

## 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.

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. 12 - 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.

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

b. Personnel Assignments.

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)

Enclosure (1)

S-3

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. IPOLITI, MC, USN  
 HMC N. W. STUDEMAN, USN  
 HMC C. B. EGELHOFF, USN

Commanding Officer, H&amp;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. PELLETIER  
 1stSgt. E. W. MILLER

Commanding Officer, Co I

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

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

Commanding Officer, Co L

Executive Officer  
 Flt Commander, 1st Plt  
 Flt Commander, 2nd Plt  
 Flt Commander, 3rd Plt  
 Flt 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

Enclosure (1)

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

Capt. R. J. SASEK  
 1stLt. R. M. MALLARD  
 2ndLt. M. J. HESTER  
 GySgt. M. A. GONZALEZ-ORTIZ  
 (1-13Nov66) 2ndLt. G. F.  
 LOVERIDGE (14-30Nov66)  
 2ndLt. G. L. FLICK  
 2ndLt. G. F. LOVERIDGE (1-13  
 Nov66)/1stLt. R. M. MALLARD  
 14-30Nov66)  
 1stSgt. W. J. CARTWRIGHT (1-13  
 Nov66) GySgt. W. J. SEMONS  
 (14-30Nov66)

Commanding Officer, C Btry 1/13  
 Executive Officer  
 Asst Executive Officer  
 Fire Direction Officer  
 Forward Observer:  
 Forward Observer  
 Forward Observer  
 Forward Observer  
 First Sergeant

Capt. J. T. BRACKMAN  
 Capt. J. H. GILLESPIE  
 2ndLt. B. M. FLANT  
 1stLt. R. HERMS  
 2ndLt. D. J. RICHMOND  
 2ndLt. H. A. HADD  
 1stLt. H. W. LINDHOLM  
 1stLt. W. F. LAWLOR  
 1stSgt. R. H. POWELL

Commanding Officer, 107mm Mortar  
 Btry, 1/13  
 Executive Officer  
 Asst Executive Officer  
 Fire Direction Officer  
 First Sergeant

Capt. J. L. MIKKELSON  
  
 1stLt. C. W. GEORGEHEAD  
 2ndLt. J. O. FOX  
 2ndLt. J. J. KLOCEK  
 1stSgt. P. BAUER

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, Co A  
 5th Engr Bn

Capt. P. R. CATALOGNE

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, Co A  
 5th AT Bn

1stLt. D. J. EGAN

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, Co A  
 5th Tk Bn

1stLt. R. C. HECOX

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, Co A  
 5th AmTrac Bn

1stLt. P. J. McDONNELL

Plt Commander, 2nd Plt, Co A  
 5th SF Bn

1stLt. N. F. PAYNE

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, Co A  
 5th MT Bn

2ndLt. R. WADE

Det Commander, Logistic Support  
 Unit  
 Maintenance Officer

Capt. B. L. WILLIAMS  
  
 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. CAVANOUGH, USN

Det Commander, 15th Dental Co

Lt. H. H. JOHNSON, DC, USN

Plt Commander, 3rd Plt, 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 Plt, Co A, 5th Eng Bn. Intensive training was conducted in jungle warfare, helicopters, mines and booby traps.

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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5750  
Ser: 002-66  
1 Dec 1966

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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3/26

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