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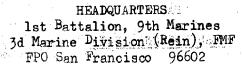
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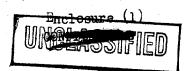
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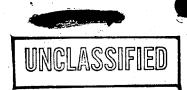
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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Battalion Landing Team 1/9

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SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company Company "A"		Capt SHAW Capt FESTA
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Company "C" Company "D"		Capt KEYS

ATTACHED UNITS

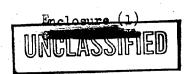
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Det. Comm Co (Radio Relay)	
Det, H&S Company, 9th Marines (Radio Relay)	
3d Plt (Rein), Company "B", 1st AmTrac Bn	2dLt HORVATICH
3d Plt (Rein), Company "C", 3d AT Bn	2dLt RILEY
3d Plt (Rein), Company "B", 3d Tank Bn	2dLt VOIGT
1st Plt, (Rein), Company "C", 3d Eng Bn	WO JONES
Det, H&S Company, 3d Eng Bn	
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2d Plt, Company "D", 3d Recon Bn	2dLt MURPHY
Det, 1st Clearing Plt (-)(Rein), Company "B", 3d Med Bn	Lt MC ALLISTER (USN)
Logistics Support Unit	2dLt MOORE
Det. 3d FSR	
Det, 3d Ser Bn	
2d Plt (Rein), Company "A", 3d MT Bn	2dLt DAVIS
2d Plt (Rein), Company "C", 3d SP Bn	2dLt DEGENNARO
Battery "D" (-)(Rein), 2d Bn, 12th Mar	Capt GUNDLACH
107mm Howtar Battery (Rein), 1st Bn, 12th Mar	Capt RICHEY
Det. Battery "K", 4th Bn, 13th Mar	2dLt VOGT
1st Armored Amphib Plt	2dLt COTTLE

2. LOCATION

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From 022300I to 070900H USS LENAWEE (APA-195). From 070900H to the end of the reporting period the Command Post was located aboard the USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2), with temporary occupancy at the SLF Camp, USNB, Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines.

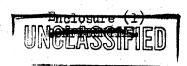




Executive Officer

Maj HUBBARD 2dLt RAMIREZ S-2
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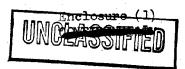


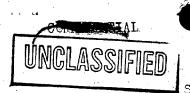


PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period the BLT was preparing for special operations in RVN with the SLF. At the onset, the BLT was embarked and enroute to SLF Camp, USNB Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines. Upon arrival at the SLF Camp the BLT conducted extensive training in preparation for Mud Puppy II. Mud Puppy II, conducted on Mindoro Island, Republic of the Philippines during the period 19-22 December 1966, provided the final training and preparation vehicle prior to the conduct of special operations as a member of the BLF. During Mud Puppy II, a civil affairs program was instituted in the village of MaGIBA near the training area. Additional supporting units were attached to the BLT to provide greater potential for special operations. The BLT inventory of equipment for specialized Riverine Coerations was increased. At the end of the reporting period the BLT is embarked and enroute for special operations in RVN.

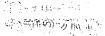


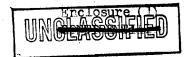


PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. FMF organizations committed to combat and the SIF
 - a. Combat missions assigned. None
 - b. Significant operations conducted. None
 - c. Casualties inflicted on the enemy. None
 - d. Casualties sustained. None
 - e. New techniques employed. None
 - f. Command relations. No change
- g. Equipment. Light plastic assault boats and outboard motors were assigned to the BIT.
- h. Logistics. On 2 December 1966 the BIT deployed from Camp Schwab, Okinawa, to USNB, Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines. The move was completed on 7 December 1966. From 7 December 1966 to 16 December 1966 Logistical planning data was compiled for operation Mud Puppy II. On 16 December embarkation for Mud Puppy II commenced. The operation was completed on 23 December and during this time normal logistic functions in support of the BIT were carried out. Final logistic preparations for special operations in RVN were completed. On 28 December the BIT embarked aboard USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2), USS Vancouver (LPD-2), USS Thomaston (LSD-28), and USS Washtenaw County (LST-1166), and on 29 December 1966 sailed from Subic Bay, Pepublic of the Philippines prepared for special operations in RVN as a member of the SLF.
- i. Civic action. During the conduct of Mud Puppy II a civil affairs program was instituted in the village of NACIBA. This village is in the immediate vicinity of the training area and has a population of 180 families. Two United States Navy Corpsmen of Filipino extraction and the village captain were interpreters during this program. A medical and civil affairs team consisting of 3 doctors, 5 corpsmen, and chaplain, and the civil affairs NCO visited the village. The medical team attended 50 persons. Most of them were children or elderly people and most of these had respiratory infections. Four persons with diseases or defects beyond the scope of the medical teams treatment capabilities were seen but not treated. The chaplain and civil affairs NCO gave dolls, salt, soap, and vitamins to the village captain to be distributed among his people.
 - j. Administration. Nothing significant
- k. Personnel. Detailed personnel data is contained in the S-1 Journal. Two officers and 5 enlisted men were dropped. Twenty seven enlisted joined. There were no hostile casualities incurred during this period.





telligence. During this reporting period the 3-2 sections was directed towards the writing of Intelligence Estimates, Annexes, During the Mud Puppy II Operation a joint 2/3 journal was maintained for the purpose of training section administration personnel, and this proved very satisfactory. Intelligence scouts have been attached to the companies in order to aid in maintaining the flow of information to the Pattalion.

m. Communications. Equipment and personnel have been prepared for combat by participation in a CPX and in Mud Puppy H. The landing exercise provided opportunity to evaluate the potential of individuals and equipment for the forthcoming operations. In this exercise wire, radio, and radio relay were employed without difficulty.

- n. Yeather. Not applicable
- o. Tire support. Participation in a BIT CFY and Wid Tupey VI provided opportunity to assess and refine methods of coordination with SACC and all 3300 operations. Special attention was given to problem areas unique to amphibious operations.
- p. Air support. During the month of December the TACF received fixed wing and helo communication training. In addition, the TACP participated in operation Mud Puppy II. Improvements in operational procedures were implemented through experience gained in the landing exercise.
- q. Activations/deactivations/redesignations. Pet, Battery "k", 4th En, 13th Mar and 1st Armored Amphib Plt were attached to the BIT in this reporting period.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Tab 1. S-1 Journal

2. Frag Order Ol to BIT 1/9 Operation Plan 1-66



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		PFC M. J. COATES, PFC R. CONTERAS, PFC L. M. GOODMAN, PFC J. R. CUMMINGS, PFC R. M. DEGRASSE, LCPL R. V. DILLEWSKI, SSGT H. L. DEVINE, LCFL D. R. DUMSA, PFC J. W. BALAND, LCFL G. R. EHLE,
	·	PFC J. H. EPPERSON, SGT J. B. FOX, CPL W. HARDY, SSGT G. B. HAMPER, PFC G. C. HERNANDEZ, CPL L. S. HERRERA, GYSGT C. J. HOKE, PFC N. R. INGRAM, LCPL R. J. IRELAND, SSGT F. JONAS, SGT R. JUAREZ, PFC A. O. KINCAID, PFC F. A. KIRCHOVER,
		LCPL R. M. LONGFELLOW, LCPL R. D. LUNDY, PFC G. M. MASTERS, SSGT H. E. MCDANIEL, FPC J. MATTED, LCPL O. G. MOORE, LCPL J. H. MUTTER, LCPL G. A. NEMENNZ, LCPL T. N. FERKINS, LCPL J. R. PRCIN, PFC A. A. QUESENNEL, PFC T. L.
	·	REIMAN, FFC D. L. RICH, LCPL D. L. SCHLOTTERBACK, SSGT J. N. SMITH, CPL L. G. SNOW, PFC L. W. STANLEY, CPL J. TIMMOY, SGT J. J. VILLE, CPL G. P. WALDO, SGT L. W. WELLS, LCFL T. W. WHELS, LCFL T. W. WHELS, LCPL G. B. WILTROUT, I CFL R. WING ATE,
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1300	011300	LCPL T. D. PAYNE DR TR TO RLT-26
1300	011300	MAJ D. E. DOWNING DR TR TO CG, 9THMAB- G-3
1300	011 300	PFC R. J. PERNANDEZ TO TAD IN CONN W/EMER LV
1300	011300	CPL P. INGRAM TO TAD IN CONN W/BMER LV
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1300	011300	HMC G. D. CHUMPLER TO TAD HLT-26 UNDER TREATMENT
1300	021300	LCPL J. R. BREWER, SECT A KOPPEL TO TAD IN CONN W/SECER LV
1300	021,300	SGT R. H. HOWELL DR TR TO HLT-26
0800	030800	CFL R. JONES Fr SK CAMP HANSEN DISP
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1300	151300	LCPL R. A. MULLIVHILL DR TR TO MARCORACT IN CONN/W
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