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1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a) Enclosure (1) is submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1-30 April 1968

- I-Organizational Data
- II- Narrative Summary
- III- Sequential Listing of Significant Events
- IV- Supporting Documents

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PART I
Organizational Data

1. Designation

2d Battalion, 1st Marines

Date

Commander

1-30Apr68

LtCol B. R. DUNCAN, USMC

1-22Apr68

Executive Officer
 Major J. T. HARRELL III, USMC

1-30Apr68

Sergeant Major
 SgtMaj C HAAS

Subordinate Elements

H&S Company

1-6Apr68

Captain R. W. MAYNARD, USMC

7-30Apr68

1stLt. W. F. MCQUILLEN, USMC

Company "E"

1-30Apr68

Captain T. H. EAGEN, USMC

Company "F"

1-30Apr68

Captain T. R. OLIVER, USMC

Company "G"

1-17Apr68

Captain R. G. COPELAND, USMC

18-26Apr68

1stLt L. M. BEESON, USMC

27-30Apr68

Captain C. E. WOODS, USMC

Company "H"

1-30Apr68

Captain F. J. MAHADY, USMC

Attached Units

None

2. Location. 1-30Apr68 Quang Tri Prov and Thua Thien Prov

3. Staff Officers

S-1

1-30Apr68

1stLt. H. E. COWAN JR., USMC

S-2

1-18Apr68
 19-30Apr68

1stLt. L. M. BEESON, USMC
 1stLt. S. R. WELCH, USMC

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1-17Apr68
 18-30Apr68

Major C. L. DAUGHERTY, USMC
 Major W. E. WRIGHT, USMC

S-4

1-30Apr68

1stLt. J. D. HURRILL, USMC

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1-30Apr68

1stLt. W. F. MCQUILLEN, USMC

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	
OFF	ENL
32	1050

USN	
OFF	ENL
2	61

OTHER	
OFF	ENL
0	0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Personnel and Administration

a. Number of personnel as replacements

- (1) Marine Officers - 2
- (2) Marine Enlisted - 98
- (3) Naval Officers - 0
- (4) Naval Enlisted - 4

b. Personnel received via Regiment via Division

- (1) Marine Officers - 3
- (2) Marine Enlisted - 10
- (3) Naval Officers - 0
- (4) Naval Enlisted - 4

c. Number of personnel rotated

- (1) Marine Officers - 4
- (2) Marine Enlisted - 52
- (3) Naval Officers - 0
- (4) Naval Enlisted - 8

d. Casualties

(1) Battle

- (a) KIA - Marine Officers - 0
Marine Enlisted - 13
Naval Enlisted - 1
- (b) WIA - Marine Officers - 2
Marine Enlisted - 73
Naval Enlisted - 6

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(2) Non-Battle

- (a) Serious - Marine Enlisted - 0
- (b) Non-Serious - Marine Enlisted - 19
- (c) Deaths - Marine Enlisted - 1

e. Number of personnel dropped while sick:

- (1) Marine Officers - 2
- (2) Marine Enlisted - 45
- (3) Naval Enlisted - 2

f. Moral and Welfare: The morale of this battalion continues to be excellent. One of the major factors is the out of country R&R Program. Another factor is the hot meals provided by the Mess Hall. The postal and disbursing systems are considered adequate to provide for the welfare of this battalion.

g. Awards

- (1) The following were recommended for higher approval:
 - (a) Navy Cross - 0
 - (b) Silver Star - 2
 - (c) Bronze Star - 3
 - (d) Navy Commendation - 1

h. Promotions

- (1) Corporal to Sergeant - 21
- (2) Lance Corporal To Corporal - 84
- (3) Private First Class to Lance Corporal - 86
- (4) Private to Private First Class - 9

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i. Legal

- a. Office Hours (7)
- b. Summary Court-Martial (Completed) (1)
- c. Summary Court-Martial (Pending) (0)
- d. Special Court-Martial (Completed) (2)
- e. Special Court-Martial (Pending) (1)
- f. General Court-Martial (Recommended) . . . (0)
- g. Investigations (Completed) (5)
- h. Investigations (Pending) (11)

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A. ENEMY, WEATHER, AND TERRAIN

a. General. Enemy contact during the month of April was light to moderate. The first two weeks of April, the Battalion was on operation Pegasus. During this period two companies made enemy ground contact. Both companies encountered delay forces, covering the withdrawal of their units. Contact with the enemy resulted in 4 enemy KIA for one company and 7 enemy KIA for the other company. Light enemy mortar fire was received on the last day of the operation. During the last two weeks of April, the Battalion assumed the Defense of Khe Sanh Combat Base. On 21 April the Battalion went out of Khe Sanh Combat Base on an operation as part of Scotland II, in the vicinity XD 7841. During the initial touch-down in the LZ, the Battalion received heavy mortar fire.

The following intrusion detection/target acquisition devices were obtained during the month of April: one (1) night observation device (NOD) and one (1) wireless seismic intrusion device (SID). Companies have trained operators, that were previously schooled.

b. Enemy Casualties Inflicted.

- (1) VC/NVA KIA Confirmed 53
- (2) VC/NVA Captured 0
- (3) VC/NVA Ralliers 0

c. Order of Battle. During early April, units of the 66th Regiment of the 304th Division, had been operating in the vicinity of 920398, moving in a Westerly direction.

The 8th Battalion, 29th Independent Regiment, was operating in the vicinity of 900404, moving along Route 9 towards 845412. In the middle of April, contact was lost with these units; however, it is believed that these units are operating near our Area of Operation. No other known enemy units are positively located in our Area of Operation.

d. Weather and Terrain.

(1) Weather. During the month of April, there was very little rainfall. Fog usually lifted by mid-morning.

(2) Terrain. Vegetation is relatively light around the Khe Sanh Combat Base.

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3. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

a. General. On 1 April 1968 the battalion commenced Operation PEGASUS in conjunction with the 1st Air Cav and 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines. The battalions mission was to secure the high ground north and west of highway 9 and landing zone stud and provide security for engineers rebuilding bridges and road bed into Khe Sanh. After the bridges and road was completed, elements of this battalion provided security for the completed structures and the relief convoys to and from Khe Sanh.

b. On 5 April 1968, Golf Company located a battalion size base camp of approximately 50 to 75 bunkers, thatch huts, log cabins, and heavy command bunkers. A search of the area revealed several hundred pounds of TNT, several hundred 60 MM and 82 MM mortar rounds, 100 grenades, 1000 rounds of small arms ammunition, 15 directional mines, 25 fragmentation mines, assorted documents, maps, packs, tools and about 200 pounds of rice.

c. On 17 April 1968 the battalion moved into Khe Sanh Combat Base and assumed the responsibility of its defense. On 21 April 1968 to 23 April 1968 the battalion participated in an operation in the vicinity of Khe Sanh under OPCON to Task Force Glick. During the operation Hotel Company found and destroyed 30 log and dirt bunkers. In the same operation, Echo Company found and destroyed 30 log and dirt bunkers which had been recently occupied.

d. On 23 April 1968 the battalion returned to and reassumed responsibility for the defense of Khe Sanh. During the remainder of the month, the battalion conducted company, platoon and squad size patrols, both day and night in the vicinity of the combat base.

4. AIR SUPPORT

a. 1st Marine aircraft wing helicopters in support of 2nd battalion, 1st Marines lifted 19 USMC in 19 emergency medevac missions. In addition, there were 42 priority medevac missions carry 42 USMC WIA. 29 routine medevac missions were flown carrying 19 USMC WIA and 10 USMC KIA.

b. 15 visual reconnaissance flights were made during the month carrying unit commanders and staff personnel over planned operation areas. 41 preplanned missions were called in for air observers while 4 missions for air observers were called from the field.

c. 52 close air support sorties were flown in April.

d. There were eleven helicopter assaults made during the month.

5. ARTILLERY AND FIRE SUPPORT

a. From 1 April to 30 April 68 fire support liaison was effected by the personnel of battery "B" 1st battalion, 11th Marines. During this period these personnel sustained three casualties, rotations to COMUS and one officer returned to battery. The present complement stands at two officers and twelve enlisted.

b. Battery "A" 1st Battalion, 11th Marines

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during "Operation PEGASUS" and the Khe Sanh AO.

c. Round expenditure for the month of April 1968 was 7,200 of assorted calibers of artillery.

5. TRAINING

a. During April 1968 training conducted was similar to that reported for March, consisting of orientation and FAM firing for new troops, formal school training and company/platoon level classes on Med Evac procedure and mines and booby traps.

b. New replacements received orientation instructions, including an increased instructional period on weapons safety. Although no rifle range was available, all new personnel fired individual weapons for familiarization and zeroing at short distance.

c. The following quotas were filled for schools. On the division and FMEPAC levels:

(1) CAP	15	15
(2) OFFICERS LEADERSHIP		1
(3) AMMO TECH		2
(4) BASIC WEAPONS REPAIR		2
(5) BASIC ORGANIC SUPPLY ACCOUNTING		1
(6) NCO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL		3
(7) S/NCO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL		2
(8) KY 29/38 SCHOOL		1
(9) VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL		3

7. LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY

a. Logistics

(1) All classes of supply adequate to meet requirements during April.

b. Supply

(1) Problem areas.

(a) All types of repair parts for M-422A1's and M-274A2's remained here to acquire thru normal supply channels.

c. Motor Transport. No difficulties occurred in the area other than those stated in paragraph 5.b(1)(a) above. A lack of trained 3500 personnel is noticed within the section

d. Roads access roads and MSR's remained passable. Route #1 between Ca Lu to Khe Sanh was closed for a brief period of time but was immediately reopened.

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8. CIVIC ACTION/CIVIL AFFAIRS

a. During the first part of April, the activities of this section were limited due to the battalion S-5 representative attending NCO leadership school in DaNang.

b. In the middle of the month, Med-Caps were held at Hotel #2 area. Two and one half dozen suits of clothing, two dozen toys, and numerous health leaflets were distributed to the refugees in the area.

c. The latter part of this month, this section's main interest was diverted to, the Xom Chua and Thuy Phoung Refugee Centers.

d. With the help of Task Force X-Ray this section obtained seven, fifty pound bags of rolled oats and one hundred bars of soap.

e. The supplies were given to the village chief for distribution to the two refugee centers.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

a. During the month of April 1968, the communications platoon, 2nd battalion, 1st Marines continued to operate and maintain radio and wire communications at landing zone stud while participating in operation PEGASUS, the occupation of Khe Sanh combat base, and operation Scotland II, message center remained in Phu Bai.

b. Frequent jamming was encountered on PEGASUS, keying out and music was the norm with occasional reports of enemy using the same frequency. In some instances we could override interference, others necessitated frequency changes.

c. Employed POC1 radio relay unit with three man team on operations PEGASUS. Equipment was durable but bulky and not portable. A good means of communications but with present liabilities not acceptable for use with command group in an infantry battalion

d. The platoon suffered one minor WIA on Schotland II.

e. Major items of equipment lost due to enemy fire include 3 PRC-25 Operation PEGASUS, 1 PRC-25 occupation of Khe Sanh Combat base, 2-PRC-25 Operation Schotland II.

f. FLSG - A remains Phu Bai requiring helicopter borne couriers for delivery and pick up of repair items. Time involved requiring FLSB - A maintenance on occasion caused critical shortages of PRC-25

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10. MEDICAL

a. This battalion aid station treated 253 sick call patients during the month of April. No immersion foot cases were noted. There were 10 USMC KIA's and 1 USN KIA.

b. The immunizations were given for the men of 2nd battalion, 1st Marines while deployed at Khe Sanh. Each unit was immunized in their tactical area. A total of 95% were completed, due to operational commitments the remaining 20% will be completed within the next ten days.

11. CHAPLAIN

a. Protestant divine services - there were 23 Protestant Services held during the month of April with a total attendance of 380.

b. Catholic Divine Services - there were 10 Catholic Services held during the month of April.

c. Red Cross Messages - Four Red Cross Messages were delivered by the Battalion Chaplain.

12. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

During the month of April, the Psychological Operations of this Battalion were limited, but successful.

Coordinating with our Med-Caps, health leaflets pertaining to brushing teeth, washing, and disposing of human waste and refuse, were distributed to the people.

All Psychological Operations in conjunction with our forward elements in the vicinity of (Khe Sanh), were executed by the 24th Psychological Operations Company at the request of Third Marine Division.

On April 16, 1968, Our forward elements. Apprehended fourteen Montagnard Refugees coming from the Khe Sanh Area. Our elements provided helicopter transportation to Cam Lo Refugee Camp for the Montagnard Refugees.

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PART III

Sequential Listings of Significant Events

1. Organization and Operations

1 Apr 68 - Commenced Operation PEGASUS.

5 Apr 68 - Golf Company located and destroyed battalion size base camp.

17 Apr 68 - Battalion relocated to Khe Sanh Combat Base.

21 Apr 68 - Battalion conducted operation in vicinity of Khe Sanh, Echo and Hotel companies located and destroyed bunkers.

23 Apr 68 - Battalion returned and assumed responsibility of Khe Sanh Combat Base.

2. Logistics and Supply

17 Apr 68 - Effected movement to Khe Sanh Combat base.

24 Apr 68 - Effected movement of personal gear from Danang to Phu Bai.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 1 ✓ S-1 Staff Journal 1-30 April 1968
- 2 ✓ S-2 Staff Journal 1-30 April 1968
- 3 ✓ S-3 Staff Journal 1-30 April 1968
- 4 ✓ S-4 Staff Journal 1-30 April 1968
- 5 ✓ S-5 Staff Journal 1-30 April 1968

Reference

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000, Series 17014, Sheets 6442, I, II, III, IV

Sheets, 6441, I

Sheets 6342 II, Series 17014

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FROM: 00016Apr68
TO: 170011Apr68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-1	Div	0730H6Apr68	1MarEnl WIA
		0800	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1037MarEnl 2NavOff 61MarEnl
		0900	5MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		0930	1MarEnl NBC
		1050	1MarEnl NBC
		1210	1MarEnl WIA
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 39 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		1545	1MarEnl NBC
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 26 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H7Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1039MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarEnl NBC
		0930	2MarEnl to R&R
		1200	Mail from Regt consisted of 20 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1615	3MarEnl KIA
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 28 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H8Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1039MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1200	9MarEnl WIA
		1355	1MarEnl KIA 1NavEnl KIA
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 25 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1500	5MarEnl WIANE
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 31 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H9Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1020MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarEnl KIA
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 24 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1645	3MarEnl NBC
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H10Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1020MarEnl 2NavOff 59MarEnl
		0900	4MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 17 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 24 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H11Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1018MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	7MarEnl Jd Bn 5MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1645	1MarEnl KIA
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 31 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs

FROM: 000112Apr68
TO: 180017Apr68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-1	Div	0800H12Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1022MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	9MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		0930	5MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 21 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H13Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1019MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	3MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 15 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 23 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		0800H14Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1006MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	3MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		0930	7MarEnl to R&R 3MarOff to R&R
		1200	1MarOff and 1MarEnl WIA
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 19 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 24 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H15Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1006MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		1200	1MarOff Jd Bn
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 28 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 30 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H16Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 34MarOff 1002MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	4MarEnl to R&R
		1200	Mail from Regt consisted of 34 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 29 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0500H17Apr68	2MarEnl KIA
		0800	Chg str of Bn is 35MarOff 1010MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarOff rotated to CONUS
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 39 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1530	1MarOff and 3MarEnl WIANE
		1700	7MarEnl Jd Bn
		1730	1MarOff Jd Bn
		1800	Mail Regt consisted of 20 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs

FROM: 000118Apr68
TO: 170024Apr68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-1	Div	0800H18Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 34MarOff 1013MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	6MarEnl to R&R
		0930	1MarOff and 3MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 23 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 29 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H19Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 32MarOff 1014MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	2MarEnl to R&R
		1000	8MarEnl Jd Bn
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 19 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 23 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H20Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 32MarOff 1029MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarOff to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 35 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 22 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H21Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 32MarOff 1031MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	3MarEnl to R&R
		1300	Mail from Regt consisted of 29 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		1500	3MarEnl KIA 2NavEnl WIA 25MarEnl WIA
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 22 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H22Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 31MarOff 1020MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 21 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H23Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 30MarOff 1015MarEnl 2NavOff 59MarEnl
		0900	1MarEnl WIA
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 25 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 29 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		0800H24Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 30MarOff 1016MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	1MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 29 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 21 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs

FROM: 000125Apr68
TO: 170030Apr68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-1	Div	0800H25Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 31MarOff 1012MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	3MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1400	11MarEnl to R&R
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H26Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 31MarOff 1011MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	5MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 28 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 26 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H27Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 31MarOff 1009MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	2MarEnl rotated to CONUS
		1400	6MarEnl to R&R
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 21 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1730	1MarOff Jd Bn and 2MarEnl
		0800H28Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 32MarOff 1011MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	2MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 24 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 28 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H29Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 32MarOff 1010MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	2MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted of 32 bgs Pkgs 2 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted of 24 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		0800H30Apr68	Chg str of Bn is 33MarOff 1025MarEnl 2NavOff 59NavEnl
		0900	5MarEnl to R&R
		1400	Mail from Regt consisted 32 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs
		1700	Mail from Regt consisted 29 bgs Pkgs 1 Ltrs

H. E. COWAN JR.
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S-2 JOURNAL
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

FROM: ..010001H Apr 68
TO: 012400H Apr 68

<u>TIME</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>MESSAGE/INCIDENT</u>
0800	01	Journal opened by Sgt. M. D. Hugg.
1300	02	Received Countersigns and Passwords for April, DTG 230044Z March, and Challenges and Passwords for April, negative DTG, from S-2, 1st Marines.
1800	03	All objectives for 01 April 1968, Operation Pegasus, taken without enemy resistance.
2000	04	Journal closed by Sgt. M. D. Hugg.

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S-2 JOURNAL
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

FROM: 050001H Apr 68
TO: 052400H Apr 68

<u>TIME</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>MESSAGE/INCIDENT</u>
0800	01	Journal opened by Sgt. M. D. Hugg.
0900	02	3d ITT attached to 2/1 screened 57 Montangards, who claimed to be refugees. Montangards 5-10 NVA two (2) days ago at the village of Lang Kat #1 (vicinity XD 9039). Soldiers were dressed in khaki uniforms and wore helmets. They were eating and digging foxholes. Soldiers had AK-47 rifles. Refugees saw a radio antenna. Refugees saw no mines, booby-traps, or tanks.
1800	03	Received weather report for 06 April 1968 from 1st Marines.

S-2 JOURNAL
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

FROM: 080007H Apr 68
TO: 082400H Apr 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0830	01	G/2/1 S-2 Scout, Cpl. B. D. Nee, checking area, found directional mine tied to base of tree, facing downhill on avenue of approach. Pressure release with trip-wire across trail. S-2 Scout disarmed Mine.
0830	02	E/2/1 found six (6) fighting holes and 12 punji-stakes. Cleared with preparatory fire. No trails or signs.
1700	03	G/2/1 found six (6) NVA bunkers and three (3) straw houses. Bunkers and huts appeared to have been abandoned for about a month. Rice that was left was covered with blood, also ripped clothing covered with blood. Appears to have been left about same time bunkers were abandoned. Destroyed bunkers.
1745	04	F/2/1 lifted onto Objective #20, set-up LZ perimeter sent F-2 to establish block security position along ridgeline XD 950483. Unit was turned in brush and moved to bottom of draw. Found five (5) bunkers with equipment, ammunition, cooking gear, F-2 moved uphill to XD 950483, encountering small arms fire and claymore-type mines. Unit assaulted through top of hill and set-up defensive perimeter. One (1) squad dispatched to knoll at XD 951482 and encountered heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire, grenades, and mines. Returned fire with gunships, small arms, automatic weapons, grenades, and LAWS, directed into known and suspected enemy positions. F-1 moved to XD 948483. Headquarters elements moved to XD 954481 to link-up with F-2 and sweep to F-1. Terrain and mines delayed maneuvers. F-2, F-3, and Headquarters set-up night defenses at F-2, F-1 set-in. Will establish night ambushes and continue search and destroy at first light. Unit action resulted in seven (7) NVA KIA (confirmed).
1800	05	Received weather report for 09 April 1968 from 1st Marines.
2130	06	F-3 swept trailline at XD 952481. Found seven (7) bunkers and (3) living huts. All old and unused. Trenchlines and five (5) directional mines located at XD 951482.

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FROM: 080001H Apr 68
TO: 082400H Apr 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
2130	06	Found seven (7) NVA KIA by small arms and artillery (confirmed). Five (5) bodies were wearing green uniforms and two (2) bodies were wearing new khaki uniforms. One (1) body in khaki uniform had no equipment and appeared to be an officer. The only documents were found on this body. Documents were diary and various other papers. Suspected officer was found near stake markers, lined-up on communications hill, West of LZ Stud. It is believed this body was an enemy forward observer and stakes appeared to be firing position. Aiming stakes were shaved on one (1) side and had numerals V3 on the other side. Significant intelligence data is being held for delivery to S-2. Also found numerous tracks, blood trails, and drag trails.

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FROM: 090001H Apr 68

TO: 092400H Apr 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0830	01	Radio net used by F/2/1 was jammed by NVA, Unit picked-up Vietnamese talking and monitored for interpretation. The following was recorded: Question, "How many are coming?"; Answer, "Many, many are coming!". Although further, complete interpretation was not possible, the NVA also radioed information concerning a Corporal and artillery fire.
1230	02	F/2/1 spotted active 60mm mortar position at XD 951467. Received 12 rounds of incoming fire with no effect. Directed counter-fire on enemy position and avenue of escape and approach. No further activity detected. Unit swept through area and found bunkers previously reported, documents, food, and equipment. Also found blood trails and enemy bandages, but no sign of present enemy locations.
1300	03	F/2/1 while moving to Objective #22, found five (5) bamboo huts, possibly belonging to Montangards, but showing no sign of occupation since the monsoon season.
1400	04	F/2/1 returned to Battalion Command Post with the following captured material: one (1) Soviet AK-47 assault rifle with serial number 280990 and magazine, one (1) Chi com AK-47 assault rifle with serial number 1005721, six (6) NVA packs, four (4) clothing bundles, and one (1) electric mine detonator. All material was forwarded to S-2 1st Marines.

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FROM: 100001H Apr 68
TO: 102400H Apr 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1800	01	Received weather report for 11 April 1968 from 1st Marines
2030	02	No incidents were reported during this period.

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FROM: 160001H April 68
TO: 162400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
	01	Bodies dead for 4-5 days.
	02	Above contained approx. 250 RDS of 50 CAL. linked ammo; NVA type and document appears to be SRB. Bunkers and material destroyed, documents will be forwarded to S-2.
1500	03	Hotel Co. received approx. 10 rds. of 82mm mortar fire. Fired mission of 81's back to NW; negative results FR. Coord. 979479.
1730	04	Fox Co. brief of F/3 Patrol, indicates that location may have been slaughter area for animals. Also in the area were the (2) graves previously; bodies were buried in wooden boxes with graves enclosed by picket fence. Nothing of intelligence value was found on the bodies.
1950	05	Fox Co. observed light flash at 949449. Fired 10 rds. 60mm on location; results unknown.
2000	06	S-2 Journal closed by Lt. Gormley, S-2 clerk.

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FROM: 170001H April 68

TO: 172400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0500	01	While en Senater road security at approx. California R-5. 0 D-0.3. Vehicle recieved 1 satchel charge. Driver continued on to bridge 30 were he recieved aid from Andrew G-3. Result: 2 USMC KIA; 1 USMC WIA.
1430	02	Golf Co. triggered U/I mine, had approx 9 USMC WIA. Coord. of incident: 833417
1700	03	Echo Co. while moving into new position, took sporadic enemy mortar and Arty fire at 848417. Incoming was of mixed caliber. Result: 4 USMC WIA.

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FROM: 180001H April 68
TO: 182400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0900	01	Hotel Co. while on perimeter patrol found a bunker destroyed by arty, at 849419 (Previously a perimeter position). The following items were found: remains of 1 M-16 Rifle and other 782 gear; boot with part of foot in it; right hand severed at wrist; piece of intestine; camouflaged cover with bits of brains & scalp in it; part of scalp with black hair; part of spinal column; ether U/I pieces of meat and remains of camouflaged utilities. Also found letters written in Vietnamese dated April 7, and 1 set of ARVN dog tags. Tags and letters forwarded to 1st Lt. Ammer.
1000	02	Received 3 rds. of 152mm, 200 meters Hotel's posit., at 841417.
1000	03	Golf Co. received 1 rd. of approx. light Arty, behind 2 "S" lines. (KSQB)
2045	04	Coord. FR. 844421, EN. 844425 Golf Co. while on lines spotted a bright light at 10 degree azimuth. Light appeared to be a flashlight. Fired 8 rds. 60mm HE rds.- light secured.

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FROM: 190001H April 68
TO: 192400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0210	01	Darting star reported movement in front of lines at KS CB. Fired small arms fire. Result: 1 USMC KIA. It appears he was lost and wandered in front of lines.
0300	02	Summary of incoming rds. at KSCB., BETWEEN 0100 & 0300. 4 rds. of med. Arty, hit in front of Echo's posit at 0115. From 0200-0300 Golf Co. recieved 22 rds. of med. Arty behind thier lines.
1350	03	Recieved 4 rds. med. Arty, in Fox & Golf's Co. area.
2200	04	FoxCo., observed small light in area at 855412. Fired 20 rds. Of 60mm on target, and 20 rds. in target area. Light ceased.

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FROM: 200001H April 68
TO: 202400H April 68

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No incidents were reported during this period.

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FROM: 210007H April 68

TO: 212400H April 68

TIME ##	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1230	01	Senator units began lift off from KSCB LZ, for operation.
1300	02	Landed at LZ Eagle; receiving heavy 60mm mortar fire.
1330	03	FR. Coord. 787413 & 787415 (Vic of LZ Eagle). Receiving incoming 60mm mortar rds.; Hotel Co. tried to move out of LZ; turned back by incoming fire. Result: 16 USMC WIA & 1 USMC KIA.
1430	04	Still receiving 60mm mortar fire, north of LZ Eagle. Called in Air strikes on enemy posit.
1500	05	Rds. of 60mm mortar fire at LZ Eagle.
1630	06	Enemy mortar fire on LZ Eagle ceased. Positions knocked out by Napalm.
1300- 1630	07	Summary of 60mm mortar fire on LZ Eagle was approx 125-160 rds. during this period. Result of enemy fire to Echo Co.: 13 USMC WIA & 2 USMC KIA.
1800	08	Echo Co. found 2 Anti-Aircraft posit.; 6'ft. Dia. x 4 ft. deep, at Obj. B (788404).
1815	09	Echo Co while assaulting Obj. B & checking a bunker complex, unit had enemy contact with an estimated 5 NVA. Returned with a squad assault. Result- 1 NVA KIA; 1 AK 47 with 4 magazines; 2 cartridge belts with canteens; and 1 gas mask. Also found 36 60mm mortar rds. in bunker.

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FROM: 220001H April 68
TO: 222400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0800	01	Echo Co. while sweeping area, found approx. 20 bunkers, (living type, 5ft. x 6ft. x 4ft deep) with log & dirt covers, at 783404. 6 bunkers to East used as mortar positions. Found Comm wire laced through complex. Also found 65 60mm mortar rds., 74 82mm rds., 2 B40 rcts., 1 rifle grenade kit with sight & crimped cartridge & 3 rds., 4 lbs. of TNT, 1 chi-com grenade, 1 gas mask, 1 canteen, 1400 .50 cal. rds., and 30 60 mm fuses. Cut comm wire and gathered gear.
0830	02	Hotel Co. found 30 enemy bunkers at 779411. Appears to be an overnite posit for reinforced platoon size unit. Bunkers were well constructed from tree timbers & earth. Some bunkers contained NVA and USMC type C-rats. Found parts of body in a bunker which had taken a direct hit. All 30 bunkers destroyed by hand.
0900	02	Echo Co., while destroying bunker complex at 783404. Found 2 bodies believed to be Americans, because of clothing size, 782 gear, dent-work, & skin color, buried in bunker entrance. Bodies had rope tied around thier wrists & ankles. Appeared to have been dragged to bunker after being killed. Found 2 Flak jackets, 2 Bandaliers & M-79. Bodies dressed in camouflaged utilities, skivy shirts and socks. Bodies believed to be 2-3 months old.
0945	04	Echo Co. found 4 spherical shaped objects, slightly smaller than tennis balls. Believed to be U.S. air delivered in bomblets. Unit destroyed them in place. Found at 783403
1030	05	Echo Co. found 7 grave sites at 783404. Dug up 7 bodies wrapped in blankets and discarded clothing. 5 bodies believed to be killed by frag wounds, 2 killed by napalm. 1 believed to be Chinese because of facial appearance and size.
1130	06	Hotel Co. found fighting and living bunkers at 771405. Bunkers had been destroyed by napalm. (Fighting type). Living bunkers appeared to be recently built from tree timbers & earth, with a bamboo decking. Also observed mortar posit in same complex. Found bunker with NVA body in it. Body appears to be 2-3 months old. Also found NVA 782 gear, 1 helmet liner, and 1 NVA uniform with no ID, 1 poncho, 3 ak 47 magazines, 1 stozybook written in Vietnamese. Destroyed bunkers and gear.
1730	07	Hotel Co. recieved 8-10 rds. of 60 & 82mm mixed mortar rds. Result: 3 USMC WIA.
2210	08	Golf Co. detected gas from unk. source at 838418. Fairly heavy and spread out over at least 300 meters.. Area cleared of gas with approx. 5 MW. Unit also found detected movement in minefield. Threw approx. 15 grenades & called 81mm illumination. Movement ceased.

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FROM: 230001H April 68
TO: 232400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0800	01	Aug. Nite 6 spotted 2 U/I figures moving away from friendly lines in a NE direction, at 852422.
1245	02	Senator units returned to KSCB, from LZ Wren. all units returned.
1830	03	Coord.: FR. KSCB Perimeter/ EN. 860412. Fox Co. recieved 10 rds. of sniper fire in vicinity of enemy grid. Returned fire into enemy position, also fired 11 HE& 8 FIECHETTE 90mm rds., and 63 60mm mortar rds. Sniper fire ceased.

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FROM: 240001H April 68
TO: 242400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1330	01	Debriefing of personnel subsequent to operation, indicates that a destroyed enemy mortar posit was noted at XD 786405 on 22 April at 1400. But was not reported properly. Posit consisted of 2 firing pits with Destroyed mortar parts in each pit. Description & ID from pictures indicates weapons to be 82mm mortars. Weapons were completely destroyed, possibly by a direct hit by Air or Arty. No evidence of enemy casualties was noted. Visual search of area indicates no additional bunkers, or equipment in area.

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FROM: 250001H April 68
TO: 252400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1100	01	Fox Co. found NVN trenches at 855414. Trenches were old and had not been used for quite awhile. Found 1 Bangalore torpedo; disarmed torpedo and brought back to S-2.

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FROM: 260001H April 68
TO: 262400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0800	01	Fox Co.; enemy bunkers and trenches at 855415. Found misc. ammo, 3 Bangalore torpedoes, 7 satchel charges, 3 Chi-com claymores, numerous Chi-com grenades, misc. 782 gear, and numerous friendly dud rds. Also found 6 NVA bodies. Destroyed all equipment.
0850	02	Platoon from Golf Co. while conducting a road sweep, discovered portions of a head & body at 845407, believed to be from a U.S. serviceman (Negro). Found in same area where NVA bodies were badly disposed.
0855	03	Road sweep security pl. from Golf Co., discovered 2 M-26 grenades, rigged as a mine with a trip wire. Being disarmed by engineers & brought back by to CP by unit.
1330	04	2 man water detail drew 3 rds of sniper fire at 848422, from 848422. Took evasive action; did not return fire.
1700	05	(Follow up to spot 260850) Area noted in previous spot, thoroughly searched for additional U.S. or NVA remains. Found total of 10 NVA bodies, approx. 2-3 months old, and in unmarked green utilities. Area littered with U. S. AND NVA 782 gear, and equipment. No weapons were discovered. Discovered 25-30 living bunkers, 5ft. x 6ft. x 10ft., containing approx. 2,000 lbs. of Rice and other grain. Bunkers and rice were destroyed; Rice was unsuitable for consumption.

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FROM: 270001H April 68
TO: 272400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0908	01	Received approx. 2 rds of 82mm mortar fire, behind 81's CP (KSCB).
0815	02	Fox Co. while on perimeter patrol at 843418, found 12 A frame bunkers, 2 NVA rocket launchers, 17 60mm mortar rds., 150 lbs. of TNT, 88 friction fuses, 2 bags of ak 47 ammo, 1 Nva gas mask, 1 Bangalore torpedo, 34 Chi-com grenades, 2 letters written in Vietnamese, misc. 782 gear, and numerous U.S. DUDS. Also found 5 NVA bodies in the area. All ordinance was destroyed.
1500	03	Hotel Co. found bunker complex & trench lines, with approx. 4 living bunkers, with room 4 people in each. Will destroy with C-4. Coord. of bunkers 853443.
1510	04	Hotel Co. found 2 enemy bunkers and small trench line at 853423. The bunkers appeared to be shelter type only. Destroyed by hand.
1530	05	(Follow up to spot report 271500) Found 2 more bunkers (living type), and a posit for a .30 or .50 cal. Will destroy.

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FROM: 280001H April 68

TO: 282400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1215	01	Hotel Co. recieved 2 suspected 82mm mortar rds at 876398, about 200 meters in front of thier lines.
1930	02	Hotel Co. at 853422 spotted 4-6 NVA on ridge line at 849427. Fired Ontos 106's, 60mm, Arty & Dusters, into area. Will check at first light.
2100	03	Fox Co. detected movement in wire and a clacking sound as striking sticks together at 852414. 1 M-35 grenade thrown in area. After detonation, heard movement sounding like crawling. Secnnd grenade thrown. Movement ceased. Area will be cleared at first light.
2215	04	FR. 846414- EN. 858397. Echo Co. recieved approx. 55 rds of 60mm fire, during 20 min. period. Believed fired from Max. range. FOB & Fox Co. returned fire with 60mm. Echo working Arty on posit.

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FROM: 290001H April 68
TO: 292400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
0400	01	Echo Co. recieved 25 mixed rds. of 60 & 82mm fire at 848414. Believed to have been fired at max. range. Called Arty mission on suspected enemy posit.
0930	02	(Follow up to spot 282100) Checked area; negative results.
1358	03	Golf Co. recieved 4 rds. of incoming 152rds. at 834421. Unable to determine direction from which rdnd came in.
1710	04	FR. 834421. 1 rd. of incoming off Golf's lines. Possibly light Arty (75mm), at 830421. Round landed in mine field.
2245	05	FR. 834415 847415. Recieved 2 rds. of 82mm fire. Impacted 75 meters behind Echo's lines, in the Motor Trans. area.

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FROM: 300001H April 68
TO: 302400H April 68

TIME	NO.	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1715	01	Nox recieved 2 incoming 81 WP rds, at 849415. N ^O tified GOC.
2200	02	Golf @P at 831415 , recieved 3 rds. incoming Arty from unk. posit. rounds impacted 50-100 meters in front of position. Estimate 1 med. Arty, and 2 82mm rds.
2400	03	S-2 Journal closed for the month of April, by Lopl. D. P. Gormley, S-2 Clerk.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
G	S-3	2210	Detected gas from unknown source fairly heavy and spread out over at least 300 meters. Area cleared of gas in 5 minutes. Unit detected considerable movement. Called 81mm mission of illumination and movement ceased.
S-3	1stMar	2230	Debriefing of personnel subsequent to operation indicated that 2 destroyed 82mm tubes were discovered vicinity of enemy casualties.

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FROM: 010001E Apr 68
TO: 012400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
F	S-3	0815	F/ Objective #1
H	S-3	0816	H/ Objective #1
G	S-3	0817	G/ Moving toward objective "A".
E	S-3	0818	E/ Moving toward objective "B".
E	S-3	0905	E/ at 990469.
G	S-3	0906	G/ at 988471.
H	S-3	0907	H/ at 998468.
F	S-3	0908	F/ at 007457.
F	S-3	0915	F/ objective "E".
E	S-3	1000	E/ Position report.
F	S-3	1140	F/ objective "F".
G	S-3	1141	G/ objective "A".
F	S-3	1200	F/ secured objective #3 and bridge 19.
G	S-3	1240	G/ moving to Bn objective C.
E	S-3	1444	E/ moving to Bn objective C.
F	S-3	1600	F/ 1 KIA from friendly artillery.
G	S-3	2132	G/ received 9 WIA from friendly artillery.

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FROM: 020001H Apr 68
TO: 022400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-3	1st Mar	0815	Position Report.
F	S-3	0818	F/1 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	0920	H/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	0925	Man fell on ridgeline causing back injury, called for medevac.
F	S-3	0937	Medevac completed.
H	S-3	0937	H/ at objective 17.
F	S-3	1020	F/ at objective 13.
S-3	1st Mar	1025	S-2 personnel checking area found 1 directional mine tied to base of tree firing down hill on an avenue of approach, pressure release and trip wire across trail, S-2 disarmed mine.
S-3	1st Mar	1517	E/ air lifted to objective 21.
F	S-3	1650	E/ received 81mm friendly fire, causing 2 KIA, and 2 WIA.
S-3	1st Mar	1730	Position Report.
F	S-3	1940	F/1 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1945	H/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1950	F/3 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2000	H/3 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2000	H/2 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2030	H/1/2/3 Now in position.
F	S-3	2030	F/1/3 Now in position.
G	S-3	2100	G/1 Now departing CP.
G	S-3	2130	G/1 Now in position.
G	S-3	2220	G/3 Now departing CP.
G	S-3	2230	G/3 Now in position.

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FROM: 030001H Apr 68
TO: 032400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
E	S-3	0740	Moving towards bunker complex.
E	S-3	0830	2 more battle casualties from yesterday's assault. They were wounded by mines and will be medevaced.
E	S-3	0840	1 NBC reopened operative sight on left groin.
S-3	1st Mar	0845	Position Report.
S-3	1st Mar	0950	Regiment notified of 2 detainees Fox picked up yesterday.
S-3	1st Mar	0955	Notified 1st Marines of fire plan for objective 11.
S-3	1st Mar	1005	Advised 1st Marines need resupply in 30 minutes.
S-3	1st Mar	1046	Searched and blew bunkers with demo, found 14 AK, 47 magazines, 4 M-26 grenades, 15-50 cal. rounds, 2 NVA packs, 2 first aid packs complete US type, 3 canteen pouches US type, 1 cartridge belts NVA type, 3 AK 47 magazine pouches, 1 chi com pouches, 1 Russian first aid pack, assorted cleaning gear, personnel gear, lighter, watch. 1 KIA NVA was an Officer.
S-3	1st Mar	1130	Position report of Fox.
S-3	1st Mar	1130	Hotel secured bridges 22 and 23.
S-3	1st Mar	1232	F/ secured bridge and high ground to east. Located mine on bridge access. Blown by engineers. Tank fire placed on high ground to west moving unit into clear.
S-3	1st Mar	1245	F/ secured bridge 24 and moving to 25.
E	S-3	1358	E/ secured objective "I".
E	S-3	1420	E/ secured objective 11.
S-3	1st Mar	1435	G/ secured objective 10 with CP. group.
S-3	1st Mar	1440	F/ secured objective 25.
S-3	1st Mar	1631	E/ secured objective 12.
S-3	1st Mar	1957	E/ set up at objective 11.
S-3	1st Mar	2130	F/ found 10 covered fighting holes 3 weeks old. In position to defend SW. Destroyed all holes.
S-3	1st Mar	2130	F/ troops were moving through brushy draw, one man grasped other man's rifle to assist. Rifle discharged striking man in chest. Called in medevac and completed.
S-3	1st Mar	2130	F/ received 1 incoming frag grenade. Grenade was returned and also small arms.

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FROM: 040001H Apr 68
TO: 042400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-3	1stMar	0740	Picked up 28 Montagnards mixed men, women and children. Picked up at F/ position. Request S-2 pick up people ASAP will be escorted to rear.
H	S-3	0920	H/2 Now departing CP. for day activities.
G	S-3	0947	G/1 now departing CP.
S-3	1stMar	1035	Position Report.
E	S-3	1040	Request for 1 priority medevac for back injury.
G	S-3	1045	G/1 now in CP.
F	S-3	1110	Unit located in place mine, continued to locate mines will remove or blow in place.
G	S-3	1200	While on patrol found 2 enemy bunkers 6X6 believed to be fairly new. Searched out bunker found enemy gear and brought it back to CP. Also found 2 B-40 rocket rounds, 7 AK 47 magazines with approximately 70 rounds, 7 Chicom grenades, 1 pack with personal gear, 4 ponchos, 100 lbs of rice, 3 cooking pots 2 lbs TNT.
R	S-3	1205	Unit found 1 dead NVA body about 30 days old. Body was almost completely decomposed.
F	S-3	1210	Request for 1 priority medevac due to mine explosion.
S-3	1stMar	1300	Request for 1 emergency medevac.
S-3	1stMar	1500	Both medevacs completed.

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FROM: 050001H Apr 68
TO: 052400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
F	S-3	0700	LP detected movement and spotted 2 enemy on the road 2 enemy in creek bed, and 2 enemy in river along bank. One enemy frag grenade thrown at position. Unit threw frag grenades, fired 8 rds M-79, and 20 rds of 81mm into area.
F	S-3	0905	Unit moved into area to set in security elements, discovered fighting positions on the ridges overlooking the bridges. Directional mines placed on avenues of approach and areas to cover the bridges draws leading into the position also appeared to be mined and booby trapped and fortified directional mines appear to be rigged for command detonation. A Malayan whip was detected in one of the draws. Area cleared for night security elements. Detailed search of area will be conducted in first light.
S-3	1stMar	0950	Group of civilians approached lines: 17 males, women and children turned over to Bn S-2.
S-3	1stMar	1000	G/ found 50 to 75 bunkers, thatched huts and log cabins, and heavy command bunkers. Seems to be Bn size base camp. Still checking out area for weapons and more gear. Found several hundred pounds of TNT several hundred 60 and 82mm Chicom mortars, approx 100 grenades, 1000 rds small arms ammo, documents, maps, clothing, packs, tools, 10 to 15 directional mines, approx 25 frag mines, a couple of hundred pounds of rice, etc.
S-3	1stMar	1620	F/ unit saw refugees approaching from west. 13 men and 36 women and children. Total of 56 persons were there. Turned over refugees to S-2 for pick up.
S-3	1stMar	1640	H/ unit was moving down very steep hill. Point element had just reached bottom of hill when man fell and broke bone in lower right leg. Making stretcher to carry man to LZ for medevac.
S-3	1stMar	1730	H/ unit found 1 well constructed trail on slope of hill. Consisting of bamboo and mud. Trail was running from NW to SE, also found fighting position and various types of ordinance. Unit returning to GP, found 10 60mm rds and 4 B-40 rocket rounds, 1 booster and 12.7 ammo.
S-3	1stMar	1855	Position Report
S-3	1stMar	1940	Man cutting tree from G/ fell and broke his left leg. Will be medevaced in morning.
S-3	1stMar	2000	Change to man cutting tree and broke leg. It was his left toe on left leg.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
H	S-3	0750	H/ found 1 MVA type claymore. Claymore was set up in front of fighting bunker tied to stake approximately 1 foot off ground. Claymore was rigged with blasting cap and pull type firing device with wire running from pull device back to fighting bunker. Claymore was facing down NW of hill. Disarmed claymore and brought back to CP.
F	S-3	1025	F/ has more civilians coming towards their lines.
G	S-3	1031	Man saw tracks by a rock while blowing enemy bunkers, has possible fracture of left arm, man will be medevaced today.
F	S-3	1410	F/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1430	F/3 Now departing CP.
S-3	1st Mar	1505	Unit activities sent.
G	S-3	1640	G/ reached objective 19.
E	S-3	1710	Man walking along trail discovered punji pit with 3 sharpened bamboo stakes. Stakes were 4 inches long in triangle arrangement, destroyed pit.
G	S-3	1755	G/ found 1 US claymore rigged with pull release firing device and chi cron blasting cap. Disarmed mine.
F	S-3	1845	F/3 Now departing CP.
G	S-3	1900	Man clearing fields of fire found 1 directional mine at base of tree facing down slope rigged with pull release wire. Disarmed mine.

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H	S-3	0625	All Hotel units in CP.
G	S-3	0628	All Golf units in CP.
F	S-3	1040	F/ request for medevac.
F	S-3	1300	Medevac completed.
F	S-3	1330	Request for 1 emergency medevac.
F	S-3	1345	Medevac completed.
Ontos	S-3	1429 ¹⁰⁰	Ontos being lifted to this position was dropped after being set down on slope of hill. Brakes on vehicle began to roll backwards at this time the CE 53 lift operator released the vehicle premature and it was allowed to roll free backwards to almost the base of the hill. About 200 meters lodging in a group of trees. Extensive damage which is estimated will have to be repaired out of country. Squad of security is set around vehicle until it can be lifted out.
S-3	1st Mar	1435	Position Report.
G	S-3	1635	Unit found 6 NVA bunkers and 3 straw huts. Bunkers and huts appeared to have been abandoned for about a month. The rice that was left was covered with mold. Found old colthing with blood on them also ripped. Destroyed bunkers.
S-3	1st Mar	1805	F/ unit lifted into objective 20, set up LZ perimeter. Sent F/2 to establish security position along ridgeline. Unit was turned in brush and moved to bottom of draw, found 5 bunkers with equipment, ammo and cooking gear. F/2 moved up hill incoun-tered small arms and claymore type mines. Unit assaulted through top of hill and set up perimeter 1 squad dispatched to encounter heavy automatic fire., grenades and mines. Medevacs effected for casualties. Re-returned fire, gunships, laaws, 60mm, M-60 and small arms fire directed into known and suspected enemy positions. F/1 moved up to sweep and meet elements of F/2. Will establish night activities and continue to search and destroy at first light.
F	S-3	1935	F/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1936	H/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1958	H/2 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2000	H/3 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	2005	F/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	2012	F/2 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	2012	F/3 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2015	H/1/2/3 Now in position.
E	S-3	2020	E/1/2 Now departing CP.
E	S-3	2035	E/1/2 Now in position.

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H	S-3	0625	All Hotel units in CP.
G	S-3	0628	All Golf units in CP.
G	S-3	0715	G/3 Now departing CP.
E	S-3	0719	E/2 Now departing CP.
BAS	S-3	0730	Medevac Completed.
G	S-3	0840	G/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	0950	F/ Now being lifted.
S-3	1st Mar	1010	Notified that 6 is airborne and two platoons of Fox are airborne.
G	S-3	1020	G/3 Now in CP.
E	S-3	1035	E following left stream to junction and middle stream to 22.
H	S-3	1037	H/2 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1040	LZ secured with negative contact.
F	S-3	1150	Request for 3 priority medevac.
BAS	S-3	1300	Medevacs completed.
H	S-3	1310	H/2 Now in CP.
F	S-3	1315	Request for 1 routine medevac.
S-3	1st Mar	1335	Concerning the helo lift, air recon, fixed wing support, gunship control, and aerial recon, the lift of Fox was a success. At 0915 the commander made recon and recommendations of the landing zone. At 0930 Southern Golf with Finger point 35 came on station controlling fixed wing prep of the landing zone to and including 1015 when the first helicopter hit the deck. Seaworthy 4-8 was in control and able to locate aircraft in the zone without difficulty. By 1018 Fox had 105 personnel on the deck including the Command Group. This assault was highly successful.

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H	S-3	0615	All Hotel units in CP.
S-3	1st Mar	1155	Spotted active 60mm mortars. Received 12 rds incoming in friendly position. Effective counter mortar fire on enemy position and avenue of approach and escape. Fired 10 rds 60mm, 15 rds 81mm, 20 rds 105mm, and 6 rds 106RR. Unable to check area due to movement schedule.
E	S-3	1202	E/ unit moving to objective 22 found 5 bamboo huts, probably belonging to local people, but showing no signs of occupation of anybody since Monsoon season. Checked area out with no signs of enemy activity.
S-3	1st Mar	1300	F/ unit swept through area, found bunkers previously reported. Found documents, food, equipment, blood trail and enemy bandages. Found no sign of enemy presents.
S-3	1st Mar	1345	H/ beginning troop lift.
S-3	1st Mar	1346	E/ fired 81 and 105mm mission of previous mortar position. Had 2 secondary explosions.
S-3	1st Mar	1352	F/ being lifted back to CP.
S-3	1st Mar	1438	Position Report.
S-3	1st Mar	1440	Troop lift completed.
S-3	1st Mar	1516	H/ New set in position.
E	S-3	1600	E/ received 3 heat casualties, 1 man died from heat.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
F	S-3	1115	F/3 Now in CP.
H	S-3	1200	H/2 Now in CP.
H	S-3	1245	H/1 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1410	H/1 Now in CP.
S-3	1st Mar	1735	Sent day and night activities to Regiment.

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TO: 112400H Apr 68

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F	S-3	0615	F/3 Now in CP.
F	S-3	0817	F/2 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1110	F/3 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1230	H/3 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1310	F/3 Now in CP.
H	S-3	1428	H/3 Now in CP.
S-3	1st Mar	1700	E/ received 5 rds incoming light/medium artillery from direction of 4800 mills. 1 man took a direct hit.

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FROM: 120001H Apr 68
TO: 122400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
F	S-3	0615	All Fox units in CP.
F	S-3	0630	F/ received 1 incoming frag grenade. Returned with grenades and small arms.
F	S-3	1005	F/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1120	F/1 Now in CP.
E	S-3	1151	E/ Now being lifted to new objective.
S-3	1st Mar	1625	Position Report.
H	S-3	1940	H/1 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2000	H/3 Now departing CP.
E	S-3	2005	E/1 Now in position.
F	S-3	2105	All Fox units now in position.
G	S-3	2105	G/ received 6 to 8 rds small arms fire. Rds came from east of units position. Returned no fire.
F	S-3	2252	F/ received 9 rds 60mm and returned fire with 60 and 81mm mortars.

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TO: 132400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
H	S-3	0600	Hotel units in CP.
G	S-3	0608	Golf units in CP.
E	S-3	0612	Echo units in CP.
H	S-3	1430	H/2 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1550	14 Montagnards crossed river from south. 1 man 35 years old, others old men, women and small children. Preliminary interrogation established that they came from Khe Sanh Hill and traveled for 4 days without seeing any enemy. Delivered to 1st Marines at bridge 17.
H	S-3	1740	H/2 now in CP.

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H	S-3	0615	H/1 now in CP.
H	S-3	0620	H/3 now in CP.
G	S-3	0930	G/2 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0955	G/2 now at Ck pt #1.
E	S-3	0958	E now departing CP.
H	S-3	1000	H/ starting move to new objective.
E	S-3	1005	While on patrol found enemy living bunker. Found to be very old. Checked it out and will continue to patrol.
F	S-3	1045	F/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1050	G/2 now at Ck pt #2.
F	S-3	1100	F/3 now at Ck pt #1.
F	S-3	1125	F/3 now at Ck pt #2.
G	S-3	1130	G/3 now departing CP.
E	S-3	1131	E/1 now in CP.
E	S-3	1132	E/1/B now departing CP.
F	S-3	1135	F/3 now at Ck pt #3.
G	S-3	1136	G/2 now at Ck pt #3.
F	S-3	1200	F/3 now at Ck pt #4.
G	S-3	1220	G/2 now in CP.
E	S-3	1225	E/1 now at Ck pt #2.
F	S-3	1230	F/3 now in CP.
G	S-3	1400	While entry bunkering fields of fire detonated unknown explosive device wounding 2 personnel. Called for medevac. Medevac completed.
E-	S-3	1500	E/2 now in CP.
F	S-3	1936	Unit observed movement in treeline at base of hill fired M-16, M-79, M-60 on treeline. On target checking out area with patrol.
F	S-3	1940	Patrol returned with negative results. Will check out area at first light.
E	S-3	1945	E/1 now in position.
H	S-3	2005	H/3 now in position.
G	S-3	2005	Unit heard voices and movement at reference coords. Fired 15 M-79 rds at movement at noises in area. Movement ceased.
F	S-3	2025	F/ Night activities now set in.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
E	S-3	1050 ²⁰	Friendly activity detected sounds of enemy movement at 993425. Movement accompanied by sounds of chickens direction 790 degrees. Called arty mission. Checked area with negative results.
H	S-3	1220	H/1 Now departing CP.
E	S-3	1230	E/1 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1335	H/1 Now at Ck. Pt. #3.
E	S-3	1345	E/1 Now at Ck. Pt. #1.
H	S-3	1415	H/1 Now at Ck. Pt. #4.
H	S-3	1450	H/1 Now in CP.
E	S-3	1600	E/1 Now at Ck. Pt. #3.
F	S-3	1645	Executed helo lift without any incidents. Secured high ground to NW. Found several old NVA positions, three graves with decomposed NVA bodies. Found 1 anti-pneammwl mine. Established patrol base.
H	S-3	1715	Clearing fields of fire, discovered 7 living bunkers containing various items of clothing, food, equipment. A small pool of fresh blood was found in 1 bunker. Continued to check area and found 2 letters and gave to S-2 personnel.
F	S-3	1740	Individual dropped match on black powder round in NVA gear. Received flash burns on face. Man was medevaced on resupply chopper.
H	S-3	1940	H/2 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1950	H/2 Now in position.
H	S-3	1955	H/3 Now departing CP.
H	S-3	2000	H/3 Now in position.
E	S-3	2005	Night activities sent in.
F	S-3	2110	Night activities sent in.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
H	S-3	0600	All Hotel units in CP.
E	S-3	0615	All Echo units in CP.
F	S-3	0620	All Fox units in CP.
G	S-3	0630	All Golf units in CP.
E	S-3	0926	E/1 Now in CP.
F	S-3	0930	F/2/3 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1015	F/3 Now in CP.
G	S-3	1040	In performing road security, front wheel fell off vehicle. Vehicle left road went down a 20 foot embankment and flipped. Continued road security with alternate vehicle. Vehicle involved in accident was pulled up and will be towed to rear.
F	S-3	1215	F/1 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1230	F/2 Now departing CP.
F	S-3	1245	F/1 Now in CP.
F	S-3	1250	Man cut right forearm on bamboo while on patrol. Man was taken to BAS at Ca Lu.
H	S-3	1320	Ruptured cartridge exploded lacerating fingers of right hand. Applied first aid then called for routine medevac.
G	S-3	1535	G/1 Now in CP.
E	S-3	1635	Night activities sent in.
F	S-3	1640	Found 12 A- framed bunkers, also two NVA graves, one grave had 250 rds 50 Cal and documents. Destroyed bunkers forwarded documents to intelligence.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
G	S-3	0615	While on road security vic Bridge #29 vehicle received 1 Chicom grenade. Driver maintained control of vehicle and continued down road towards bridge 29. Passed through 29 continued to 30. Stopped at 30 and received aid from 2/3. Driver could not tell if any more enemy were in area. Administered first aid to wounded in vehicle.
E	S-3	0630	All Echo units in CP.
F	S-3	0645	All Fox units in CP.
G	S-3	0650	All Golf units in CP.
E-	S-3	1030	Echo now lifting off.
E	S-3	1145	Echo liftoff not complete.
S-3	1stMar	1300	Move completed.
G	S-3	1700	Helicopters bringing in men landed in mine field tripped trip flares. Pilot and gunners started pushing troops off and they had no place to go or gear. Started triggering M-14 mines. Called for medevacs and were completed.
E	S-3	2100	While moving into new defensive position took enemy mortars and arty incoming. 4 men were wounded and evaced. Unit continued to move on to objective.

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FROM: 180001E Apr 68
TO: 182400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-3	1st Mar	0800	The S-3 is on his way to Lil Abnor's position.
E	S-3	1200	Man laying in bunker was bitten on little finger on left hand by a rat. Man failed to report wound until 1100H negative medical assistance was available, man was brought to see CP corpman.
S-3	1st Mar	1800	Sent report or summary of total rounds received today.
G	S-3	2130	Unit on line spotted bright light at 10 degrees. Light appeared to be a flash light. Fired 8 rds 60mm HE and light went out.

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FROM: 190001H Apr 68
TO: 192400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S/4	S-3	0227	Unit heard movement in front of lines. Fired 5 rds small arms. Apparently friendly troops were lost and wandered in front of lines. Result: 1 KIA
S-3	1stMar	0315	Echo reports taking increasing arty.
G	S-3	0330	Received 22 rds arty incoming.
G	S-3	1000	Man found 1 RDL6 in a buried hole in a bunker floor in useable condition. Turned over to S-2.
F	S-3	2200	Unit observed small lights outside perimeter. Fired 20 rds 60mm on target. Light went out.

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TO: 202400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/ INCIDENT
1st Mar	S-3	1208	There will be a meeting of all 6's at Senator CP.
1st Mar	S-3	1230	Assume upon 3rd Mar Div also maintain Khe Sanh perimeter defense.
1st Mar	S-3	1245	Reports movement small group of NVA moving South east in the open at vicinity of 774374.
1st Mar	S-3	1300	Requests field strength report.

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FROM: 210001H Apr 68
TO: 212400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
E	S-3	1230	Began lift off at Khe Sanh LZ for routine Battalion operation.
H	S-3	1245	Lift off complete.
G	S-3	1315	Command group now lifting off.
E	S-3	1315	Touched down LZ eagle. Began moving out of LZ.
G&H	S-3	1330	Landed in LZ eagle began taking incoming 60mm and 82mm. F Co. waved off due to incoming in LZ. Air requested on mortar firing positions.
G	S-3	1430	Receiving arty north LZ eagle 6 to 8 rds 152mm.
F	S-3	1500	F Co. landed. Medevacs began for casualties on helicopter landing F Co.
G	S-3	1515	Received 8 rounds 152mm to west of LZ.
F	S-3	1520	More units of F Co. landed and received several 60mm. No casualties.
E	S-3	1600	Estimated total of 125 to 150 60mm rds incoming to LZ eagle.
H	S-3	1630	Result 16 wounded and 1 KIA totals of landing.
E	S-3	1630	Result 13 wounded and 2 KIA totals of landing.
E	S-3	1815	While moving to objective "B" found bunker complex. Made contact with 5 NVA. Result 1 KIA NVA also captured 1 Ak 47, 4 magazines, 2 cartridge belts with canteens, 1 gasmask, 26 60mm in rear of bunker, and 82 mm rds.
E	S-3	1830	Discovered six anti-aircraft positions 6 ft in diameter and 4 ft deep found 500 50 cal rds.
H	S-3	1830	Hotel siezed objective "A" without contact.
E	S-3	2030	While searching bunker complex found seven graves bodies found wrapped in blankets and discarded clothing. 5 killed by frag wounds and 2 killed by Napalm.

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TO: 222400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
H	S-3	0830	Found 30 bunkers, positions made of logs and dirt 3 feet thick. Some bunkers contained NVA and USMC C-Rations. One bunker took direct hit had parts of bodies in it. Destroyed all bunkers by hand.
E	S-3	0900	While searching bunkers found 2 USMC bodies 2 to 3 days old. Identified by appearance and size of clothing and 782 gear. Bodies were tied with rope around waist and feet. Believed to be put in bunker after being killed. Also found 2 flack jackets, 2 bandoleers of M-79 ammo. Dressed in jungle utilities.
E	S-3	0930	Found approx 20 bunkers 526Z4. Logs and dirt cover bunkers to east used as mortar positions against our unit. Bunkers also laced with comm wire and found 65 60mm rds and 82mm rds, 2 B-40 rockets, 1 rifle grenade and 3 rds, 1 lb TNT, 1 chicom, 1 gas mask NVA type, 1 NVA canteen, 1400 50 cal rds and 30 60mm fuses.
E	S-3	0945	Found 4 spherical shaped objects slightly smaller than a tennis ball. Believed to be U. S. air delivered bomblets. Destroyed in place.
H	S-3	1130	Searching bunkers found 1 NVA body 2 to 3 days old also found 782 gear, helmet NVA uniform, poncho, and Vietnamese story book of famous Vietnamese people. Destroyed all bunkers, delivered gear to S-2.
E	S-3	1300	While attempting to medevac casualties LZ caught fire causing man to vacate area. Bodies partially burned. 2 M-16, 1 pack, 1 PRC 25, 1 flack jacket, 1 helmet were damaged. Medevac was completed.
E	S-3	1400	All medevacs were completed.
H	S-3	1550	Found enemy bunkers with 60mm rds with fuses, 13 chicom claymores, 1 bottle unknown medicine. Also unknown AK 47 rds. Destroyed bunkers and ammo.
H	S-3	1730	Received 8 to 10 rds 60mm and 82mm mixed. 3 casualties were medevaced.
All Units	S-3	1830	All units in night defensive positions.

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FROM: 230001H Apr 68
TO: 232400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
E	S-3	0605	First element moved out towards LZ Wren for lift-off to Khe Sanh.
H	S-3	0630	Commenced movement to LZ Wren.
F	S-3	0700	Foz with command group moved out to LZ.
Ontos	S-3	0705	Observed two unidentified figures moving from wire. Were out of sight before action could be taken.
E	S-3	0800	Arrived LZ Wren.
S-3	1stMar	0830	Remaining elements of H and F are at LZ Wren.
All Units	S-3	0945	Departed LZ Wren for Khe Sanh combat base.
F	S-3	0950	Man fell leaving LZ Eagle twisted hip and was evacuated.
All Units	S-3	1215	Arrived Khe Sanh assumed defense of combat base.
F	S-3	1830	Unit received 10 sniper rounds at perimeter position. Returned fire of 11RE 60mm and 8 rds Flechette and 8 rds Tank 90mm. Sniper fire ceased.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-3	1stMar	0645	Road sweep departing CP.
S-3	1stMar	0900	Continue to provide forces for defense of Khe Sanh combat base. Able to provide Sparrow or Bald Eagle response capability.
S-3	1stMar	1035	Road sweep reached 2/3 position. Will commence return to this position in 5 minutes.
1stMar	S-3	2210	Will provide Bald Eagle and Sparrow Hawk for convoy which will leave at 1000 on the 25th.
1stMar	S-3	2230	Khe Sanh base area contains numerous dud arms. Both enemy and friendly. Any explosive device found by any member of this organization will not be handled in any way. Location will be reported ASAP.

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FROM: 250001H Apr 68
TO: 252400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
G	S-3	0635	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0815	Road sweep to bridge 35 completed.
E	S-3	0815 ^{2.00}	Day and night activities for 26 April turned in.
G	S-3	0935	Road sweep now in CP.
1stMar	S-3	1115	Message concerning arrival of units at his position if helo lift desired request frag to his H&S ASAP
F	S-3	1120	Found NVA trenches beginning of tunnels old and had not been used for quite some time. Found 1 NVA Bangalore torpedo. Destroyed and brought back to CP.
1stMar	S-3	1530	Received pass word list for 26 and 27 April.
1stMar	S-3	1635	All resupply will be submitted as far in advance for possible transportation needs.

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FROM: 260001H Apr 68
TO: 262400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
G	S-3	0625	G/ now departing CP for road sweep.
G	S-3	0850	Road sweep discovered portions of head and body belonging to U. S. serviceman (negro). In same area where portions of decomposed NVA bodies. Squad assigned to maintain security of position.
S-3	1stMar	0850	Area noted in my spot, thoroughly searched for additional US or NVA bodies. Total of 10 NVA bodies, approx 2-3 months old. Discovered bodies were in unmarked green uniforms. Area littered with NVA and US 782 gear and equipment. No weapons discovered. Discovered 25 to 30 living bunkers 5X6X10 containing approx 2000 lbs of rice and other grain. US remains removed to KSCB for evac through medivac channels. Bunkers and rice destroyed. Rice unfit for consumption. NVA bodies covered and marked as having been reported.
F	S-3	0900	Found enemy trenches, bunkers, ammo, 3 NVA bangalore torpedoes, 7 satchel charges, 3 Chicom grenades, miscellaneous 782 gear, numerous friendly dud rounds, also found 6 NVA bodies buried in nearby graves.
NOTE	S-3	0945	Senator 6 and 3 departing for briefing.
1stMar	S-3	0955	Message concerning CO 's briefing.
E	S-3	1300	Two man water resupply detail drew 3 rds sniper fire while pumping water from point forward of Sen H posit. Took evasive action. Completed detail. Did not return fire.
E	S-3	1335	Administrative lift of CoE Rein to 3/u started.
G	S-3	1340	G/ entering CP from road sweep.
E	S-3	1412	E/ lift completed.
G	S-3	1600	CO 's briefing at Senator CP.
S-3	1stMar	2322	Plans for day activities.

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TO: 272400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1st Mar	S-3	0130	Weather Report.
H	S-3	0630	H/1 Now departing CP. for road sweep.
F	S-3	0800	F/3 Now departing CP. for patrol.
F	S-3	0845	While sweeping area unit found 12 A frame bunkers, 2 NVA rocket launchers, 17 60mm, rds, 150 lbs of TNT NVA TYPE, 88 fuses, 2 large bags of AK 47 ammo, 1 gas mask, (NVA TYPE), 1 bangalore torpedoc, 34 chicom grenades, 2 letters written in vietnamese, also miscellaneous NVA 782 gear, and numerous US dud rounds, including 3 dud 500 lb bombs Ser No. FSN-1325-294-415 E480 bomb MKB2 model 1 (ap500lbs) BUWEPS DWG NO 1380545 explosive bomb trititional WT 191 lbs. 12-67 DALL-173 amc 19(a) com 10-2. All above destroyed by engineers except the 2 letters which were forwarded to S-2. Also found 5 NVA bodies which were very decomposed.
S1's	S-3	0915	Report to 2 incoming 82mm.
H	S-3	1140	H/2/3 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1155	H/2/3 Now at Ck. Pt. #1.
NOTE	S-3	1300	Senator 6 and 3 and staff departing CP for VR.
F	S-3	F/3	Now in CP.
G	S-3	1330	Now departing CP.
H	S-3	1350	H/1 Now in CP.
G	S-3	1430	G/1 Now in CP.
H	S-3	1435	H/2/3 Now at Ck. Pt. #2.
H	S-3	1455	H/2/3 Now at Ck. Pt. #3.
H	S-3	1500	Found bunker complex consisting of trench lines and 4 living bunkers with room for approx. 4 people in each. Will destroy with C-4,
H	S-3	1510	Discovered 2 enemy bunkers and small trench line the bunkers appeared to be shelter type only room for about two people. Destroyed by hand.
G	S-3	1512	G/3 Now in CP.
H	S-3	1615	H/2/3 Now at Ck. Pt. #4.
H	S-3	1620	Found 2 more living bunkers and position for either 50 cal or 30 cal machine gun. Will destroy with C-4.
H	S-3	1640	H/2/3 Now at Ck. Pt. #5.
Rear	S-3	1700	Element of rear arrived at KSCB on convoy from Ca Lu.
H	S-3	1745	H/2/3 Now in CP.
S-6	All Unit	1835	Enemy activity in past 3 days at following coord. 875387, 894444, 899374. Possible Ln on each side of Rt. #9 in 2/3 area. Ambush of Mine sweep and convoy is possible.
1st Mar	S-3	2335	Weather Report.

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H	S-3	0640	H/3 Now departing CP. for road sweep.
G	S-3	0705	R/ departing of routine operation.
G	S-3	0800	G/3 secured objective #1.
H	S-3	0845	H/3 road sweep completed.
H	S-3	0900	H/ road sweep now returning to CP.
G	S-3	0905	G/ moving to objective #3.
H	S-3	0910	H/ now in CP.
G	S-3	0950	Secured objective 3 now beginning to obj.#4.
G	S-3	1000	Now departing COG to 1st Marines.
H	S-3	1005	H/3 now departing CP. for second road sweep.
E	S-3	1011	Two of Echoes elements and command group started lift off to return to CP.
H	S-3	1245	H road sweep completed now in CP.
28	S-3	1246	G/2/3/ now linked up with B Co. 1/1 at 846407 also to continue to conduct sweep mission to obj. #4.
H	S-3	1250	Received two suspected 82mm rds landed in front of platoon CP.
H	S-3	1253	Two men WIA-NE previously wounded on 21 April were medevaced to D-med.
1st Mar	S-S-3	1300	Message about crater analysis will go at 1500.
G	S-3	1515	G/ now entering CP.
G	S-3	1630	CO's meeting at COG at 1630
H	S-3	1816	H/ ceased fire on Ontos.
H	S-3	1930	NVA movement detected at 849472 on ridge line 4-6 people were spotted, fired Ontos, 106's, 60mm, Arty, and Dusters.
F	S-3	2100	Detected movement in wire and clacking sound such as striking together. Threw one M-33 grenade in area. After detonation heard crawling threw second grenade, movement ceased. Will check at first light.
F.	S-3	2215	Received approx. 55 rds 60mm for period of 20 min. Rds believed fired from a maximum range. Forward operating base returned fire with 60mm also arty from echo on enemy grid.

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FROM: 290001H Apr 68
TO: 292400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1st Mar	S-3	0140	Weather Report
H	S-3	0630	Road sweep now departing CP.
F	S-3	0800	1st, and 2nd platoon now departing CP. routine patrol.
H	S-3	0820	Road sweep now completed, returning to CP.
F	S-3	0830	Foxtrot lead element has reached check point Blue.
H	S-3	0835	Road sweep now entering 2/1 CP.
E	S-3	0910	Between the hours of 282300 to 290400. At grid 848414 received 25 mixed 60mm, 82mm rds believed to have been fired at max. range. Called arty mission on suspected enemy position.
F	S-3	0920	Concerning spot report 282100H, negative results of area searched.
H	S-3	0950	H/1 departing to check out 106 concentration on ridge line that was fired last night. Spot report 281930HDTG.
F	S-3	1200	Moving from check point Green to check point Black.
H	S-3	1230	H/1 now entering 2/1 CP.
F	S-3	1245	F now at check point Black.
S-6	S-3	1300	CO is now departing for visual reconnaissance.
F	S-3	1320	F now reached check point Orange.
F	S-3	1335	F arrived at CP.
S-6	S-3	1355	Returned from visual reconnaissance.
G	S-3	1358	Received four incoming rounds at 832425 first thought to be friendly fire in hole, however 3 rds followed, unable to determine direction, crater analysis in progress.
G	S-3	1410	G/3 leaving 2/1 CP for routine patrol.
G	S-3	1445	G/3 arrived at check point 2.
G	S-3	1530	G/3 arrived at check point 3.
G	S-3	1615	G/3 arrived at check point 4.
G	S-3	1730	Received 1 round incoming, light arty possibly 75mm at 830421. Unable to take crater analysis landed in mine field.
F	S-3	1840	Marines were setting trip flares forward of lines detonated unknown explosive device, suspected dudUS ordnance. Personnel treated by Corpsman and evac. to C med.
G	S-3	2100	G/1 LP now departing CP.
E	S-3	2320	Received 2 rds of 82mm, impact area 75 meters behind lines in motor transport area.

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FROM: 300001H Apr 68
TO: 302400H Apr 68

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
1st Mar	S-3	0350	Weather Report
E	S-3	0645	E/3 road sweep commencing now.
S-6	S-3	0715	S-6 now departing 2/1 CP.
G	S-3	0725	G/1 now departing 2/1 CP.
G	S-3	0750	G/1 now at check point #1.
E	S-3	0755	E/3 reached check point #2.
F	S-3	0758	F/3 now departing for daytime activity.
F	S-3	0810	F/3 at check point Violet.
E	S-3	0815	E/3 at check point #3.
F	S-3	0835	F/3 at check point Daisy.
S-6	S-3	0842	S-6 has reached destination.
G	S-3	0900	G/1 now at check point #2.
S-6	S-3	0915	S-6 now enroute from 2/3 post to bridge 34.
S-6	S-3	0925	S-6 now leaving bridge 34 enroute to 2/3 CP.
G	S-3	0930	G/1 now at check point #3.
S-6	S-3	0950	S-6 and road recon now back in 2/3 CP.
G	S-3	0952	G/1 at check point #4.
S-6	S-3	1025	S-6 and road recon now departing 2/3 CP for return to 2/1 CP.
G	S-3	1030	G/1 now at check point #5.
F	S-3	1110	F/3 at check point Tulip.
F	S-3	1120	F/3 at check point Rose.
F	S-3	1130	F/3 entering CP.
E	S-3	1315	E/3 entering CP.
G	S-3	1540	Baldy and Sparrowhawk alerted.
E	S-3	1610	CP group and 1 unit now leaving.
F	S-3	1715	Received two incoming 81 WP rounds from EST. azimuth 3800 mils.
S-3	1st Mar	1823	At 1802 S-Echo completed relocation to Andrew's CP. All other units remain same.
G	S-3	2230	CP received 3 rounds incoming arty from unknown position. Rounds impacted 50-100 meters from position. FO at position unable to determine origin of fire. EST. 1 med arty, 2-82mm mortars.

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FROM: 010001H Apr 68
TO: 012400H Apr 68

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S-4	S-3	0900	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	0930	020001H Apr 68 022400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	0930	030001H Apr 68 032400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	1145	040001H Apr 68 042400H Apr 68
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S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	0930	090001H Apr 68 092400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	0930	010001H Apr 68 010240H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At CA LU
S-4	S-3	0930	011001H Apr 68 011400H Apr 68
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S-4	S-3	0930	012001H Apr 68 012400H Apr 68
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S-4	S-3	0930	01700LH Apr 68 017400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Battalion To Forward Position At KHE SANH Moved Resupply To KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	01800LH Apr 68 018400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	01900LH Apr 68 019400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	02000LH Apr 68 020400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	02100LH Apr 68 021400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
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S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	025001H Apr 68 025400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	026001H Apr 68 026400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	027001H Apr 68 027400H Apr 68
S-4	S-3	0930	Moved Resupply To Battalion Forward At KHE SANH
S-4	S-3	0930	028001H Apr 68 028400H Apr 68
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FROM: 280001 H May 1968
TO: 282400 H May 1968

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/INCIDENT
S-4	S-3	10:00	Received supplies from Phu Bai
		07:00	Staged M-16 on LZ, did not get out due to personnel
			290001 H May 1968
			292400 H May 1968
S-4	S-3	10:00	Receives supplies from Phu Bai.
			300001 H May 1968
			302400 H May 1968
S-4	S-3	09:30	Received supplies from Phu Bai
			310001 H May 1968
			312400 H May 1968
S-4	S-3	10:30	Received supplies from Phu Bai.

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From: 010001 April 1968
To: 302400 April 1968

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE/ INCIDENT
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BAS	S-5	1530	MED-CAP REPORT: 26 Children 7 Women 4 Men
NOTE		02 0800	Battalion S-5 Representative moved S-5 section to new location.
NOTE		03 0800	Battalion S-5 Representative went to DaNang for two weeks of NCO Leadership School.
NOTE		14 1330	Battalion S-5 Representative return from NCO Leadership School.
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NOTE		20 1330	Battalion S-5 Representative made liaison with corpman of Hotel #2. Decided he could handle the Med-Caps. Gave corpman 30 tooth-brushes to pass out on his Med-Caps.
NOTE		21 1400	Battalion S-5 Representative went to Thuy Phuong Refugee Center and looked over area. Noted more refugees there.
NOTE		23 1300	Battalion S-5 Representative went to Thuy Phuong Refugee Center and made liaison with Catholic priest. Discussed ways we could help his new Refugees.
NOTE		24 1330	Battalion S-5 Representative went to Kom Chua Refugee Center and made liaison with ARVN Captain.
NOTE		26 1400	Battalion S-5 Representative made liaison with G-5 Officer. Discused means of obtaining food from Task Force X-Ray.
NOTE		1530	Battalion S-5 Representative obtained seven fifty pound bags of Rolled Oats and one hundred bars of soap from Task Force X-Ray.
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NOTE		29 1300	Battalion S-5 Representative went to Hotel #1 and made liaison with NCOIC and his Civil Affairs representative. Talked over ways we could help them in their Civil Action Program.
NOTE		30 1300	Battalion S-5 Representative typed up this month's Command Chronology.

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