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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 July to 31 July 1968

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PART I

Organizational Data~~UNCLASSIFIED~~1. DESIGNATION

1st Battalion, 3d Marines

COMMANDERS

LtCol C. V. JARMAN

(1-31 Jul68)

Subordinate Units

H&S Co

Capt W. H. OSGOOD

(1-5 Jul68)

Co A

1stLt R. A. DUNN JR.

(6-31 Jul68)

Co B

1stLt R. A. ANDREWS

(1-31 Jul68)

Co C

1stLt G. S. FORD

(1-13 Jul68)

Co D

Capt F. W. TUCKWILLER

(14-31 Jul68)

Capt G. D. DOCKENDORFF

(1-31 Jul68)

Capt D. E. FOX

(1-7 Jul68)

1stLt S. B. HUNT

(8-14 Jul68)

1stLt D. E. MACINTYRE JR.

(15-31 Jul68)

2. LOCATION

1-8 July: CUA VIET Waterway Complex, RVN

9-31 July: LANCASTER II Operating Area

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj E. J. ROCHFORD JR

(1-31 Jul68)

S-1

1stLt R. J. BARNES

(1-31 Jul68)

S-2

1stLt S. W. BELL

(1-31 Jul68)

S-3

Maj A. S. REYNOLDS JR.

(1-31 Jul68)

S-4

Capt T. V. RICHARDSON

(1-27 Jul68)

S-5

Capt J. L. SHAW

(28-31 Jul68)

1stLt S. W. BELL

(1-31 Jul68)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
<u>OFF/ENL</u>	<u>OFF/ENL</u>
28/1034	2/54

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of July 1968, 1st Battalion, 3d Marines participated in operations in the CUA VIET Waterway Complex and the LUNC-SUMER II AO. The following events are introduced in chronological order.

From 1-3 July, Headquarters, 1st Bn, 3d Marines (-), and Co A located at BIG JOHN remained OPCCN to the 3d Marines with Co C being located at NHI HA (YD 270704). Co B with Amtracs was located south of the CUA VIET River (YD 355685) in a blocking and patrolling posture. Co D was OPCCN to the 3d Marine Division and located at QUANG TRI Combat Base in a perimeter defense position in the vicinity of hill 22 (YD 295527).

On 4 July the Battalion (-) (Rein) joined by Co B commenced Third Marines operation in the J NES CMBEK area with the following events as they occurred:

At 041555H Co B located in the vicinity of (YD 254705) observed 12 indigenous personnel moving through the area. ID Cards were checked and personnel released.

At 041715H Co C received small arms and automatic weapons fire from a treeline and village ruins located at (YD 246718). The enemy force, estimated at one platoon broke contact at 041930H after being taken under fire by small-arms, automatic weapons fire, 60 and 81mm mortars, LAMP's, Huey Gunships and fixed wing aircraft. This action resulted in the following casualties: 1 USMC KIA and 2 MIA (MedEvac). The enemy sustained 5 KIA's.

At 041717H Co C located in the vicinity of (YD 249716) found 28 rounds of 82mm mortar, 5 REG rounds, and 10 blocks of TNT. Items blown in place.

At 041725H Co B received small-arms fire and approximately 12 rounds of 82mm mortar fire in the vicinity of (YD 245715). Artillery mission was fired with unknown results. Results: 5 USMC KIA (MedEvac) 1 USMC KIA (Minor).

At 040044H Co C received small-arms and approximately 25 rounds of 60mm mortar fire in the vicinity of (YD 250725). Tanks, air support and organic weapons were used to destroy bunkers, trenchlines and spider holes. Results: 2 MIA KIA.

At 051050H Co C reported 9 secondary explosions from friendly air strikes in vicinity of (YD 243722). Contact with enemy continued and they were taken under fire by supporting arms. Results: 7 MIA KIA by artillery.

At 051500H Co C received enemy small-arms fire from (YD 252719), (YD 246725) and (YD 245725) also 11 rounds of 60mm mortar fire. Utilizing supporting arms and small unit tactics, Co C destroyed the enemy bunkers and overcame the enemy resistance. Results: 2 MIA KIA, 3 USMC KIA (MedEvac), 59 MIA KIA.

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At 051850H A Kit Carson Scout attached to Co C in the vicinity of (YD 249719) talked two NVA into surrendering. On questioning one stated he was a member of Co A, K-11 Battalion, and had come down from the north two nights before. The prisoner indicated 4 companies crossed at the same time with a strength of 100 men each. The unit carried 3 82mm mortars, 6 RPG's and 5 B-40 rockets. The second POW was a replacement.

At 051915H 1/3 received approximately 55 rounds of 130mm artillery fire from an unknown location. Fired counter artillery fire with unknown results.

At 052000H 1/3 received 25-30 rounds of 82mm mortar fire, small-arms RPG and 57mm recoilless rifle fire in the vicinity of (YD 243733). Results: 1 USMC KIA (MedEvac) 4 USMC KIA (Minor), 1 damaged USMC tank. Artillery and mortar missions were fired with unknown results.

At 052015H A tank attached to Co C in the vicinity of (YD 249717) hit an AT mine while moving into a night position. The Results: 2 USMC KIA (MedEvac). Tank was disabled.

At 060625H Co C lines spotted 2 NVA in the vicinity of (YD 246721). Enemy was taken under small-arms fire. Results: 2 NVA KIA.

At 060945H a member of Co B in the vicinity of (YD 253724), tripped unknown type of surprise firing device. Results: 1 USMC KIA (MedEvac).

At 061155H Co B received small-arms fire from the vicinity of (YD 253724). Small-arms fire was returned. Results: 5 NVA KIA.

At 061245H 1/3 received approximately 40-45 rounds of artillery believed to be 130mm artillery from the vicinity of (YD 226795). Results: 1 USMC KIA. Artillery mission and air strikes called with unknown results.

At 061300H a member of Co C tripped a Chi Com directional claymore in the vicinity of (YD 246722). Results: 1 USMC KIA (MedEvac).

At 061720H 1/3 received approximately 25-30 rounds of suspected 130mm artillery in the vicinity of (YD 247724) from unknown location. Results: 14 USMC KIA (MedEvac) and 8 USMC KIA (Minor).

At 062030H Co B in the vicinity of (YD 247724) captured two (2) NVA in fighting holes. They were reinforcements from the K-11 Bn and the 138th Regt. Captured enemy weapons and equipment included 6 AK-47's, 1 SKS rifle, 7 directional AP mines, 1 Soviet AT mine, 23 82mm mortar rounds, 1 NVA pack and assorted small-arms ammunition. 1 POW sent to S-2, 3d Marines. Total NVA KIA's for 06 July, 56.

At 062050H Co B captured 1 NVA in the vicinity of (YD 243735) POW sent to S-2 3d Marines for interrogation. Also located 2 SKS, 2 IMG, 3 AK-47 and 1 bolt action rifle.

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At 070745H 1/3 received approximately 40-45 rounds of 130mm artillery fire in the vicinity of (YD 245727) Results: 2 USMC WIA (MedEvac) and 5 USMC WIA (Minor).

At 070800H Co D was relieved of its responsibilities at QUANG TRI Combat Base and helilifted to (YD 247722) and joined 1/3 in the field at 071100H.

At 070830H Co B in the vicinity of (YD 242733) found 1 AK-47, 1 NVA training manual, and a notebook belonging to a propaganda officer. Captured equipment sent to S-2, 3d Marines.

At 070845H 1/3 received 75-80 rounds of 85mm artillery and mortar fire and encountered heavy enemy resistance as they assaulted in the vicinity of (YD 242733). Company's A and B conducted a coordinated attack utilizing tanks, artillery and organic support.

At 071045H Enemy appeared to be breaking contact in vicinity of (YD 242733) Results: 1 USMC KIA, 6 USMC WIA (MedEvac), 1 USMC WIA (Minor) and 15 NVA KIA.

At 071335H 1/3 captured 1 NVA POW, found 7 NVA bodies and 6 individual weapons in objective area vicinity of (YD 241737). Results: 7 NVA KIA, 1 NVA POW and six weapons sent to S-2 3d Marines.

At 071445H Companies A and B secured the final objective area in the vicinity of (YD 232753) with light resistance. Results: 2 NVA KIA, 2 82mm mortar tubes, 1 62mm base plate and one AK-47.

At 071630H Co B reported total enemy casualties on 7 July 1968 were 36 NVA KIA.

At 071734H 1/3 received congratulatory message from CG, 3d MarDiv for actions on 5-6 July 1968. Message attached as supporting document.

At 081200H 1/3 helilifted to QUANG TRI for operation SURE (a one day refitting program).

At 090930H 1/3 moved by motor transport convoy to LZ STUD and OPCON was passed to the 4th Marines.

At 091930 1/3 assumed OPCON of 1/4 Bravo Command Group, D/1/4, G/2/4 and H/1/9. These units were utilized as security for Gen. J. J. CARROLL, TRUC SON DAM and KHE GIO Bridge.

At 092350H a platoon from Co A located at (XD 989549) heard definite movement in front of lines. Two grenades were thrown and movement stopped. Area searched at first light with negative results.

At 101305H 1/3 located at (YD 001483) received approximately 29 rounds of undetermined caliber rocket fire from the vicinity of (XD 906524). The first volley contained from 12 to 15 rounds, the following 3 contained 4 each.

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At 110100H 1/3 commenced a 6 day resupply and resolidation period at LZ STUD with Co C being located at Co B.

At 111530H CACON of G/2/4 was passed to the 4th Marines.

At 112110H Co B line platoon received firing during passage route 9 to the west in the vicinity of (XD 999493). Firing small arms at figure with unknown results.

At 120345H Co B received 5 rounds of unknown caliber rocket fire from the vicinity of (XD 999460). Counter-rocket fire requested and situation fixed with unknown results.

At 121530H 1/3 assumed CPOON of L/3/4.

At 121710H Co A located an AK-47 in the vicinity of (XD 993483). The weapon was found while checking defensive positions. Condition of weapon indicated that it had been there for some time. The weapon was turned into S-2 4th Marines.

At 122040H Co D in the vicinity of (XD 976476) heard movement near position; six grenades were thrown with unknown results.

At 122050H A platoon from Co B spotted night activity, threw grenades and illuminated area. Area searched at first light with negative results.

At 131200H A platoon from Co B provided "BARRO" HOME" security for a downed helicopter in the vicinity of (XD 982359). Helicopter was repaired and removed from area.

At 131930H CPOON of L/3/4 was passed to the 4th Marines.

At 132220H Co C observed two unidentified persons moving through heavy grass in vicinity of (YD 013452). Individuals were taken under fire, results unknown.

At 140545H CO, 1/3 issued congratulatory message for a job well done to 2nd Plt, B Co, 3d Engineer Bn and OTHER Det, 3d Motor Transport Bn. Message attached as supporting document.

At 142100H Co C located at (YD 013450) observed 25-30 enemy carrying weapons. They made no attempt to remain silent. Force moved to within 10 meters of friendly positions. Artillery and 60mm missions called, movement was still noticed after missions were fired. Artillery H&I's continued throughout the hours of darkness. Results: 5 NVA KIA.

At 151730H CPOON of 1/4 Bravo Command Group, D/1/4, and D/1/9 was passed to the 4th Marines.

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At 161940H O. CGN of 1/3 was passed from the 4th Marines to the 3d Marines.

At 180800H 1/3 commenced participation in a multi-Regional operation in northern LANCASTER II AO. The general task was to secure and construct LZ's suitable for a small assault force and general resupply along MUTTERS RIDGE in an east west direction between horizontal grids 61 and 62.

At 180900H 1/3 completed construction of Landing Zone CHARLIE in vicinity of (XD 012617).

At 191200H Co B found an old unused observation platform made of vines and branches in vicinity of (XD 021624). The CO has complete observation of the surrounding area including Camp Carroll. 1/3 completed construction of LZ JOYCE in vicinity of (XD 019622).

At 191230H Co B uncovered a decomposed body, pieces of NVA clothing and 50 rounds of AK-47 ammunition in vicinity of (XD 015616).

At 200030H Co A detected movement in front of lines vicinity of (XD 01161). Threw 4 frag grenades with unknown results.

At 201200H in vicinity of (XD 016613) Co B found a decomposed body and a destroyed M16 rifle. Rifle sent to S-2 3d Marines.

At 211030H 1/3 found the carriage of a 12.7 AA Gun in vicinity of (XD 012617) it was forwarded to S-2 3d Marines.

At 211200H 1/3 completed construction of LZ ED in vicinity of (XD 993612).

At 211500H 1/3 completed construction of LZ MERILEN in vicinity of (XD 997615).

At 211900H 1/3 completed construction of LZ AUDREY in vicinity of (XD 969612).

At 221745H 1/3 ass med OPCON of K/3/3.

At 221800H 1/3 completed construction of LZ BOB in vicinity of (XD 98A613).

At 230000H 1/3 completed construction of LZ ALY in vicinity of (XD 974615).

At 231130H Co C found one Chinese mine with surprise firing device in vicinity of (XD 977616).

At 231200H 1/3 completed construction of LZ HELEN in vicinity of (XD 966616).

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At 231700H 1/3 completed construction of LZ MAC in vicinity of (XD 968617).

At 262310H Co A detected movement in vicinity of (XD 963617). Threw one grenade and noise ceased. Negative results.

At 271000H 1/3 helilifted to LZ BECKY in vicinity of (XD 858615).

At 281600H Co C located bunker and enemy fighting holes in vicinity of (XD 846615), (XD 847617) and (XD 851620). All positions were old and unoccupied. An unused 1 foot wide trail was located in vicinity (XD 848617). The trail was overgrown with jungle and had a wooden staircase leading to the top of a hill in vicinity of (XD 849617).

At 290300H Co A detected movement at (XD 858613) and took 5-10 rounds of small-arms fire. Returned fire and called artillery mission with unknown results. Results: 2 USMC MIL (MedEvac).

At 300800H Co A found 12 old NVA fighting holes in vicinity (XD 859612). One M-16 in bad condition was found in vicinity of (XD 865622) and sent to 3d Marines.

At 301020H Co A found 2 sets of bare foot prints and 1 set boot prints in vicinity of (XD 825619) along the river.

At 301410H Co A spotted one NVA in uniform running north along a trail in vicinity of (XD 885617). Took under fire with small arms with unknown results. Artillery mission was called in with unknown results.

At 301420H Co A found a main trail in vicinity of (XD 885617) winding north and south. Smaller trails ran east and west off the main trail. Fighting holes were located along both sides of the trail. At the river crossing vicinity of (XD 885617) a 1/8" steel wire was located to aid in river crossings.

As the month of July ended 1st Bn, 3d Marines continued its aggressive patrolling in its assigned area of responsibility.

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PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events1. Combat Missions Assigned

Basic Mission: NAPOLEON/SALINE AO 1-8 July 1968

a. With assigned forces, conduct aggressive ground surveillance, Search and Destroy Operations and Spoiling Attacks in assigned area of operations to ensure uninterrupted traffic on the CUA VIET River and to detect and interdict NVA/VC infiltration routes.

b. Initially conduct systematic Search and Destroy Operations along south bank of CUA VIET River in area of operations to deny enemy direct fire capability against river traffic.

c. Be prepared, on order, to extend operations to the southern/western portions of area of operations to deny enemy's capability to deliver indirect fire against river traffic, DONG HA, CUA VIET and QUANG TRI.

LARCAWATER II AO 10-31 July 1968

a. Conduct Search and Destroy operations in assigned area to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications, supply caches and be prepared to support ARVN elements by fire or maneuver.

2. Significant Operations Conducted

During the period 1-3 July 1968 1st Bn, 3d Marines expended the major portions of its energies on general patrolling and security for supporting elements within the CUA VIET Waterway Complex.

During the period 4-8 July 1968 1st Bn, 3d Marines (-) (Rein) participated in Operation JONES CREEK with the missions as follows, move north in zone west of JONES CREEK to secure regimental objective 8 north of BAI AN (YD 244744). Provide security in depth for ARVN engineer road operations. Be prepared to continue offensive operations north in zone on order.

AO 1st Bn 3d Marines FRAG ORDER 14-68 010800H July 1968

During the period 18-31 July 1968 1st Bn, 3d Marines conducted a surprise assault to secure LZ GULL (YD 025612) and seize objective 7. Establish patrol base and conduct extensive patrolling of area to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications and supply caches. Construct positions on high ground. Be prepared to seize objective 9 on order and conduct operations in BROTHERS RIDGE area.

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Conduct heliborne assault commencing 270700H July (D-10) to seize LZ BECKY. Establish FSB at LZ BECKY. Conduct search and destroy operations in and along CAN LO River Basin in AO. After conducting operations west of LZ BECKY, conduct sweep operations along CAN LO River Basin east toward LZ BERGO. Be prepared to conduct other operations as directed.

Ref: CO, 3d Marines OPERATION ORDER 3-68 13 July 1968
 CO, 3d Marines FRAG ORDER 22-68 191300H July 1968
 CO, 3d Marines FRAG ORDER 24-68 232400H July 1968

3. Casualties Inflicted

167 WIA 71 KIA
 5 POW
 6 Detainees

4. Casualties Sustained

	<u>USIC</u>	<u>USN</u>
<u>KIA</u>	5	0
<u>WIA (MCHIVAC)</u>	55	2
<u>WIA (Minor)</u>	39	1

5. Command Relations

ADCON

1-31 July 1968 - Third Marine Division

OPCON

1-8 July - Third Marine Regiment
 9-16 July - Fourth Marine Regiment
 17-31 July - Third Marine Regiment

6. Supply. The supply system during the month of July operated with no significant problems. Supplies were adequate, however, items of clothing were hard to obtain for the rehabilitation program (Operation SURE).

7. Motor Transport. During the period 10-31 July 1968 truck support from Division Motor Transport was not adequate to support the Battalion at LZ BERGO with supplies and newly arrived personnel. In addition, the Battalion rear mess facilities were feeding elements of the 26th Marines, providing sector guard at QUANG TRI Combat Base, and road sweep missions and no vehicular support. This Battalion has only 2 M-37 Personnel Carriers, one of which is permanently located at LZ STUD.

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8. Administration

a. The usual administrative problems were encountered during this time, however, overall administration was considered to be satisfactory.

(1) Awards Recommended

- 1 Navy Cross
- 5 Silver Star Medals
- 1 Legion of Merit
- 2 Bronze Star Medals
- 11 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry Medals

(2) Awards Presented

- 5 Silver Star Medals
- 2 Bronze Star Medals
- 2 Navy Commendation Medals
- 14 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry Medals

(3) Promotions Effected

- 14 Corporals
- 16 Lance Corporals
- 4 Privates First Class

b. Postal. Mail service was considered to be satisfactory.

9. Personnela. Administrative Gains

	USMC	USN
Officers	6	2
Enlisted	142	15

b. Administrative Losses

	USMC	USN
Officers	12	2
Enlisted	94	9

10. Intelligence. During July, First Battalion, Third Marines had one significant contact with the NVL from 4-8 July near LMI 22, IC LINH District (AO 247737) the battalion fought elements of the 138th Independent Regiment and of the 40th Regiment of the 320th Division. The enemy fought a defensive battle from triangular company formations in prepared positions which consisted of one-man fighting holes with overhead cover with the holes 10-20 meters apart. The enemy dug his positions to take advantage of the terrain and concealment afforded by graves, dikes, hedgerows, destroyed buildings, and old fighting holes. The enemy reinforced for three nights with

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up to company-size elements, with at least one company crossing the BEN HAI River and marching all night to arrive at LAI AN.

The enemy called in over 200 rounds of 85mm and 130mm artillery from the northern DMZ, and he also utilized 60mm and 82mm mortars, RPG's, anti-tank mines, machine guns, etc.

Our battalion confirmed 162 NVA KIA's and captured 7, the latter giving evidence to the enemy's low state of morale. None of the captives had heard of the CHIEF HOI Program and 4 had had only 4-8 weeks of training. 3 of the captured enemy were talked out of bunkers to surrender by 2 Kit Carson Scouts and 2 interpreters. Also, the battalion captured 10 AK-47's, 6 SKS's, 5 LMG, 2 82mm mortars, and large amounts of equipment and ammunition.

During Operation SCOTLAND II from 9-18 July 20 rocket and artillery rounds hit LZ STUB vicinity (XD 9948) on 11 July, 5 enemy were killed outside the perimeter at CL LU vicinity (XD 018454) during the night of 14 July, and a .30 caliber MG plus an AK-47 were found inside the perimeter at LZ STUB.

During Operation LANCASTER II from 18-26 July at MUTTERS RIDGE vicinity (XD 029024-AD 960617) the enemy totally avoided contact, and it appeared that no enemy had been in the area for several months. 100 overgrown fighting holes, 2 82mm mortar pits, 1 tree observation platform vicinity (YD 020623) the carriage of a 12.7 MG Gun, and the remains of an SKS rifle and a .45 pistol were found.

The Battalion then moved up HAYRIDE Valley to a position vicinity (XD 854614) near SMARTS ROCK vicinity (XD 840624) from 27-31 July. A well-used trail running north and south with fighting holes on both sides was located vicinity (XD 885617) and 2 NVA were sighted. During this period unreported micro-gravel impeded progress.

The use of a Polaroid Camera to take photographs of the LZ's supplemented visual reconnaissance and provided a briefing aid.

The following enemy weapons and equipment were captured during the period 1-31 July 1968:

Individual Weapons Captured

AK-47	27
SKS Carbine	7
.45 Pistol	1

Crew-served Weapons Captured

82mm Mortar	2
Light Machine Gun	6
RPG Rocket Launcher	4

Geographic Equipment

AK-47 magazines	54
SKS magazines	56
AK-47 rounds	660
AK-47 magazines	8
AK-47 magazines	9
Anti-tank Mines	1
AK-47 magazines	109
Anti-personnel Mines	1
AK-47 magazines	25

RPG Boosters	6
60mm Mortar Rounds	21
.50 cal MG Rounds	50
7.62mm Rounds	250
Blasting Caps	11
TNT (lbs)	54
NVA Packs	1
Electronic Detonator	1

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Captured Documents

Note Book 1

1. Fire Support. From 1-31 July 1966 the following units fired in support of the 1st Battalion, 3d Marines

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
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Direct Support

Btry A, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 945618)
Btry C, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 063547)
Btry E, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 857615)
Btry F, 1st Bn, 12th Marines (USA)	(YD 063547)

General Support

Btry W, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 985546)
Btry X, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 868614)
Btry Y, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 945618)
Btry B, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 987546)
Btry R, 1st Bn, 12th Marines	(YD 063547)

Missions Fired

Observed	120
Registration	29
Drop	34
M&T	1149
Total	1332

Expenditures Expended

<u>Type</u>	<u>No. Fired</u>
Smoke	1
HE	5939
WP	290
Illum	25
Total	6255

During July the heaviest usage of helicopter support was for troop lifts being the next priority. There was a decrease in HO support and fixed wing sorties, both CAS and ground support. No significant helicopter problems during this period and all were considered good.

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Med Evacs	36
PLX	62
Resupply	178
Troop Lifts	149
V.R.	15
C & C	1
Gunships	9
L. O.	38
Fixed Wing	83

13. Communications. No major difficulties were encountered during July with the exception of occasional typical interference and over-riding of stations on certain nets.

14. Training

a. Objective. To maintain and improve the high state of combat efficiency of the Battalion.

b. Highlights

During the month of July nine In-country Troop Indoctrination and Paratrooper Training programs were conducted.

0600 0300 1500, 30

01 July - One enlisted member attended the SECO Leadership Indoctrination course conducted at 3d MarDiv (Admin) CP QUANG TRI, RVN.

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02 July - One enlisted member attended the SECO Leadership Indoctrination course conducted at 3d MarDiv (Admin) CP QUANG TRI, RVN.

0200 03 3d MarDiv msg 081450Z Jun68

03 July - An operational critique was conducted for the officers and soldiers. The subject of this critique was the 3d Marines JAMES CREEK Campground.

04 July - One enlisted member attended the 16th, Division Paratrooper Course held at 3d MarDiv CP (Admin) QUANG TRI, RVN.

05 July - One enlisted member attended the C.M. SIG/CRYPTO school conducted at the U.S. Fleet Activity, Yokosuka, Japan.

0600 03 3d MarDiv msg 161216Z Jun68

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27 July - 5 enlisted members were nominated to attend the RCO
Leadership School conducted at Camp Hansen, Okinawa.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

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THIRD MAR OPERATIONS JONES CREEK AREA 4-8 JULY 1968

FIRST BN THIRD MAR COMPLETED A VERY SUCCESSFUL OPERATION ALONG JONES CREEK 4-8 JULY 1968. IT IS WITH EXTREME PLEASURE THAT I EXPRESS MY THANKS TO ELEMENTS OF THE OTTER PLATOON, H&CO, THIRD MT BN AND SECOND PLATOON, B CO, THIRD ENGINEER BN FOR THE FINE ASSISTANCE THEY RENDERED FIRST BN THIRD MAR.

THE OTTERS RENDERED YEOMAN SERVICE RESUPPLYING THE FRONT LINES, EVACUATING CASUALTIES TO THE REAR AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FIRE POWER. THE ENGINEERS PROVED TO BE HIGHLY VALUABLE DESTROYING THE LARGE NUMBER OF BUNKERS, MINES, BOOBY TRAPS AND AMMUNITION CACHES DISCOVERED. AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE. LTCOL JARMAN SENDS.

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1. THE AGGRESSIVE SPIRIT AND HARD FIGHTING OF 1ST BN, 3D MARINES IN THE 5-6 JULY ACTIONS HAS BEEN NOTED WITH PLEASURE. THE FINE RESULTS ACCOMPLISHED IN TERMS OF NVA KIA(C), POWS, AND WPNS CAPTURED WHILE KEEPING MARINE CASUALTIES LOW, SPEAKS WELL FOR THE LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM OF THE BN.
 2. EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF 1/3 ON THEIR SUCCESS IN BATTLE. WELL DONE!
- MAJ GEN DAVIS SENDS

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OPERATION ORDER 3-65

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Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. (See Intel Est Report)
- b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Task Force Hotel conducts coordinated multi-echelon ground operation in Lamboyer AO to seek out, locate, and destroy enemy forces, find and destroy supply/transport channels and interdict infiltration routes in the objective area.

(2) 9th Marines lands two Bns at Lamboyer in order to locate and destroy enemy forces and is prepared to reinforce 14th Marines.

(3) 2d ARVN Regiment conducts search and destroy operations in area.

(4) Artillery

- (a) 3d BN, 12th Marine G Co and support B Co
 - (b) 1 Btry, 4th Bn, 12th Marine Artillery
- 3d Marine Div.
- (a) 4th Bn, 12th Mar reinf 1st Bn, 12th Mar
 - (b) 1st Btry, 3d Bn, 12th Mar, 1st Bn, 12th Mar

(5) Air Support

- (a) MAC 39 provides direct support for assault and resupply.
- (b) 1st MAW provides base maintenance.

(6) Co B, 3d Engr Bn direct support of the line.

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- (1) Flt 3d Engr Bn
- (2) Flt 3d Recon Bn

2. MISSION

a. 3d Marines (reinf) conducts search and destroy operations in assigned area to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications, and supply caches and is prepared to support 1st MAF by fire or maneuver.

3. EXECUTION

(a) Concept of Operation

- (1) Scheme of Maneuver See Annex B (Concept of Operations Overlay).
- (2) Fire support See Annex C (Fire Support).

(b) 1st Bn (Reinf)

- (1) At _____ on D+1 conduct search and destroy operations to secure LZ Gull (YD025612) and seize _____.
- (2) Establish patrol base and conduct search and destroy operations of area to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications, and supply caches. Op 1 LZ Gull or 1st Bn 1st MAF
- (3) Be prepared to seize _____ and _____ Mutters Ridge area.
- (4) Be prepared to conduct other operations as directed.

(c) 2d Bn (Reinf)

- (1) At _____ on D+1 conduct search and destroy operations to secure LZ Falcon (YD025612) and seize _____.
- (2) Establish patrol base and conduct search and destroy operations to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications, and supply caches in area. Op 1 LZ Falcon or 1st Bn 1st MAF
- (3) Be prepared to continue attack as directed on D+2 and 3 on order.
- (4) Be prepared to conduct other operations as directed.

(d) Reserve - 3d Bn (Reinf)

- (1) Initially Regimental reserve. Be prepared to attack _____ or assume the mission of either 1st Bn or 2d Bn.
 - (2) On D+1 or D+2 be prepared to conduct a surprise assault to secure LZ Buzzard (YD025601) and seize _____.
 - (3) Be prepared to continue to attack and seize _____ on order.
 - (4) Be prepared to remain in _____ until _____.
- Small Cnd (wp to execute 2nd MAF operations) and _____
Cardinal / (YD025612) and conduct operations in the _____ area.

e. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) D-Day 16 July 1968
- (2) L-Hour 0700H
- (3) Hand held riot control agents authorized, bulk dissemination of CS must be approved by this headquarters.
- (4) Be prepared to reinforce 2d ARVN Regiment by fire or maneuver.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS-----ANNEX D (Administration and Logistics)5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICSa. Communication

- (1) Stage Pre 47 at LSA for employment on order.
- (2) Code Name. Unclassified code name of this operation is LANCASTER II.
- (3) Thrust Points. Reference (a)
- (4) Brevity Codes. Reference (b)

b. Command --3d Marines CP located Camp Carroll.
Report changes in CP's via SitRep.

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Annexes:

- ✓ A. Task Organization
- ✓ B. Concept of Operation Overlay
- ✓ C. Fire Support
- ✓ D. Admin/Logistics
- ✓ X. Distribution

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3D Marines (Reinf)
 Camp Carroll, IVCN
 13 July 1968

Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 3-68

- 3d Marines (Reinf) LTCOL SQUIRE
- Hdq Co (-), 3d Marines
- Plat, 3d Recon Bn
- 1st Bn, 3d Marines LTCOL JARMAN
- Det, Comm Plt, Hdq Co 3d Mar
- Det, Scout/Sniper Plt, Hdq Co, 3d Mar
- 1st Plt, Co B, 3d Engr Bn D/Stub
- Hst Tm, Co (-) SP Bn
- 2nd Bn, #d Marines LTCOL DAVIS
- Det, Comm Plt, Hdq Co, 3d Mar
- Det, Scout/Sniper Plt, Hdq Co, 3d Mar
- 2nd & 3rd Plt, Co B, 3d Engr Bn D/S
- Hst Tm, Co (-) SP Bn
- 3d Bn, #d Marines LTCOL MARSH
- Det, Comm Plt, Hdq Co, 3d Mar
- Det, Scout/Sniper Plt, Hdq Co, 3d Mar
- Hst Tm, Co (-) SP Bn

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Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to operation (V) 7-68.

Ref: (a) Map, Vietnam 1:50,000 and Series 17011, sheet
6342 I, II 6343 IV
(b) PMA 7-9

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Current INTSUMS, Reinforce

b. Friendly Forces. Task Force Hotel conduct coordinated multi-regt helo/ground attack in LANCASHER III AO. 3d Battalion conduct combat operations in area to seek out and destroy enemy bunkers, bivouac areas and logistics caches.

(1) Artillery

- (a) 3d Bn, 12th Marines 1/3 3d Battalion
- (b) 12th Marines GS 3d Battalion
- (c) 4th Bn, 12th Mar Repl 3d Bn, 12th Marines

(2) Air Support

- (a) 1st MAF
- (b) 7th AF

c. Attachments and Detachments: In Charge

2. MISSION

a. 3d Bn, 12th Marines and Reinforcing units will provide fixed and rotary wing aircraft from LZ Falco and LZ Gull. Provide close and continuous fire support to maneuver attack and general support to the Regiment.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. On D-Day one battalion will move into LZ Falcon, seize and secure objectives Y (17011) and Z (17011) and 3 (XD 996648). LZ Gull and Buzzard occupied and secured. One battalion each for operation along Sutter's Ring, Sutter's Mtn. Artillery will support with one 105MM battery. Support of each battalion. Mortar Battery in reserve for security on order.

b. Air Support. 1st MAF provide air support. Allocation of CAS/DAS sorties and TPQ sorties to Hotel and Hotel preplanned and immediate. (Appendix I and Support Plan)

c. Artillery Support.

(1) General.

a. 3dBn, 12th Mar will reinforce units and provide Artillery units supporting 3d Marines. Preparation and execution conducted on order. No restriction on reinforcing units.

d. Fire Support Coordination. See Appendix 1

(2) Organization for Combat.

(a) Organic Artillery.

- 3d Battalion, 12th Marines
- Alpha Battery, 1st Bn, 12th Mar
- Bravo Battery, 1st Bn, 12th Mar
- Charlie Battery, 1st Bn, 12th Mar
- Mortar Battery, 3d Bn, 12th Mar

(b) Reinforcing Artillery.

- 4th Battalion, 12th Marines
- MI Battery, 4th Bn, 12th Mar
- II Battery (1st 4th Bn, 12th Mar
- Battery 2nd Bn, 9th Mar
- Battery 2nd Bn, 9th Mar
- 1st 8" Howitzer Battery, 1st Bn, 12th Mar
- Battery A, 1st Bn, 12th Mar

(3) Miscellaneous. Fire planning will be done continuously at all levels. Direct support fire position areas to parent battalions in support of artillery location will be Camp Campbell. Forward 12th Marines will displace on order to support

e. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Position areas as selected. Plans prepared to conduct helicopterborne operations at fire bases in support of the initial assault.
- (2) Air Observers in support of operations assigned by 3d Marines FSCC.
- (3) Survey information on request.
- (4) Counter Battery policy in effect.
- (5) No restriction on fires.
- (6) Infantry battalions, in Officers' reports on H&I requests and TPQ requests no later than 1000 hours.
- (7) Target List, see Appendix 3.

4. ADMINISTRATION and LOGISTICS

a. See Annex D (Admin/Log)

b. Available Supply Base (S&M/Log/Adm)

105mm	62
107mm	25

5. COMMAND and COMMUNICATION - REFERENCE

a. See Reference E, F, and G of Sp 1212

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APPENDICES

- ✓ 1. Fire Support Coordination
- ✓ 2. Air Fire Plan
- ✓ 3. Target List (Air and Artillery)

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Appendix 1 (Fire Support Coordination) to (Operation Order 3-66
Plan) to Operation Order 3-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, Series 1:250,000, Sheet 14
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(b) CG, 3d MarDiv LCI 1-67

(c) FMF 7-1 (Fire Support Coordination)

Time Zone: H

Task Organization.--See Annex C.

1. Operating Instructions

a. 3d Marine's FSC exercises overall responsibility for planning and coordinating supporting fires. The FSC will insure that fire planning in combat will insure maximum troop safety at all times.

b. Commanders of subordinate units will insure that fires delivered within their AO's and will insure that support in accordance with their responsibilities.

c. Target Acquisitions

- (1) Aerial Observers
- (2) 3d Marine B-2
- (3) 3d Marine FSC

2. Aircraft Safety

a. Ensure posting of air activities at all times.

b. FO's and SAC's coordinate air and ground activities with battalion LNO's.

c. Maximize use of helicopter as support.

d. Saveplane information will be provided to the Force DASC. Task Force Hotel is provided with the responsibility to regional DASC when necessary.

3. Safety of Ground Forces

a. All supporting fire crossing unit boundaries within 500 meters of a unit boundary will be coordinated with the Marine FSC.

b. Clearance outside 3d Marine's AO will be obtained.

c. No Fire Lines, Fire Support Coordination Lines, Restrictive Fire Lines.

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measures will be in accordance with reference (c), and will be cleared by this headquarters.

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Appendix 2 (Air Support) to Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to Operation Order 3-68.

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, Series L7014, Sheets 6342 I, II, and 6442 IV.

Time Zone: II

1. Operating Procedures

a. Fire Support Coordination (Appendix 1)

b. All missions in 3d Marines AO will be conducted under control of DASC, TAC (A), ASRT or TACP, with the consent of and under cognizance of this hdq, with clearance provided through Regimental ESCC.

c. Attack headings, clearance from friendly forces will be specified on all requests for fixed wing support.

d. Aerial Observers and all other support A/C will obtain clearance from this command for operations across or within 3d Marine's AO.

e. Units requesting air support will forward requests for fixed wing air support through this command prior to 1200 on the day prior to desired target time in the case of CAS/DAS flights and prior to 1500 of the day preceding the required day in the case of FPQ flights.

f. Helicopter requests will be submitted prior to 1500 on the day preceding the required date. All requests will be in the standard form as utilized by this regiment.

g. Grid coordinates for helo pick-up or LZ and FPQ missions will be to a minimum of 6 digit coordinates. CAS requests will be to the nearest 1000 meter grid.

2. Aircraft Alert Status

a. CAS/DAS, FPQ Flights.

(1) Alert A/C on Cond III Alert (15 min) Allow 30 minutes from scramble time to arrival on station.

(2) Maximum use of pre-planned air is recommended in order that alert A/C may be available for emergency situations.

(3) Maximum use of FPQ bombing by bn's is recommended. Any request closer than 1000 meters to friendly lines requires approval of Bn Cdr concerned. FPQ requests will be cleared by Bn Cdr's or their representative prior to submission.

b. Priorities. Priorities assigned to air support requests will be determined by this command after consultation with the battalion concerned and will be in accordance with orders from higher authority.

c. Weather Minimums; Hostile Area. These minimums as set forth by CG, 1st MAF will be adhered to except in cases where sufficiently high priority dictates completion of the mission.

3. Helicopter Alert Statusa. Med Evac/Resupply.

(1) Med Evac helo's will be on 15 minute alert and consist of 2 H-34 A/C. Requests will be submitted via this command.

(2) Resupply will be handled through S-4 channels from the battalions. Emergency requests will be handled through diversion of committed helo's. During darkness resupply (Emergency) helo's will be held on 1 hour alert.

4. Fire Support Plan (Air)

a. Tab 1 indicated missions to be conducted in preparation for, and during the helicopter assault.

b. Information to determine targets was obtained from the following sources:

- (1) 3d Marine S-2.
- (2) Pre-planned LZ's for prep fires.
- (3) AO sightings.
- (4) Reconnaissance photography, and IR sightings.

c. The number of targets to be attacked utilizes the max air support allowable from TF Hotel resources and covers the period from D-3 to D-Day.

d. Post D-Day air support plans will be compiled from requests made by 3d Marine units, AO's, and will be provided on short notice where the need exists.

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TABS:

1. Target List (Air)

Tab 1, (Target List (Air), To Appendix (Air Support),
To Annex C (Fire Support) To Operation Order 3-68

D-3

Prep Day (AO controlled)

Prep Fire of LZ's - Crow, Gull, BUZZARD

<u>Time</u>	<u>Coords</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>
1500	XD965593	LZ Preps	D4(DC), D9	S 3000
1330	YD091603	LZ Preps	D4(DC), D9	E 3000 S 3000
1400	YD025610	LZ Preps	D4(DC), D9	E 4000
1430	YD005604	LZ Preps	D4(DC), D9	SE 4000

D-3 Night

<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>	<u>HDG</u>
031634	Fortified Area	D2DM	SE 5000	270
004661	Bunker Complex	D4M	SE 7000	360
004626	3AA/AW Posits	D1Y	SE 5000	040
027642	Bunkers	D4M	SE 5000	040
030632	AW Posits	D1Y	SE 4000	300
023627	Prep	D2M	SE 4000	020
992613	Prep	D2M	SW 6000	360

D-2

Prep Day (AO Controlled)

<u>Time</u>	<u>Coords</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>
1000	YD019638	OB; Prep	D4M (025)	7000 SE
1030	YD016646	OB; Prep	D4M (025)	7000 SE
1100	YD995649	OB; Prep	D4M (025)	8000 S
	YD025636	OB; Prep	D4M (025)	6000 SE

D-2 Night

<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>	<u>HDG</u>
YD005613	AA Posit	DTM	S 6000	060
YD023627	OB; Prep	DTM	SE 5000	020
YD997613	OB; Prep	DTM	S 6000	300
YD025600	OB; Prep	DZM	W 5000	070
YD017592	OB; Prep	DZM	SW 4000	060

Prep Day (no controlled)

<u>Time</u>	<u>Coords</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>
1000	015593	OB; Prep	D4M	3000 S
1030	025602	OB; Prep	D4M	4000 S
1300	024634	LZ Prep	D1A, D9, D20	6000 SE
1800	024634	Helo Esc	D1A, D9, DTV, D20	6000 SE

D-1 Night

<u>Coords</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Friendlies</u>	<u>HDG</u>
XI999609	Cave/Busparty	D4M	3000 NE	040
XD978587	AA Posit Bunker	D2M	3000 S	270
XD032678	Arty Posit	D2M		030
XD967579	AAA/AV Posit	D2M	2000 SE	240
XD935606	Harbor Site	D2M	3000 SE	230
XD995649	OB; Prep	D4M	3000 SE	060
XD995615	OB; Prep	D4M	3000 NE	270

D Day and Subsequent

a. D Day targets, in addition to LZ Preps will include targets as selected by Battalion Commanders following visual reconnaissance of target area on D-2.

b. Subsequent targets will be generated by reconnaissance

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TARGET NO	GRID	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE	REMARKS
1	028642	BNKR Complex	Tgt List	Req 0" Fuze Delay
2	030632	AA Site	"	Flak Suppressor
3	031634	BNKR Complex	"	8" Fuze Delay
4	016635	Dominant Terrain	Map Insp	
5	019637	"	"	
6	021639	"	"	
7	025646	"	"	
8	020648	"	"	
9	011645	Poss Mortar Site	"	Zona Shifting Fire
10	025655	"	"	"
11	017652	"	"	"
12	005644	"	"	"
13	011629	"	"	"
14	018629	"	"	"
15	033622	"	"	"
16	014595	OP	Tgt List	Smoke Screen

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NO	TARGE NO	GRID	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE	REMARKS (CLASS OF)
1		006626	AA Site	Reg 8" Fuze	Fire Suppression
2		006613	"	"	"
3		030633	"	"	"
4		037631	"	"	"
5		039633	"	"	"
6		044640	"	"	"
7		997609	Bunker Complex	"	Reg 8" Fuze Delay
8		025608	Dominant Terrain	Map Study	
9		037606	"	"	
10		045613	"	"	
11		011617	"	"	
12		020623	"	"	
13		022628	Poss Mortar Site	"	Zone&Shifting Fire
14		027627	"	"	"
15		007626	"	"	"
16		014596	OP	Tgt List	Smoke Screen

LINE NO	TARGET NO	GRID	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE	Top Inst	Req Op	Time Delay
1		031555	Smoke	"	"	"	"
2		031591	75 Hoz Pan	"	"	"	"
3		033593	"	"	"	"	"
4		037592	"	"	"	"	"
5		039589	"	"	"	"	"
6		039585	"	"	"	"	"
7		039530	"	"	"	"	"
8		019595	OP	"	"	"	Smoke Screen
9		044588	OP	"	"	"	"
10		054589	OP	"	"	"	"
11		016606	Suspected Mtr Site	Map Insp	"	"	Zoned Shifting Fire
12		023607	"	"	"	"	"
13		035598	"	"	"	"	"
14		046608	"	"	"	"	"
15		057613	"	"	"	"	"

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Annex D (Administrative/Logistics) to Operation ORDER 3-66

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, AMS L7014, Sheets 6342 I, II and
 6442 IV.

Time Zone: _____

1. Supply

a. General

(1) The source of supply for classes I, III, IV and V is LSU LZ STUD.

(2) Source of supply for class IX is FLSG-E, Dong Ha.

b. Supplies and Equipment Available

(1) Class I, MCI - Days 10
 Trioxane - Days 10

Class III
 Mogas - 20,000 Gal
 Diesel - 20,000 Gal

c. Control and Distribution

(1) Supply Point Distribution in effect.

d. Prescribed Loads

(1) As directed by unit Commanders with maximum possible Load of Class I, V and water to minimize below resupply in initial LZ.

e. Resupply

(1) Helicopter resupply from LSU, LZ STUD to units in the field.

(2) Units establish rears at LZ STUD prior to combat. Ensure sufficient personnel available to draw, stage and control supplies. Ensure availability of required water containers.

(3) Requests for emergency resupply will be submitted to this Headquarters for approval.

(4) Submit to Base Headquarters (5-4) Pad, LZ STUD, 1300 H daily, Helicopter requirements in pounds, for following day and time delivery to commence. All helicopter requirements will be consolidated and all aircraft frags will be submitted by Base Force Hotel. Identify CH-53 lifts if required.

(5) Units will be responsible ^{for} receiving requests from committed Battalions, drawing, staging and loading supplies on LZ STUD.

(6) Committed Battalions stage at LZ STUD emergency package of Class I, Class V and water for one rifle Company. In the event this package is used reconstitute immediately.

(7) Units provide shoreparty HST personnel at LZ STUD to coordinate of drop area, call sign and frequency of receiving units.

f. Captured Material

(1) Captured material will be tagged, showing date/time, group of capture, coordinates, capturing unit and circumstances of capture. Annex B (Intelligence). Use ammunition boxes as containers for captured documents.

(2) Prisoners will not be separated from their individual weapons or 782 type equipment.

(3) Prisoners will be evacuated to the collection point, Camp Carroll as rapidly as possible. Annex B (Intelligence).

(4) Captured material will be evacuated to Camp Carroll.

2. Evacuation and Hospitalization

a. Evacuation

(1) Casualties requiring evacuation will be transported directly from the field to Co. "D", 3d Medical Bn., Dong Ha. Patients with head wounds may be taken directly to Hospital since there is no neurosurgeon at Dong Ha.

(2) Those casualties requiring stabilization will be transported to aid station located at LZ STUD or Camp Carroll, whichever is closer.

(3) Battalions maintain representatives at Base Hospital.

b. Hospitalization

(1) All personnel requiring hospitalization will be transported to Co. "D" 3d Medical Bn., Dong Ha.

3. Transportationa. Highway

- (1) MSR is Route #9 and is a controlled route for convoys.
- (2) Sufficient trucks, under Regimental Control, will be located at LZ STUD to transport supplies from LSA to LZ's.

b. Air. (Helicopter)

(1) Landing Zones

- (a) Units mark landing zones with air panels.
- (b) Constant police of LZ's will be emphasized. LZ's will be kept clear of trash, loose equipment and any matter that can be swept into helicopter rotors.
- (c) Helicopter Director in LZ's wear air panel or colored apparel as distinguishing device.

4. Service(a) Construction

- (1) Minimum essential to accomplish mission and prepare for combat.

(b) Maintenance

- (1) Maximum use of Contingent teams
- (2) 3d echelon maintenance facility located at FLSGAB, Dong Ha

5. Miscellaneous

- (a) All units expedite return to LSA water cans water bladders, helicopter slings, and cargo nets.
- (b) Ensure that necessary hoist - lift requirements are included in daily requests to provide expeditious removal from forward positions of items listed subparagraph a, above.

6. Logistic Communications

- (a) Unit's roars at LZ Stud will use normal Battalion Logistics net to receive resupply requests directly from committed units.
- (b) A Regimental Logistics net (55.55 - M57) is established and available as a back-up net to relay resupply requests.
- (c) During those periods when the Regimental Logistics Net is unmanned logistics traffic can be passed on Regimental Logistics Net #2 (75.75 - M743)
- (d) Land Line communication will be established from Camp Gamma to Regimental S-4 (forward) LZ Stud.

7. Reports

(a) Unit report to S-4 (fwd) LZ Stud, by 1700 daily, weapons density and HE Class V on position utilizing format shown below

Line 1. (Weapons Density)	- (HE on position)
A. 60mm Mortar	= rounds
B. 81mm Mortar	= rounds
C. 90mm (M48A1 tank)	= rounds
D. 106mm Recoiless Rifle	= rounds

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SECRET

1. THE FOLLOWING BREVITY CODE WILL BE UTILIZED BY ALL UNITS.

OPERATION	GAME
DEPARTED KNOWN LOCATION	AT BAT
COMMENCED OPN	HOME RUN
RETURNING TO CP	SIDE RETIRED
SET IN POSITON	TOUCHDOWN
MISSION COMPLETED	MANAGER
AD*	CATCHER
FO	PITCHER
FAC	BAT BOY
RESUPPLY	BALLS
AMMO	BATS
WATER	GLOVES
CHOW	DOUBLE PLAY
AMBUSH	SLUGGER
CBT PATROL	SWINGER
RECON PATROL	DUG OUT
PATROL BASE	EXHIBITION
PREP FIRE	GRANDSTAND
OP	PRESS BOX
LP	TEAM
FRIENDLY	VISITOR
ENEMY	FORWARD
FIRE TEAM	GUARD
SQUAD	TACKLE
PLATOON	CENTER
COMPANY	END
BATTALION	DADDY
REGIMENT	BIG DADDY
DIVISION	SUPER
REINFORCED	FULLBACK
KIA	HALFBACK
WIA	QUARTERBACK
WIA (N=)	SLOTBACK
NBA	PLAYER
MEDEVAC	

EXAMPLE "TEAM TACKLE SLUGGER SIDE RETIRED" "FRIENDLY PLATOON
 CBT PATROL SET IN POSITION." "TEAM IN PRESS BOX HAS VISITOR
 GUARD AT _____." "FRIENDLY LP SPOTTED ENEMY SQUAD AT _____."
 "DADDY NEEDS BAT BOY TO BRING BALLS, BATS, AND GLOVES." "REGIMENT
 REQUIRES RESUPPLY OF AMMO, WATER, AND CHOW"

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IMMEDIATE DTG: _____

FM: 3D MAR
TO: CO, TASK FORCE HOTEL
→ 1ST BN, 3D MAR
2ND BN, 3D MAR
3D BN, 3D MAR
3D BN, 12TH MAR
9TH MAR

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