

A. PART I

1. The following organizational data is submitted.

a. Designation. Battalion Landing Team 3/26

b. Composition.

(1) 1-30 November 1966.

3rd Bn, 26th Marines

Btry C, 1st Bn, 13th Marines

107mm Mortar Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Marines

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th AmTrac Bn

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th AT Bn

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th Tk Bn

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn

2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th Recon Bn

3rd Plt, Co A, 5th MT Bn

Logistic Support Unit - 3

Det, Co A, 5th Med Bn

Det, 9th Comm Spt Co, 9th Comm Bn

Det, 15th Dental Co, FMF

Det, HQ Co, RLT-26

B. PART II

1. Locations.

a. 1 November. Embarked aboard the USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8) (CP) and USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) off RVN.

b. 2-10 November. CP moved to USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2). Embarked aboard USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) and USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) off I CTZ. At 1830 10 November USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP) departed to Okinawa / USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) departed to Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

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c. 13 November. USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP) arrived WHITE BEACH Okinawa. USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) enroute to Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

d. 13 November. USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP) commenced transload to USS HENRICO (APA-45) (CP) and USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD-5) / USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) arrive Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

e. 14 November. USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP) continues to transload to USS HENRICO (APA-45) (CP) and USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD-5) at WHITE BEACH Okinawa / USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER commenced offload at Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

f. 15-17 November. Embarked aboard the USS HENRICO (APA-45) (CP) and USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD-5) enroute to Subic Bay, Philippine Islands. USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) continue offload Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

g. 18 November. USS HENRICO (APA-45) (CP) and USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD-5) arrived Subic Bay, Philippine Islands offload and move to SLF Camp, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

h. 19 - 30 November. SLF Camp, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands conducting training.

C. PART III

1. Period covered by this report. 1-30 November 1966.

D. PART IV

1. Name, Rank of CO's Staff and Subordinate Units.

a. Average Monthly Strength.

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| (1) USMC Officer | 68 | Enlisted | 1627 |
| (2) USN Officer | 7 | Enlisted | 89 |

b. Personnel Assignments.

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| Commanding Officer | LtCol. G. T. BEYERLE |
| Executive Officer | Maj. W. A. THOMPSON |
| Sergeant Major | SgtMaj. W. W. KILLINGSWORTH |
| S-1 | 2ndLt. R. D. SPENCER |
| Personnel Officer | 2ndLt. L. R. THOMPSON |
| S-2 | Capt. W. F. FARRELL III (1Nov66)/Capt. R. E. HINES (2-30Nov66) |
| Assistant | 1stLt. L. G. KLEIN (1-30Nov66) |

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S-3 A/Trng O
 S-3 LnO/NBC O
 Operations Chief
 Air LnO
 Forward Air Controller
 Forward Air Controller
 Communications Officer
 Artillery LnO/FSC
 Naval Gunfire LnO
 Naval Gunfire Spotter

MAJ. W. J. WOODRING, JR
 Capt. E. J. FAIRBANKS
 2ndLt. J. J. FLERY (1-29Nov)
 MSgt. T. L. McHUGH, JR
 Capt. W. A. SMITH
 Capt. M. L. VOS
 Capt. D. W. METCALF
 Capt. J. L. STEELE
 2ndLt. D. J. LaBOISSIERE
 Lt(jg) M. A. FULTON, USN
 2ndLt. W. A. CAHILL

S-4

Embarkation Officer
 Supply Officer

Capt. A. D. DeBONA
 1stLt. A. L. SISCO
 Capt. G. A. RADNIECKI

Bn Chaplain

Lt(jg) B. WATTIGNY, CHC, USN

Bn Surgeon

Asst Bn Surgeon
 Chief Hospital Corpsman
 Sanitation Chief

Lt. J. C. NAUMAN, MC, USN
 Lt. J. F. IPPOLITI, MC, USN
 HMC N. W. STUDEMAN, USN
 HMC C. B. EGELHOFF, USN

Commanding Officer, H&S Co

Executive Officer
 Flt Commander 106mm RR
 Flt Commander 81mm Mortar
 First Sergeant

Capt. R. F. ROLLER
 2ndLt. R. A. DOBIES
 2ndLt. R. A. DOBIES
 2ndLt. P. A. FELLETTIER
 1stSgt. E. W. MILLER

Commanding Officer, Co I

Executive Officer
 Plt Commander, 1st Plt
 Plt Commander, 2nd Plt
 Plt Commander, 3rd Plt
 Plt Commander, Wpns Plt
 First Sergeant

Capt. T. A. SILVEAR
 Capt. P. C. MOTELY
 2ndLt. G. N. ROBINSON
 2ndLt. R. E. STIMSON
 2ndLt. J. W. DUGGER
 2ndLt. R. V. SVITAK
 1stSgt. R. H. BUSSBERG

Commanding Officer, Co K

Executive Officer
 Plt Commander, 1st Plt
 Plt Commander, 2nd Plt
 Plt Commander, 3rd Plt
 Plt Commander, Wpns Plt
 First Sergeant

Capt. F. D. BYNUM
 Capt. D. C. MAUST
 2ndLt. T. A. BAILEY
 2ndLt. T. CASEY
 2ndLt. W. N. FOST
 2ndLt. S. P. LeMOINE
 1stSgt. B. G. GODDARD

Commanding Officer, Co L

Executive Officer
 Plt Commander, 1st Plt
 Plt Commander, 2nd Plt
 Plt Commander, 3rd Plt
 Plt Commander, Wpns Plt
 First Sergeant

Capt. R. E. HINES (1Nov66)/
 Capt. W. F. FARRELL III (2-30
 Nov66)
 1stLt. M. A. KING
 2ndLt. R. D. RIX
 2ndLt. H. C. DOLAN
 2ndLt. F. H. MCCARTHY
 2ndLt. J. AULIK
 1stSgt. W. G. DONNELLY

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| Commanding Officer, Co M | Capt. R. J. SASEK |
| Executive Officer | 1stLt. R. M. MALLARD |
| Plt Commander, 1st Flt | 2ndLt. M. J. HESTER |
| Plt Commander, 2nd Flt | GySgt. M. A. GONZALEZ-ORTIZ (1-13Nov66) 2ndLt. G. F. LOVERIDGE (14-30Nov66) |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt | 2ndLt. G. L. FLICK |
| Plt Commander, Wpns Plt | 2ndLt. G. F. LOVERIDGE (1-13 Nov66)/1stLt. R. M. MALLARD 14-30Nov66) |
| First Sergeant | 1stSgt. W. J. CARTWRIGHT (1-13 Nov66) GySgt. W. J. SEMONS (14-30Nov66) |
| Commanding Officer, C Btry 1/13 | Capt. J. T. BRACKMAN |
| Executive Officer | Capt. J. H. GILLESPIE |
| Asst Executive Officer | 2ndLt. B. M. FLANT |
| Fire Direction Officer | 1stLt. R. HERMS |
| Forward Observer: | 2ndLt. D. J. RICHMOND |
| Forward Observer | 2ndLt. H. A. HADD |
| Forward Observer | 1stLt. H. W. LINDHOLM |
| Forward Observer | 1stLt. W. F. LAWLOR |
| First Sergeant | 1stSgt. R. H. POWELL |
| Commanding Officer, 107mm Mortar Btry, 1/13 | Capt. J. L. MIKKELSON |
| Executive Officer | 1stLt. C. W. GEORGEHEAD |
| Asst Executive Officer | 2ndLt. J. O. FOX |
| Fire Direction Officer | 2ndLt. J. J. KLOCEK |
| First Sergeant | 1stSgt. P. BAUER |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A 5th Engr Bn | Capt. P. R. CATALOGNE |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A 5th AT Bn | 1stLt. D. J. EGAN |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A 5th Tk Bn | 1stLt. R. C. HECOX |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A 5th Amtrac Bn | 1stLt. P. J. McDONNELL |
| Plt Commander, 2nd Flt, Co A 5th SF Bn | 1stLt. N. F. PAYNE |
| Plt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A 5th MT Bn | 2ndLt. R. WADE |
| Det Commander, Logistic Support Unit | Capt. B. L. WILLIAMS |
| Maintenance Officer | 2ndLt. H. SAWYER |

Det Commander, Co A (C&C),
5th Med Bn
Medical Officer
Medical Officer
Chief Hospitalman

Lt. J. B. THOMPSON, MC, USN
Lt. P. J. CHENEY, MC, USN
Lt. R. HAENSL, MC, USN
CHM R. CAVANCAUGH, USN

Det Commander, 15th Dental Co

Lt. H. H. JOHNSON, DC, USN

Flt Commander, 3rd Flt, Co A,
5th Recon Bn

1stLt. J. R. THOMPSON

Det Commander, Disbursing Sec,
RLT-26

CWO3 J. E. TROWBRIDGE

NCOIC, Comm Spt Co, 9th Comm Bn

Sgt. R. L. PATTON

E. PART V. COMMANDERS NARRATIVE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. 1 - 10 Nov. Embarked aboard USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP), USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) off I CTZ.

2. 10 Nov. Marine Corps Birthday ceremony held aboard the three ships. USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) (CP) enroute to Okinawa / USS THOMASTON (LSD-28) and USS VANCOUVER (LPD-2) enroute to Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

3. 18 Nov. Arrived Subic Bay, Philippine Islands. Disembarked and moved to SLF Camp.

F. PART VI. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel.

No significant personnel shortages.

2. Administration.

Nothing unusual to report.

3. Intelligence.

There were no significant items concerning intelligence during the reporting period.

4. Training.

a. 1-10 November. Embarked aboard ship off I CTZ conducted shipboard training stressing: PT, Mines & Booby Traps, and Map and Compass.

b. 18-28 November. Training at the SLF Camp, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands. Training was conducted 6 days and at least 2 nights per week. All Rifle Companies conducted FIREX'S. All units went through V.C. Trail constructed by 3rd Flt, Co A, 5th Eng Bn. Intensive training was conducted in jungle warfare, helicopters, mines and booby traps.

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c. 29-30 November. Tactical test for Rifle Companies (24 hrs).
CPX in conjunction with the tactical test.

5. Special Operations.

No combat operations conducted during this period.

6. Command and Control.

No difficulties encountered in command and control.

7. Close Combat.

No combat operations conducted during this period.

8. Fire Support.

No combat operations conducted during this period.

9. Logistics.

No difficulties encountered in this area.

10. Combat Close Air Support.

No combat close air support missions during this period.

11. Civic Action.

No civic action during this period.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commander Special Landing Force (CTG 79.5)

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Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) Brig O 5750.1
(c) CO, SLF ltr 3:BSM:jfk over 5750 of 25 Oct 1966

Encl: ✓(1) BLT 3/26 Command Chronology for the period 1-30 Nov 1966

1. In accordance with reference (a), (b), and (c) enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. This chronology includes all pertinent and significant information as defined in the references.

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