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Encl: (1) Command Chronology for the 1st 175mm Gun Battery (SP) for the month of August 1970

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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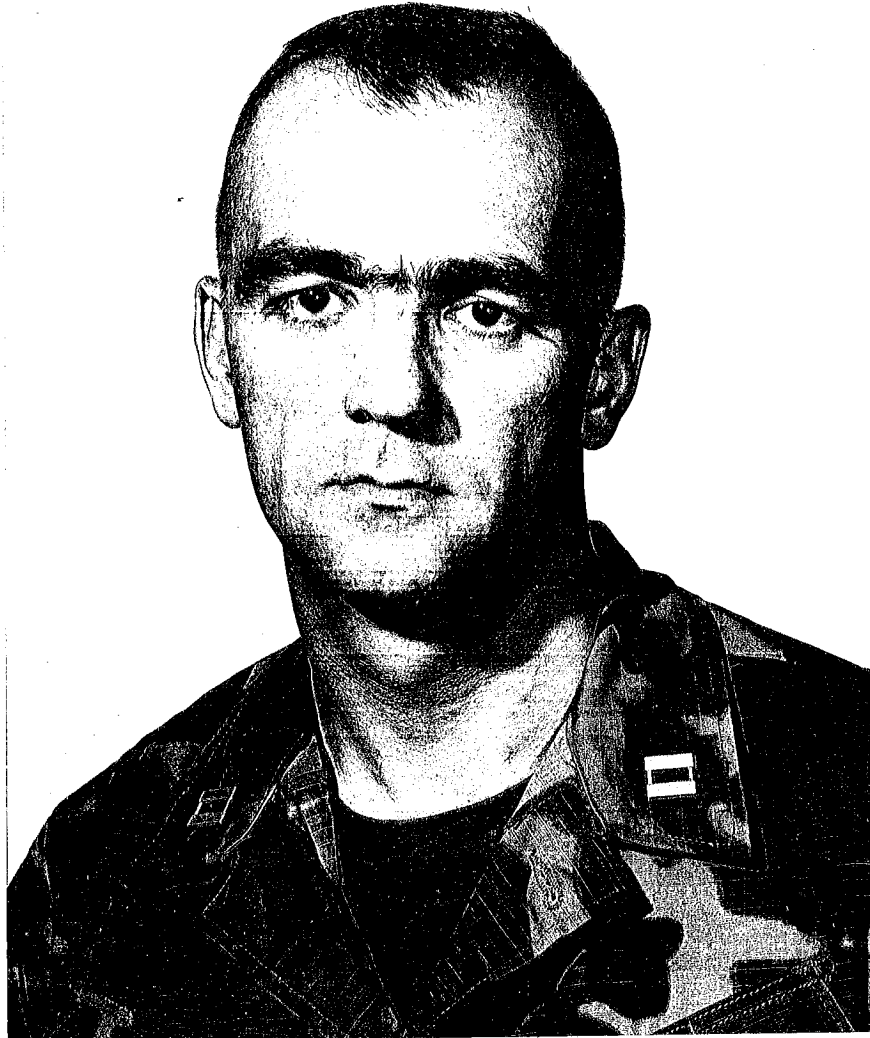
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY



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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 August to 31 August 1970

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation

1st 175mm Gun Battery (SP)

Commander

Capt. C. W. MEIER
1-14 August 1970
Capt. R. P. KEMPF
15-28 August 1970
Capt. R. R. CRAIG
29-31 August 1970

2. Location

1-31 August 1970 CP Hill 34 RVN (At 98557194)
1-31 August 1970 Alpha Position, Northern Artillery Cantonment, RVN
(AT 92048008)
1-31 August 1970 Bravo Position, Hill 65, RVN (87595745)

3. Battery Officers

Executive Officer	Capt. R. P. KEMPF	(1-14 Aug 70)
	1stLt. R. A. BISHOP	(15-31 Aug 70)
Assistant Executive Officer	1stLt. R. A. BISHOP	(1-14 Aug 70)
	1stLt. T. W. MACKIE	(15-31 Aug 70)
Fire Direction Officer	1stLt. S. I. NAVARRO	(1-31 Aug 70)
Assistant Fire Direction Officer	1stLt. J. R. SAMMLER	(1-14 Aug 70)
	2ndLt. J. D. LARSON	(15-31 Aug 70)
Supply Officer	1stLt. J. D. WEBER	(1-9 Aug 70)
	GySgt. J. M. BURRIS	(10-31 Aug 70)
Liaison Officer	1stLt. J. R. SAMMLER	(15-31 Aug 70)

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC		USN		OTHER	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
6	160	0	4	0	0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Narrative

During the period 1-31 August, the Battery continued to occupy three positions. The Command Post was located at Hill 34, while three guns composed the Alpha Detachment at the Northern Artillery Cantonment. The remaining three guns composed the Bravo Detachment on Hill 65. Work continued at the Bravo Position in the improvement of gun pads and bunkers. At all three positions preparations were still underway for the on-coming monsoon season. This work consisted of providing for drainage around each position and the replacement of old sandbags. On 8 August the Command Post Position received one 122mm rocket. No damage or injury to equipment or personnel was suffered. The Battery continued in support of Operation Pickens Forest until 24 August. On 25 August Operation 5th Mobile Strike Force commenced with the battery in General Support.

2. The following ammunition was expended during the month of August:

<u>III MAN</u>	<u>ARMY</u>	<u>ROK</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
3,646	0	0	49	3,695	175 Gun HE

3. The following missions were fired during the month of August:

<u>OBS</u>	<u>UNOBS</u>	<u>PRE-EMPS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
32	1,171	1	1,204

4. The consolidated surveillance received on missions fired during the month of August as follows:

<u>KIA</u>		<u>STRUCTURES</u>		<u>BUNKERS</u>	
<u>PROB</u>	<u>CONF</u>	<u>DAMAGED/DESTROYED</u>		<u>DAMAGED/DESTROYED</u>	
0	17	0	2	0	0
<u>SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS</u>					
0					

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Topics

A. Persomel and Administration

(1) Losses

	USMC		USN	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Administrative	1	32	0	0
Battle KIA	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (Evac)	0	0	0	0
Battle WIA (NonEvac)	0	0	0	0
Battle POW	0	0	0	0
Non Battle	0	1	0	0
(2) Replacements	1	26	0	0
(3) Net Loss	0	6	0	0
(4) Net Gain	0	0	0	0

B. Intelligence. The Battery received intelligence information and target acquisition from 11th Marines. Additional intelligence data was received from the Southern Sector Defense Command along with local security information.

C. Organization and Operations. The Battery continued with the mission of general support of the 1st Marine Division. Operation Pickens Forest ended on 24 August with the Battery providing general support. 5th Mobile Strike Force Operation commenced on 25 August, the Battery again providing General Support.

D. Training. During the month of August 1970, the Battery personnel received fourteen hours of formal training, three hours of weapons safety, and four hours of Fam Firing of the 50 caliber machine gun, M60 machine gun, M16 rifle, M79 grenade launcher and M61 hand grenades. Also ten hours of section training was held for each section in the Battery. Six new personnel were given a Vietnamese Orientation lecture by the Commanding Officer.

E. Logistics, Equipment, and Supply. During the month of August 1970, this unit submitted four hundred twenty three requisitions to the supply source. Of these requisitions forty-nine were completed, fifty-four were cancelled, and twenty-eight were voided. There was four requisitions for a major end item. Fourteen DX transactions took place in August, four of which were completed. At present this unit remains in C-1 status.

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F. Civic Action/Civil Affairs. The Battery initiated no Civic Action or Civil Affairs Program during the month of August. No MedCaps were held.

2. Entries

On 24 August, Operation Pickens Forest terminated.

On 25 August, Operation 5th Mobile Strike Force commenced with the Battery in general support.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None

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