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Combined Action Force
III Marine Amphibious Force
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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From: ~~Commanding Officer~~
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD)
Via: (1) Commanding Officer, Combined Action Force
(2) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
(3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 August 1970 to 31 August 1970

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1A
(b) MFPacO 5750.8B

Encl: (1) 3d Combined Action Group Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. Downgraded at three year intervals. Declassified after 12 year interval in accordance with DOD Directive 5200.10.

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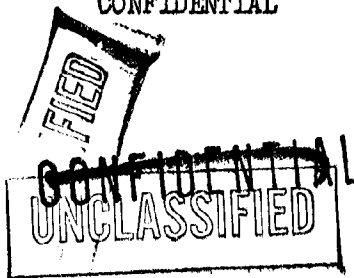
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

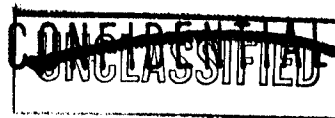
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

3d Combined Action Group
 Combined Action Force
 III Marine Amphibious Force

LtCol Claude M. DANIELS, USMC
 1 Aug 1970 - 31 Aug 1970

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Combined Action Company 3-1

1stLt. Dennis E. CLANCEY, USMC
 1 Aug 1970

Combined Action Company 3-2

1stLt. Dennis E. CLANCEY, USMC
 2 Aug 1970 - 14 Aug 1970

Combined Action Company 3-5

Capt Frank H. MCCARTHY, USMC
 1 Aug 1970 - 28 Aug 1970

2. LOCATION

Headquarters 1-31Aug70

Phu Bai Combat Base, Huong Thuy Dis-
 trict, Thua Thien Province

CACO 3-1 1 Aug 70

Huong Thuy District Headquarters, Thua
 Thien Province

CACO 3-2 1-14Aug70

Phu Loc District Headquarters, Thua
 Thien Province

CACO 3-5 1-28Aug70

Truc Bridge Headquarters, Phu Loc
 District, Thua Thien Province

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major Walter N. COLLISON Jr, USMC
1 Aug 1970 - 31 Aug 1970

S-1

Capt James D. DEPLEIRO, USMC
1 Aug 1970 - 31 Aug 1970

S-2/3

Capt John J. MCNAMARA, USMC
1 Aug 1970 - 31 Aug 1970

S-4

Capt Roger D. ZORENS, USMC
1 Aug 1970 - 31 Aug 1970

Chaplain

Lt. Alfred ~~RODRIGUEZ~~, USMC
1 Aug 1970 - 6 Aug 1970

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>ARVN (attached)</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
7	248	1	11	1	3

5. End-of-Month Unit Diary Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHERS</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
6	78	0	3	0	0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

I. COMMAND, OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

A. Contact with enemy forces resulted in one VC/NVA KIA and two individual weapons captured.

B. The remaining three Combined Action Companies of 3d Combined Action Group completed deactivation during the month of August. Ceremonies honoring the individual CAPs were held in each village with the CAP Popular Forces Soldiers and Marines in attendance. A formal ceremony was held at each District Headquarters when the particular CACO Headquarters was deactivated. During the various ceremonies remarks were presented and gifts exchanged by District Officials and the CAP Commander. A total of 14 Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry and 16 Certificates of Appreciation were awarded at the deactivation ceremonies.

C. The final CAP Leaders seminar was held on 10 August. Subjects covered were Personal Response to the Vietnamese People, and Civic Action and Its Relation to Vietnam's Economy. A guest speaker from COORDS conducted the latter presentation.

D. Formal classes were conducted in the field by the S-3 Mobile Training Team on 4, 7, 8, 12, 15, 18 and 23 August. These classes were attended by 87 Marines and 154 Popular Forces Soldiers.

E. A summary of activities by CACO is as follows:

1. CACO 3-1
 - a. Deactivation was completed on 1 August 1970.
2. CACO 3-2
 - a. The company completed deactivation on 14 August 1970.
3. CACO 3-5
 - a. The company completed deactivation on 23 August 1970.

F. The 3d CAG armorer made three visits to the CAPs in the field to inspect and make minor repairs to weapons.

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I. The totals for this month's activities are as follows:

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DAY PATROLS

370

NIGHT PATROLS

484

AMBUSHES

620

ENEMY CASUALTIES

VC/NVA KIA

1

VC/NVA POW

0

DET

0

VCS

0

IWC

2

CSWC

0

CHIEU HOI

0

FRIENDLY CASUALTIES

USMC: KIA

0

WIA(E)

0

WIA(M)

0

MIA

0

POW

0

NEG

0

DOW

0

PF: 0

0

0

0

0

0

0

VIP PAYMENTS

No VIP Payments were paid to Vietnamese Nationals for ordnance or information.

PSYOPS

Leaflets Handouts Distributed

56,000

Posters Distributed

0

Newspapers Distributed

0

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II. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel Transactions During the month of August the following personnel transactions were completed.

1. Joined

	USMC	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
	0	3

2. Rotated CONUS

	USMC	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
	1	117

3. Reassignment Within WestPac

	USMC	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
	0	79

4. Transferred by Service Records While Sick (Out of Country)

	USMC	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
	0	2

5. Extensions of WestPac Tour Effected

	USMC	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
	0	0

B. PROMOTIONS: During the month of August the following promotions were effected:

To PFC	0	To SSgt	0
To LCpl	5	To GySgt	0
To Cpl	36	To 1stSgt/MSgt	0
To Sgt	0	To SgtMaj/MGySgt	0

C. LEGAL MATTERS

1. Courts held

GCM	0
SpCM	0
SCM	0

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2. Article 32 Investigations completed: 0

3. NIP: 3

4. JAG-Type Investigations: 2 Completed: 2

D. AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

SSM 0

BSM 1

NCM 2

NAM 2

PH 0

E. CONGRINTS, SPLINTS/WELREPS

The Command has responded to:

0 CONGRINT

0 SPLINTS

2 WELREPS

F. MORALE AND WELFARE

1. R&R. The Command has utilized the following number of quotes to the R&R areas listed.

a. Hong Kong	0	Japan	0
Taipei	4	Bangkok	4
Hawaii	3	Sydney	1
Okinawa	0	Manila	0

b. In Country

0

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2. Mail. Daily average bags of mail processed

Incoming
4

Outgoing
4

3. Hospital Visitations.

13 Visits

12 Patients

G. CAREER PLANNING

Re-enlistments: 0

Extensions: 0

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III. MEDICAL. Monthly totals are as follows: WEA-0; KKA-0; FUC-1; Malaria-0; Med Caps-1,793 as of 31 August 1970. The low Med Caps total for the month is due to the deactivation of the remaining organic field units.

IV. Logistics/Supply

A. Significant Events

(1) Deactivation of Combined Action Companies 3-1, 3-2 and 3-5, and the related equipment/supplies turned in to FLC, have been the most significant events that occurred during this reporting period. The following T/E items were turned in during this reporting period:

<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
3	Truck, 3/4 Ton M37B1	31	Grenade Launcher M-79
5	Truck, 2 1/2 Ton M35A2C	156	Rifle M-16
5	Truck, Utility 1/4 Ton M151A1	4	Rifle M-14
2	Trailer, 3/4 Ton M101A1	4	Shotguns
4	Trailer, 1/4 Ton M416B1	25	Machine Gun, M-60
1	Trailer, 1/4 Ton M100	1	Machine Gun, Cal. .50
4	Trailer, Water	36	Starlight Scopes
1	Cleaner, Steam	43	Radio, AN/PRC-25
1	Radio, AN/GRM-55	1	Radio, AN/PRC-47
4	Cooking Outfit	5	Radio, AN/GRA-39
4	Barber Kits	8	Telephone, TA/312-PT
5	Jug, Vacuum	1	Carpenter Tool Kit
1	Immersion Heater	75	Water Cans
8	Food Container	100	Rack, Folding
1	Fan, Floor Pedestal	2	Polaroid Camera
16	Mattress, Interspring	10	Cabinet, File
8	Desk, Dbl Pedestal	11	Chair, w/arms
24	Rack, Navy Type	3	Chair, Rotary w/o arms
8	Chair, Rotary w/arms	1	Movie Projector, 16mm

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<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
3	Dispenser, Water	1	Portable Typewriter
7	Typewriter	1	Laminating Machine
3	Fan, 30"	1	Stencil Machine, Spirit Process
2	Calculator	2	Reefer, Biological

(2) The below items were invoiced to 2d CAG relative to the deactivation:

<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
2	Refrigerator	1	Truck, 3/4 Ton M37B1
1	Lubricating Unit	6	Radio, AN/PRC-77

B. Damage to Weapons Due to Enemy Action

(1) Negative report is submitted on combat loss of weapons for the month of August.

C. Motor Transport

(1) Motor Transport vehicles operated a total of 16,278 miles during the month. Cargo transported consisted of 25 tons of Classes I, II and V in support of CAPs in the field and redistribution of supplies/equipment to FLC.

(2) The following vehicles required 2d echelon Maintenance:

<u>QTY</u>	<u>VEHICLE</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>VEHICLE</u>
8	Truck, 1/2 Ton M51A1	5	Truck, 3/4 Ton M37B1
4	Truck, 2 1/2 Ton M35A2C		

D. Food Service

(1) The Food Service Department, 26th General Support Group, Phu Bai, has provided adequate support to this Command during the reporting period.

E. Ordnance

(1) Class V support was not required from ASF, Phu Bai during

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this reporting period.

(2) The following weapons required 2d echelon maintenance:

<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
13	Rifle, M-16	1	Grenade Launcher M-79

F. Miscellaneous Service

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(1) Special flights ~~were coordinated~~ with 15th Aerial Port for transporting personnel from this Command to Danang relative to the deactivation.

G. Supply

(1) All personal effects have been returned to their owners. Supply/equipment has been turned in to ~~VLC~~. Approximately 3% of this Command's assets remain on hand for turn-in. Disposition of remaining assets will be made according to scheduled deactivation of Headquarters, 3d CAG. All garrison property has been returned to stock or disposed of in accordance with current directives.

H. Communications

(1) No support was required from 2d Maintenance Battalion, Phu Bai.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. On 1 August 1970, CACO 3-1 Headquarters and CAP 3-1-3 were deactivated.
2. On 8 August 1970, CAPs 3-2-2, 3-2-5 and 3-2-6 were deactivated.
3. On 12 August 1970, CAPs 3-2-3 and 3-2-4 were deactivated.
4. On 13 August 1970, while set in an ambush position, CAP 3-5-5 observed one VC moving east, four VC moving north and an undetermined number of enemy in a tree line to the south. The CAP initiated contact with the four VC using LAWS, M-60, M-79 and M-16 fire. The enemy returned fire with five B-40 rockets and AK-47 fire while fleeing to the south. The other two groups of enemy fled without returning fire. A sweep of the area of contact produced one VC KIA, one AK-47 and one 9mm pistol.
5. On 14 August 1970, CACO 3-2 Headquarters and CAP 3-2-1 were deactivated.
6. On 19 August 1970, CAPs 3-5-2 and 3-5-3 were deactivated.
7. On 26 August 1970, CAPs 3-5-4 and 3-5-5 were deactivated.
8. On 28 August 1970, CACO 3-5 Headquarters and CAP 3-5-1 were deactivated.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. The following is a list of the Supporting Documents contained in this report.

a. Monthly Operations Report covering period of 1-31 August 1970.

b. Control, Turn-in and Disposal of Captured Enemy Weapons Report for month of August 1970.

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3 September 1970

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
Via: Commanding Officer, Combined Action Force

Subj: Monthly Historical Summary

Ref: (a) FMFPacO 5750.100
(b) ForO 3121.4B

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the following report is submitted for the month of August 1970.

a. Location and Strength

<u>Designation</u>	<u>PF Plt No</u>	<u>Strength</u>				<u>PF</u>	<u>Location</u>
		<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>			
		<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>		
3d CAG		5	30	0	3		Phi Bai Base
3-1 CACO		0	0				YD 84727 Deactivation 14 Aug
3-1-3	31	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9021 Deactivation 1 Aug
3-2 CACO		0	0				YD 097008 Deactivation 14 Aug
3-2-1	135	0	0	0	0	0	ZD 0800 Deactivation 14 Aug
3-2-2	130	0	0	0	0	0	ZD 1404 Deactivation 3 Aug
3-2-3	140	0	0	0	0	0	ZD 1904 Deactivation 12 Aug
3-2-4	64	0	0	0	0	0	AU 8001 Deactivation 12 Aug
3-2-5	139	0	0	0	0	0	ZD 1601 Deactivation 8 Aug
3-2-6	138	0	0	0	0	0	ZD 1400 Deactivation 8 Aug
3-5 CACO		0	0	0	0		YD 967063 Deactivation 28 Aug
3-5-1	129	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9210 Deactivation 28 Aug
3-5-2	136	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9505 Deactivation 19 Aug
3-5-3	162	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9607 Deactivation 19 Aug
3-5-4	133	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9806 Deactivation 26 Aug
3-5-5	132	0	0	0	0	0	YD 9705 Deactivation 26 Aug

b. Activities

Day Patrols

370

Night Patrols

484

Ambushes

620

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c. Enemy Casualties

<u>VC/NVA KIA</u>	<u>VC/NVA POW</u>	<u>DEP</u>	<u>YIP</u>	<u>NHC</u>	<u>CSND</u>	<u>CHIEU HOI</u>
1	0	0	0	2	0	0

d. Friendly Casualties

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA(E)</u>	<u>WIA(M)</u>	<u>MEA</u>	<u>POW</u>	<u>NHC</u>	<u>DPX</u>
USMC:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PF:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

e. VIP Payments. No VIP payments were paid to Vietnamese Nationals for ordnance or information.

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1 September 1970

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force (Attn: G-4)
Subj: Control, Turn-in and Disposal of Captured Enemy Weapons
Ref: (a) ForO 3460.4C

1. In accordance with reference (a) the following information is provided for the month of August 1970

a. Captured	IW 2	CS 0
b. Destroyed	IW 0	CS 0
c. Turned in to sub-collection points	IW 2	CS 0
d. Received at Corps level collection points	IW 0	CS 0
e. Turned in to CMEC by Corps level collection points	IW 0	CS 0
f. Retained in Museums or Exhibits	IW 0	CS 0
g. Retained as War Trophies	IW 0	CS 0
h. Recaptured and Returned to USA, PF or RVNAF control	IW 0	CS 0
i. Other (with appropriate explanations)	IW 0	CS 0

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IV. b.

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