during the period of the report include:

<u>VISITOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DATE OF EVENT</u>
LTC J.E. Engler	DCG USARV	18 Dec 66
LTC R.L. Horey	MACV AD OFF	29 Dec 66
COL L.E. Pope	Senior Adv CMD	13 Jan 67

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<u>VISITOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DATE OF EVENT</u>
COL J.W. Graham	CO Spec Trps USARV	20 Jan 67
COL P.E. Hunt	Asst. Wpn Div, G-3 USARPAC	11 Nov 66
LTG J.A. Heintges	DCG MACV	13 Nov 66

2. (C) PERSONNEL

a. During the period 1 November 1966 to 31 January 1967, this organization had an average total assigned strength of 1044 personnel. The present total authorized strength is 858 (40 officers, 15 warrant officers, and 803 enlisted men). There were 225 losses and 239 gains during this period. There are long school trained mechanic and technician shortages of grades E3 through E6. Replacements for these personnel have not been provided in the numbers requisitioned.

b. Shortage list of personnel with MOS shortages considered critical.

<u>MOS</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTH</u>	<u>ACT</u>	<u>LOSSES</u>			<u>SHORTAGES</u>
				<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	
23P20	HAWK FC MECHANIC	12	9	0	2	0	5
23P40	HAWK FC MECHANIC	10	6	2	1	0	7
23R40	HAWK CW RADAR MECHANIC	9	7	0	0	0	2
31M20	RADIO R&C ATT	16	10	0	0	1	7

c. The majority of all senior noncommissioned officers, grades E7 through E9, are due to rotate from this organization from May to August 1967. Five (5) senior noncommissioned officers will rotate in May, seven (7) in June, Five (5) in July and six (6) in August 1967. This turnover is equitable by grade and position; this was effected by curtailments of approximately 30% of the noncommissioned officers. A known replacement has been earmarked for the Sergeant Major's position. One First Sergeant E8 position is presently vacant and another will be vacant in early March 1967. However, known gains are due to arrive in January and April 1967, respectively. Three (3) other known E8 replacements are due such that one (1) will arrive in May and two (2) in June 1967. Nine (9) known E7 replacements are due to arrive from March through July 1967. Names of known replacements have not, as yet, arrived for the August 1967 vacancies.

d. At the present time all field grade and captain positions are filled. One field grade position (S3) is filled by a senior captain who is on the current major's promotion list. The majority of officers are due to rotate from May through August 1967. Eight (8) officers will rotate in May,

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nine (9) in June, eight (8) in July and five (5) in August. There is an overage of three (3) captains in the battalion of which all are Executive Officers in the line batteries. One captain's position (Liaison Officer, MOS 1180) will be vacant in March 1967. Five (5) captains (MOS's 0200, 4010, and three 1180's) are scheduled to rotate in May and one (1) known replacement (captain, MOS 1180) is due to arrive in the same month. There presently is one lieutenant vacancy (MOS 1180) in the Battalion Operations Center; and one lieutenant (MOS 1180) is due to rotate in February 1967. Three (3) additional lieutenants (MOS 1180) will rotate in May 1967. Five (5) known replacements (grade of lieutenant) will arrive in March, one (1) in April and one (1) in May. All warrant officer positions are filled at the present time. Five (5) warrant officers (MOS 2230) are due to rotate in May 1967. However, four (4) known replacements (MOS 2230) are due to arrive in the same month. Three (3) warrant officers will rotate in June and five (5) in August 1967. All requisitions have been submitted such that replacements will arrive 10 days prior to each officer's rotation date. This method also is utilized for warrant officers and senior noncommissioned officers replacements.

3. (C) INTELLIGENCE:

a. During the reporting period Captain George R. Crone assumed duties as Intelligence and Security Officer.

b. Current intelligence information on the ground threat was obtained from II Field Forces Vietnam and III Vietnam Corps during the reporting period.

c. Frequent liaison visits were made with the Hoc Mon Sub-Sector, Dong Nai Sensitive Area, Bien Hoa Sub-Sector and Capital Military District. Information obtained during these visits proved to be of great value in determining current VC activities around units of this battalion. Personnel contacted were very cooperative in providing this information.

d. Physical Security within the battalion is considered to be adequate. Battery "A" and "B" have completed their relocation thus enabling them to concentrate on securing one (1) area, whereas they were required to secure areas in two (2) separate locations. All units have rewritten their Physical Security Plans. The implementation of these plans has served to provide each unit with enhanced physical security measures. Units are continuing to improve on their active and passive defensive measures by installing perimeter lights, building new guard bunkers, relocating guard towers to insure maximum coverage, the erection of new guard towers, rebuilding of perimeter fences, sandbagging of billets, building PEP walls around radars and placing dirt filled barrel berms around assembly and service and generator areas. Ground defense exercises have been conducted monthly by this and higher headquarters. Those exercises have enhanced the ground capability of all units.

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e. Major efforts have been exerted to continually improve the Battalion Sentry Dog Program. Battery "B" is in receipt of approved plans to construct new dog kennels and training facilities. Battery "D" has submitted plans for approval on their new dog kennels and training facilities. Continued emphasis has been placed on adequate training and proper utilization of the sentry dogs to improve the detection of intruders. Seven (7) personnel who are attending the two (2) week supervision course for dog handlers in Okinawa are expected to return to the battalion the first part of February. Additional personnel are presently being selected to attend the next scheduled course.

f. It was determined that a need for a Veterinary Technician existed within the battalion to assist the Sentry Dog Handlers with second echelon veterinary support. A request was submitted for one (1) Veterinary Technician to be attached to the battalion to provide this support. The request was approved and a Veterinary Technician was attached to Headquarters Battery on 19 January 1967.

g. Major Caleb J. Archer of the USARV PMO visited this headquarters and all units during this reporting period. Major Archer inspected the Physical Security and Sentry Dog Program of all units and found them to be adequate.

h. During the reporting period Battery "A" trained mortar crews on the 81mm mortar and have proven their own capability to provide almost instantaneous emergency illumination with illumination rounds. In addition, this unit's mortar crews have plotted preplanned concentrations around the perimeter, paying particular attention to likely avenues of approach. HE rounds are available for those concentrations, however, a test utilizing illumination rounds has proven the concentrations to be very accurate.

i. The need for a Senior Dog Handler, Sgt (E5) MOS 95B4D, as mentioned in the last report, still exists. Authorization for this individual is being requested by a change to the Headquarters and Headquarters Battery TO&E.

j. During the reporting period the Battalion granted sixty-four (64) Confidential clearances, processed twenty-one (21) requests for National Agency checks and validated forty-one (41) Top Secret/Secret clearances.

4. (C) OPERATIONS:

a. The Firing portion of Annual Service Practice (ASP) began in October was completed on 13 November 1966 with a Battalion average score of 95.3%.

(1) Battery "C" fired 18-24 October scoring 89.3% with two (2) successful missiles.

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(2) Battery "B" fired 25-31 October scoring 96.6% with two
(2) successful missiles.

(3) Battery "D" fired 2-7 November scoring 97.3% with two
successful missiles.

(4) Battery "A" fired 8-13 November scoring 97.9% with two
(2) unsuccessful missiles due to missile component malfunctions.

b. Training during the quarter emphasized the Tactical Effectiveness Evaluation, an integral part of ASP. The Evaluation was conducted on 28 January 1967 with all units achieving the maximum score of 150 points. These results place the final Battalion average ASP score at 96.15.

c. Group level Hawk Runs and battalion air defense exercises have been increasingly effective in the training of personnel for their tactical mission.

d. The overall training program has followed the Master Training Schedule except for the additional weapons familiarization, civic action and counterinsurgency classes designed to prepare units for the Civic Action Project in Nhon Trach District.

e. TSOP examinations were administered to 5 officers and 4 enlisted personnel, with a resulting (0) failures.

f. An Air Defense Analysis was made and revealed areas of insufficient coverage. Earthen berms have been constructed for the radars which has improved the coverage to enable mission accomplishment in all areas.

g. New Equipment classes are scheduled for February which will assist in the integration of the Model E-3 loader transporter into the Hawk system.

h. Maximum emphasis has been placed on the capability of firing elements to remain operational and to maintain their scheduled state of alert. A comprehensive maintenance program, both preventative and corrective, with a maximum of command attention and guidance has resulted in an outstanding record of total battalion operational time of 99.59 % during the quarter.

5. (U) LOGISTICS

a. Supply: The following items which have been approved for issue as additions to TOE have still not been received:

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<u>FSN</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DOC NO.</u>
5895-617-0029	Interrogator Set, AN/TPX-26	1 ea		6066-003
1095-726-5820	Pistol, Pyrotechnic AN-M8	6 ea		5333-003
1010-691-1382	Grenade launcher M-79	30 ea		5335-004
5805-503-2616	Signal Assy, TA 207/P	1 ea		6006-009
6115-542-6011	Generator Set, 45KW	1 ea		6046-001
1005-064-5808	Pedestal	28 ea		6137-001
1005-854-4463	Mount	28 ea		6137-002
1005-565-2797	Cover	28 ea		6137-003
5820-194-9928	Radio Set, AN/PRC-6	25 ea		6138-001
6625-828-6440	Signal Generator TS-452	1 ea		6207-002
6115-518-3499	Dummy load, Electrical	1 ea		6006-008
5820-705-9067	Radio Set, AN/PRC-10	1 ea		5337-001

b. Repair Parts: (HAWK)

(1) During the last reporting period the DSP technical supply section received 5,504 requisitions from its customers. Of them, 3,346 matched the authorized stockage list giving a demand accommodation of 70 per cent. Of the requisitions received matching the stockage list 3,102 were issued by the DSP to the customer giving a demand satisfaction of 81 per cent. The remaining 2,402 requisitions were passed to the GSU. The relatively low demand accommodation figure was due to a large number of requisitions of fringe items, mostly hardware, in preparation for the CMMI program.

(2) Presently the DSP is stocking 15,552 line items. Some 1200 are at zero balance. Upon implementation of the new mandatory stockage list the DSP will stock 13,000 line items, thus reducing the slow moving items and in turn opening supply channels for better handling of fast turn-over items. The number of zero balance lines will be decreased to less than 200.

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c. Maintenance:

(1) General:

(a) Vehicle Deadline Rate. The vehicle deadline rate for the quarter was 2.31%, with 232 vehicles on hand at the end of the quarter. There was no significant change in the deadline rate from the previous quarter, nor were there any particular trends as the major reasons for deadlines. Batteries for 2½ ton trucks continue to be a problem but this has been alleviated somewhat by the use of the battery charger at the battalion motor pool.

(2) HAWK:

(a) The technical repair shops of the DSP processed 2,104 maintenance requests during the last reporting period. Of these requests, 1,223 were for repair of chassis and 749 were for repair of major items. The remaining 132 were for items of test equipment and miscellaneous nonpeculiar items, i.e. gun mounts, stoves, refrigerators, etc.

(b) The following is the present status of problem areas reported in preceding report.

1. Generators 45KW, 400 and 60 CPS: Actuator failures occur at such a low frequency as to no longer be considered a problem area. Dry weather has eliminated the problems pertaining to moisture. The overall generator deadline rate has been reduced from an average of nine per day during previous period to a present average of four per day. Generators evacuated are still slow in being returned to units.

2. Melting Cables: This problem continues. Nine additional launchers have undergone cable replacement during this reporting period. Replacement cables are now being received in sufficient quantity as to be available for one launcher per week. One launcher per week is the rate at which DSP can make repairs and still keep pace with other requirements. EIR control number Q10254 was submitted in November 1966 concerning the melting cables. Most of the cables being used in the replacement program are of a different make and should not have the melting problem.

3. Generator Repair by Replacement: To date, 28 45KW 400 CPS generators have been replaced, eight of these during the last reporting period. Sufficient generators are on hand at GSU level to meet our requirements. There are no 60CPS replacements available. All 45KW 60CPS generators within this battalion have reached, or will reach, the 6,000 hour mark during the next reporting period.

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4. Test Equipment: Excessive delay in repair of test equipment still continues to plague units of this battalion. A large percentage of the Not Combat Ready Combat Readiness Evaluations each day are the result of insufficient test equipment. The DSP has submitted a list of test equipment awaiting repair over 60 days to the 97th Artillery Group ATTN: S4 for the purpose of obtaining permission to requisition replacements for those items. All supporting agencies have been instructed not to evacuate out-of-country any items of test equipment sent to them for repair.

d. Repairs and utilities: Generators for administrative power. On 20 October 66, a work order was submitted to provide 3 of the batteries with commercial generators for cantonment power. On 30 December 66, this work order was returned disapproved because of inadequacies in the (self-help-installed) power distribution systems at the three sites, and notice was received that generators would not be issued until wiring improvements were made. Engineer support units state that there will be a long delay in accomplishment of this work. Meanwhile, cantonment power for the three batteries continues to be provided by overburdened tactical generators.

SECTION II (C) Commanders Observations and Recommendations

1. (C-MHA) Part I: Observations (Lessons Learned)

Logistics.

✓ ITEM: HAWK Chassis.

DISCUSSION: During the first 60 days of this reporting period it was discovered that approximately 50 per cent of the chassis repaired by the DSP shop were unserviceable when system-checked by fire units. Investigation revealed a number of contributing factors. Among them were lack of proper production control, quality control and system-check procedures within the DSP. Although TO&E inspectors are provided, they are in fact section chiefs of the various sections. A production and quality control section has been established utilizing one NCO from the DSP and the entire EMM section. Chassis are repaired by DSP shops, inspected by the quality control NCO and system checked by EMM personnel. The failure rate at unit level has been reduced to 25 percent during the last 15 days of this report period. Recommended changes to the TO&E will be forwarded. These changes will include the necessary personnel for operation of a production and quality control system.

OBSERVATION: Production and quality control are of vital importance in support of HAWK firing batteries. When not provided for by TO&E they must be obtained at the expense of other areas.

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2. (U) Part II Recommendations:

None

Peter B Farrell

PETER B. FARRELL
LTC, Artillery
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HEADQUARTERS, 97TH ARTILLERY GROUP (AD), APO 96307

15 Mar 67

TO: Commanding General, United States Army Vietnam, ATTN: AVHAG-DH
APO 96307

The following comments are provided in accordance with USARV Regulation 870-2 (Paragraphs refer to basic document):

1. Para 2 (U) Personnel - All of the MOS's identified as shortages are a result of insufficient fill action against valid requisitions. This matter has been repeatedly brought to the attention of the USARV AG. Sizeable fill action has been received against requisitions for MOS 31M since the period of the report and that MOS no longer is in a shortage status.

2. Para 5 (U) Logistics

a. 5a - On 13 February 1967 a letter was forwarded to Saigon Support Command for status of the TOE shortages listed. Action is still pending.

b. 5c (1) - The direct exchange office of the 79th Ordnance Battalion, which provides battery support to the 56th Artillery, recently has had to establish issue priorities. Batteries are now issued automatically if an end item of equipment is non-operational due to an unserviceable battery.

c. 5c (2) (b) 3 - The 56th Artillery has submitted 12 requisitions for 45KW, 60 cycle generators used to power the coder-decoder group, a part of the battery terminal equipment. USAMEC has recognized these requisitions as valid and by message has recommended that the 1st Logistical Command issue twelve 30KW, 60 cycle, generators which are due in Vietnam during March 1967 to the 97th Artillery Group and in turn to the 56th Artillery. The 30KW is a satisfactory substitute for the 45KW generator presently in use.

d. 5c (2) (b) 4 - On 17 January 1967 this headquarters forwarded a letter to 1st Logistical Command requesting the 79th Maintenance Battalion to provide credit for thirteen (13) test sets and the 69th Signal Battalion provide credit for six (6) test sets. On 13 February 1967 the 79th Maintenance Battalion provided the 56th Artillery with credit for thirteen (13) test sets. On 22 February 1967 the letter was indorsed to 1st Signal Brigade to secure credit for six (6) test sets in 69th Signal Battalion maintenance shop. Action is still pending on this request.

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e. 5d - Pacific Architects and Engineers has indicated that two generators will be provided to the 56th Artillery within 30 days. Approved wiring will be required only after a centralized power source is provided.

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for EDWARD J. DALEY
Colonel, Artillery
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31 January 1967 (RCS CSFOR-65)

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY VIETNAM, APO San Francisco 96307 25 APR 1967

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific, ATTN: GPDP-OT
APO 96558

1. This headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the period ending 31 January 1967 from Headquarters, 6th Battalion, 56th Artillery, as indorsed.

2. Pertinent comments follow:

a. Reference Paragraphs 2a, b, and c, Page 3, and Paragraph 1, 1st Indorsement, concerning personnel shortages: Of the three HAWK mechanic MOS's which remain critically short, records of this headquarters indicate requisitions have been properly submitted, yet remain unfilled. Fill of requisitions submitted through June, however, should resolve these shortages. Senior noncommissioned officer name fills for August, 1967 are still lacking in certain instances; however, this should not be cause for concern until June 1967. This headquarters monitors all of the above actions as a portion of the personnel management system. Recommend continued emphasis on the part of Department of the Army to fill requisitions in the grade and MOS requested.

b. Reference Paragraph 31, Page 5, concerning the need for a senior dog handler: MTOE 44-236D, submitted to USARPAC on 9 March 1967, includes the requirement for one E4, MOS 95B40. *OK*

c. Reference Paragraph 5a, Pages 6 and 7, and Paragraph 2a, 1st Indorsement, concerning equipment shortages: Records of this headquarters reflect no approval for above equipment on USARV Form 47R as addition to TOE. If the items have in fact been approved by a DA authorization document, the unit should cancel the existing requests and resubmit, citing their tabular authority. If, as the indorsing headquarters states, the equipment is TOE, action taken by that headquarters is appropriate.

d. Reference Paragraph 5c(2)(b)1, Page 8, concerning the delay in the return of evacuated generators: As these generators are a low-density, non-standard item, there are not sufficient numbers on hand to build up a maintenance float, thus adding to delays in their return. A solution to this problem will result when the standardization program materializes.

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e. Reference Paragraph 5c(2)(b)4, Page 9, and Paragraph 2d, 1st Indorsement, concerning repair of test equipment: Repair parts for this test equipment are in short supply throughout the supply system. Every possible source is screened for each request and, when the parts become available, they are shipped by Red Ball Express.

f. Reference Paragraph 5d, Page 9, and Paragraph 2e, 1st Indorsement, concerning generators for cantonment power: Concur with action reported in 1st Indorsement.

g. Reference Item on HAWK chassis, Page 9: MTOE 44-236D, submitted to USARPAC on 9 March 1967, includes one E6, independent of section chief responsibilities, in each of the following inspector MOS's: 23S20, 23T20, 22K40, 22K20, and 26F40. *dc*

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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HQ, US ARMY, PACIFIC, APO San Francisco 96558 12 MAY 1967

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the
Army, Washington, D. C. 20310

1. (U) The Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the period ending 31 January 1967 from Headquarters, 6th Battalion, 56th Artillery has been reviewed and this headquarters concurs in the report as indorsed.

2. (C) The following additional information is furnished relative to the portions of the report and/or indorsements indicated:

a. Reference paragraphs 2a, b, c and d, Section I, basic report; paragraph 1, 1st Indorsement; and paragraph 2a, 2d Indorsement:

(1) As of 28 April 1967, the USARV Periodic Personnel Report shows the authorized and operating strengths of the 97th Artillery Group (AD) to be:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Authorized	97	38	1758	1,893
Operating*	102	40	2124	2,266

*Does not include Transients and Patients

(2) As of 31 March 1967, the overall status of Hawk Maintenance MOS in USARV was as follows:

<u>MOS</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>ACCOUNTABLE</u>
22J	Hawk Msl Lchr Mech	66	58
22K	Hawk Msl Lchr Rpmn	24	57
23P	Hawk FC Mech	44	40
23Q	Hawk FC Rpmn	0	6
23R	Hawk CW Radar Rpmn	34	31
23S	Hawk Acqn Radar Rpmn	19	15
23T	Hawk CW Radar Rpmn	31	28
23V	Hawk Maint Chief	0	7
	Total	218	242

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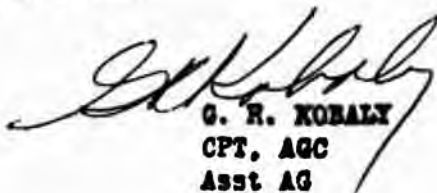
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b. The Air Defense Status Reports received on a weekly basis from USARV have consistently reflected all Hawk Firing Batteries in the 97th Artillery Group to be C-1. (Rating is based on standards established by AR 220-1.)

c. Reference paragraph 2g, 2d Indorsement: MTOE 44-236D was forwarded to DA on 13 March 1967.

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