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1. In accordance with reference (a), (b) and (c) enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 February 1969 to 28 February 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

7th Engineer Battalion (Rein), FIF

COMMANDER

LtCol T.T. ANNAS

SUBORDINATE UNITSUnitCommanderRTD

Hq Co

1stLt K.M. AOYAMA

28 April 1969

Ser Co

Maj G.S. HAMILTON

11 September 1969

Co "A"

1stLt J.A. FRANTZ

22 March 1969

Co "B"

1stLt E.M. MICK

25 June 1969

Co "C"

Capt J.V. WITMER

Medevac 11 February 1969

11 Feb 69

1stLt J.A. GETTMAN

3 June 1969

Co "D"

1stLt E. BOTELHO

18 September 1969

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Bridge Co

1stLt R.C. LAGEMAN

5 September 1969

2. LOCATIONUnitData Arrived in CountryLocation

7th Engineer Battalion

6 August 1965

DaNang, RVN

1st Bridge Co

8 December 1965

DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERSSectionOfficerRTD

S-1

1stLt R.H. ALNUTI

10 January 1970

S-2/S-3

Major M.G. LILLEY

7 July 1969

S-4

Major J.T. MARSHALL

3 October 1969

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Supply Officer

2nd Lt L.E. KRUSHMARE

12 October 1969

Sgt Maj

Sgt Maj R.R. HAMBLETON

15 May 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
44	1079	2	19

5. PERSONNEL GAINS AND LOSSES

	<u>GAINS</u>		<u>LOSSES</u>	
	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
<u>OFF</u>	2	0	2	0
<u>ENL</u>	54	0	58	0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 7th Engineer Battalion continued support of the III Marine Amphibious Force within the DaNang area. The battalion continued maintenance responsibility of 70 miles of road, and conducted daily mine sweeps of 40 miles of road. The battalion maintained 8 water points in the DaNang area producing 3,594,100 gallons of water. One platoon of the 1st Bridge Company continued to furnish tactical bridge support to the 9th Engineer Battalion at Chu Lai.

Company "A", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading of Route 545 and 30 for class 50 traffic and maintenance of Route 544, 542, 540 and 10. One reinforced platoon is located at Hai Van Pass to conduct daily sweep of Route QL-1 from AT 927842 to AT 886954. Conducted daily sweep of Route 545.

Company "B", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading of Route QL-1S for class 50 traffic. Due to the present tactical situation, maintenance work on Route 4 from BT 056589 to AT 912577 was unable to be performed. Conducted daily sweeps of Route QL-1 from AT 999707 to BT 090555.

Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading of Route 540 North. One platoon was located at An Hoa to provide engineer support for construction of Combat Base. Conducted daily sweep of Route 8 and Route 540 from AT 949707 to 926606.

Company "D", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading on Route 540 South for class 50 traffic and maintenance of Route 4 from BT 912577 to as required: portions of Route 4 east of Hill 37 were inaccessible due to tactical situation. Conducted daily sweep of Route 540 from AT 926606 to AT 925533.

III MAF Work Orders Outstanding 1 February 1969

III MAF 6377 - Construct one garbage shed and grease trap for 1/7 (Hill 37).

III MAF 6379 - Construct 500 man messhall, (10) 4-hole heads, (35) urinals, (5) shower units, and (72) strongbacks for 2/7.

III MAF 6380 - Install septic tank at 5th Marines Dental Facility, An Hoa.

III MAF 6384 - Construct (26) strongbacks, (8) shower units, (24) 4-hole heads, (1) pot shack, (1) GI building, and install hot water heater for 3/1.

III MAF 6385 - Construct (3) strongbacks, (16) 4-hole head, (1) 50' tower, (1) water tower, and (2) shower units for 1/1. (Project complete except for shower units; awaiting materials for shower units).

III MAF 6387

1. Perform horizontal construction as required on cantonment roads and Motor Transport lot at 2/1.

2. Resurface 1000 linear meters of interior camp roads at 1/13.

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3. Perform horizontal construction on cantonment roads at 1/1.

4. Perform horizontal construction on cantonment roads at 3/1.

III MAF 6389 - Construct and erect (4) - 20' sentry towers and (1) 20' water tank tower for 1/26.

III MAF 6391 - Construct (4) 175 mm gun pads at the Northern Artillery Cantonment and (2) 175 mm gun pads at Hill 65.

III MAF - Improve drainage system at 7th Bulk Fuel Company.

III MAF Work Orders Issued During February

III MAF 6392 - Construct (1) 50' tower and (2) 20' towers at An Hoa.

III MAF 6393 - Construct (2) 50' towers for 1/1.

III MAF 6394 - Rehabilitate existing buildings in new 2nd CAG compound.

III MAF 6395 - Construct (1) 60' tower and (1) 30' tower for 1/7.

III MAF 6396 - Construct (1) 50' tower for 1/1 east of Cooper Bridge.

III MAF - Construct 80' X 120' helo pad at Phu Loc (6).

III MAF Work Orders Completed in February

III MAF 6389 - Construct and erect (4) 20' sentry towers and (1) 20' water tank tower for 1/26.

III MAF - Improved drainage system at 7th Bulk Fuel Company.

III MAF - Constructed 80' X 120' helo pad at Phu Loc (6).

PART III

1. Sequential Listing of Significant Events

a. Personnel and Administration. None

b. Energy, weather, and terrain - A total of 0.10 inches of rain was recorded during the month of February.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>INCIDENT</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>
020740H	Company "D" sweep team received approx. 10 rounds of small arms. Negative casualties.	AT 922565
050950H	Company "B" sweep team found culvert blown. Crater 20' wide, road impassable. ARVN personnel found 35 lb. rock mine pressure firing device-25' north of crater.	BT 067568

- 131005H. Company "B" sweep team found 20 lb. rock mine w/ pressure firing device - on Route QL-1. A square section had been cut in the asphalt; mine inserted below and asphalt replaced. Mine was deactivated and removed. BT 072558
- 131010H. Company "B" sweep team found culvert blown across entire road on Route QL-1. Crater 8' to 10' deep; 20 lb. rock mine - pressure firing device - found in crater. Mine was deactivated and removed. BT 072558
- 131400H. 7th Engineer Battalion Commander reported command detonated mine blown 5 feet in front of his M-151. Road passable; negative casualties. BT 093533
- 160750H. Company "A" sweep team at Hai Van Pass found 30 sticks of dynamite embedded in west bank of road 5 feet from road. Removed explosives and turned over to EOD personnel. AT 939876
- 200915H. Company "C" sweep team found a 30 lb. command detonated mine containing C-4. Mine was found visually discovering comm wires leading 35 meters off Route 540 to enemy. Enemy was engaged, resulting in two VC KIA's and one USMC WIA (minor). AT 932625
- 200935H. Company "A" sweep team found 25 lb. box mine in road on Route 545. Blown in place. Road crater filled. Negative casualties. AT 899808
- 251045H. Company "A" sweep team found 5 VC Chicom Claymore Mines 20 meters above road at Hai Van Pass after 1/26 personnel reported finding 1 VC Claymore. 4 Claymores were blown, 1 sent to 1/26 S-2, 1 sent to 7th Engr Bn S-2. AT 912944
- 261000H. Company "C" sweep team received 6 to 8 rounds of sniper fire from right side of Route 540, 200 meters out from the road. Returned fire, unknown results, no friendly casualties. AT 943675

c. Organization and Operations

- (1) Officer Assignments - See TAB A, Enclosure (1)
- (2) Operations 1 Jan - 4 Jan 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - Hauled and spread 200 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on Route 545 bypass. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 855 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock and 105 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on Route 540. Spread 6,200 gallons of oil on Route 540 to aid in mine detection and maintain surface stability. Hauled and spread 10 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on Route QL-1S and spread 2,000 gallons of oil on same. Graded An Hoa Road portion of Route 540 and graded ferry landing approaches at Song Thu Bon. Received 2,085 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

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(b) Vertical construction. Completed construction of 14-2 hole heads for 2nd CAG. Completed construction of one tower for installation along the DaNang Wire Barrier. Constructed culvert headwalls on Route 540 AT 922572 and Route 4 AT 930578. Installed two 30' culverts at entrance to Company "C" CP AT 948709. Messhall extension at 3/1 70% complete. Constructed 5 strongbacks for total of 15 at 1/26. Completed redecking 80% of London Bridge AT 913588. Constructed 3 - 10'x24' bunkers at An Hoa.

(c) Ferry Operations

Date	Song Thu Bon		Tu Cau	
	Vehicles	Round Trips	Vehicles	Round Trips
1 Jan	109	26	79	33
2 Jan	133	41	72	37
3 Jan	100	33	43	25
4 Jan	108	26	61	32

(d) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

3 Jan - Began upgrading of construction site for 500 man messhall and 73 strongbacks at 2/7.

4 Jan - 1.07 inches of rain. Completed reconstruction and redecking of Marshall Bridge AT 919599.

(3) Operations 5 Jan - 11 Jan 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - Hauled and spread 225 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock and 475 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on Route 545 bypass in preparation for construction of class 60 bridge AT 898813. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 735 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock, 295 cu.yds. of 6"(-), and 100 cu.yds. of fill on Route 540. Spread 3,000 gallons of oil on Route 540 to aid in mine detection and maintain surface stability. Hauled and spread 40 cu.yds. of 2"(-) rock and 35 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on Route QL-15 to repair road surface. Hauled, spread and graded 245 cu.yds. of 6"(-) on Route 4 west of Hill 37. Hauled, spread and rolled 90 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock and 160 cu.yds. of fill on Marshall Bridge bypass AT 919599. Hauled, spread and graded 20 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on approaches to London Bridge AT 913588, 40 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on approaches to Thanh Quit Bridge BT 043631, and 60 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on ferry landing approaches at Song Thu Bon. Received 6,562 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

(b) Vertical Construction - Completed tower #2 for installation along the DaNang Wire Barrier. Constructed 4 - 10'x24' bunkers and 2 - 10'x10' bunkers (one with lighting) at An Hoa. Cleared minfield at Monkey Mountain. Began wingwall repairs on 40' bridge AT 925605. Completed one strongback at 1/1. Constructed 2 tent decks, 4 strongbacks, installed 14 sets of steps and hung 10 doors at 1/26. Installed culvert on Route 4 AT 908576 and AT 886572. Completed redecking and 80% of handrail construction on London Bridge AT 913588. Hauled, spread and graded 1,480 cu.yds. of fill at 2/7 construction site. Began preparation of site for multi-plate bunker at Engineer Pass AT 937773. Trimmed piles and placed 15 cu.yds. of shot rock on west wingwall of Marshall Bridge AT 919599. Heavy equipment assisted grading and earth moving operations for preparation of Chieu Hoi Village AT 948778. Continued Engineer support for bunker construction at Hai Van Pass.

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270930H Company "B" sweep team found one 25 lb. mine on west side of Route QL-1S. Unknown type. Blown in place. BT 040624

270945H Company "B" sweep team reported culvert blown on Route QL-1. Road passable, one lane traffic. BT 041623

270950H Company "B" sweep team found one 105 mm illumination canister booby trapped on west side of Route QL-1. Blown in place. BT 065570

281925H The 7th Engineer Battalion received 6-140 mm rockets inside the battalion perimeter. Communication lines were damaged. 100% alert maintained. Medevac requested and completed. 1 USMC 7th Engr. Bn. KIA, 3 USMC 7th Engr. Bn. WIA (minor). AT 945785

c. Organization and Operations

(1) Officer Assignments - See TAB A, Enclosure (1)

(2) Operations 1 Feb - 7 Feb 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - Hauled and spread 80 cu.yds. of fill on approaches to Straight Bridge under construction on Route 4 AT 868573. Graded Helo pad construction site at Phu Loc (6). Hauled, spread and graded 270 cu.yds. of fill and 30 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock and recut drainage ditches on approaches to Marshall Bridge AT 919599. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 10 cu.yds. of 6" (-) rock, 346 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock, and 746 cu.yds. of shot rock to widen Route QL-1S in vicinity of Zappers Gulch BT 045614. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 1038 cu.yds. of crushed rock and 630 cu.yds. of fill and spread 21,700 gallons of oil on Route 540. Graded Route 545 and Route 542 to maintain crown. Hauled, spread and graded 230 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock to fill in berms at 7th Bulk Fuel Company. Stockpiled 145 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock at Company "D" stockpile. Received 5,192 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

(b) Vertical Construction - Completed construction of towers #9 and #10 and prefabricated legs for towers #11 and #12 for installation along the DaNang Wire Barrier. Continued to provide technical assistance for III MAF Brig self help project. Completed driving 24 piles and building wingwall abutments for Straight Bridge under construction on Route 4 AT 868573. Assembled 70' X 36" culvert and installed 46' X 36" culverts Route 540 AT 911585. Completed construction of (15) headwalls on Route 540. Completed construction of multi-plate bunker and escape hatch at Engineers Pass AT 937773. Continued to lend engineer support in the construction of one ammo bunker at Hai Van Pass. Strung 225 meters of split double apron - triple concertina wire on battalion perimeter. Completed (1) 20' X 32' bunker with concrete deck at An Hoa.

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Began construction work on first 20' sentry tower for 1/26. Completed construction of 50' tower at 1/1. Picked up materials for 500 man mess-hall to be built at 2/7. Installed culvert and constructed headwalls at driveway entrance to 7th Bulk Fuel Company; project 100% complete. Began constructing forms for (2) 175 mm gun pads at the Northern Artillery Cantonment.

(c) Ferry Operations

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>Round Trips</u>
1 Feb	90	27
2 Feb	101	27
3 Feb	126	33
4 Feb	119	30
5 Feb	96	32
6 Feb	100	32
7 Feb	117	37

(d) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

- 4 Feb - Company "C" commenced providing engineer technical assistance for the III MAF Brig self-help project.
- 6 Feb - Company "D" began construction of helo pad with M8A1 matting at Phu Loc (6).
- 6 Feb - Company "C" began construction of 4 -20' sentry towers and 1 - 20' water tank tower for 1/26.
- 7 Feb - Company "C" began construction of 4 - 175 mm gun pads at the Northern Artillery Cantonment.
- 7 Feb - Company "C" completed improving drainage system at 7th Bulk Fuel Company.

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(3) Operations 8 Feb - 14 Feb 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction. Hauled and spread 280 cu.yds of fill and 20 cu.yds. of crushed rock on approaches to Straight Bridge AT 868573. Completed grading construction site at Phu Loc (6). Hauled, spread and graded 1276 cu.yds. of shot rock to widen Route QL-1S in vicinity of Zappers Gulch BT 045614; spread 4000 gallons of oil on same. Hauled spread, graded and rolled 400 cu.yds. of fill, 550 cu.yds. of crushed rock and spread 17,080 gallons of oil on Route 540. Spread 4000 gallons of oil on An Hoa Road, 1000 gallons of oil on Route 30 and 1000 gallons of oil on helo pad at 11th Marines CP. Hauled, spread, and graded 65 cu.yds of fill on access road to Hill 10.

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Spread 4000 gallons of oil on Route 4 west of Hill 37. Graded Route 545. North and South approaches of Song Thu Bon Ferry graded with 25 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 540 cu.yds. of shot rock to stabilize and raise 2/7 construction site. Stockpiled 265 cu.yds. of crushed rock at Company "D". Received 7,024 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

(b) Vertical Construction - Completed east wingwall and abutment and began driving piles for first pile bent for Straight Bridge under construction on Route 4 AT 868573. Continued to provide technical assistance for III MAF Brig self help project. Began driving piles for abutments of deck type Bailey Bridge under construction on Route 545 AT 898813. Assembled 20' X 36" culvert and 20' X 24" culvert. Completed construction of 6 headwalls on Route 540; all headwalls have been completed on Route 540 from AT 912743 to AT 925606. Constructed 2 headwalls at AT 911582. Completed covering multi-plate bunker with earth at Engineers Pass AT 937773. Continued to lend engineer support at Hai Van Pass. Strung 850 meters of split double apron-triple concertina wire on battalion perimeter. Awaiting materials to construct towers at An Hoa. Completed and emplaced 2-20' sentry towers at 1/26. Constructed (6) 4 hole heads and set forms for (4) shower units at 3/1. Began precutting materials for strongbacks and began installation of drainage system for 500 man messhall at 2/7. Built 1 - 175 mm gun pad form and began work on second form at the Northern Artillery Cantonment. Levelled construction site and began cutting materials for first 175 mm gun pad at Hill 65.

(c) Ferry Operations

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>Round Trip</u>
8 Feb	145	34
9 Feb	98	25
10 Feb	146	40
11 Feb	108	30
12 Feb	107	21
13 Feb	134	29
14 Feb	98	30

(d) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

- 8 Feb - Company "D" began construction of 2 - 175 mm gun pads at Hill 65.
- 8 Feb - Company "A" began construction of deck type Bailey Bridge on Route 545 AT 898813.
- 9 Feb - Company "D" began construction of strongbacks, heads, showers and utility shed for 3/1 cantonment improvement project.

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10 Feb - Company "C" completed construction of all headwalls required on Route 540 from AT 912743 To AT 925606.

14 Feb - Company "A" completed installation of split double apron-triple concertina wire along entire battalion perimeter.

(4) Operation 15 Feb - 21 Feb 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - Hauled and spread 45 cu.yds. of crushed rock and 118 cu.yds. of fill on approaches to Straight Bridge. Spread 2000 gallons of oil and completed laying M841 Matting for Helo pad at Phu Loc (b). Hauled and Spread 120 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock on approaches to deck type Bailey Bridge AT 898813. Hauled and spread and graded 235 cu.yds. of 6" (-) rock and 960 cu.yds. of shot rock to widen Route QL 1S in vicinity of Zappers Gulch BT 045614. Graded Bypass at BT 008692. Hauled, spread, graded, and rolled 595 cu.yds. of crushed rock, 146 cu.yds. of fill and spread 23,600 gallons of oil on Route 540. Graded Route 545 and spread 4800 gallons of oil on same. North and south approaches of Song Thu Bon Ferry were graded as required. Spread 2000 gallons of oil on Route 30. Stockpiled 55 cu.yds. of crushed rock at Company "D" and 230 cu.yds. of crushed rock at Company "C". Received 5,304 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

(b) Vertical Construction - Constructed 5 ladders and precut materials for 5 bunkers for towers #11 - #15 to be installed along the DaNang Wire Barrier. Continued to provide technical assistance for the III MAF Brig self help project. Completed laying stringers and part of decking on first span of Straight Bridge under construction on Route 4 AT 868573. Completed driving piles for abutments and poured concrete for south wingwall of deck type Bailey Bridge under construction on Route 545 AT 898813. Assembled 40' X 60" culvert. Trimmed piles on multi-plate bunker built at Engineers Pass AT 868573. Constructed a water point platform and machine gun bunker at Hai Van Pass. Completed stringing split double apron-triple concertina wire on battalion perimeter. Hung and replaced minefield marking signs and erected barrier wire around portions of minefield between ASP I and MCB 5. Erected 30' fixed span with one transom at the 7th Engineer Battalion rock crusher located near Division CP. Worked on repairing 55' tower at An Hoa Combat Base. Completed 2-20' sentry towers for a total of 4 constructed at 1/26. Constructed 8-4 hole heads for a total of 12 and built 8 strongbacks at 3/1. Completed installation of drainage system for 500 man messhall, began preparing forms for messhall, and erected 20 tent decks for 20 strongbacks at 2/7. Poured 46 cu.yds. of concrete for (2) 175 mm gun pads and built forms for third 175 mm gun pad at Northern Artillery Cantonment. Continued excavation of 175 mm gun pad sites at Hill 65. Began construction of garbage shed and excavation for grease trap at 1/7 (Hill 37).

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(c) Ferry Operations

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>Round Trips</u>
15 Feb	89	29
16 Feb	79	25
17 Feb	102	27
18 Feb	142	29
19 Feb	98	27
20 Feb	76	33
21 Feb	79	21

(d) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

15 Feb - Company "D" began construction of garbage shed and grease trap for 1/7.

17 Feb - Company "C" hung mine field signs and erected barrier fence around portions of minefield located between ASP I and MCB 5.

20 Feb - 1st Bridge Company erected a 30' fixed span with one transom on road leading to 7th Engineer Battalion Rock crusher located near Division CP.

(5) Operations 22 Feb - 28 Feb 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - Hauled and spread 30 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock and spread 2000 gallons of oil on border of helo pad constructed at Phu Loc (4). Hauled, spread and graded 60 cu.yds. of 3" (-) rock, 190 cu.yds of 6" (-) rock, and 45 cu.yds. of shot rock to widen Route 1S in vicinity of Zappers Gulch BT 045614. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 235 cu.yds of crushed rock and spread 18,600 gallons of oil on Route 540. Graded approaches to 40' bridge AT925605, Marshall Bridge AT 919599, and London Bridge AT 913588. Hauled and spread 110 cu.yds of 6" (-) rock on approaches to deck type Bailey Bridge AT 898813. North and South approaches of Song Thu Bon Ferry graded as required. Stockpiled 55 cu.yds of crushed rock at Company "D" and 120 cu.yds. of crushed rock at Company "C". Received 782 tons of crushed rock from RMK.

(b) Vertical Construction - Completed construction of towers #11 and #12 except for attaching bracing bolts towers are to be installed along the DaNang Wire Barrier. Continued to provide technical assistance for the III MAF Brig self-help project. Drove 5 piles and cleared stream bed of concrete debris in order to drive piles for pile bent of Straight bridge under construction on Route 4 AT 868573.

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Drilled holes for cables on Northern abutment and continued work on wing walls on south shore for deck type Bailey Bridge under construction on Route 545 AT 898813. Installed 28' X 18" culvert on Route 4 AT 907576 and began installation of 60" culvert on Route 1S BT 069561 where culvert had previously been destroyed by the enemy. Continued to lend engineer support for improving defensive lines at Ha Van Pass. Completed repairs on 60' fixed span at Straight Bridge bypass on Route 4 AT 868573 damaged by enemy sappers. Continued to repair 55' tower at An Hoa Combat Base. Completed 20' water tank tower at NamO for a total of 5 20' towers built for 1/26. Built (1) strongback for a total of (9) and completed 50% construction work on (3) additional strongbacks at 3/1. Completed framing 8 strongbacks and assembled walls for 500 man messhall under construction at 2/7. Poured 23 cu.yds. of concrete for third 175 mm gun pad and began forming on fourth 175 mm gun pad at the Northern Artillery Cantonment. Poured concrete for 9 barrels and began attaching bracing for first 175mm gun pad at Hill 65. Poured concrete deck for garbage shed and poured concrete grease trap distribution box at 1/7.

(c) Ferry Operations

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>Round Trips</u>
22 Feb	164	37
23 Feb	55	24
24 Feb	67	27
25 Feb	114	41
26 Feb	126	35
27 Feb	134	27
28 Feb	154	37

(d) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

- 23 Feb - Two Bridges located at BT 045614 and BT 048605 on Route QL-1S were completely destroyed by the enemy.
- 23 Feb - Company "B" sweep team was unable to complete sweep south of Dien Ban on Route QL-1S due to high level of enemy activity.
- 23 Feb - Company "C" sweep team was unable to complete sweep from Cobbs Bridge AT 945707 to Hill 41 on Route 540 due to high level of enemy activity.
- 24 Feb - Company "C" completed construction of 4-20' sentry towers and 1-20' water tank tower for 1/26.

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27 Feb - Fixed span on Route 4 bypass AT 868573 was blown and partially destroyed by the enemy, Bridge impassable.

27 Feb - Company "C" secured sweeping Route 8 due to decreased need for use of road as Route 6 is open and passable.

27 Feb - 1st Bridge Company completed repairs on 60' fixed span on Route 4 bypass AT 868573.

d. Plans

(1) Continue general support of all units within the 1st Marine Division TAOR, or as assigned by III MAF Headquarters.

(2) Continue support of CAG units within 1st Marine Division TAOR, or as assigned by III MAF Headquarters.

(3) Continue maintenance of bridges within the 1st Marine Division TAOR, or as directed by III MAF Headquarters.

(4) Continue upgrading of Route QL-1S.

(5) Continue upgrading of Route LTL 4.

(6) Continue upgrading of Route 545.

(7) Continue upgrading of Route 30.

(8) Continue maintenance of Route 540 to An Hoa.

(9) Continue maintenance of Route 544.

(10) Continue maintenance of Route 542.

(11) Continue maintenance of Route 10.

e. Training

(1) Command indoctrination and information for newly arrived personnel was conducted (7th Engr. Bn.).

(2) 3 enlisted personnel attended ADM School (Okinawa).

(3) 1 enlisted personnel attended Infantry Weapons Repair Course (Okinawa).

(4) 1 enlisted personnel attended Cable Splicers Course (Long Binh)

(5) 48 enlisted personnel attended Landmine Warfare School (1st Engr. Bn.).

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- (6) 1 officer attended Officer Leadership Course (Div).
- (7) 1 SNCO attended SNCO Leadership Course (Div)
- (8) 1 enlisted personnel attended NCO Leadership Course (Div).
- (9) 1 enlisted personnel attended 16 mm Projectionist School(III MAF)
- (10) 20 enlisted personnel attended Multi-Fuel Course(FLC).
- (11) 1 enlisted personnel attended Embarkation School (Okinawa).

f. Logistics, Equipment and Supply

(1) Administration

- (a) 10 Feb - Received contract from NSA, Contracting Officer for Vietnamese trucks to haul rock.
- (b) 11 Feb - Received 12 mine detectors (force fed).
- (c) 16 Feb - 1st Bn, 12th Marines departed as tenants.
- (d) 17 Feb - Received (1) TD-15 from 1st Shore Party.
- (e) 18 Feb - Received (1) 550 Grader from 1st Engineer Battalion.
- (f) 18 Feb - Received (2) TD-15 tractors; (1) from 4/11 and (1) from 1/11.
- (g) 20 Feb - Invoiced 75TPH Rock Crusher to 11th Engineer Battalion.
- (h) 27 Feb - Received (3) M54 cargo trucks; R&E program.
- (i) 27 Feb - Received (1) M149 water trailer.
- (j) 27 Feb - Received (5) mine detectors (AN PRS 4).

(2) Supply

7th Engineer Battalion FMF (AC 21300)

During the month of February, Battalion Supply processed 92 priority 02, 371 priority 05, and 713 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 1478 receipts from due, 1478 issues from due, and 623 issues from stock.

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57501st Bridge Company (AC 21325)

During the month of February, 1st Bridge Supply processed 6 priority 02, 2 priority 05, and 9 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 42 receipts from due, 28 issues from due, and 12 issues from stock.

Motor Transport

Approximately 119,316 miles were logged in on the Battalion Motor Transport Vehicles during the month of February.

Maintenance

The Battalion Motor Transport Maintenance received 84 work orders, completed 67 work orders and sent 6 work orders to FSR during February. The Battalion Heavy Equipment Maintenance received 70 Engineer work orders completed 38 and sent 7 work orders to FSR during February, 2 items returned from FSR and none were Code H during February.

Messing

The Battalion Messhall continues to provide four (4) meals daily except Sunday. The fourth meal being mid-rations for duty personnel. On Sundays and holidays a brunch is served replacing breakfast and dinner.

Medical

The Battalion Aid Station treated 1326 military, 8 Vietnamese and 4 civilian workers. The Dental Clinic treated 242 Military, 8 Vietnamese and 0 civilian workers.

g. Civil Affairs/Civic Action

- (1) The Civic Action Program continues on a daily basis.
- (2) Activities were as follows:
 - (a) The MedCap Program provided treatment for 340 persons.
 - (b) A total of 8,400 bricks were issued for various Civic Action projects throughout Quang Nam Province.
 - (c) A 2-room school in Tung Son Hamlet is 95% complete.
 - (d) A fence was completed in Tung Son Hamlet.
 - (e) A road in Tung Son Hamlet is 60% complete.

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(f) An irrigation system was started in An Ngai Tay Hamlet with satisfactory results.

(g) A well was completed in An Ngai Tay Hamlet

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Officer Assignments, See TAB A of enclosure (1).

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERVL. NO./MOS</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>PRIMARY DUTY</u>	<u>RTD</u>
ANNAS, T. T.	053496/1302/0430	LtCol	BnCmdr	30Aug69
HAMILTON, G. S.	072022/1302/5903	Maj	ExecO	11Sep69
ALNUTT, R. H.	095814/0130/0102	1stLt	S-1/Adj	10Jan70
AOYAMA, K. M.	0103117/1302	1stLt	HqComdt/S-5	28Apr69
CRAM, A. B.	0103164/1302	1stLt	S-2	14Apr69
BRISSON, J. J.	0105725/1310	WO	HvyEquipPltCmdr	1Aug69
DICKEN, D. T.	0104170/1302	1stLt	Asst S-3/OIC Rock Crusher	25Aug69
FRANKE, R. A.	0104858/2501	1stLt	CommO	8Sep69
GARRIDO, D. D.	0101081/1302	1stLt	Asst S-4	29Jun69
JONES, J. C.	0105555/1302	2ndLt	Asst S-3	23Oct69
LILLEY, M. G.	078896/1302/5702/0240	Maj	S-3	7Jul69
MARSHALL, J. T.	080929/1302/1310	Maj	S-4	30Oct69
MCALLISTER, G. D.	099031/1360	CWO-2	ConstPltCmdr	21Dec69
<u>SERVICE COMPANY</u>				
RICH, W. W.	071206/1302/0302	Maj	CO	23Sep69
DEBUSSEY, R. C.	0104910/1301	1stLt	UtilitiesO	23Nov69
GOODE, F. M.	0102777/3502	1stLt	BnMTO	21Apr69
HAMMACK, J. A.	0104222/3502	1stLt	Asst MTO	13Sep69
JACKSON, J. M.	098854/1310	CWO-2	MaintPltCmdr	20Aug69
KRUSEMARK, L. E.	0104657/3002	1stLt	BnSupO	11Oct69
<u>"A" COMPANY</u>				
DARITY, M. H. JR.	095928/1302/1310/0430	1stLt	CO	17Dec69
CARLSON, F. G.	0105884/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
FLAMMING, J. F.	0105512/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Oct69
GEERS, M. J.	0105916/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	28Nov69
RINEHART, C. S.	0105243/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	28Sep69
<u>"B" COMPANY</u>				
MICK, E. W.	0100510/1302	1stLt	CO	25Jun69
ADAMS, R. E.	0105441/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	23Oct69
BANKS, R. J.	0100833/1301	1stLt	PltCmdr	14Mar70
ERRICKSON, R. L.	0105083/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	28Sep69
WISE, R. A. JR.	0104959/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	11Dec69
<u>"C" COMPANY</u>				
GETTMAN, J. A.	0102613/1302	1stLt	CO	1Jun69
GOSLIN, G. J.	0106906/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	25Mar70
MCLARTY, R. A.	0106319/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Mar70
SOKOLOWSKI, T. E.	0104779/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	18Aug69
WILLS, H. J.	0106074/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
<u>"D" COMPANY</u>				
BOTELHO, E.	096213/1302	1stLt	CO	18Sep69
LEONARD, R. L.	0105165/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	29Sep69
LINDSEY, E. E.	0105959/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
MANGNALL, B. C. JR.	0103650/1301	1stLt	PltCmdr	3Jan70
WHITE, E. G.	0105701/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Oct69

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<u>1ST BRIDGE COMPANY</u>				
LAGEMANN, R. C.	0101216/1302	1stLt	CO	5Sep69
PASCARELLA, R. A. JR.	0103721/1301	1stLt	PltCmdr	3Jan70
GORDON, T. E.	0105524/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	24Oct69
OSBECK, D. G.	0106007/1310/0430	2ndLt	PltCmdr	22Nov69
PRICER, K. D.	0104937/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	6Dec69
TORBET, P. A.	0104365/3002	1stLt	Sup0	16Sep69
<u>USN</u>				
ANDREWS, S. S.	728168/2105	Lt	BnSurgeon	27Jul69
ROBERTS, M. H.	650865/4100	LCdr	BnChaplain	27Jul69
ROUNDS, C. E.	722642/2205	Lt	BnDentist	15Jun69