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12th Marines
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(2) Command Chronology, 1st Bn, 12th Marines
(3) Command Chronology, 2d Bn, 12th Marines
(4) Command Chronology, 3d Bn, 12th Marines
(5) Command Chronology, 4th Bn, 12th Marines
(6) Command Chronology, 1st 8" How Battery (SP), FMF
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12th Marines

1. As directed by reference (a), the following Command Chronology for the period 1-30 April 1966 is submitted.

a. Organizational Data

(1) Designations/Locations/Task Organization/Tactical Missions

<u>UNIT AND TASK ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>LOCATION/COORD</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
12th Marine Regiment (-)(Rein)	DaNang AT 958757	G/S 3d MarDiv
Headquarters Battery (-)	-do- -do-	
1st Bn (-)(Rein), 12th Marines	-do- 957758	D/S 3d Mar
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "A"	-do- 939722	
Battery "A", 1st Bn, 11th Mar	-do- 922791	
Battery "B"	-do- 921737	
107mm Mortar Battery	-do- 934838	
2d Bn (-)(Rein), 12th Marines	DaNang AT 995722	
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "D"	-do- BT 064680	

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Battery "E", 107mm Mortar Battery, 3d Bn, 12th Marines	DaNang AT 986644 -do- 933666 -do- 966618	
3d Bn (-)(Rein), 12th Marines	PhuBai YD 877145	D/S 4th Mar
Headquarters Battery (Rein)	-do- -do-	
Battery "H"	-do- 871141	
Battery "I"	-do- 808160	
Battery "C", 1st Bn, 12th Mar	-do- 871140	
Battery "B", 1st Bn, 11th Mar	-do- 868136	
107mm Mortar Battery, 1st Bn, 11th Marines	-do- 881148	
Battery "M", 4th Bn, 12th Mar	-do- 880149	
4th Bn (-)(Rein), 12th Marines	DaNang AT 943764	G/S
Headquarters Battery	-do- -do-	
Battery "K"	-do- 921799	GS/REIN 1/12
Battery "L"	-do- 988672	GS/REIN 2/12
1st 155mm Gun Battery(SP), FMF	-do- 964712	G/S
1st 8" How Battery(SP), FMF	DaNang AT 955975	G/S

(2) Period Covered: 1-30 April 1966

(3) Command Staff Assignments

<u>T/O BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
CO	Col JAMES M. CALLENDER 08570	
XO	LtCol R. G. FRITCH 011910	
S-1/Adj	Capt R. V. BRENNAN 076851	
PersO	1stLt E. F. GLASSMEYER 087778	
S-2	Maj W. R. DITTMANN 059033	
S-3	LtCol T. J. JOHNSTON Jr 026878	1-18 Apr66
S-3	Maj A. M. GRAY 056067	19-30 Apr66
Asst S-3	Maj B. N. BITTNER 064637	1-26 Apr66
Asst S-3	Capt L. R. WILLIAMS 073714	1-18 Apr66
Asst S-3	Capt R. J. SEED III 074672	19-30 Apr66
Asst S-3	Capt A. P. BARRY 076825	20-30 Apr66
S-4	Maj S. M. MORROW 052130	1 Apr66
S-4	Maj W. J. SPIESEL 053575	2-30 Apr66
Asst S-4/SupO	Capt N. M. LARIMER 070399	
MTO	Capt M. J. ZACHODNI 075616	
Ordo	WO A. L. CLARK 082849	
AO	1stLt E. C. BROWN 089725	
AO	1stLt R. R. CRAIG 087751	
Asst FSC	LtCol W. E. MCCAIN 023418	
TIO	Capt G. M. WASTILA 083784	
Commo	Maj A. M. GRAY 056067	

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Survey/Metro Off	2dLt L. D. HOSEK 082720
RadarO	1stLt J. R. BELL 087202
NGFO	LtCmdr R. C. MASON 532203 USN
Asst NGFO	Lt L. K. SPRINGSTEAD 632262 USN
Surgeon	Lt J. M. BALDWIN 684523 USN
Chaplain	LtCmdr O. E. KINZLER 573708 USN
Hq Commandant	Capt C. H. HAYES 068305
Air Base Defense	1stLt E. D. RODGERS 089576 21-30 Apr66
LnO	

(4) Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
182	2696	16	50

2. Sequential Listing of Significant Events

a. Personnel

(1) Battery "H", 3d Bn, 12th Marines rejoined ADCON/OPCON of 3d Battalion, 12th Marines on 4 April 1966, with unit strength of 6 USMC officers and 86 USMC enlisted.

(2)

	<u>USMC</u>	
	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
Joined During April	40	200
Losses During April	38	259
NET	+2	-59

(3) Shortages exist in the following MOS's (With projected May losses).

<u>MOS</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>SHORTAGE</u>	<u>PERCENT ON BOARD</u>
0121	4	2	2	50%
0130	9	0	9	0%
0141	89	74	15	83%
0802(Lt's)	132	111	21	84%
0811	1053	854	199	81%
2531	322	182	140	57%
9999(1stSgt)	23	18	5	78%

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(4) The following illustrates projected losses of field grade officers through July 1966.

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10 May 1966PRESENT STRENGTHINCL JULY LOSSES

Col		Lt Col		Maj		Col		Lt Col		Maj	
TO	OH	TO	OH	TO	OH	TO	OH	TO	OH	TO	OH
1	1	7	6	19	16	1	0	7	1	19	14
100%		86%		84%		0%		14%		74%	

b. Intelligence

(1) There were 15 VC killed in the vicinity of Battery "A", 1st Bn, 12th Marines (AT 9297) during the 18 April attack on that position. An additional 11 VC were killed (BC) during the exfiltration. Occasional S/A fire is still received in this vicinity. At the same time the attack was made on Battery "A", 30 to 50 rounds of 60mm Mortar hit in or near the perimeter of Battery "K", 4th Bn, 12th Marines. In conjunction with the above, the 12th Marines road between Battery "A" and Battery "K" was mined.

(2) A marked increase in VC activity has occurred in Elephant Valley (AT 8983 to ZC 1984).

(3) Twenty-two incidents of batteries receiving S/A fire were reported during this period.

(4) Unit training has been emphasizing accurate, timely, and complete spot reporting and follow-up reports.

(5) Air Observation: Artillery AO's continued to register batteries, evaluate results of H&I fires, and take aerial photos of all units. Artillery AO's have participated in night mortar suppression flights during critical periods of darkness. The effectiveness of supporting arms for Rough Rider has been increased by new techniques used by the Artillery AO's flying cover for the convoy.

c. Civil Affairs. Sunday afternoon movies are being shown in Da Son (AT 960765). English language classes are continuing in Da Son and in Da Non (BT 063723). The Commanding Officer presented 25 gifts to the top students of Da Son school. The village elders presented the Commanding Officer with a painting to show their appreciation. A ground-breaking ceremony for a hamlet market was attended by civic action personnel.

d. ISO. Twenty feature articles and 33 Fleet Home Town News Releases were forwarded to Division ISO.

e. Training. During the month of April, at the request of the Commanding Officer, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, the regiment continued

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to conduct FO Schools for small unit leaders. The Regimental S-3 began conducting visits to the batteries and battalions for the purpose of reviewing gunnery procedures. The goal of these visits is improving the regiment's posture on Fire Direction and Fire Planning procedures in order to continue to maintain quick and accurate fire in support of the ground gaining arms.

f. Communications

(1) During this reporting period, continued emphasis was placed on improving and upgrading the regimental communications system.

(a) Four (4) new wire trunk lines were installed over the Hill 327 ridge line complex to improve the headquarters 2/12 - 4/12 wire system.

(b) Combined radio relay teams from the Division Communication Company and this headquarters activated a four channel radio relay circuit from Hq Battery, 4th Bn, 12th Mar (AT 943364) to Battery L, 4th Bn, 12th Mar (AT 988672) on 17 April. The circuit employs AN/MRC-62 equipment on low power with knife-edge refraction from Hill 327. Channel utilization provides for 12th Marines - 2/12 - 4/12 - Battery L fire direction and alternate division routing to the 9th Marines.

(c) A sole user artillery planning channel from 12th Marine FDC (DaNang) to 3/12 FDC (Phu Bai) was activated 20 April, utilizing one channel of the 3d MarDiv - 4th Marines AN/TSC-15 shot.

(2) The covered (KW-7) SSB (AN/MRC-83) command circuit from 12th Marines to 3/12 at Phu Bai continued to provide excellent service during this period. On three occasions this circuit passed traffic to the 4th Marines and Task Force Foxtrot when division circuits experienced outage and/or overload.

(3) On 23 April, the Regimental Communications Platoon assumed responsibility for providing artillery communication support to the Air Base Defense Battalion (currently 3/3).

(4) Personnel and equipment support were provided to 2/12 for operation GEORGIA and to 1st 8" How Btry(SP) for support of deep reconnaissance operations and to 3/12 for operation VIRGINIA.

(5) On 24 April, this headquarters received and placed in service one 60 KW generator for camp power as part of the contention program. One PU 482/U generator (30KW) was reassigned to 2/12 for their requirements.

(6) Communication support for the civil action platoon at coord (BT 075735) and rear Zone Bravo day/night patrols continued.

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(7) A new radio relay/observation post bunker was completed on Hill 244 for future operations when required.

(8) On 30 April, the first increment of 40 AN/PRC-9A radio sets was received and distributed to subordinate units in accordance with FY 65-66 R & E program.

g. Fire Support

(1) During the month the Regiment fired the following missions:

Observed Missions	1,040
Unobserved Missions	267
Registrations	128
H&I Missions	10,846
Destruction Missions	15
Total	12,296

(2) The following ammunition was expended in firing these missions:

105mm High Explosive	26,540
105mm Illumination	1,297
105mm Smoke (WP)	2,248
107mm High Explosive	3,411
107mm Illumination	226
107mm Smoke	628
155mm How High Explosive	5,161
155mm How Smoke (WP)	313
155mm How Illumination	230
155mm Gun High Explosive	461
155mm Gun Smoke (WP)	44
8" How High Explosive	597
Total	41,156

h. Logistics. During the month of April, the following happenings of significance occurred in Headquarters Battery, 12th Marines.

(1) Construction of strongbacks, according to the specifications of the cantonment program are completed for this battery.

(2) During the month of April, the deadline rate for motor transport increased to 11 percent. However, there has been continued improvement in spare parts stock levels. Based on recurring demands, supply is beginning to have spare parts available for issue when required.

(3) A conference was held at this headquarters on Wednesday, 13 April, for all battalion S-4s and supply officers. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss recurring reports, supply, motor transport and ordnance problem areas.

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i. Regimental Chaplain

(1) Divine Services

- (a) Services conducted - 43
- (b) Total attendance - 503
- (c) Memorial Services-1
- (d) Catholic Services in regiment - 25
- (e) Total attendance - 295
- (f) Catholic parties leaving area - 12
- (g) No. in party - 52

(2) Counseling Cases - 30

(3) Pastoral Calls

- (a) Field Contacts - 1,242
- (b) Hospital - 255

(4) Conferences

- (a) III MAF/Division Chaplain Conferences - 3
- (b) Regimental Staff Conference - 4

(5) Miscellaneous

- (a) Bible Study classes - 4, attendance - 12
- (b) Civic Action-Took four Marines to WEC orphanage to make monthly payment on orphanage support (\$160.00). Also delivered clothing, soap, and personal comfort items. Attended Da Son School graduation.. Visited English class twice in Da Son. Taught English in Da Son once. Delivered box of Catholic materials to Catholic orphanage north of Battery "B".
- (c) Lectures - three on "Religions in Viet Nam" with an attendance of 140. Nine lectures given by Doctor-Chaplain team on "VD Control" with an attendance of 590.

j. Special Events

(1) On 1 April MajGen CRITZ, USA Commandant Army Artillery and Missile School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma visited and toured this command.


i. Operations. Elements of the Regiment participated in the following Operations:

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- (1) Operation Orange. 1-10 April
- (2) Operation Georgia. 21 April to present.


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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 7 April TO 1900 8 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
072015H		G-2	J-1	"W"-3-12 found glass in ice purchased for club. Investigation under way.	S-3/3/6
072300H		B-1-12	J-2	Observed VCS in perimeter wire, fired 3 rounds S/A, observed suspect drop, Heard dragging noise fired approx 30 rounds 50 Cal. in direction. Searched area-negative results.	G-2/3/6
080900H		B-1-12	J-3	Reported to CO by local village Chief. Village Chief apprehended VCS female with map showing "B" gunpos's and defensive pos. Village Chief turned suspect over to Popular Forces. She was killed on the spot. Believed map was destroyed by PF.	G-2/3/6
081050H		8"	J-4	At 1035 55 VN started from Fogoda led by 10 elders who were present women in gay dress. Single file, toward New Life Hamlet.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 8 April TO 1900 9 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
091230H		4-12	J-1	4 armed ARVN and 1 Civilian walked up to fence, looked like they were carrying maps. They were with pl 2 Km SE and searching hamlet and asked hamlet natives to take them to Btry. People did think it odd they were armed so heavy. Also people who gather at messhall for scraps were not there all day.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 9 April TO 1900 10 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
101415H		B-1-12	J-1	Popular Forces, compang size, left area heavily armed headed for Da Nang on foot. Returned to area by 101500H/	G-2/3/6
101850H		1st Bn.	J-2	USMC plt cdr reported to CO W-1-1 that his pla at Namo Bridge had stopped a group of ARVN soldiers from Hue. The interpreter with the USMC plt was able to determine that the mission of the ARVN unit was to assassinate the village chief of Namo. An ARVN CO in there also reports that a plt of ARVN is beint placed in Namo tonight to protect the village chief.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 10 April TO 1900 11 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
102110 ^H		D-2-12	J-1	Battery received one round S/A fire approx 300m SW of position from two unidentified personnel. No Cas. Fire returned, no contact or casualties.	G-2/3/6
111100H		Hq-2-12	J-2	Wire team, Hq-2-12 checking lines at 971711 when chief of party yanked on lines and explosion occurred 60 m. away. Booby trap was M-26 grenade with trip wire activator. Same area team found an 81mm mortar dud. EOD personnel requested.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 11 April TO 1900 12 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
111910H		2nd Bn.	J-1	Two large groups of people at road junction BT016685.	G-2/3/6
120200H		1st Bn.	J-2	Village and hamlet chiefs from Hoa Vinh reported to the CO of A-1-11 that one VC had occupied a hut near battery position coords AT922792 from 0200-0600H this evening. Action taken**Btry is putting out ambush consistion of 1 officer and 6 enlisted from 2230 to 0500H. Ambush has been cleared by 1st Bn 3rd Marines. S-3 1-3 advised ambush to illuminate challenger and then fire upon any encounter.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 12 April TO 1900 13 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
131040H		3/3	8-1	<p>At coords AT973588 a patrol from 3/3 discovered the following: 4-60mm mortar rds out of boxes, 18-60mm mortar rds in boxes, 400 30 cal rds half in boxes, 100 45 cal rds in open, all of the above was partially covered with dirt.</p> <p>In addition: 2 green utility shirts 2 green star clusters 2 trip flares.</p> <p>2-12 fired concentration near this area and late last night fired H&I's in vicinity.</p>	S-3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 13 April TO 1900 14 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
140817H		3rd Bn.	J-1	Received 2 rds S/A sniper fire from vic AT982673 at 140745H.	G-2/3/6
141630H		2nd Bn.	J-2	Wire team at wire station received 10-15 rds S/A fire from unidentified area approx 400-500m west 072710. Returned approx 80 rds and then returned to area.	G-2/3/6
141830H		155 Guns	J-3	Patrol received 1 rd S/A sniper fire from 956702. Went to search house in question, found large medicine type cabinet locked, Broke chest open, found Sodium Chloride & medical supplies. Corpman estimated large enough supply to care for company size unit. Did not confiscate box. Action of civilians in vicinity drew patrol to search house. Patrol returning to area to attempt to confiscate this material 142000H	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 TO 1900
 TIME IN OUT FROM TO JRNL NO MESSAGE ACTION

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 14 April TO 1900 15 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
151800H		4th Bn.	J-1	Patrol received sniper fire from village of Duorange-Sos (3), coords AT993623, villagers hostile, the intrepeter feels there are many VC present in village.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 15 April TO 1900 16 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
152330H		3rd Bn.	J-1	2 rds incoming S/A fire at coords 875141. Notified Afterglow OD & alerted all sentries.	G-2/3/6
160150H		155 Guns	J-2	Received 4 rds S/A fire at post #5. Rounds fired from approx 200 yards. Btry (964712) doubled security watch and alerted all personnel.	G-2/3/6
161910H		4th Bn.	J-3	Kilo reports patrol received 1 rd S/A sniper fire. Fire from coord 917793, returned fire, no results. Returning to CP. Patrol was 100 meters from sniper.	

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 16 April TO 1900 17 April

TIME IN	TIME OUT	FROM TO	JRNL NO	MESSAGE	ACTION
				Negative Report	

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF 18 APRIL 1966
VC ATTACK ON BATTERIES A-1-11 and K-4-12

AT 180145H Kilo Battery (AT922792) started receiving incoming 60mm mortar rounds and small arms fire. Firing lasted until approximately 0500H. About 30-50 mortar rounds were received during this period. Kilo Battery returned fire with small arms and one M-109 in direct fire (3-155mm rounds). The Battery received 5 WIA (slightly wounded).

Commencing the same time (0145H) Alpha North Battery was under heavy attack from an estimated VC company (original estimate was 40-50 VC). The VC commenced a simultaneous attack from the North, East and West. The Northeast corner of the perimeter was penetrated almost immediately and the outpost overrun. The VC entered the wire by cutting and with bangalore torpedoes. All trunk lines were also cut, but radio communications were maintained. An aerial observer was on station and was directed to the position. At 0340H a med evac was requested and by 0320H it was completed. By 0442H all serious wounded (16) were evacuated (one died enroute). The 4 KIA remained in the position and were removed during daylight.

The VC were lightly clad in shorts only and carried fragmentation grenades, satchel charges, 30 caliber rifles, 7.62. assault rifles (AK 47) and Antitank Grenade Launchers (RP6-2). A total of 15 VC were killed (body count) in the position.

During the same period the Main Supply Route running between the two batteries was mined. At 180800H an earth mover detonated a mine on the road coord (AT942778) leading to the artillery positions. One more mine was found in the road at Coord (922792).

Patrols swept the area to the north of these positions during the day of the 18th with negative results.

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 18 April TO 1900 19 April 66

TIME		FROM TO	JRNL NO	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT				
180915H		S-2, 12th Marines	J-1	While traveling north on road at coord 942788 and earth mover passed the vehicle and left front wheel detonated a mine in the road bed. No casualties, no damage reported.	G-2/3/6
181210H		S-2, 4th Bn.	J-2	Kilo patrol picked up one VCS, and materials at AT927802. Suspect was at mortar site used on Kilo this morning, Suspect was unarmed and asleep. Suspect taken to 3rd ITT.	G-2/3/6
181230H		1st Bn.	J-3	It is believed that the VC came up the Song-Ca-De river and went thru the villages of Van-Duong coord AT905805 and Trung-San AT915805. The corpman and a Lt. at Alpha (N) are possitive that two of the VC KIA's had been seen by them hanging around the position about two weeks ago.	G-2/3/6
181300H		Kilo	J-4	VCS sitting in brush alongside road be had a walkie talkie also ID card six volt car battery, bike. VCS turned out to be PF	G-2/3/6
181500H		1st Bn.	J-5	Hamlet chiefs of Ngai-Dong coord 917792 and Thanh-Vinh coord 928796 and some local vendors were brought into position to identify the VC KIA's. Negative results	G-2/3/6
181740H		1st Bn.	J-6	Alpha (N) wires went out at 1540H. 1740H wires found cut at the coord AT948763. The location of the cut was 20meters from an ID tagging point Alpha (N) wires were the only 3 cut out of 13 in the trunk.	G-2/3/6
190320H		3rd Bn.	J-7	Rcvd 20 rds, 60mm mortar within & around (ZPHTSZBRGJUS). Returned fires of 81mm and Arty at general location of mortars.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 19 April 1966 TO 1900 20 April 1966

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
191825H		1st Bn.	J-1	Patrol on beach adjacent to Btry sighted 2 men in boat landing and begin unloading gear. As Marines approached men picked up some gear and walked off. The Marines after searching boat found 2 concussion grenades in boat. VCS walken in to group of children and began running, Marines could not fire because of children. Will pick up grenades in morning.	G-2/3/6
192131H		Hq. Btry 12 Mar.	J-2	Request status of people working on bridge coord AT967768.	G-2/3/6
192330H		1st Bn.	J-3	OP Carol manned by 1/3 observed red signal lights at coord AT884819 and AT 904798. "K" Btry also observed lights at AT904798. Btry A-1-11 notified of incident.	G-2/3/6
200242H		3rd Bn.	J-4	Received approx 20 rds 82mm at left plt. 2 direct hits in ammo bunker. Returned mortar and arty fire at approx poss of mortars.	G-2/3/6
201030H		1st Bn.	J-5	Check of rifles after attack on A(N) revealed one (1) M-14, serial number 187563 missing. Believed VC took it during attack.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 20 April TO 1900 21 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
201740H		2nd Bn.	J-1	1 VCS captured vicinity BT064680. Will hold in position until daylight and will turn over to infantry unit 2-4.	G-2/3/6
201815H		1st Bn.	J-2	VCS apprehended by A(n) patrol and sent to Regt CP. Man found to be 74 yr old local farmer. name Le Sanh, ID card #369679 born 1892. Location Hoa Thank, Hoa Vang, Quang Nam. States he is local farmer & ex-hamlet chief. 3d generation on farm with wife, niece, and son & his wife. Searched his person, no suspicious material. Had US Mil style glasses states he got them in garbage pile. Returned to A(n) for release.	G-2/3/6
202850H		1st Bn.	J-3	A(n) patrol talked to hamlet chief of Thanh Vinh who states that there are many VC (wrote figure 300 in sand) located in Hoa Loc & Hoa Hiep NS90-94-hamlets. Burke rates:F-6 EW80-88	G-2/3/6
201900H		1st Bn.	J-4	Plt apprehended VCS w/3 ID cards. Turned over to 1/3 and IPT. RVN deserter.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 21 April TO 1900 22 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
201935H		2nd Bn.	J-1	Btry E recieved 50 rds S/A fire from seme-automatic and AW from vic 976646. Requested defensive conc BE159, Btry D fired 26 rds HE, excellent effect on Target. SA silenced. Btry E returned 100 rounds SA fire.	G-2/3/6
202155H		2nd Bn.	J-2	Recieved 6 rds carbine fire in position. Infantry screening flank, returned fire.	G-2/3/6
202200H		1st 155	J-3	Recieved 12 rds S/A fire. Returned 50 rds S/A. 202300H-additional S/A fire.	G-2/3/6
210010H		4th Bn.	J-4	When A (N) is illum Kilo receives scattered small arms fire. Cannot locate muzzle flashes. S/A fire is light.	G-2/3/6
211340H to 211403		3rd Recon "A" Co	J-5	22 rds 155 H called on 6 VC with weapons on trail. Rounds landed on target. No bodies recovered by patrol.	G-2/3/6
XXXXX 211415H		1st Bn.	J-6	South of A(N) permiter, just walking around watching position. At the time he had no ID card, a female brought his ID card to Marines. Name: Phan Van Tai #394668, Age 24 Hamlet Thanh Vinh, Quang Nam. Returned to area.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 221900 TO 1900 23 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
220830H		3rd Bn.	J-1	Received sniper fire in immediate area. (YD882092) Requested infantry reinforcement.	G-2/3/6
222325H		1st Bn.	J-2	Btry A-1-11 received 5 rds S/A fire. Not able to determine direction from which rds came.	G-2/3/6
231322H		C comp. 3rd Recon	J-3	Fire mission on 4 VC in stream bed, one possible negro. 4-155H HE Fz VT. Brush fire started, unable to observe casualties.	G-2/3/6
231343H		3rd Recon	J-4	Fire mission on 4 VN's and one Negro, Excellent effect on tgt. Unable to observe casualties. 4 HE 2 WP	G-2/3/6
231820H		EX 8"	J-5	S/A fire received from 929735. Plt sent out observed 4 woodcutters who ran at Plt's approach. Dressed in black pajamas, no weapons observed, Plt returned to CP with no contact.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 ~~23~~ April TO 1900 ~~23~~ April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
240020H		4th Bn.	J-1	Received 2 rds sniper fire from NE of psn approx 200-300 meters outside Kilo psn.	G-2/3/6
240230H		Inf Ptr.	J-2	Ambush site 700 meters w A/n by old church. Patrol fired at 2 contacts at 232345H and 240130H. Enemy returned no fire. An will send patrol out first light to check it out.	G-2/3/6
240353H		1st Bn	J-3	Sentry fired at 4 figures at coord AT939722 outside perimeter. Results unknown. Will send patrol out at first light.	G-2/3/6
241130H		1st Bn.	J-4	From 232230-232300 the villagers of Nam-0 demonstrated by beating on gong and anything that made noise. Infantry report people on river were shooting along with the m.	G-2/3/6
241600H		1st Bn.	J-5	Post #7 observed 4 males, 1 w/rifle 500m NE of position. Dispatched 9 man patrol. Lost contact with four people, but encountered 9 other people, 4 of which had no ID cards. Taken to local hamlet and PF plt commander identified the people and said they had cards in their houses.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 23 April TO 1900 24 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
				NEGATIVE REPORT	

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 24 April TO 1900 25 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
250205H		1st Bn.	J-1	Sentry on post 5 at 1/12 psn heard movement near his post. Area illum saw nothing, a check of MT area revealed a weak spot in wire that had 3 dirt clods, laid with one just outside the wire one in middle of wire and one just inside wire all in a stright line. Considerable movement was heard and illum 2 more times. Neg sighting on first illum, believe they saw something in MT area on second illum. All movement stoped at 0210H. (S-2 1/12 comment-believes there was a probe)	G-2/3/6
250410H		4th Bn.	J-2	K Btry outpost detected movement in its vicinity. 1/12 illum with two rds. Outpost spotted what appeared to be two VC and fired 3 S/A rds. Target vanished will check area at first light. Patrol at first light found nothing.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 25 April TO 1900 26 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
252300		4th Bn.	J-1	1900, 5 man patrol around perim. rptd finding 15 newly dug rifle pits, 4' X 4' X 3' deep. Holes concealed by brush and on line with CP defensive wire, ap prox 100 meters out	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 ²⁶ April ~~25~~ TO 1900 ²⁷ April ~~26~~ 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
261930H		1st Bn.	J-1	"W" observer on Xuan Tien observed 4 people in boat on river paddling pulled up to island & 2 occupants got out and disappeared from sight. 2 in boat started to fish or pull in nets. At same time 2 S/A rds were fired over head of observer. He believes they came from direction of boat. Infantry at NamO bridge notified.	G-2/3/6
262145H		1st Bn.	J-2	Post #3 received one (1) incoming hand grenade. Returned automatic fire, one figure seen running across rice paddy. Not known whether or not he was hit.	G-2/3/6
262158H		4th Bn.	J-3	Received one rd S/A fire (917798) Spotted muzzle blast, 500 meters West of psn. No action taken.	G-2/3/6
262400H		3rd Bn.	J-3	Received 30-35 rds of 81mm Mortars Fired illum for observation by AO w/negative results.	G-2/3/6
270250H		3rd Mar	J-4	Grenads thrown at dump truck. Exploded in rear of truck.	G-2/3/6
271700H		4th Bn.	J-5	Rcvd 1 rd S/A fire at 966518.	G-2/3/6
272130H		4th Bn.	J-6	Kilo received 3 rds sniper fire from coord 917793.	G-2/3/6

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 27 April TO 1900 28 April 66

TIME		FROM TO	JRNL NO	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT				
				NEGATIVE REPORT	

TIME		FROM TO	JRNL NO	MESSAGE	ACTION
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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 28 April TO 1900 29 April 66

TIME		FROM TO	JRNL NO	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT				
				NEGATIVE REPORT	

S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 29 April TO 1900 30 April 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
290355H		3rd Bn.	J-1	C Btry 1-12 (Phu Bai) received incoming mortar fire from 81mm mortars and 120mm (poss) (30-81mm&4-120mm) CMR picked up rds (coord not passed) and sent VC mortar log to C Btry. Btry C FFE on tgt. A large secondary explosion and several small secondary were observed, from Btry C. 4th Mar searching area today and will submit follow up report.	G-2/3/6
191050H		2nd Bn.	J-2	60mm mortar position located at 911483. 81mm mortar position located at 912484. Center of impact 60mm rd 908478, center of impact 81mm rd 905474. 60mm impact 25m from Gun #1 & FDC. ARVN plt moved into enemy position.	G-2/3/6
201330H		3rd Bn.	J-3	"W" truck 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ T struck a mine at 97357080 at 291630H. Right front dual tires blown and truck driver off the road. No other damage or injury to personnel.	G-2/3/6
292035H		4th Bn.	J-4	VN National found with 3 ID cards in possession. Two were torn. 1965 card was laminated. No 1966 pass in possession. Bringing VCS into Kilo position. Will Deliver VCS to 4-12 in morning.	G-2/3/6
292130H		4th Bn.	J-5	Suspect individual appreh. by patrol appeared to be following patrol 1. Went to house where individual who appeared to be following patrol was at. Suspect had ID card dtg 21 Feb 66, another card dtg 64-65. Dressed in ARVN uniform w/boots, not armed. Denied being ARVN, Following items were on person: 1132 P's, 1-5X3 note book, 1 pack cigarettes, green pepper & fountain pen, flashlight, water proof envelope with photos & cards, triangular flag 24"X24"X30" white & $\frac{1}{2}$ blue. Suspect brought to Btry psn.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 29 Apr TO 1900 30 Apr 66

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
292138H		3rd Mar	J-1	VC unit, unknown size reported to be at 870652,880656,894663. Reported by district Chief-HieuBuc. Urova S-2 gives F-3 rating. Target at AT894663 is a suspected OP.	G-2/3/6
292220H		1st Bn. 3rd Mar.	J-2	"A" north reported to Kilo that a 1/3 patrol discovered that west of Kilo's position was not evacuated as previously reported.	G-2/3/6
300050H		1st Bn.	J-3	"B" outpost received one rd SA fire and returned 4 rds. Firing stopped.	G-2/3/6

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S-2 JOURNAL FOR PERIOD 1900 30 April TO 1900 1 May ---

TIME		FROM	JRNL	MESSAGE	ACTION
IN	OUT	TO	NO		
011730H		1st Bn.	J-1	At 1630H 1/12 S-2 met with hamlet chief. Chief wanted to know why he had not been consulted about trees being cut down outside Btry perm. It was explained that chief was not in office at time. Chief will bring up matter with elders. Trees cut d down were agreed upon as 10. Chief also requested that W-1-12 patrols check with militia inhamlet. Also requested that VCS apprehended with Ammo cans of penicillin does not return to hamlet.	G-2/3/6
011800H		1st Bn.	J-2	B-1-12 found their perimeter wire cut in two places breaching both the inside and outside fences. Outside fence was unhooked to appear normal. Breaches were located one in front of and 150 meters to the right of Gun #1. Breaching was done sometime during the past 24 hour period. Arty unit presently deployed. Rear area security force occupies area. Wire repaired.	G-2/3/6
012020		8"	J-3	Lp reported (AT958778) 6 rds S/A fire from New Life hamlet or vic. 8" illum, no sightings.	G-2/3/6

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ORGANIZATION	Hq	12th Mar	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	010600	TO (DATE & HOUR)	020600 APR 66	PLACE	In field Danang RVN	
TIME IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS						ACTION TAKEN
0900			1/12 rpts Mortar Btry left for Op Orange (0600)						
0940			8" Btry rpts #4 Gun down. Gasoline leak, flooded interior of Gun.						
1020			1st 155 Guns taking gun #2 out of action for about 2 hrs to repair an end connector.						
1200			1st 155 Guns rpts gun #2 back in action and #4 out for gas check pad.						
1610			8" Btry rpts Gun #4 back in action.						
1700		3d Bn 12th Mar 010424Z	Bn fire capabilities.						
1811			Drill from ADB-Mortars incoming at BT 013744. Alerted CMRS.						
2300			Red from Shove Bailey, 9th Mar firing AT Mortar psns at 017605 (Time 2317) RVB "E" Btry fired msns, mortars ceased.						
0045		012300	Kilo Ptl returned at 2300, no enemy contact.						
0200		020200	155 Gun rpts Gun #3 out of action due to damaged breech block estimate 5-6 days to repair.						S-3
			Summary: Only five obs msns fired by arty during period. Normal						

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TIME IN	TIME DATED	ORGANIZATION HQ	12TH MAPRON (DATE & HOUR)	020600 APR 66	TO (DATE & HOUR)	030600 APR 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
OUT			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS				ACTION TAKEN
0625			Good Radio communications established with 2/12.				
1240			4/12 reports "L" Btry started displacement to new psn (AT 988672) at 0900. In new psn, laid ready to fire at 1200H.				CO & S-3 Notified
1415			8" Btry completed PROGRAM OF FIRES # 6. These fires were on newly rptd VC conc's Grid Sgs (AT 7981, 7980 & 2080). Two 8" How's and one 155Gun fired, expending 29 rds.				
1755			CNR Alpha(S) down due to no tracking capability.				
1910			8" Btry completed PROGRAM OF FIRES # 6 for the night (once during the day time 1415 & once at night)				
0923			2/12 rpts, 1835-1845 Btry E fired for FOWE"2A, snipers (BT 024626& 028622), exp 28 HB, Sur: None, friendly troops moving into area.				CO & S-3 Notified
1930			Div FSCC reported that W/3/12 would probably be committed for Opn ORANGE. CO 2/12 informed.				CO Notified

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ORGANIZATION	TIME DATED	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR)	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE	ACTION TAKEN
					020600 APR 66	030600 APR 66		
1952				2/12 rpts: 1935 Btry E fired for FO"E"2A, sniper fire (BT 028622), exp 48 HE. Sur: tgt well covered, sniper fire ceased.				CO & S-3 Notified
2030				2/12 rpts: 2015, Btry E fired for FO"E"2A, snipers (BT 031621), exp 18 HE. Sur: rds on tgt, 1 rd exactly on tgt.				
2035				Hot line to 1/9 FSCG (AEVB) out. Told by wire routing to activate D-147 Regt FD NET.				
2310				2/12 rpts: Btry E fired for FO"E"2A, snipers (BT 024620), exp 12 HE, 6 WP, Sur: rds on tgt. WP set one VG on fire, assumed to be KIA.				
2355			0600	Further sur on above mission: FO"E"2A went into area, reports 2 KIA. W/3/12 CHOP to 1/12 for Opn ORANGE. Cmd Grp from 1/12 activated.				

020600H APR to 030600H APR 66

--SUMMARY--

Moderate artillery activity in TAOR. Action centered in ZA 9th Marines with many observed missions conducted by 2/12 FOs. 3d Marines ZA quiet. A program of fires was fired by 1st 8" How Btry twice during period on VC harbor sites selected by Div TIO. W Btry 2/12 chopped to 1/12 for commitment in Opn ORANGE at 030600H. 1/12 activated an artillery command group for commitment Opn ORANGE. W/1/12 heavily engaged in Opn ORANGE.

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12thMar	030600H	040600H APR 66	In field Danang RVN
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
OUT	ACTION TAKEN		
0800	Red fr W49 2/12 that W3/12 started displacement to Op Orange psn area (ZC 154544) at 0730. Last elements departed 0930.		
1005	Red fr CO, 1/12 w/3/12 in psn 030955.		
1130	Div FSOC rpts G3 desires remaining 105's (4) uncommitted be placed on 2 hr alert. Also reg 2 additional Btry's be put on 4 hr alert.		CO advised. By CO's dir 1/12 alerted for A(N).
1145	CO, 12thMar, advises 2/12 dir to place Btry F on 4 hr alert. Also 1/12 to furnish add btry for 4 hr alert (Btry B or A(S)).		
1210	1/21 rpts Hien Duc District Hq req fires on VC company located vic of coor 8768. Call relayed thru 3dMar. Btry D delivered on each of 8 - 9 concen in area.		
1210	Directed 1st 8" Btry to relay 2 How's fr AZ 6000 to AZ 4200.		
1300	1/12 rpts Op Orange arty comd Gp departed Kiwi Helo Pad 0915 & arrived w/1/12 psn (vic ZC 140531) 1010H.		
1330	Informed 1st 8" Btry to lay pieces at Lemly on 4650H.		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12th th ar	030600H Apr	040600H Apr 66	In field Danang RVN
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
OUT	ACTION TAKEN		
1520	Directed 1st 8" How Btry to activate D-164 at 040700H	Has the Rough	Notified Div FSCC.
1530	Rider North conduct of fire net and answer calls for fire from Sun- rise E-1 (FO with Co.)		
	CO 1/P2 rpts Op Orange Arty cmd Gp est vic 22 142531 & will assume		
	OpCon mort Btrys 031600H.		
	1/12 FDC rpts recommended psn for remainder A(N) if deployed vic		
	ZC 150538 and do not recommend committing units other than A(N) at		
	this time. Comd GP sends.		
1641	Red rpt fr watch officer 2/12 that the 1st Provisional Amph How		
	Platoon on Hill 55 laid and ready to fire.		
1810	Red call fr CMR stating that CMR was set up and ready to operate as		
	of 1500H. Set is located at E psn (986644).		
2112	FSCC rptd that the 1st Prov Amph How Flt completed the second of two		
	high burst registrations at 2110.		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12th Mar	030600H	040600H Apr 66	field Detang RVN
TIME IN	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0355		1st Btry passed info that Whiskey Btry rptd that ammo supply is not critical, resupply at first light will be sufficient.	
0220	040220	G-3 desired designation of units on alert-given to Sgt MARTIN fr FSCC.	
0313	040313	8" H&I completed.	
0620		Div FSCC rpts B52 bombdrop between at 819608 and at 846592 fr 040700 to 040730H.	
		Summary: Opn Orange: W(2/12) by helicopter to obj area commencing 030930 and ready to fire 030955. 1/21 Arty Command GP assumed control of arty in obj area 031600. Commencing 031130 remaining how (N) 1/12 placed on 2 hr alert status with A(S). 1/12 and F2/12 on 4 hr alert status. Four LVTHG's in psn Hill 55 to cover for W(S) (2/12) at 031641. CMR(s) out of action due mechanical difficulties but should be back in action 4 Apr. CMR(n) in psn E-2-12 psn and ready to operate 031500.	

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ORGANIZATION	TIME IN	TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12th Mar			040600	050600 Apr 66	In field Danang RVN
			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
		0700	Directed 1st 8" Btry to relay 155mm Gun at LeMy on 6100A.		
0815			I Corps Advisor (Capt REINHARDT) rpt 14 ARVN students enroute to Phu		
			Bai for FO School. Additional students will be sent up (if available) within next 48 Hrs.		
0840		040840H	1/22 rpt new location Cpn Orange Arty Cmd Gp at 136535.		
1355			1/12 rpt (AN) recd movement order for two 105H sects & Btry Cmd		
			Group to move to Hill 41 for pickup.		
1420			Completed Program fo Fires #7" the setgts located in 6S (0160, 0159, 0059 & 0158). Were are , rpt by TIO, fm which large volumes of fire have been recd by AO'. Btry's L, D, E, F & LVTH6's expended 150 rds HE & WP in an effort to neutralize this area.		
1430			Req permission from 3d Mar (via FSCC) to displace two 8" Hows to psn		
			Bravo Btry & return pieces fm LeMy to homeplate 5 Apr. Req thru 1/12 FDO.		
					ACTION TAKEN
					Passed to S-3 3/12
					Sit. Map.
					CO

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLAC
12th Mar	040600	050600	Apr 66
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1500	12/12 S-3 rpt 4 trks & 2 105mm hows fr A(N) just departed for Hill 41 to participate in Op Orange. Coordinated already with 2/12. Directed 1st 8" to relay 155 Gun at LeMy ca Az 4650A.		
1500	1/12 rpts requested displacements (1430 entry) approved by 3dMar.		
1530	Very limited security available.		
1535	Directed 1st 8" How to displace on order 5 Apr fr LeMy to homeplate. Also to displace 2 - 8" How to Bravo Btry NLT 051200H. AZ fr Btry B 5100A. Az fr homeplate: Gun-5200, 8"-6000.		
1600	CO A(N) rpts units arrived Hill 41.		
1825	Reoriented 1st Guns on following: 1 gun each on 2600, 3300, and 4300. When remaining 2 guns are "up" will lay them on same azimuths.		
1904	2/12, 1735, Btry D fired for FO D 4, VC snipers (076611), Exp 12 WP. No Sur. 2/12, 1735, Btry D fired for FO D 4, VC w/auto wpns (082613) Exp 2 WP. Sur: Ceased fire so a plt from M 3/9 could assault psn.		

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ORGANIZATION	HQ	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACEMENT
2155		Fm 1/22: A(N) in psn 149540 at 041900H. Az 5200.	040600	050600 Apr 66
2155		Div FSCC alerted FDC to forthcoming FLASH 041344Z. Substance is execute CG III MAF 031532Z (Para 3).		
2116	CG 3dMarDiv 041344Z	Execute applicable portions CG III MAF 031532Z.		
2153	CG 3dMarDiv 041347Z	CG III MAF 031532Z changed in that no vehicles will be used on public roads for any reason unless permission is obtained fr this Hqs.		
2215	G-3 Phonecom	No rpt no vehicles are allowed on roads unless approved by CG III MAF. Defense posture only reconfirmed.		
2318		1/12 advised (RE OPN ORANGE) that 8 men and 4600 lbs are still on Hill 41. Plans being made to lift off in the morning. The AEF A psn has 4 guns in it & ammo resupply situation satisfactory.		
2330		FSCC advised that Op on 327 is manned by 2/12 pers. This request pertains to possibility/probability that the NCF support ship (previously scheduled for Rough Rider) will be brought to Danang Harbor.		

Query was if Op 327 could adjust NCF. 2/12 advised.

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ORGANIZATION	Hq	12th Mar	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	050600 Apr 66	PLACE
TIME IN	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS				ACTION TAKEN
2330		S-3 advised that 2/12 should have reaction plt of approx 40 men formed with trucks available to move Danang unit into psn Danang area.				
		Unit to be available for movement on 20 min. notice. Rpt to Regt				
		FDC when unit formed.				
	2332	Unit will be committed by Div thru Regt(FDC should inform S-3 and G-3 when unit ready).				Notified CO 2/12
2335		Hq Btry directed to form reaction plt of 40 men on 20 min standby.				
0007		CO Hq Btry advised unit ready.				Notified S-3 & G-3
0059		2/12 advised unit ready.				Notified S-3 & G-3
0020		S-3 advised following: Rough Rider stays at Phu Bai until further notice. Opn Virginia delayed 48 hrs. Opn Orange continue's, arty may have to provide illum at airfield. 2 AO's up all night. Viet civilians can come to work in AM. USMC Auth to fire back if Marine lives in danger, No problems at Hoi An. CO 51st ARVN Regt(Loyal)				(Maj BUSSELL) S-3 notified

QNSS is C/S NCF support ship ETA Danang 0030 for illum. 12th Mar
up on Div Alert(Delta 66(8144 Bcs).)

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
ORGANIZATION Hq 12th Mar	040600	0506 00 Apr 66	Danang RVN
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
0140	FSCC advised this Hq as follows: At 0500 a 100% alert will be in effect.		
	No vehicles allowed on highway; water conservation most important.		
	Col Bap and elements 55 ARVN Regt moving north into Danang from Ho		
	An. Div AO's are on station over the city. QDD party will stage		
	political march into Danang 0500 today.		
0235	Red msg directing 100% alert 050500H.		
	Summary: No unusual artillery activity in Danang TAOR. With respect		
	to Opn Orange: Arty Command Gg moved CP to (136535). Two additional		
	105 Hqs from A(N) 1/12 committed. In psn at 149540 and ready to		
	fire by 041900H after departing TAOR from Hill 41. Commencing		
	042330, Hq Btry 12th Mar, and 2/12 formed one reaction platoon each		
	for assignment by G-3 in connection with civic unrest in Danang.		
	Units reported ready to G-3 at 050039 and are on 20 min alert. All		
	units of Dw on 100% alert as of 050500.		
	ACTION TAKEN		
	Notified 1/12, 2/12		
	4/12, 8", S-3, X0 & CO		

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ORGANIZATION	Hq	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
1350		FROM (DATE & HOUR) 050600	060600 Apr 66	In field Danang RVN
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
		Red 3d Mar Div 050120Z. Cancel alert - resume normal conditions of security.		
	1150	Directed 1st 8" Btry to execute displacements directed in entry 041535H.		
	1323	Directed 2/12 to support Recon patrol HS-90. With read restrictions prohibiting distribution of OP Ord from 3d Recon, freq and op area and clearance procedures explained by phoncon.		
	1325	1st 8" How rpt pl t arrived at Btry "B" psn.		
	1335	2/12 rpts remaining pers & equip of A(N) picked up at Hill 41 at 1320 by helo to join Op Orange.		
	1350	Watch officer from Ivan rpts two 8" How and one 155 Gun displaced fr Lemy to pri psn.		
	1406	Ivan Op Chief rpts one 8" How down due to electrical system, contact team on the way. The 8" How is about 400m fr pri psn.		

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ORGANIZATION	Hq	TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE In field
			050600	060600 Apr 66	Danang RVN
1500			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
			1/12 FireRep: Btry F fired msn called in by ARVN FO. VC in house (942573). 20 rds HE exp. Sur: Rds on tgt, house partially destroyed.		
			No obs cas.		
1540-			8" rpts 8" in B Btry psn laid ready to fire AZ 5100.		
1730			Tinge 3 pulling LMO out of Phu Lac due to civilian disturbance.		
2030			Recd msa fr ARVN relayed by Div FSCC, 100 VC troops (842580 & 850582). Bot to CO & S-3 & FSCC.		
			Assigned to 4/12. 155G fired three msa (3) rds HE Fuze VT & Q on Hoi An rpts build up in this area.		
			each conc.		
2045			Relayed three 155 Guns AZ 4000 for H&I's on VC buildup vic SW section TAOR.		
2223		052223H	CMR at Btry E psn down. Trouble with power supply. CO & S-3		
			Summary: Routine arty activity in TAOR. 100% alert ordered by Div on 4 Apr cancelled and normal security conditions in effect. Both		
			CMRs down. Btry H now OFCON/ADCON 3/12 Phu Bai. Personnel and equip		

previously stranded Hill 41 lifted by helo to obj area Op Orange (051320H.) Op Orange continues with nothing unusual to rpt.

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ORGANIZATION	HQ	12TH MAH	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	060600	TO (DATE & HOUR)	070000	AER 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN
TIME IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS					ACTION TAKEN
1010			Directed 4/12 to relay 1st Guns on Az 4300, 3400 & 2600.					
1128			CWR at E2/12 in operation. CWR (airfield) still down. Div FSCC rpts Rough Rider to return sometime today. Alerted 1st 8" Btry to come up on D-164 on order. Rough Rider will depart Phu Bai 1330. 3/12 alerted by Div FSCC. 8" directed to come up on D-164 1330H. 4/12 rpts 155Gun down (# 5) contact team on the way to psn. Rough Rider in. D-164 secured. Notified 1st 8" Btry. 2/12 Btry F: 1940-2010 fired at VC snipers (AT 951607). Exp 4 rds III 4 HE. Sur: Sniper fire ceased. Rcvd notification from Moray Alpha that it was operational. Detached Moray Alpha to lay on az 2700. Rcvd information from 3/12 FDC that commencing 2320, composite 105/155 Btry in northern operation (Btry C & M) rcvd 25 mort rds, mixed 60 &					
1210								
1300								
1740								
2018								
2350								
0030								Notified S-3 & CO

81 mm and heavy S/A fire lasting approximately five minutes. 1 KIA,
3 WIA. No names at this time.

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S-3 JOURNAL (1)

ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
12th Mar	070600H	080600 Apr 66	In field Danang RVN
TIME IN	INSTRUCTIONS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
0900	Directed 8" Btry to relay one How in the B Btry psn on AZ 4000 to fire eight daylight H&I's.		
0900	Advised CO 1/12 & 2/12 that 4 hr alert status for A(s) & F Btry's was terminated for Op Orange.		
1545	Recd from FSCC that Rough Rider sched for 8 Apr has been cancelled.		8" & 1st Bn notified
1828	Cancellation of Rough Rider North.		
1750	CNR "A" down.		
1955	Req permission fr 3d Mar to psn plat 8" Hows at psn Juliet.		
0345	Permission fr 3d Mar to displace 2 How's. Ref 1955 entry.		
0310	Metro rpted set down as of 2030. Equip failure in GMO. Metro will be visual until further notice.		
0335	CG 3dMarDiv Msg+Riot Control in Danang. 9th Mar (2 CO's) on 1 hr alert, 3d Mar units on 2 hr alert.		

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ORGANIZATION	TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
		080600H	090600H Apr 66	In field Danang RVN
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
005		8" rpts Gun #5 in the Btry B psn down. Sight Mount. Contact team called.		ACTION TAKEN
1105		1/12 rpts Recon ptl H-S 88 in.		
1125		Directed 8" Btry to displace NLT 1300 fr Btry B to pri psn. AZ 6000		Notified Exo
		A. Commencing 1300H displace 1 plat to Juliet AZ 5000A. Be in psn by 1700H. Support HS-91.		
1155		1/12 rpts Gun #2 from Btry A(s) taken to FLSC.		
1215		8" Btry rpts 8" platoon has returned to pri psn from their psn at Btry B.		
1300		8" Btry rpts Gun #1 gone to FLSC. Broken sight mount. 8" plat departed CP for F.P. Juliet.		Notified Exo
1530		1st 8" How Btry Op Chief rpts two 8" How in Juliet psn laid on AZ 5000.		
1915		CMR(A) down for about two hrs due to ECA (electronic control amplifier).		

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IN	OUT	TIME DATED	ORGANIZATION HQ	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	100600H Apr 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
				INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			ACTION TAKEN
		CG 3d MarDiv 081355Z		Instructions concerning activities of Div COC			
		CG 3d MarDiv 082011Z		Activation of Div COC effective 101200H.			
1122				FDC 2/12 rptd ARVN A/C dropped bombs vic bridge GS (BT 0171) & armed			rptd to Div FSCC & S-3
				HUE firing into treeline same vicinity. 4 APCs plus several 3/4 Ton			
				trucks & jeeps held up.			
1140				Revd call from Div FSCC stating that G-3 wants the 12th Marines to be			CO notified
				prepared to fire retaliatory fires on two 155mm Howitzers located at			
				each of the following coord (BT 026658 & 041623)			
1200				Revd call from Div FSCC that the 12th Marines will be prepared to fire			CO Notified
				on short notice on command of Div G-3 on targets shown in 1140 entry.			
1205				Revd following fire mission from Div AO - Coord BT 028656, az GT line.			1/4/12 directed to prepare firing data and lay on 8" also notified.
				2 155mm Hows in psn. AMC - VA.			
	1206			Passed following msg to observer - Btry 1 volley, Conc HZ 938, Guns			
				are not loaded.			

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ORGANIZATION	IN	OUT	TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DAN ANG, RVN PLACE	ACTION TAKEN
				INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			
	1208			Rcvd following fire msg from Div AO - Coord BF 044615, az GT line.	100600H APR 66		
				2 155mm Homs in psn, AMC - WA.			E/2/12 directed to prepared firing data and lay on tgt.
			1240	Passed following msg to observer: Btry 3 volleys, Conc HZ 939, awaiting clearance.			
			1241	Rcvd call from Div FSCC stating that any initial volley would bracket the target by 200M and serve as a warning.			
			1244	Passed msg to 1st 8" How Btry to bracket HZ 938 by 800M and to use delay. All batteries notified to fire fuze delay.			
			1305	Directed 1st 8" to displace plt from Juliet to homeplate, az 4850M			
			1337	Directed 2/12 to lay on coord 042620 as Conc HZ 939.			
			1400	8" plt on road from Juliet.			Notified CO & S-3
			1419	8" plt in psn, not laid.			
			1447	Rcvd info from watch officer 1/12 that Btry A/1/11 had returned to its			
				pri psn. at 091210H.			

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TIME IN	ORGANIZATION HQ 12th	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE
OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
1448		Rcvd call from 12th Mar 40 stating that the one platoon of ARVN 155mm Hows was located at BT 027658.		
1450		Notified 1st 8" How Btry and 4th Bn that conc HZ 938 was now located at BT 027658 and to prepare firing data for this conc.		
1457		Rcvd info from Div FSOC that 12th Mar should be prepared to fire on a deserted ARVN ammo dump 300x300M located at AT 984583.		Assigned conc HZ 940 and passed to 4/12
1520		Rcvd call from Div FSOC directing 12th Mar to adjust on Conc HZ 940 with AB.		Notified 4/12
1530		1st 8" has 3 wpns on HZ 938. When 4th wpn is repaired (about 30 min) will lay two of total four on az 4800.		
1645		Rcvd call from Div FSOC stating that Army 80 had located VC in trenches at BT 013568.		Assigned to 2/12 Conc HZ 941
1702		1st 8" How Btry OP Chief rpts Gun # 3 out of action for about 2 hrs broken hydraulic line.		S-3 notified

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ORGANIZATION		HQ 12TH	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DAWANG, RV PLACE
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1715			Lack of comm with AO reg abort HZ 941.	Assigned to air.	
1730			Div FSOC request Conc HZ 941 (BT 013568)		Assigned to 2/12
1805			Div FSOC rpts further sur on Conc HZ 941: seven houses destroyed, two on fire, two confirmed KIA's, more possible.		
1820			1/12 rpts arty on Op ORANGES expended 506 rds on 48 msns last 24 hrs.		
			Scheduled displacement to homeplate - W/1/12: 100700H. Cmd Grp: 101000H.		
			W/3/12: 110700H.		
1900			Revd rpt from Div FSOC that the two ARVN 155 Hows at conc HZ 938 are back in firing psn. One piece pointing north along Hwy 1 & the other south along the Hwy.		Notified CO
2010			Opn Rough Rider (N) scheduled tomorrow. Leaving 101045H-101115H.		
			ETD Phu Bai 110900H. ETA DaNang 111400H. 3/12 alerted. 1st 8"		
			Btry directed to lay one 8" how & one 155Gun on az 6000 at 101000H.		

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ORGANIZATION		FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG PLACE
TIME	IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
2040	HQ 12th ORGANIZATION Mar	090600H	100600H APR 66	
	OUT	B" Btry rpts Gun # 3 out. Oil leak. Contact team will be out in the morning.		
2100		Lt Col PARRICH (CO Hq Bn) called reporting nine rds of S/A & flare fm (AT 970743). This plots just SE of Hq Bn perimeter.		Notified XO. Called FSCC & asked them to investigate.
2235		Hq Bn called stated III MAF compound receiving incoming - type unknown - for info Hq Bn going on 100% alert.		Notified S-3. FSCC investigating
2350		Rcvd call from Hq Bn situation above improved, returning to condition GREEN.		
0517		Rcvd call from watch officer 2/12 stating that Btry F may have had a premature burst on an H&I. Confusion exist as to whether the burst was an infantry rd fired or the artillery H&I. The H&I rd was fired with Lot AL-79-WH of Fz VC M513, ti 29.0. The burst occurred 200M from howitzer. No casualties.		Notified CO & S-3

HQ 12TH MAR

090600H to 100600H APR 66

IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN

--SUMMARY--

Artillery action centered around civil disturbance in DaNang TAOR. At about 091100H two ARVN 155mm How Platoons took position about 9000 meters south of the airfield on Highway 1, with direction of fire towards DaNang-Airfield complex. Two 8" Howitzers were laid on the north platoon and L/4/12 was likewise so laid. E/2/12 was laid on the south platoon located approx 4000 meters to the south. Orders to 12th Marine units were to fire only on orders this Headquarters. CG III MAF informed CO 12th Marines that he would give order to fire via CG 3d MarDiv. The 8" would fire first with an 800 meter bracketing salvo - second salvo on the target. Continuous aerial surveillance on ARVN platoons. The south platoon displaced to Dien Ban at 091630H and the north platoon remained in position throughout night. Still in position as of 100600H.

L/4/12 took abandoned ARVN ammo dump under fire utilizing air observer, causing secondary explosions and setting area afire. VC in trenches 4000M south east of the dump were taken under fire by E/2/12 utilizing Army AO. Two VC KIA. Area on fire.

Tension relaxed about 091800H. 8" platoon remained laid on remaining ARVN platoon, ready to fire as ordered. No other significant action has developed as of 100600H.

Op ORANGE - Four 105s of A/1/11 returned to TAOR 091210H. Arty Command Grp 1/12 and W/1/12 scheduled to retract between 100700 & 101000H.

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ORGANIZATION		HQ 12TH MAR		FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANG NG PLACE
IN TIME	OUT TIME	DAVED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			ACTION TAKEN
0736			1/12 Op chief rpts "W" Btry on the way to home plate.	100600HAFR	110600H APR 66	
	0830		Frag order to 1st 8". On order about 1300H displace one gun and one how to position Juliet az 5200. Be laid by 101645H. Support HS-93.			
			Frag D-189. Also spt patrol HS-91			
	0931		Req permission from 3d Mar via FSCC to occupy position indicated entry 0930H.			
1038			Mort Btry 2/12 & Cmd Grp are back from Op ORANGE.			
1040			Div FSCC rpt Rough Rider left for Phu Bai 1004H.			
1050			8" Btry rpts guns 2 & 4 laid on 6000.			
1052			Mortars & Cmd Grp returned from Op ORANGE except XO & six men.			
1225			1st 8" rpts their "ice man" complains "VC" on road are harassing him.			
			Btry sent patrol & interpreter down road vic btry psn to investigate.			
1226			2/12 FIREP: 1200 A0 called mission on VC in ammo dump (at 983583).			
			Btry E fired 24 HE & 11 WP. STR: one bldg destroyed, 2 damaged, no obs cas.			

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ORGANIZATION HQ	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DAWANG PLACE
1255	100600	110600H	AVR 66
1300	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1400	8" watch officer reports that the "VC" mentioned in the 1225H entry turned out to be PF and were conducting legitimate business.		
1455	8" Btry displaced one 8" How and one 155mm Gun to position Juliet.		
	8" plt (one 8" & one 155Gun) at FF Juliet, laid ready to fire, as 5200.		
	Rcvd call from Div FSCC stating that the Rough Rider (N) had arrived at 1454H in FnuBai. Convoy received 10 rds of small arms fire on north side of Hai Van pass, no casualties.		
1855	Rcvd call from XO 1/12 stating that the CO 4/1/12 had received the following info from a USMC plt cmr at NAMO bridge. The USMC platoon stopped an ARVN unit at Namo Bridge who were coming from HUE. The interpreter with the USMC plt ascertained from the ARVN that their mission was to assassinate the village chief of NAMO. An ARVN company commander in the area reports that an ARVN plt will be placed in NAMO to night to protect the chief.		

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ORGANIZATION	HQ 12TH MAR	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1940		Rcvd call from Div FSOC stating that intelligence reports a VC Battalion assembling in the area of AT 810520. 155 Gun units requested.	110600H APR	Directed 4/12 to fire 3 rds, notified CO
2055		Rcvd call from Div FSOC stating that the ARVN 155mm How plt located at Conc HZ 938 has orders to return to Dien Ban by mid morning tomorrow.		
2130		Div FSOC reported that there is a VC Bn located at AT 966550, armed with two 81mm Mortars, two 60mm Mortars, one recoilless rifle, two 30 Cal MG and individual weapons. Passed to 2/12, Echo and Lima btrys to fire two volleys HA with fuze VT & Quick.		Notified S-3 & CO
2145		2/12 reported rounds complete on 966550.		
0150		1st 8" rpts how in forward psn (Juliet) down with broken sight.		
0210		1st 8" # 3 back in action (Ref entry 0150H)		
0220		2/12 relays rpt from CWR at Echo of wpn firing from BT 12080 53290. Extreme rg of plot makes info appear unreliable.		

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ORGANIZATION TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD PLACE DAWNG. RVN
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	ACTION TAKEN
		100600	
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	
0240		S-3 3/12 rpts PhuLoc atkd tonight. Lt (us) TOWNES (spelling?) WIA	
		& MED EVAC. Lt is Rough Rider LNO. No further info at this time.	
		--SUMMARY--	
		Moderate artillery action in TAOR. A/11 fired on 11 VC (AT 854867) at 100900H utilizing NGF Spotters on Dong Den with possible 11 VC KIA. E/2/12 fired at VC in the abandoned ARVN ammo dump (AT 983583) - no surveillance. One plt 8" Howitzers remains laid on ARVN 155mm How Platoon at Concentration HZ 938. One 155Gun and an 8" How dispatched to position Juliet to support Recon patrol action in western sector of TAOR. 1/12 arty Cnd Gnp and W/1/12 returned from Operation ORANGE. Rough Rider (N) received light S/A fire just north of Hai Van Pass. During the night the LNO at Phu Lee (MFLN 3/12) (who was stationed there in connection with return of Rough Rider) was wounded and evacuated. 1st 8" How Btry alerted for possible action when Rough Rider returns today.	

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DAMANG, PLACE
HQ 12TH MAR	110600	120600H APR 66	IN THE FIELD, DAMANG, PLACE
IN TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1420	S-3 2/12 informed that at 111230H all howtars from W/3/12 back on Hill 55. It is not known if all personnel were withdrawn from Op ORANGE.		
1510	W/3/12 completed move 1315H.		
1520	2/12 Btry E fired on VC MG firing, Exp 20 HE, NO sur.		
1830	CMR (Airfield) out (computer trouble) no est of time to repair set.		
2002	3/12 reports "W" forward, 2 howitzers at YD 897086 on az 2500.		
2035	1/12 FDC rpt village vic A/1/11 firing tracers and beating drums. Being rptd to 3d Mar.		
	--SUMMARY--		
	No unusual artillery fire missions. Artillery firing very light other than normal H&I and registrations. 12th Marines commenced coordination of patrols/ambushes re. rear area defense of Zone B. By 1510H all personnel & Howtars of W/3/12 had returned from Op ORANGE and were in position Hill 55. Both CMRS down due to mechanical failures. Rough Rider fr on Phu Bai completed 1300. Op VIRGINIA commences 12 April 1966.		

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ORGANIZATION TIME IN	EQ 12TH MAR	FROM(DATE & HOUR)	TO(DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, PLACE	ACTION TAKEN
		110600H	120600H APR 66	DANANG, RVN	
0718		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			
		Recvd call from watch officer 2/12 stating that the 1st Frov Amph How			
		Plt would return this morning to their permanent position to make			
		room for the return of W/3/12 at 0730H.			
	0837	Informed 1st 8" How Btry that the corrected coordinates for HZ 938 are			
		BT 026658			
	1010	Directed 8" Btry to relay 155Gun az 6000. Spt Rough Rider			
	1110	FSCC rpts Op VIRGINIA goes tomorrow-12Apr66			
	0900	From FSCC: Rough Rider left Phu Bai 0855H.			
	1135	CMR at E Btry down for repairs. Est two hours.			
	1252	Directed 8" Btry to relay 155Gun az 5200.			
	1300	FSCC rpts Rough Rider completed.			
	1302	Watch Officer 1/12 rpts small arms firing vic village of Da Son.			Notified S-3, S-2 to investigate.
	1345	S-2 rpts firing from ARVN Engr compound. Results of investigation			
		of 1302 entry.			

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ORGANIZATION TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR) INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE In field Denaus
1445		Phoncon w/1/12. Directed S-3 to support Co D, 3d Recon Bn Op Ord 28-66. Explained clearance procedures using Recon LMO at 3dMar. Told to activate Co D tac net prior to patrol departure. Sent copy of patrol order.	130600 Apr 66	ACTION TAKEN
2030		Red tgt from ARVN Observer via F30C(Div)-VC Co at coords 979584. Assigned to 2/12 for TOT. Fired W,F, L Btry's, 2 volleys, Fz Q & VT at 122100H.		
		--SUMMARY--		
		Moderate artillery action in TAOR centering mainly in 9th Mar ZA. Both CMRs and RAWIN still down. In general, VC activities in FAOR have increased slightly over past two days. Platoon of 155mm How (ARVN) (Conc HZ 938) returned to Dien Ban at 121300H and the 8" plt covering this concentration was returned to normal lay. Rough Rider (N) scheduled for departure and return 14 April.		

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ORGANIZATION Hq, 12th TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE IN
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	130600 Apr 66	field Denang
0800		2/12 Btry F fired on VC snipers. Exp 30 rds HE. Sur: Rds on tgt, fired at 120745H.		ACTION TAKEN
0803		1/12 Op Chief rpts HS91 extended till 13Apr66.		
0813		CG 3dMarDiv msg 110844Z Apr66. Opn 0374-66. Execute subj Opn O my Ref (A) on 12Apr66.		8" notified
0833	CG 3dMarDiv 11123Z	Standdown from preparations required by 3dMarDiv Op0 386-66, Alert condition is yellow.		
0940		Div FSCC rpts Div G-3 placed "hold" on Op Va.		S-3
1225		Red 3dMarDiv 120035Z Rough Rider scd 140700H & return same day.		
1325		Directed 8" Btry to relay the two How on Az 2500 to Az 5800 & 4100 Conc HZ936 scrubbed, but returned to Dien Ban (ARVN 155 How Platoon).		Notified CO
1403		2/12 firep. 1330 Btry E with AO obs fired on VC in trench (984583)		
		Sur: Good effect, No obs cas.		
1436	CG 3dMarDiv 120548Z	Road condition normal for vehicular traffic security condition		

YELLOW remains in effect.

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ORGANIZATION	Hq	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE In field
0840		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	140600 Apr 66	Danang
	0840	Red call from S-3 3/12 stating that I Btry had a premature burst		ACTION TAKEN
		2000m in front of the btry psn using Shell HE fuze quick. No cas.		Notified XO & S-4
		Full report on lot numbers is being submitted to S-4.		
	1316	Directed 1st 8" How Btry to lay gun #1 on Az 6000, activate D-164		
		at 140630H and answer calls for fire from Permission Alpha South 4		
		(Fo with Rough Rider North).		
	1318	Informed S-3 3/12 as to frequency and call sign of the Rough Rider		
		North Fo.		
	1630	Directed CO 1/12 to send one btry of 4 105mm how to Phu Bai with		
		Rough Rider North departing 14 Apr. Btry to report to CO 3/12.		
	1705	Directed watch officer 1st 8" How Btry to lay 155mm Gun located at		
		Psn Juliet on Az 6400m at 140700H to support Rough Rider North.		
	1830	CMR South down(Indef). Airfield CMR set up, limited, cannot compute		
	1935	A(n) Rough Rider to assemble 7th Engr CP prior to 0530H 14 Apr. Div		

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S-3 JOURNAL (1)

ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
12 Mar	Hq 130500	140600 Apr 66	In field Danang
IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1937	G-3 rpts. Div FSOC rpts Rough Rider to cross Namu Bridge w/ 1st Elements at 140700H.		
2030	Cancelled A(n) 1/12 from Rough Rider on 14 Apr.		Informed CO 1/12 & G-3
2105	Received call from LtCol McCain with the following information-- Capt Rienhardt Arty advisor Duan Nam Hoe An "A VNAF element inter- cepted a message which went to an unknown command to deploy two (2) companies to march on and attack the Danang air base". Capt Rein- hardt does not know the present location of the arty we are concerned about. The ARVN won't tell him. His ARVN counterpart went to a meeting at 1500 today for normal business. I Corps knows of no such business. The Danang air base Garrison (VNAF security 41st Tactical center) passed information that 2 VC Co. are now marching on Da- Nang. Believe these 2 Co. are in addition to the 2 original rptsd.		Notified CO, XO & S-3

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12Mar	130600	140600 Apr 66	In field Danang
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
2120	Div FSCC called with following information--The rpt of the 2 VC Co. marching on Danang is wrong and is in fact five days old information.		Notified S-3.
2140	Called Div FSCC and was told that the rpt of first two Co. marching on the Danang airfield was also false.		Notified S-3.
2205	Recd call from 3/12 with following message 1. Ref CG 3dMarDiv 071317Z. Overriding tactical requirements, dictate that 3/12 is remain in present psn, 1st Bn, 4th Mar concur.		
2255	Div FSCC duty officer called and passed the following information-- 3d MAF COC--"Not to discount possible attacks on Danang airfield by the two VC Co.--it could happen."		
2410	Patrol returned to CP.		
0330	Received call from Div FSCC stating that the ARVN at Ho An requested reinforcing fire on coord 942519. ARVN intelligence gives this		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
12 Mar	130600	140600 Apr 66	In field
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		Phanang
IN	target a number 1 rating but due to its classification are unable		ACTION TAKEN
OUT	to give the nature of the target.		Notified GO & S3
0500	CG III MAF 131130Z Requirement for increased vigilance throughout IGTZ during pd 13-26		fired 155mm Gun 3rdg
0600	Apr because of VC capability during moonless nights. Div BSCC rpts III MAF is keeping two (2) AO's on station from 13 to 26 Apr between hours of 2330-0230 in connection with possible attack on Danang Airfield on moonless nights.		
	SUMMARY		
	Light arty action in TAOR remains centered in 2A 9th Marines. Hq		
	12th Mar conducted FO School shoot for elements Recon Bn, supported by A(n) 1/12. A(n) 1/12 directed to deploy to Phu Bai via Rough Rider on 14 Apr but was cancelled due to schedule timing. All tactical arrangements pertaining to arty support of Rough Rider verified with arty elements concerned. The Div is on alert for possible		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE IN Field De-
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
IN			
OUT			
TIME DATED			
Hq 12Mar	130600	140600 Apr 66	
	attack on Dang Air Field due to period of moonless nights. CMR		
	on air field is up for limited operations but cannot compute. CMR		
	at E Btry still down.		

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OB TI	ONHQ	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
TIME DATED		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
0720	12Mar	140600H	150600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
0730		S3 alerted S3 1/12 to have A(n) prep to take Rough Rider North to-morrow (151100H) if Rough Rider goes. Based on info from G3.		
0950		Div FSCC rpt Rough Rider departed 0655.		
1220		Btry E fired men with AO obs, fired msn on VC firing SA(995582). Sur: rds on tgt, two houses destroyed, firing ceased. No obs cas. Fm Div FSCC: Rough Rider arrived Phu Bai 1154. They will be back up on net at 1350.		
0130		Alerted 4/12 to displace 0/0 2 M109's from L Btry & one 135mm gun fm 1st Guns to Hill 55 today rein by one 8" How. Coord move with 8" Btry.		
1340		Alerted 1st 8" Btry to move-ref 1330 entry.		
1425		Directed 4/12 to displace only 2-M109's to Hill 55. Rpt progress of displacement.		
1426		Advised 1st 8" that how(ref 1340 entry) would not move today.		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
12Mar	140600H	150000H Apr 66	Danang RVN
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1427	FSCC rpt Rough Rider departed Phu Bai for return trip.		
1628	L Btry has completed displacing two M-109's to Hill 55.		
1826	Received call fm Div FSCC that the Rough Rider North convoy had returned to DaNang.		
2335	Received request fm 3dMar FSCC via 1/12 for one rd HE at suspected camp site AT 851639. Assigned msn to 4/12 with on the way to be provided 3d Mar FSCC via 1/12 comz HZ 060.		
0007	Received req fm recon via 3d Mar & 1/12 for 1 rd HE Q at 793817. Assigned msn to 1st 8" lrd HE Q comz HZ 061 with on the way to be provided 3d Mar FSCC via 1/12.		
0019	Security patrol at ch point 1.		
0030	Security patrol at ch point 2.		
0201	Security patrol at ch point 3.		
0340	Security patrol secured.		D-153 secured.

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ORGANIZATION		FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE RVN
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
	0847		Alerted 4/12 & 1st 8" Btry to be prepared to displace one 155mm Gun & one 8" How respectively for Op Ga. on order on D-1 (19 Apr).	
1427			HS-93 is back in. Directed 8" to return 8" and 155Gun from Juliet to home plate. Gun lay on az 5200, 8" - 4800.	
1455			Btry E fired for FO"E"2, VC auto wpns (BF 015620, 018616, fired 82 HE & 42 WF. No sur at this time. FO"E"2 & party going into tgt area.	
1500			HS-92 is back in reported by OpChief 1/12	
1600			8" rpts 155Gun & 8" How back from FP Juliet. 155Gun laid, ready to fire az 5200, 8" having some maint work done.	
1645			8" Btry rpts gun down, shown 1600 entry as up, laid, ready to fire.	
1646		CG 3d MarDiv 150525Z	3d Mar to execute Rough Rider North 170700H and to return the same day.	
1653			Recvd call from CMB Off stating that the "A" set was completely operational.	

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ORG TIME	HQ 12TH MAR ACTION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG PLACE RVN	ACTION TAKEN
1838	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	150600H	160600H	APR 66	
2000		<p>Informed watch officer 1/12 that CO 12th Mar does not intend to move Btry A/1/11 to Phu Bai on the next Rough Rider.</p> <p>ARVN requested fire on two VC Cos in open (BT 0355585, 030580, 030576 & 033572). Relayed by Div FHCC, assigned to 2/12, directed Btry one rd on each set of coord.</p>			
0050		<p>2/12 passed FIREP - 0020-0040 FO'E'2A called in msn on VC in treeline, Cong BE 352, Coord (BT 013616), Exp 38 HE/Q, No Sur.</p>			
0550	152031Z	<p>Opn Virginia commences 17 Apr. From CG 3d MarDiv.</p>			
0600		<p>2/12 rpts W, L(Fwd) & E fired a total of 10 concentrations between 160410H-160535H. H/2/9 under heavy mortar, recoilless rifle and small arms attack at Coord (AT 975758), 985758, 9957, 9958). Fires adj by FO'E'4 under illumination provided by flare plane. Following ammo expended: W- 72 Ill & 67 HE/Q, L(Fwd)- 36 HE/Q, E- 211 HE/Q.</p>			
		<p>Excellent eff on tgt. Still setting some small arms fire.</p>			

HQ 12TH MAR

150600H

to

160600H APR 66

IN THE FIELD, DANANG,
RVN

--SUMMARY--

Heavy artillery action ZA 9th Mar during late morning 16 Apr. 2/12 fired over 300 rounds on VC attacking H/2/9 with mortars/recoilless rifles and small arms. No VC casualty assessment to date. Artillery action in rest of TAOR routine.

Preparations for Opn Georgia firm. 8" & 155Gun will displace to Hill 55 on order on D-1 (19 Apr). Opn Virginia with two artillery batteries participating will commence 17 Apr. Rough Rider(N) scheduled for 170700H and return same day. No artillery scheduled for convoy at this time. Fire planning for defense DaNang Airfield continues in coordination with 1/9. CMR on airfield fully operational while CMR at E/2/12 continues out of action.

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE PLACE
HQ 12TH MAR	160600H	170600H APR 66	FIELD, DAVANG, RVN
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
0723	Btry E fired for FOE#4, VC on trail (EF 008573), exp 24 rds HE, No Bur.		
0920	2/12 rpts Btry E & L preped landing zone (AF 990555), spt of G/2/9.		
	78 rds of 155 & 105mm HE & WP exp, No sur at this time.		
0921	Watch officer 2/12 rpts 107mm Mort Btry gun #4 out of action due to damaged recoil mechanism.		
0927	Watch officer rpts 107mm Mort Btry gun #4 back in action.		
1036	2/12 rpts Btry E fired for A0, VC in village, exp 42 HE, good coverage of tgt, one building destroyed.		
1115	Div FSCC rpts short rd by Mort Btry 2/12 landing in Co G area. Four Marines WIA (AT 982568)		CO & S-3 Notified.
1200	2/12 Firep: FOE#3 fired Mort Btry on VC in carefield (AT 982568), msn aborted due to rds landing on friendly troops. See 1115 entry.		
1505	8" rpts Gun # 3 down, contact team on way to psn.		
	Informed OpChief 4/12 of requirement to spt 3d Recon Patrol HS-99		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RV PLACE
HQ 12TH MAP	160600H	170600H APR 66	
TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
1626	Alerted CO 1/12 to be prepared to provide one btry of 105mm howitzers for Op Georgia, estimated time of committing Dnl		CO 1/12 alerted, Btry B
1635	S-3 directed watch officer 1/12 to establish OP's in vic of AT 933637 & AT 933761 this date. OP's are to be manned during hours of darkness and report azimuth of enemy mortar or artillery flashes to CO 1/12. Special attention to be directed to vic grid square (AT 9878).		
1955	Directed 1st 8" Btry to activate M-335 at 170600H and answer calls for fire from Permission Alpha South 1 and 2 and Pretext 26X. All calls fir fire are considered automatically cleared.		
2012	Informed watch officer 3/12 as to frequency for the conduct of fire net for Rough Rider (N) (M-335). Passed call signs of FOs as those stated in 1955H entry. Informed watch officer that the PhuLoc Ino use would/call sign of Payable 24 and to be prepared to execute some practice missions in support of the convoy.		

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CALL LETTERS	TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG PLACE	ACTION TAKEN
2400	2400	FROM (DATE & HOUR) 160600H	TO (DATE & HOUR) 170600H	ARR 66	
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			
		Rcvd call from Div FSCC that Rough Rider North will not return from Phu Bai tomorrow, but will come home Monday.			
		Btry E fired for FO "E" 4, S/A fire (AT 988590), exp 14 HR, No sur.			
		--SUMMARY--			
		Artillery action moderate to heavy in ZA 9th Mar. Rest of TACR routine support. 2/12 delivered over 300 rounds in support of H/2/9 during attack by VC company at 150400-150530. Incident occurred near Highway 14 in vicinity of abandoned ARVN ammo dump (AT 9857). 2/12 delivered LZ prep for G/2/9. One round 4.2u landed in G/2/9 position with 4 friendly WIA. 2/12 conducting investigation. Appears to have been FO error.			
		Opn Virginia commences 170700H. Rough Rider (N) departs 170700 and will return 18 Apr. All key artillery personnel supporting this convoy have been briefed.			
		Two additional OPs manned by 1/12 during hours of darkness to provide additional observation of possible VC mortar sites north of airfield. Defensive fire plan for airfield completed with 1/9. Reproduction and distribution should be accomplished today by 1/9. CMR on airfield fully operational, RAMIN fully operational.			

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	180600H APR 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN
FILE #	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN		
0705	HQ 12TH MAR 1/12: Rough Rider departed.			
1150	Div FSCC rpts Rough Rider arrived Phu Bai 171127H.			
1454	S-3 1/12 rpts following info: At approx 1240H fires were being delivered on "emergency tgts", requested by 2/3 & cleared by 3d Mar at total of 6 tgts. Location of 2 tgts is AT 966666 & 863673 (only ones pertinent to event). Recon Bn patrol at (AT 859670) (HS-97) req cease firing over Recon Co Tac Net & Shell fragments falling in their position approx 500M from tgt. S-3 1/12 rpts he is advised by 3d Mar FSCC that Recon patrol had not reported their move to present location and target was cleared based on formerly rptd location (AT 888642). No injuries to friendly troops. 1/12 was not in direct communication with Recon patrol.	Notified CO, S-3		
2040	Rcvd call from watch officer 1/12 stating that FO "3" from Btry A/1/11 called an illuminating mission on suspected VC at (AT 902850)			

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ORGANIZATION	HQ 12TH MAR	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG PLACE
TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
2205		Rcvd call from S-3 3/12 stating that the Rough Rider North convoy would not return tomorrow morning as scheduled, but will return at a later time as yet unknown.	170600H	180600H APR 66
2350	171240Z	Operation Georgia postponed.		
0158		4/12 reported K Btry under attack by Mort and S/A. A/1/11(A-North) also under attack and requested illum. A/1/12(South) now illuminating.		Advised CO & S-3, FSCC, 1/12, 3d Mar FSCC
0202		Above confirmed by 1/12 now receiving info from A/1/11 by radio. (Directed FSCC to put AO on 34.2 (1/12 FD Net) along with Btry K & A/1/11. Switched FDC on 34.2 (180230H) to monitor activity. Advised 4/12 to monitor 34.2, also advised FSCC & 3d Mar FSCC.		
0240		Kilo req. fire mission via A/12 - suspected VC Mortar psn at (AT 92388002) - Kilo will adjust.		Passed to 1/12 Cleared with FSCC & 3d Mar
0220		AO up on 34.2 reported firing appears to be letting up.		
0245		Additional suspect VC psn at (AT 923792)		
0255		B/1/12 FFE, Drop 50, rpt FFE * Kilo Sur - Excellent effect on tgt. Mort ceased firing.		

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ORGANIZATION TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	HQ 12th Mar	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	180600H APR 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE RVN	ACTION TAKEN
0310			A/1/11 req MED EVAC via 1/12 w/Med Asst. (1/12 FD Net)	Directed MED EVAC to 34.2			Directed FSCC contact Land Shark (Tac Air Traffic Control). Advised CO & S-3
0319			MED EVAC completed.				
0320			1/12 providing continuous illumination - Expended about 100 rds.				Directed FSCC procure FLARSHIP
0320			A/1/11 has 2 KIA/5 WIA req additional MED EVAC.				Requested additional med evac from FSCC, ON THE way
0322			Div FLARSHIP up on 34.2				
0410			A/1/11 rptd 11 VC dead (BC) in psn, with 8 A/Ws captured and many grenades & satchel charges. Kilo rptd 5 WIA (None serious - MED EVAC not needed).				Informed CO & S-3
0415			FLARSHIP to remain on station - continuous illum under control 1/12 w/A/1/11 adjusting. 1/12 to fire illum in spt of Kilo when needed.				
0442			All seriously WIA have been evacuated.				
0501			B/1/3 rptd VC attempting to recover bodies.				Notified CO & S-3

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ORGANIZATION TIME IN	HQ 12TH MAR OUT TIME DATED	FROM (DATE & HOUR) INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR) 180600H APR 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE RVN	ACTION TAKEN
0530		A/1/11, Kilo & B/1/3 all receiving small arms fire. Kilo & A/1/11 also being mortared. VC attempting to remove bodies and being taken under fire.			Informed all
0530		Preliminary rpt from A/1/11 via 1/12: At 0145 estimated 45 VC hit position. VCs carrying wire cutters, TIs etc. and immediately cut wire trunks. VC that entered position were carrying 30 cal SA/A weapons, grenades & satchel charges. VC initially tripped 3 flares & were immediately taken under fire. One A/1/11 outpost was immediately overrun resulting in two friendly KIA. TOTAL FRIENDLY CASUALTIES: A/1/11: 4 KIA VIA 37 (12 seriously wounded were MED EVAC, 4 KIA still at psn)			
		Confirmed VC KIA (Body Count): 13 (All at A/1/11 psn)			
		8 AWs captured - many grenades & satchel charges captured.			
		Preliminary damage assessment: A/1/11: one -105mm badly damaged two -105mm damaged slightly (one with blown tire only)			
		Kilo: one - 155mm damaged (Blown tire)			

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ORGANIZATION	HQ 12TH MAR	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, PLACE DANANG, RVN
TIME				
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0530 (Cont)			VC did not get in Kilo position. VC were wearing jockey shorts, no shirts, no shoes, with cartridge belts, ammo, satchel charges, etc.	
0545			CO 2/12 rptd Btry F fired erratic H&I round which landed in rice paddy near Mort Btry (South) AT 966612 (No casualties or damage). Correct tgt coordinates were (AT 996612). CO has determined 2/12 FDC error and has relieved individual.	
			--SUMMARY--	
			A(N)/1/11 and Kilo 4/12 under heavy mortar, recoilless rifle and small arms attack commencing 180158H and ending at daybreak (approx 0600H). A(N): Four Marines KIA, 17 MIA; Kilo: 4 MIA. VC casualties 10 KIA (PG). One 105mm badly damaged, 2 slightly damaged. one 155mm slightly damaged. All statistics subject to final confirmation by units concerned.	
			Erratic round by F/2/12 landed approx 500 M north Hill 55. Error caused by improper coordinates on data sheet released by FDC 2/12. CO 2/12 relieved responsible officer.	
			Rough Rider (N) completed with no reported incidents. Operation Georgia postponed.	

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	190600H P R 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE
TIME	IN	OUT	TIME DATED	ACTION TAKEN
0725			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	
0730			Div FSCC reports Rough Rider returns 181400H.	
0739			OpChief 1/12 rpts HS-94 is back in.	Notified 4/12
			S-3 1/12 rpts 3 bodies (assume VC) located (AF 918788). Rptd by 1/3	
			LnO (from 1/12). Comm with LnO broke down after report. Contact	
			with 3d Mar gave assurance they (3d Mar) would attend to the	
			investigation of the rpt & take appropriate action.	
0755			Op Chief 1/12 rpts road between (A(N) and Btry K is mined.	Notified S-3 4/12
0810			4/12 (S-3) rpts K Btry patrol left 0735 & returned approx 0800.	Informed S-3, 3d Mar FSCC & G-2
			Found one VC KIA & villagers informed patrol many VC in village of	
			THUY TU (AF 910830)	
0830			S-3 1/12 req MED EVAC of USMC KIA (A) from A(N) due to road mining	Notified Div FSCC
			including vehicular evacuation. Freq 34.2	
0840			MED EVAC approved from Div FSCC. Req green smoke marker.	
0855			CO 4/12 rpts K Btry patrol told by VM nationals that wounded VC are	3d Mar FSCC, 1/12, G-2
			in village 1200M right front of btry. Village at (AF 938842)	

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG PLACE	RVN
HQ 12TH MAR	180600H	190600H APR 66		
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS			ACTION TAKEN
1030	2/12 FIRE: Btry F with F0E1 obs fired on VC in trench (AT 994612).			
	28 HE exp. No Sur.			
1055	4/12 rpts they are replacing the 155H (SP) on hill 55 for maintenance			
1145	4/12 FDC rpts Btry I (Fwd) and Rear laid and ready to fire.			
1130	Div FSCC rpts Blue Springs Op (Reference code word not available)			
	two nautical mile radius of (AT 930820 at 1310H plus one hour.			
	500 ft to 10000 ft. Asst Div Airo states no action required by this headquarters.			
1300	9" rpts Gun # 3 (8" How) going to FLSG			
1345	8" rpts Gun # 5 down. Hydrogen leak			
1440	Em FSCC: Rough Rider now scheduled to return 190700H.			Notified 1/12 & 8"
1510	A composite battery consisting of 2-155mm Hows(SP), 108" How (SP) & 1-155mm Gun (SP) will occupy Hill 55 on or about April in support of Operation Georgia. Composite battery mission is reinforcing the Provisional Bn. Capt STONUM of 1st 8" Btry is OC			Passed info to watch officers, 8" Btry, 2/12 & 4/12

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, PLACE RVN
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
HQ 12TH MAR	190600H	190600H APR 66	
1550	Rcvd call from watch officer 2/12 stating that Operation Georgia has been postponed until 24 April due to non availability of aircraft.		Notified watch officers 8" Btry & 4/12
1635	Informed watch officer 4/12 of requirement to support recon patrol HS-101		Notified 4/12
1755	Rcvd call from watch officer 1/12 requesting a MED EVAC for a Capt FRY, 3d Engr Bn Officer, who tripped a flare at Btry A/1/11 position and was badly burned.		Notified CO, XO 3d Engr Bn
1825	Rcvd call from OpChief 1/12: rpts HS-95 is back in.		
2000	Watch Officer 1/12 rpts OP Kathy received 5 rds S/A fire.		Notified CO
2010	CG 3d MarDiv 180947Z Notification of special alert conditions.		
0030	Watch officer 1/12 passed information that "K" btry has been receiving sporadic small arms fire for the last hour and a half. Estimate two VC, one 200M to the north of btry psn, one 400 to 500M to the SW.		
0235	Security patrol back in btry psn, debriefed patrol leader, nothing unusual to rpt.		

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HQ 12TH MAR	180600H	190600H APR 66	
0515	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
	Forward element of 3d Bn, 12th Mar reved 20 rds of 60mm in & around		
	left platoon, returned arty & 81mm at general location of mortars.		
	One friendly KIA, Not from 12th Mar.		
	---SUMMARY---		
	Followup actions of attack on A/1/11 and K/4/12 positions found		
	4 VC KIA near positions and determined roads to be mined in vicinity		
	of batteries. Intelligence sources indicated additional VC holding		
	up in local villages with 2000-4000 meters of the batteries.		
	Operation Georgia D-Day postponed until 24 April. 3d Engr Bn officer		
	burned badly when he tripped flare at Btry A/1/11 position. Rough		
	Rider convoy postponed return to DaNang until 190700H. Sporadic		
	small arms received without effect by Btry K/4/12 during the night.		
	Forward elements of 3d Bn, 12th Mar located north of HUE received		
	20 rounds of 60mm Mortar fire in and around left platoon of Btry C		
	One friendly KIA (not a member of 3d Bn)		

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ORGANIZATION TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
IN	DATE & HOUR	DATE & HOUR	Danang RVN
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IN	DATE	DATE	DATE
0655	Rough Rider departed Phu Bai for return trip.		8" & 1/12 Notified
0700	Directed 8" to relay 155G on Az 6000 spt of Rough Rider.		
0715	FSCC rpt Rough Rider returned to Phu Bai, lack of air cover.		8" & 1/12 Notified
0745	Fm S-3 3/12: LNO in psn at Phu Loc		
1045	Rough Rider departed Phu Bai 0745H.		8" & 1/12 Notified
1250	Rough Rider home at 1220H.		
1445	Op Chief 8" rpts Gun #1 out for about 2 hrs due to Equilibrator system.		
1540	Informed watch officer 4/12 of requirement to support recon ptl		
	HS-102.		
1715	Op Chief 1/12 rpts HS 96 is back in		
1815	GMR (Airfield) rptd down (Generator out)		S-3 Notified
2145	Fired rein snn for 1/12 on rpt VC Bn coord (846858, 859855). 155G fired two rds on each tgt.		
2305	CG 3dMarDiv 191235Z Confirms D-Day as 21 Apr for Operation Georgia.		

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ORGANIZATION	TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12Mar		206600H	210600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
	IN	CUE	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS
				ACTION TAKEN
0846				F-2-12 departed psn on Op Georgia.
0850				1/12 Op Chief rpts HS 98 is back in.
1030				8" Btry rpts two 8" How's in psn at Btry B laid ready to fire.
				Az 4400.
1140				Fired "Program fo Fires" #8". This consisted of five conc's on
				VC psn rpt by Recon one plt of 8" & one 155G fired exp 12 rds
				8" & 4 rds 155G HE.
1255				8" Btry rpt Gun #4 (8") displacing to Hill 55.
1355				2/12 Btry B loaded out, CP group at air strip will leave this
				afternoon. 1/2 ammo in psn at airstrip.
1550				8" rpts 8" How in psn Hill 55.
1815				CMR(A) back on the air.
2000				As 2/12 rpts Fprov Arty Bn / B & F Btry base piece in psn near
				LSA in spt Op Georgia. B & F base piece have registered &
				prepared to fire H & I's tonight.

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12Mar	200600H	210600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
2102	2/12 Op Chief rpts: 1945-2000, Btry E fired at sniper, exp 12 rds HE, good effect on tgt. 2005-2015, Btry E fired at sniper, exp 19 rds HE, good effect on tgt. 1930-1950, Btry F fired at sniper exp 26 rds HE, good effect on tgt.		
2300	4/12 requested illum for 155G who are receiving scattered small arms fire.		1/12 fired 14 rds illum.
0425	Received call from FSCC that COC advises one (1) 155 How is at Museum Pier, Danang and that Navy desired illum pickup.		
0500	Patrol/Ambush Report: 3d Engrs-complete/secured 0432, Hq Bn- complete/secured 0447, Hq Btry-complete/secured 0450.		
0502	Patrol/Ambush Report-3d Mar complete/secured.		
0510	Patrol/Ambush Report-4/12 complete/secured.		
0601	Patrol/Ambush Report-Recon complete/secured 0600.		

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
IN	TIME	DATED	RVN
INCIDENTS	MESSAGERS	ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
SUMMARY			
	3d Mar	rptd Recon ptl HS 98 returned at 0850. One 8" How Plt occupied B/1/12 psn ready to fire at 1030. Fired program of fires (5 concentrations-total 12 rds 8", 5 rds 155 Gun) at suspected VC troop area rptd by Recon Bn. One 8" How in psn Hill 55 at 1450 hours for support Op Georgia. One 155 Gun also in psn. CTR down from 1815-1925. 2/PZ Command Group with B/1/12 and F/2/12 has piece reported in psn, registered and ready to fire H&I's, etc at 2000. W/1/12 deployed to Hill 41 at 1415. At 2040 2/12 rptd that Btry B received 50 rds s/a fire from semi-automatic and automatic weapons from vicinity 999646. Btry D fired 26 rds HE on conc BE 159 with excellent effect on tgt. Btry E returned 100 rds small arms fire. At 2028 2/12 rptd Btry D received 6 rds carbine fire in psn. Infantry screening flank returned fire. At 2200, 155 Gun received 12 rds small arms fire in psn. 155 Guns returned 50 rds small arms fire. 1/12 fired 12 rds	

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE	
12 Mar	200600H	220600H	Darang RVN	
TIME IN	CUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0700			Directed 8" to relay 8" How's in Btry B psn on Az 4100.	
0945		CG 3dMarDiv 210016Z	Howgh Rider North Depart 230700H to be executed by 3d Mar.	Notified S-1, S-4
1325			Op Chief 8" rpts Gun #1 out for about two hours due to equilibrium.	
1427			Op Chief 4/12 rpts Btry K fired for Recon on 6 VC walking down road (825855). Sur: estimated 4 KIA. Exp 22 HE, Fz Q & VT.	
1520			2/12 S-3 rpts all Mort Btry tubes in Foxtrotpsn laid & ready to fire.	
1530			8" Btry got gun back from FLSG.	
2100			2/12 FIREP 2025 Btry D with FO D 2 obs, fired on VC spd(097663).	
			Sur: rds on tgt, no obs cas. 2250, P/12 FIREP A/1/11 fired 79 rds illum spt of Mar Ptl which caught VC trying to cross river.	Rpt this to FSCC & asked them to relay info to G-3.
			Heavy fire fight at close range developed. No est of enemy cas at this time.	

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ORGANIZATION TIME IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	FROM (DATE & HOUR) TO (DATE & HOUR)	230600H Apr 66	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACES	ACTION TAKER
1710			1/12 rptbs Recon ptl HS-99 retracted, Recon ptl HS-104 inserted				Notified 4/12
1730		5d Marines 220822Z	Request for Rough Rider North Convoy Commander to travel with convoy vice being airborne.				
1855			Informed S-3 3/12 that the conduct of fire net frequency for the Rough Rider North tomorrow is M-335 and that the call sign for the Thu Loc liaison team will be Seabrook 24.				
1955			Informed XO 1/12 and watch officer 2/12 not to use illuminating rounds for registering defensive concentrations.				
2049			Directed Watch officer 1st 8" How Btry to activate M-335 at 230630H and answer calls for fire from Ringbroom Alfa South 1.				
			O'Leary 26X, and Ringbroom Bravo 2 who will be FOs with Rough Rider North. Lay gun # 1 (155Gun) on azimuth 6000 NIM 230700H.				
2300			Informed S-3 3/12 of FC call signs to be used for Rough Rider North				
0030		GC 3d MarDiv 211432Z	Approved 3d Mar 220822Z concerning Rough Rider North convoy commands.				

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ORGANIZATION TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACES
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ACTION TAKEN
0645			8" Btry rpts Gun # 1 (155Gun) down. Equilibrater. Contact team on the way to position.
10			Rev4 info from Div FSCC that Rough Rider convoy would not return today, but would return at 1400H tomorrow. Notified 1st 8" Btry
0707			Rough Rider departed from Phu Bai.
0950			LtCol McCALIN, FSCC rpts Vietnamese talk on FD NEF, does not think it to be jamming reported to Div CEO. Notified Commo
1230			Last elements of Rough Rider convoy arrived at Phu Bai.
1328			OpChief 4/12 rpts Btry L fired for 3d Recon at 4 Vietnamese in stream bed, one possible negro VC. Exp 4 rds HE, Pz VT. Sur: Excellent
1355	CG 3d MarDiv 230109Z		effect on tgt, brush fire started, no obs cas. Rough Rider detained at Phu Bai until 241400H.
1411			OpChief 4/12 rpts Btry L fired for Recon, 4 Vietnamese & one negro. Exp 4 HE, 2 WP, Excellent coverage of tgt.

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HQ 12TH MAR		FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN
ORGANIZATION		PLACE		
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
1540			8" Btry rpts Gun #1 (155Gun) back in action.	
1705			OpChief 8" rpts Gun # 4 out of action due to broken sight. No replacement of sight available. Directed to lay Gun # 3 on az 4800	
1742			OpChief 8" rpts Gun # 3 laid on az 4800	
1745			8" rpts Gun # 4 back in action.	
2325			8" btry rpts they are conducting a perimeter defense drill.	
0020			K/A/12 rcvd 2 rds S/A fire from 100 meters NE of position	Notified G-2 & 4/12
0230			A/1/11 ambush site fired S/A twice at VCS 2345H & 0130H. No fire returned by VCS.	Notified G-2 & 4/12
0353			Btry A/1/12 fired S/A at 4 VCS outside perimeter. No fire returned from VCS.	Notified G-2 & 4/12

HQ 12TH MAR

230600H

to

240600H APR 66

IN THE FIELD, DANANG

--SUMMARY--

Artillery action was light throughout the TAOR. 3d Recon Bn patrols made two sightings of a group of four Vietnamese and a negro in the vicinity of Mortar Valley. These groups were taken under fire in both cases, but no casualty assessment could be obtained. Rough Rider convoy completed its move to Phu Bai by 1230H and will return 241400H. Three batteries in the 3d Mar TAOR made light contact with unknown numbers of VCS.

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12 th Mar	240600H	250600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
IN TIME	OUT TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
1015		8" Btry rpts Gun #4 down. Broken sight.	
1030		Requested & received permission fm 3d Mar for 4th Bn to conduct	
		Prec Reg GS(1866) with AO obs.	
1340		1/12 rpts: Rough Rider departed Phu Bai for return trip.	Notified 8"
1341		Dir 8" to relay 155G on Az 6000 spt of Rough Rider.	
1500		8" rpts Gun #4 back in action.	
1835		Op Chief 4/12 rpts 1st 155 Guns fired for Army AO, VC digging in.	
		Exp 21 HE, 10 WP, sur: 1 secondary explosion, 1 rd in church,	
		7 structures destroyed, 1 rd in trench, 10 meters of trench	
		destroyed, people in trench did not come out.	
		Rough Rider is in from Phu Bai.	
2135	240705Z	3d Mar Div Insum #114.	
2345		Received the following information from Div FSCC: At 2330 the air-	
		field at Hue Citadel was attacked with mortar, recoilless rifles	
		and small arms. One building is burning, two bridges were hit at	

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ORGANIZATION	TIME	IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12 Mar						250600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
							ACTION TAKEN
					734234 and 749211. Units of 3/4 on 2 and 6 hr alert one company of the 3d Mar on 6 hr alert.		Notified click 5 & 3
0007					1-FO Team alerted to accompany D-1/1 who is on 6 hr standby to Phu Bai. FO Team from A-1-12.		
0020					Request for fire msn from District chief at Dai Loc through Capt REINHARDT and Div FSCC. Not cleared.		Alerted 4/12 FDC
00300					Fire msn at Dai Loc will be fired by ARVN.		
0055					Received call from 1/3 to pass info to ambush concerning lights at 922761. Info passed.		
0120					Tinge 3 called to change FireCap - M Rear moved to 812156 Az 5500.		
					SUMMARY		
					Arty action in the DaNang TACR was very light. Rough Rider returned safely from Phu Bai. A spot report was received from Div FSCC concerning an attack on the airfield at Hue Citadel with mortars, recoilless rifles and small arms. Co D-1-1 with FO Team		
					From Btry A-1-12 was alerted for possible deployment to Hue.		

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ORGANIZATION Hq 12 Mar FROM (DATE & HOUR 250600H	TO (DATE & HOUR) 260600H Apr 1966	PLACE Danang RVN	
TIME IN	OUT TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0755		1/12 rpt Recon plt H-S 102 has been retracted.	4/12 notified
1030		Received request from S-3 2/12 for one liaison Sgt to be deployed on Op Georgia. Prov Arty Bn is required to split in to two groups.	
1100		Directed S-3 1/12 to provide one liaison Sgt to rpt to S-3 2/12	Notified S-1 to have orders written.
		NLT 251630H.	
1305		Maj PATTERSON FSCC rptd 2/12 fired at coord 972461 outside of Georgia area without clearance. No Cas. At the time fired if clearance was requested it would have been granted by RVN.	
1500		S-3, 1/12 rptd that two H&I rds fired by A(s) at 1130H. were mis-directed due to charge error (charge 6 vice; and visa versa). Rds impacted west of the free fire zone line at coord 881691 & 865669.	
		No injuries or damage rptd.	
1600		Fire Cap M (Rear) 4/12 coord 876144 Az 3750.	
2040		Directed 8" Btry to move one 8" How to displace to LeMy be in psn ready to fire by 0900.	Notified 3d Mar

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ORGANIZATION	TIME	IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR)	260600H Apr 1966	PLACE	ACTION TAKEN
	0355				Recd call from Div FSCC to contact AO. AO stated D Btry would fire illum msn for 2/4 at coord 057728, suspect VC plt. 2d Bn			Danang RVN	Shove Bailey 2/12
					rpts D Btry can not fire msn given to L Btry cleared by Sen Bailey.				
	0435				2/12 rptd illum msn completed, 7 rds fired by L Btry, 3 duds. Impact of cannisters plotted at coord 04537373.				Shove Bailey notified.
	0440				1/9 rpts cannisters from illum falling in B Co tent area. thought to be duds. B Co coord 057735.				2/12 notified.

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
HQ 12TH MAR	260600H	270600H APR 66	
IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
0600	Set normal watch.		
0730	Authorized 1st 8" Btry to deploy one (1) 8" How to Le My firing position (AT 902819) for approx five hours spc opns fire missions in Elephant Valley. Target info to be provided from 3d Recon, G-2/TIO		
0800	1st 8" reported Gun # 3 displaced for Le My.		
0815	Div advised unable to provide AO on sta for Le My spl opn.		1st 8" Notified
1015	Authorized 1/12 to deploy 4-105mm pieces to Hill 41 (AT 935665) to support 3d Mar search & destroy opn period about five days.		CO. 2/12(S-3) advised
	DIRLAUTH 2/12 and others.		
1200	Fm FSCC: There will be a Rough Rider North 280700H.		
1430	8" completed "Program of Fires # 6". These were 20 concentrations on VC psns GS (AT 7981, 2081 & 2086) as rptd by Recon. 8" placed 20 rds on these lgts.		Notified CO
1600	Watch officers 1/12 rpts A(S) on Hill 41 is laid and ready to fire.		
1630	8" rpts: 8" How at FP Le My displacing back to pri psn.		

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ORGANIZATION TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
IN	QUE	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS
			ACTION TAKEN
1805			Watch officer 8" rpts: 8" How from Le My back Home and laid and ready to fire on az 6000.
1830			OnChief 1/12 rpts HS-105 is back in
1900			OnChief 1/12 rpts HS 104 & HS 103 are completed.
1955			CMR (B) down due electronic failure.
2130			Report from B ^{man} that they heard automatic fire about 2000 meters east of their psn.
2150			3d Mar msg 261222A - Rough Rider.
2210			2130 entry result of boat who did not answer challenge & rovd a/w fire.
2205			Ept from S-2, 1/12: A/1/12 Post # 3 rovd one hand grenade. No Cap. Returned a/w fire. Do not know if VC was injured.
2225			Btry K rovd one round S/A from 917798.
0212			S-3 3/12 rptd that an illum msn was fired in spt of a CAC unit; cannister from illum rd may have killed a Vietnamese female & injured the hand of Viet child. 3/12 is checking out this rpt & will follow up with backlash rpt as required. No exact coord of

IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN
PLACE

FROM (DATE & HOUR) TO (DATE & HOUR) 270600H APR 66

INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS

ACTION TAKEN

Watch officer 8" rpts: 8" How from Le My back Home and laid and ready to fire on az 6000.

OnChief 1/12 rpts HS-105 is back in

OnChief 1/12 rpts HS 104 & HS 103 are completed.

CMR (B) down due electronic failure.

Report from B^{man} that they heard automatic fire about 2000 meters east of their psn. Div FSCC watch officer notified.

3d Mar msg 261222A - Rough Rider.

2130 entry result of boat who did not answer challenge & rovd a/w fire.

Ept from S-2, 1/12: A/1/12 Post # 3 rovd one hand grenade. No Cap. Returned a/w fire. Do not know if VC was injured. Spot rpt to COC, CO, XO & S-3

Btry K rovd one round S/A from 917798. Spot rpt to COC

S-3 3/12 rptd that an illum msn was fired in spt of a CAC unit; cannister from illum rd may have killed a Vietnamese female & injured the hand of Viet child. 3/12 is checking out this rpt & will follow up with backlash rpt as required. No exact coord of

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE
HQ 12TH MAR	260600H	270600H APR 66	
0212 (cont)	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		ACTION TAKEN
	where cannister landed. Mission was fired in southern part of		
	TAOR - cannister may have impacted along Route # 1 in that sector.		
	3/12(X-ray) rptd having rcvd 30 to 35 81mm rds. at 262400H. Fired		
	illum for AO observation with neg results. Damage: one 155mm How		
	tire punctured - need replacement by 270900H. 3/12 XO knows way.		
	(Coord of attack sent shackled - 599323)		
0300	3d Mar S-3 called in a report rcvd from 7th Engr. A staff sergeant		Sent Spot rpt to COC
	driving a dump truck in vic of 959765 had a hand grenade thrown at truck.		
	no damage - Called listening post on either side of rptd coord &		
	asked if they heard an explosion - Negative.		

260600-270600

--SUMMARY--

1st 8" deployed one How to Le My firing position (0800-1630) for special operations in Elephant Valley. Based upon target information from TIO and Recon, Program of Fires #6 (20 concentrations on possible VC ~~concentra~~ positions at 7081, 2081 & 2080) for total of twenty rounds HE.

A/1/12 deployed four tubes to Hill 41 to provide support for 3d Mar S/D opn. Unit was laid and ready to fire at 1600.

Recon Patrols HS 103, 105 & 104 were completed

At 2130 8" heard automatic fire 2000 meters east of their position

Rough Rider goes 280700 north

A/1/12 Post #3 (rear position) received one hand grenade at 2205-No casualties-unit returned automatic weapon fire at fleeing VC.

Kilo received one round small arms

3/12 reported that an illumination mission was fired in support of the CAC and that a cannister from the round may have killed a Viet female and injured the hand of a Viet child. Unit will file Backlash if required.

At 0245, 3/12 XRAY reported receiving 30-35 rounds incoming 81mm mortar at 599323. No casualties -- one 155How tire punctured, need replacement.

A 7th Engineers staff sergeant driving a dump truck vicinity of Da Son had hand grenade thrown at truck. No casualties - Our listening posts on each side did not hear anything. (S-3 note: Will check this further-Possibility that truck driver has reported position incorrectly)

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	IN THE FIELD, DANANG, RVN PLACE	
IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0928			OpChief 8" How rpts contact team working on sight mount of Gun # 2, out of action for 1 1/2 hours.	
1000			OpChief 8" How rpts Gun # 2 back in action	
1030			Gun # 3, 8" How Btry going to FLSG (sight mount)	
1045			Assigned E/1/12 barrage to 8" How platoon located in Bravo position (AT 91037104)	Notified S-3, 1/12 Notified 8" How
1650			1/12 S-3 rptd that 1/3 rptd two explosions believed to be arty at 1100 Investigation showed one btry firing at that time. Btry A(S) & they fired only one rd. The pt of impact rptd were in the vicinity of (AT 856752). To have hit this pt the btry would have had to fired a 500 mil deflection error. 1/12 is sending survey team out in the morning to locate & perform crater analysis.	
1850			Directed 8" Btry to lay # 3 on az 5900. Gun # 1 (155Gun) az 6000 by 0800, spt of Rough Rider North.	

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ORGANIZATION	TIME	IN	OUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	TO (DATE & HOUR)	280600H	290600H	Apr 1966	PLACE	Danang	BVN
	0305				Received call for fire from ARVN via FSCC. Coords: 000661, 000654. Notified S-3							
					000653, passed to 2/12. Btry D fired 113 rds in spt. Rds adjusted by U.S. Advisor. Mor sur.							
	0425				2/12 reports that F/2/12 on Op Georgia received 15 rds 81mm Mortar from Coord 900482 and 917488. No cas rptd. No damage assessment. Btry's B and F took MW psn under fire. Mortars silenced.							
	0650				FSCC rpts Rough Rider departed for Phu Bai.							
	1115				FSCC rpts Rough Rider arrived Phu Bai.							
	1426				Rough Rider left Phu Bai for return trip.							
	1615				Op Chief 8" How rpts at 1530 fired at VC in boat (991544), exp 8 rds HE, FzQ & VT. Sur: 2 KIA body count and 3 pos KIA, rptd by FC F 4A.							
	1805				Rough Rider returned to Da Nang.							
	1920				Op Chief 8" How rpts at 1815H fired at snipers in houses. Exp 14 rds HE FzQ, rptd by FC F 4A.							

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ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
Hq 12Mar	280600H	290600H Apr 1966	Danang RVN
TIME IN	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
2325		Received SPOT Rpt from Brace one rd Small arms fire into K psn at 1930H. No injuries.	COO G-2
		SUMMARY	
		0305, D/2/12 fired 113 rds in spt of ARVN (as requested by FSCC) who were under attack. Rds were adjusted by US Advisor. Sur had been requested. 0425, F/2/12 took 15 rds of mortars in psn in Georgia area. No cas. Btry B & F (with direct fire) took mortar psn under fire and silenced mortar. 1930, Kilo took one rd small arms from sniper. CG III MAF 280542Z to CG 1stMarDiv directs return G/3/12 to Dandag enclaves. Op Va 1/1 moved out at 0400 to continue march. Incidents: Danang: 7, Georgia: 2, PhuBai: 1. SLF will retract tomorrow from OSAGE. Mortar attacks last night: 1/4 at PhuBai (possibly 120mm), 51st ARVN Regt, 1/3/9 Ga area, F/2/12 Ga area.	

280600-290600

--Summary--

- 0305 D/2/12 fired 113 rounds in support of ARVN (as requested by FSCC) who were under attack. Rounds were adjusted by US Advisor. Surveillance has been requested.
- 0425 F/2/12 took 15 rounds of mortars in position in Georgia area. No casualties. Btry B and F (with direct fire) took mortar position under fire and silenced mortar
- 1930 Kilo took one round small arms from sniper

FSCC REPORT

1. CG IIIMAF 280542Z to CG 1stMarDiv directs return G/3/12 to Dng enclave
2. Op Va 1/1 moved out at 0400 to continue march
3. Incidents:
 - Danang - 7
 - Georgia - 2
 - PhuBai - 1
4. SLF will retract tomorrow from OSAGE

SIGNIFICANT:

- 4 Mortar attacks last night:

1/4 at PhuBai (possibly 120mm)
 51st ARVN Regt
 I/9 Ga area
 F/2/12 Ga area

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ORGANIZATION	TIME	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	PLACE
12 Main		290600H	300600H Apr 66	Danang RVN
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS		
0845	TIME DATED	Fm 2/12, more info on mortar atk on Btry F. The Btry received no material damage & fired 84 rds in def of thier pos. (44 HE, 21 WP, & 15 illum.) Patrols out collecting more information.		
1400		Op chief 1/12 rpts A (South) (XRay) four 105MM How displaced for home plate. E/2/3 OP ended.		
1433		Op chief 8" How rpts two 8" How from B pan displaced for home plate.		
1510		Watch officer rpts two 8" How returned to home plate. Directed to lay on Az 4100.		
1640		8" Btry rpts the two Guns from ²⁵⁰ B back in pri pos laid & ready to fire.		
2015		Fired Regt'I TOT on VC activity rpt by Div Tig G-S (8185, 8285, 8485, & 8585). 52 rds HE, WP exp AO will check area at first light.		
2210	292210	Rec call from Recon that Blue light moving between our position & Theire. Contacted Guard to see if they can contact same. checked out, it appeared to be reflections on the water.		

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ORGANIZATION	HQ	12 Mar	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	290600H	TO (DATE & HOUR)	300600H Apr 66	PLACE	Danang	RVN	
TIME	IN	CUT	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS					ACTION TAKEN	
2215				Red rpt that Hq 12th Mar patrol left compound.						
0010			300010	Red Fire Mission from Shot E Bailey, cleared by Semptor, on						
				Coord 032623, 034624, 037622- for 51st ARVN unobs, no sur.						
				SUMMARY						
				F Btry received no material damage from mortar attack on 28th:-						
				A(S) E -ray Mow back at home plate, E/2/3 opn ended:- two 8" How from						
				Bravo psn back at home plate. TOT involving 1/12, 4/12 and 8"						
				fired in vic of Elephant Valley; based on intelligence rpts from						
				TIO & G-2ttagets were selected in 68 (8185, 8285 & 8585) 52 rds						
				of HE expended, 40 will check out at first light. Red fire msn						
				from Div FSCC cleared by 9th Mar on coord (032623, 034624, 037622);						
				for 51st ARVN who were under attack by small arms & hand grenades.						
				ARVN Arty also fired on target. Sur from Div FSCC. No popular						
				forces cas, 2 civilians slightly wounded by friendly arty.						

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1200	ORGANIZATION	FROM (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)	TO (DATE & HOUR)
1015	Marines	300600 Apr.	010600 May	010600 May	010600 May	010600 May
IN	OVER TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS				
1015		1/12 Rpt recon pt1 H-S 107 retracted and HS106 retracted.				Da Mang in the PLACE Field ACTION TAKEN 4/12 Notified
1137		Directed 8" to lay 155Gun on AZ5200 in spt of recon HS111.				
100		AO reconned area of Regtl tot fired (292015) Rpt 27 Bldg's burned of destroyed.				
2015		FSCC relayed fore request from 51st arvn regt. vc with mortars. (030616). 2/12 assigned mdssion Btry D fired. No sur.				
2345		Fm 1/12; Infantry on hill 41 rpt that five rds landed approx 300 meters south of thier poa at 2320. A check of all units indicated the rounds were not 12th Mar.				
2400		Capt Gunlatch 2/12 rpt that mortar Btry. (966618) heard rounds going OVERHEAD, East to West. 2/12 will do a crater analysis in the morning & report findings.				

