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1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 August to 31 August 1968

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PART I Organizational Data

1. Designation

Commandern

2nd Battalion, 13th Marines 1st Marine Division (Rein), FNF FPO San Francisco, California 96602 LtCol Rhys J. PHILLIPS 056654 0802 (1 August - 6 August 1968)

Maj Walter F. DUNN 060077 0802 (7 August - 31 August 1968)

Subordinate Units

Headquarters Battery Capt Roger K. PETERSON

090892 0802

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Battery "D" Capt Conrad L. KINSEY

090182

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Battery "E" Capt John J. READ

083627 0802

(1 August - 5 August 1968)

1stLt Theodore R. GERIES 096759 0802

(6 August - 31 August 1968)

Battery "F" . Capt Harris H. DINKINS

088250 0802

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Mortar Battery 1stLt Leroy E. HLESSING

096187 0802

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

2. Location

Headquarters Battery 1-31 August Danang AT 990714

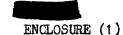
Battery "D" 1-31 August Danang AT 988714

Battery "E" 1-28 August Danang BT 012626 29-31 August Danang AT 960758

Battery "F" 1-26 August Danang BT 070656

27-31 August Danang AT 960758

Mortar Battery 1-31 August Danang AT 990675



3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer

S-1/Adjutant

Personnel Officer

S-2

S-3

S-3A

Liaison Officer

Naval Gunfire Officer

Medical Officer

Motor Transport Officer

Maj Walter F. DUNN 060077 0802 (1 August - 6 August 1968)

1stLt William A. HOLT 096985 0130 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

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1stLt Jeffrey D. DAVIS 094243 0802 (1 August 1968)

2ndLt Merritt N. CHAFEY 0102709 0802 (7 August - 17 August 1968)

Capt John B. WILKES 094071 0801 (18 August - 31 August 1968)

Maj Harold R. McSWEENEY 073949 0802 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

Capt William J. ODLE 084962 0802 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

Maj Wayne LEWIS 063979 0802 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

Lt Wynne A. STEVENS 691003 1100 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

Lt John L. CURRY 706807 2105 (12 August - 27 August 1968)

Warrant Officer John W. BURKE 098452 3510 (1 August - 31 August 1968)

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Capt Billy L. WHITLEY 067932 0802

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Supply Officer

097398

1stLt Ralph D. MEECE

(1 August - 21 August 1968)

Communication Officer

1stLt John F. DWINELL

0101023

(1 Lugust - 31 August 1968)

(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Metro/Survey Officer

Chief Warrant Officer Robert J. MOCNY

087113

0803

Sergeant Major

Sergeant Major Rollance A. VERKENNIS

277197

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(1 August - 31 August 1968)

Average Monthly Strength

Officers	<u>USMC</u>	Enlisted
39		517

Officers	<u>USN</u>	Enlisted	
4		11	



PART II

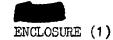
Narrative Summary

The Second Battalion, Thirteenth Marines continued artillery support of units in the DaNang area during this reporting period.. On 6 August Lt. Col. R. J. Fhillips was relieved by Major W. F. Dunn as Commanding Officer. 13 August marked the beginning of a two week ARVN Section Chief training school. Two 155mm howitzers (towed) were chopped to 4/11 on 15 August.

During this period Battery E was attacked by mortars on 23 August; Battery F received 14 82mm mortar rounds outside its perimeter on 24 August; and Headquarters battery took 5 140mm rockets outside the perimeter on 26 August. The battalion fired counter rocket fires on 23, 26, 27, 30, and 31 August.

In preparation for the redeployment of RLT 27 and BLT 1/27, Battery F 2/13 was relieved by Battery A 1/11 on 26 August and Battery E 2/13 was relieved by Battery B 1/11 on 28 August. Battery D 2/13 and Mortar Battery 2/13 became OPCON to BLT 1/27 at 1200 on 28 August, and the Second Battalion, Thirteenth Marines (-) became OPCON to RLT 27 (-) upon its activation at 1200 28 August, At 1200 31 August 2/13 was releived by 1/11. During the reporting period the Battalion accounted for 232 enemy KIA.

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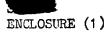
PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

061 500H	Change of Command, LtCol R. J. PHILLIPS relieved as En CO by Maj W. F. DUNN
130800H	Commenced ARVN Section Chief Training Course
	Chopped OPCON 2-155 How TD to 4/11
	Btry "E" rec'd 3-82mm Mortars outside of position, no damage or casualties
230308н	OP Crows Nest came under mortar and ground attack, attack repelled.
	Bn suffered 1 WIA and loss of 1 BC Scope (Destroyed)
242147H	Btry "F" rec'd 14-82mm Mortars outside of position, no damage or
	casualties
	ARVN Section Chief Training Course completed
260554H	Hq Btry rec'd 5-140mm rockets outside of position, no damage or
_	casualties
261300H	Btry A#1/11 arrived Grid BT 070656 relieving F/2/13
261330н	Btry P/2/13 displaced to 11th Marines CP, commenced preparation
	for redeployment
281200H	RLT 27 activated, 2/13(-) OPCON to RLT 27 (-)
281 200H	HLT 1-27 reactivated, Btry "D" and Mortar Btry 2/13 OPCON to BLT 1-27
281300H	Btry B/1/11 arrived Grid BT 012626 relieving E/2/13
281330H	Btry E/2/13 displaced to 11th Marines CP, commenced preparation for
	redeployment
	2nd Bn 13th Marines relieved by 1st Bn 11th Marines.
3 12359 H	During the reporting period, the Battalion had the Following personnel changes:

LOSSES:	USMC	USN
Administrative	5 198	<u>Off</u> <u>Enl</u>
Battle WIA (Evac)	1	3 2
GAINS:		
Replacements	2 42	1
Net Loss	3 56	2 2





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PART IV

Supporting Documents

JA. S-1 JOURNAL
JB. S-2 JOURNAL
JC. S-3 Journal
D. S-4 JOURNAL

SECRET ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET S-1 JOURNAL S-1 2nd Bn, 13th Marines From 010001H August 1968 To 312400H August 1968

Date Time	
Group	<u>Incident</u>
010000H	Transforfed 3 USMC enlisted to CONUS
020000H	Reassigned 1 USMC officer and transferred 8 USMC enlisted to CONUS
040000Н	Transferred 1 USMC enlisted to CONUS
050000Н	Reassigned 1 USMC officer
060000Н	Joined 5 USMC enlisted; Reassigned 1 USMC officer and 3 USMC enlisted
070000Н	Transferred 2 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
H000080	Transferred 3 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD/Reassignment
090000H	Joined 2 USMC enlisted
100000H	Joined 6 USMC enlisted
10000H	Transforred 3 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAP/Reassignment
120000H	Joined 1 USN officer and 1 USMC enlisted
130000Н	Joined 2 USMC enlisted and transferred 3 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
140000H	Transferred 2 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
150000H	Transferred 4 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD/Reassignment
160000Н	Joined 2 USMC officers; joined 2 USMC enlisted; Transferred 1 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
170000Н	Transferred 3 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
1800COH	Joined 1 USMC enlisted; Transferred 5 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
190000H	Joined 2 USMC enlisted
200000Н	Joined 9 USMC enlisted
210000H	Joined 4 USMC enlisted
220000Н	Joined 4 USMC enlisted; Transferred 1 USMC enlisted to COMUS for RELAD
230000 H	Transferred 1 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD. Sustained 1 USMC enlisted WIA as result of enemy action.
240000H	Transferred 2 USMC enlisted to CONUS for RELAD
250000H	Joined 4 USMC enlisted
270000Н	Reassigned 2 USMC enlisted
280000Н	Reassigned 2 USMC officers, 3 USM officers, 53 USMC enlisted and 1 USM enlisted
290000Н	Reassigned 1 USN enlisted

SECRET ENCLOSURE (1)

SECRET S-2 JOURNAL S-2, 2nd Bn, 13th Marines From 010001H August 1968 To 312400H August 1968

	Date Time	Incidents	
	Group		
	O10850H	Fire Mission, 01445984, 3 structures damaged and 1	
		destroyed	
	O21850H	Fire Mission, 032671, 1 secondary	
	030800H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	040106Н	Fire Mission, 959690, 1 AK-47 Found	
	050800H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	061012H	Fire Mission, 968604, 2 structures destroyed	
	070800H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	080020H	Fire Mission, 022610, 1 secondary	
	092014H	Fire Mission, 027614, 5 KIA	
	092030H	Fire Mission, 030609, 2 KIA	
	092120H	Fire Mission, 026617, 3 KIA	
	092220H	Fire Mission, 021607, 1 structure damaged and 3destroye	٦.
	100800H	No incidents reported - No contact	u
	110800H		
	121225H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	132026H	Fire Mission, 022602, 2 KJA	
	141930H	Fire Mission, 993626, 3 KTA	
	150800H	Fire Mission, 984619, 2 secondaries	
	160815H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	171915H	Fire Mission, 975611, 1 KIA	
		Fire Mission, 083684, 2 KIA, 5 WIAPW	
	172145H	Fire Mission, 98056890, 3 structures destroyed	
	181215H	Fire Mission, 001605, 1 structure destroyed	
	190800H	No incidents reported - No contact	
	2008COH	No incidents reported - No contact	
	210800H	No incidents reported - No contact	
_	221920H	Fire Mission, 035685, 11 secondaries	
	222143H	Fire Mission, 984690, 20 KIA	
	222320H	Fire Mission, 003682, secondaries	
	230300H	Fire Mission, 97116471, 9 KIA	_
	230308H	OF Crowsnest received 3 B40 rockets, 1 man was medevace	d
	230500H	Fire Mission, 965638, 3 KIA	
	230630H	Fire Mission, 993651, 20 KIA	
	230812H	Fire Mission, 968655, 5 KIA	
	230945H	Fire Mission, 011701, 1 secondary	
	231330H	Fire Mission, 006604, 1 structure destroyed	
	231700H	Fire Mission, 09256738, 1 secondary	
	240200H	Echo Btry received 3 rounds of 82mm mortar fire outside	
	01.081.53	of their wire	
	240545H	Fire Mission, 976701, 1 secondary	
	241245H	Fire Mission, 999662, 73 KIA	
	242147H	Foxtrot Btry received 14 rounds of 82mm mortar fire	
	0	outside of their wire	
	251948Н	Fire Mission, 026667, 50 KIA, 15-20 secondaries, 11	
		structures destroyed	
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SECRET ENCLOSURE (1) SECRET S-2 JOURNAL S-2 2nd Bn, 13th Marines From 010001H August 1968 To 312400H August 1968

Date Time	
Group	<u>Incidents</u>
252235H	Fire Mission, 00416682, 34 KIA
260553Н	Fire Mission, 899701, 2 secondaries
260630Н	Hq Btry received 4 140mm rockets 50 to 100 meters
•	outside of their wire
270355Н	Fire Mission, 994605, 8 secondaries
271120Н	Fire Mission, 968656, 1 structure damaged
280800H	No incidents reported - No contact
290800H	No incidents reported - No contact
300800H	No incidents reported - No contact
310800H	No incidents reported - No contact
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S-3 JOURNAL

S-3,2nd Bn, 13th Marines From 010001H August 1968 To 312400H August 1968

Date Time	10)1	Ettooli Ruguet 1700
	Traidont	Surveillance
<u>Group</u> 061500H		<u>Survelliance</u>
001500H	Change of Command, LtCol R. J. PHILLIPS	
00004177	relieved by Maj W. F. DUNN as Bn CO	e 17T :
092014H	F/M, 027614, AW wpns, E, 1WP, 36HE	5 KIA
092030Н	F/M, 030609, AW wpns, E, 1WP, 36HE	2 KIA
092120H	F/M, 026614, VC removing cas, E, 3WP, 54HE	3 KIA
121225H	F/M, 022602, Counter Mortar, E, 1WP, 71HE	2 KIA
130800H	Commenced ARVN Section Chief Training Course	
132026H	F/M, 993626, 10 VC, W, 10WP, 56HE	3 KIA
160815H	F/M, 975611, SA fire, E, 2WP, 60HE	1 KIA
171915H	F/M, 083684, VC harbor site, E & F, 99HE	2 KIA, 5 WIAPW
221915H	F/M, 035685, VC harbor site, E, F, W, 187HE	25-30 Secondaries
222145Н	F/M, 984690, VC Co, D & W, 115HE	20 KIA
230200H	Btry "E" rec'd 3-82mm Mortars outside of pos	
230304Н	Rockets being fired at FLC & DaNang, fired	
	counter rocket fire	
230308H	OP Lion, Hawk and Crows Nest under mortar an	nd
2)0)0011	ground attack	••
230308Н	HOA CAM under mortar and ground attack	
230500H	F/M, 965638, VC in open, D, 20HE	3 KIA
230630Н	F/M, 993655, heavy contact, E, 2WP, 72HE	20 KIA
230812H		
241230H	F/M, 968655, VC Co, E, 96HE	5 KIA
· -	F/M, 999662, 2 VC Co, D & E, 1WP, 202HE	73 KIA
242147H	Btry "F" rec'd 14-82mm Mortars outside of po	
250800H	ARVN Section Chief Training Course completed	
251948H	F/M, 026667, 300 VC, D & E, 120FC, 360HE	50! KIA
252230Н	F/M, 004668, VC dug in, D, E, F, 71HE	34 KIA
260554H	Rockets, Hq Btry rec'd 5-140mm outside of po	sition,
-/	fired counter rocket fire	
261330Н	Btry F 2/13 relieved by A 1/11, displaced to	
270455H	Rockets being fired at DaNang, fired counter	rocket fire
281 200H	RLT 27 and BLT 1/27 reactivated	
281200H	Btry "D" and Mortar Btry Chopped OPCON to HI	
281330H	Btry E 2/13 relieved by B 1/11, displaced to	11th Marines CP
301 900H	Rockets, fired counter rocket fire	
310253H	Rockets, fired counter rocket fire	
311210H	2nd Bn 13th Marines relieved by 1st Bn 11th	Marines
	Grid 990714	
	Total Rounds fired in country by 2nd Bn 13th	n Ma ri nes
	as of 311210H	
	DELTA 38,224	
	ECHO 60,451	
	FOXTROT 40,654	
	WHISKEY 16,862	
	156,191	
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S-4, 2nd Bn, 13th Marines 010006H to 312400 Aug 1968

Date Time Group	Incident
041300Н	S-4 Officer attended embarkation conference at RLT-27 Headquarters.
050930Н	Submitted three copies of LTI's to RLT-27
051400н	Received MEDS Decks from Division Embarkation (incomplete)
060800H	Submitted Embarkation data on BLT and RLT (sq.ft., cu.ft., & wt.) to RLT-27.
1;1600H	S-4 Officer attended conference at RLT-27
111730Н	S-4 Officer held conference in S-4 officer with Headquarters Btry, Btry "D", S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4 chief, Comm, and Motor Transport. Requested
	cubic feet and weight of cargo to go by air in advance of other cargo. Information submitted to RLT-27.
141430H	Attended embarkation conference at RLT-27. Submitted Consolidated Vehicle Table.
142030H	Submitted total weight and cubic feet for items requiring conex centainers.
160830H	Submitted list of ordnance equipment to RLT-27.
181630H	Submitted letter to all batteries. (Secret).
201000H	Attended embarkation conference at RLT-27.
201500H	S-4 Officer held embarkation conference with all Btry Commanders and Staff Section Officers.
231430H	Helio lift of Class V to Whiskey Btry.
251500H	Attended conference at RLT-27 Heacquarters

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