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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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PART I

Organizational Data

1. Designation

2d Combined Action Group

Commander

LtCol D.R. CHRISTENSEN

Date

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

Subordinate Units

1st Combined Action Company
Capt R. D. TOMLIN

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

2nd Combined Action Company
Capt T.M. BELDON

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

3rd Combined Action Company
Capt W. J. CAMPBELL

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

4th Combined Action Company
1stLt R. W. JOHNSON

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

7th Combined Action Company
Capt J.B. SCURAS

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

8th Combined Action Company
Capt J. R. KNIBBS

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

9th Combined Action Company
1stLt T. W. COSTELLO

(1Apr - 30Apr 1970)

Attached Units

Det, Kit Carson Scouts, 1st Marine Division G-2 (C-1)

Det, ARVN Interpreters/Translators, III Marine Amphibious Force

Det, Medical Section, Headquarters, III Marine Amphibious Force

Det, Scout Dugs, III MP Battalion, 1st Marine Division

2. Location

1 April 1970 to 30 April 1970

HQ, 2d CAG

Hieu Nhen District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-1

Hieu Duc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-2

Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-3

Dien Ban District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-4

Hieu Nhen District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-7

Hoa Vang District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-8

Hoa Vang District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

CAG 2-9

Duc Duc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN

3. Staff Officers

ExecO/Civic ActionO/S-5 Off

Maj J.A. MOCAHY

(1Apr - 30Apr 70)

S-1 Off

1stLt W.J. DECKER

(1Apr - 30Apr 70)

S-2/S-3 Off

Maj L.E. NUGENT

(1Apr - 30Apr 70)

Asst S-2/S-3 Off

2dLt M.A. CARDENALE

(1Apr - 30Apr 70)
4. **Average Monthly Strength**

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

General: During April the enemy initiated Phase I of the K700 campaign. This campaign was designed to discredit and neutralize pacification efforts in Quang Nam Province which apparently are deeply felt by the VC infrastructure. The enemy has placed increased emphasis on the political objective of destroying the people's faith in the GVN as a viable form of security. 2d CAG aimed its efforts to countering this renewed enemy push in both the military and political area.

During April, the enemy hit District Headquarters, political offices of the GVN and civilian centers. On the first of the month Diem Bao District Headquarters, co-located with CACO 2-5 Headquarters was hit by 82mm mortar fire. The CACO returned mortar fire causing the enemy fire to stop. Also on the first the VC mounted a major terrorist attack on a hamlet 1.6 km east of Dai Loc District Headquarters. They burned homes, kidnapped civilians and stole 5 water buffaloes. The enemy left behind propaganda leaflets. CACO 2-2 contacted PsyOps, which did an excellent job of turning this terrorist attack into a propaganda victory for the GVN.

2d CAG small units have been thoroughly briefed on the dangers of pulling down VC/NVA propaganda or flags without first checking for trip wires. This training paid off on the 3rd when a CAP 2-7-6 patrol discovered a VC flag on a flag pole 6.4 km SW of Hoa Vang District Headquarters. Checking it out with the aid of a 1st Marine Regiment Mine Team, they discovered it to be connected to two M-26 grenades, doubled riged with trip and pressure release type firing devices. The two SFDs and flag were destroyed in place. On the 4th CAP 2-3-2 while conducting a MED CAP 800m NE of Hien Nhon District Headquarters was the target of a terrorist attack. The MEDCAPs have been an outstanding success, with 2d CAG units conducting both formal and informal MEDCAPs. Whenever possible, 2d CAG has had the PF Corpsman help with the MEDCAPs, bringing across to the people that loyalty to the GVN has advantages. The VC realize the success of these MEDCAPs, thus this attack, in an attempt to frighten the people away from MEDCAPS. Here again, PsyOps was employed to show the people that the GVN is looking out for their welfare.

In line with the field MEDCAPs, conducted by the CAPs, 2d CAG Headquarters personnel working with the 2d CAG medical department held daily MEDCAPs for adjacent villages. In April 2d CAG HQ's Medical Section started the construction of a building to be used for this purpose within the compound area.

On the 11th, the quick deployment of a CAP 2-3-5 patrol in reaction to a VC kidnapping incident prevented the capture of two GVN hamlet officials. The VC dressed in 51st ABN uniforms entered Trien Trung Hamlet, killed the hamlet Chief and fled with the two other hamlet officials. 2-3-5 took the enemy under fire, at which time the GVN Officials escaped. 2-3-5 captured 2 VC's, while CAP 2-3-4 captured 1 VC. The three VC's were turned over to District Headquarters for questioning and PsyOps was brought in to use this incident against the enemy. On the 13th the VC attacked the Cam Chau village office, killing 1 civilian and wounding 9 civilians. Headquarters personnel

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from CACO 2-4 gave medical assistance to the wounded and handled the Medevac to a local hospital. 2nd CAG HQs supplied personnel to go on a combined operation with PBR and UDT elements of the First Coastal Zone Advisory Group on the 15th. The patrol discovered 5 bunkers, which were then destroyed and captured one individual weapon, later to be delivered to District Headquarters. The 2d CAG HQs unit has in the past (and continues to do so) given the PBRs stationed at 2d CAG assistance with items power needs for sweeps, security elements and blocking forces.

On the following day, the 16th, a multi-CAP operation of CAPs 2-3-1, 2-3-5, 2-3-2, and 2-3-6 had excellent results with a sweep, discovering (1) 500 lb bomb rigged for contact detonation, (1) 155mm round, (1) 105mm round, (1) 82mm HE round and 5 bunkers. All ordnance and the 5 bunkers were destroyed by the CAPs.

On the 16th in a combined operation with PBR elements of the 1st Coastal Zone Advisory Group, a CAP 2-4-2 patrol discovered, and with the aid of a fixed wing attack destroyed an enemy company size base camp. The camp showed evidence of recent use. The CAP captured 100 lbs of foodstuffs, documents, 2 NVA packs, 1 NVA helmet, and destroyed 15 bunkers.

The CAP personnel of 2d CAG have been trained to be alert to their surroundings, to pay attention to any unusual activities and to be able to know most of the civilians, military personnel in their area on sight. This training paid off on the 19th when CAP 2-7-5 apprehended a VCS dressed in an ARVN uniform. The man was familiar to the CAP Marines. A check proved him to be lacking an ID card and to be unresponsive to questioning. The VCS was turned over to District Headquarters for further interrogation.

On the 30th a CAP 2-2-1 ambush was taken under fire by the enemy. The CAP returned fire and the enemy fled in an unknown direction. Returning from their night activity, the ambush discovered that the enemy had burned 6 VN civilian homes, kidnapped 50 VN civilians and wounded 1 VN civilian and 1 non-CAP PF miner. In addition to contacting PayOps, the CAP arranged for lumber and sheet metal and gave the civilians, both the materials and their help in rebuilding the damage caused by the VC. This type of assistance, unasked for by the villagers, has won the CAP Marines strong supporters in the villages and hamlets.

Because of the friendship, trust, that exists between the populations of villages protected by CAPs and CAP Marines, the Marines receive timely intelligence. On two incidents, both on the 30th, intelligence was received from villagers which led to the capture of VC POWs.

A CACO 2-7 Headquarters patrol captured 2 VC who had attempted to assassinate the Hamlet Chief of Thanh Minh. They arrived in time to apprehend these two VC, due to receiving intelligence from local villagers on the assassination attempt. CAP 2-4-3 captured 6 VC after the enemy location was revealed by local RD cadre members.
Training: During April training was carried out by the CACOs in accordance with Group Bulletin 1500. All training plans were submitted to the Commanding Officer, 2d CAG by the CACOs prior to these plans being used. Training emphasis was placed on educating the PFs in the use, care, and repairs of the M60 machine gun and in the use, preventive maintenance, and lessons in radio procedure of the PRC-25 radio.

Inspections: During the month of April a regular schedule of staff inspections was conducted throughout the CAP's. These inspections consisted of detailed critiques of undesirable trends and were submitted to CACOs so they could take corrective action. Also inspected were records being kept and coordination accomplished on both the CACO and CAP levels. Supply and communications inspections were also conducted in order to evaluate the state of readiness at the CAP and CACO level, based on usage data compiled at 2d CAG Headquarters.

Conference/Meetings:

Staff Conference. 2d CAG Headquarters continued to hold weekly staff meetings where matters of multiple staff cognizance were discussed.

Combined Action Company C.O.'s Meeting. During the month of April meetings were held on a weekly basis for all Combined Action Company Commanders and the Headquarters Staff. These meetings were specifically designed for the purpose of working out problems of support and coordination, in addition to promulgating command guidance. At each of these meetings the individual CACO C.O. or his representative gave a projection from the DIOCC (District Intelligence/Operations Control Center) concerning intelligence in their area for the coming week.

CAP Commanders Conference. In April, at the monthly CAP Commanders Conference, the following subjects, approved by the CACO Commanders, were discussed, the National Police Field Force, call signs used when receiving a VIP visitor, weapon safety and methods of handling VC/NVA flags found flying in the CAP TAOCs.

OUT for 4th CAG Personnel: During April 2d CAG received 6 men from 4th CAG for on the job training with 2d CAG's CAPs. This program is producing excellent results, with the majority of the 4th CAG personnel receiving combat experience.
PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 Apr 70
The CACO 2-3 Headquarters, located adjacent to Dieu Ban District Headquarters, received an unknown number of 82mm mortar rounds and SAF from an USEF in the vicinity of BT 065584. The CACO 2-3 Headquarters returned counter-mortar fire on suspected enemy locations causing the enemy to cease fire and withdraw in an unknown direction. Lacking a discernable enemy location, a sweep was not conducted. RESULTS: Unknown.

1 Apr 70
A CAP 2-2-1 ambush received AMF and SAF from an USEF at AT 927579, 1.8 km E of Dal Loc District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to withdraw E. A sweep of the area disclosed 15 houses on fire, 1 VN civilian KIA and 1 VN civilian with a minor gunshot wound inflicted by the withdrawing enemy force. The wounded VN civilian reported to CAP PF that VC had set the houses afire, kidnapped an unknown number of VN civilians and stole 3 water buffaloes. The VN civilian was rendered first aid and released. A further sweep of the area disclosed 4 NVA flags and 30 VN language VC propaganda leaflets. The leaflets were delivered to District Headquarters for analysis along with the flags. PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA, 1 VN civilian WIA(M), an unknown number of VN civilians KIA, 3 stolen water buffaloes; 4 NVA flags and 30 VN language VC propaganda leaflets captured.

1 Apr 70
A CAP 2-1-4 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 3 enemy discovered in a bunker at AT 956586, 3 km E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The enemy did not return fire. A search of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 NVA, 1 VC POW, 1 AK-47, 2 ChlCom 9mm pistols, 1 M-26 grenade, 1 M-53 grenade, and miscellaneous documents. Upon questioning by CAP PF, it was learned that the NVA POW is a warrant officer in the 11st NVA Regiment. The VC and NVA POWs and documents were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation and analysis respectively, along with the rifle and 2 pistols. The bunker and grenades were destroyed. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 1 NVA POW, 1 VC POW; 3 IWC; miscellaneous documents captured; 1 bunker, 1 M-26 grenade, 1 M-53 grenade destroyed.

2 Apr 70
A CAP 2-4-3 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 1 VC running S at BT 176587, 1.6 km E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The enemy fled S without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC WIA. The VC was rendered first aid and medevaced by helicopter. The VC POW will be returned to Hieu Nhon District Headquarters for interrogation after medical treatment. RESULTS: 1 VC POW.
2 Apr 70

Acting on information received from local villagers that 10 VC were 600 m NE of the patrol base, a CAP 2-5-7 patrol base dispatched a CAP PF patrol to investigate. The PF patrol received SAF from an estimated 10 VC in a hedgerow at BT 057625, 4 km N of Dian Ban District Headquarters. The PF patrol returned organic weapons fire, requested a CAP 2-5-7 reaction force and caused the enemy to flee NE. 1 PF was WIA in the contact and 1 M-16 was lost to the enemy. The reaction force medevaced the PF WIA by helicopter. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. The PF patrol was mutually agreed upon by the District Chief and the CACO Commander in order to evaluate CAP PF proficiency. RESULTS: 1 PF WIA(E), 1 M-16 lost to the enemy.

2 Apr 70

A CAP 2-9-1 ambush called an artillery fire mission on an estimated 20 VC moving S in groups of 4 to 6 VC in grid square 8847, 1 km E of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The enemy fled S. An USEF then began a VN and English language propaganda broadcast from AT 88477, 1 km E of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The ambush called an artillery fire mission on the suspected broadcast sight and the broadcast appealing to Marines and PF to rally to the VC ceased. PayOps was notified. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: Negative.

3 Apr 70

A CAP 2-7-6 patrol discovered 1 VC flag raised on a flagpole at BT 072702, 6.4 km SW of Hua Vang District Headquarters and requested a mine sweep team from the 1st Marine Regiment. The mine sweep team discovered 2 M-26 grenade booby traps each rigged with a trip wire and pressure type firing device in the vicinity of the flagpole. The SFDs and the flag were destroyed. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 SFDs and 1 VC flag destroyed.

3 Apr 70

A CAP 2-1-4 patrol discovered 1 122mm rocket, 2 M-16 AP mines rigged with pressure type firing devices and 500 lbs of rice at AT 964692, 3.5 km E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The SFDs were destroyed in place and the 122mm rocket and rice were delivered to District Headquarters. The rice will be redistributed to local village. A search of the area for further SFDs and rockets was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 SFDs destroyed, 1 122mm rocket and 500 lbs of rice captured.

4 Apr 70

A CAP 2-4-5 patrol apprehended 8 VN civilians without identification in a restricted area at BT 175580, 1.5 km NW of Hieu Nhan District Headquarters. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were classified as VCS and delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 8 VCS.
4 Apr 70

While conducting a MEDCAP at BT 169581, 800 m NE of Hieu Nhien District Headquarters, a CAP 2-4-3 patrol base received 1 M-26 grenade from an USEF. 2 USMC, 1 USM, 1 PF, 1 RD Cadreman and 5 VN children were WIA from the exploding grenade. The enemy fled in an unknown direction. During a search of the area, CAP PF apprehended 3 VN civilians suspected of throwing the grenade. The VN were classified as VCS and delivered to District Headquarters for interrogation. The PF WIA was medevaced by helicopter. The other friendly casualties were rendered first aid and medevaced by vehicle to Hoi An Hospital. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(E), 1 PF WIA(E), 1 RD Cadreman WIA(E), 5 VN civilians WIA(E).

4 Apr 70

A CAP 2-3-1 patrol base received 20 RPGs and SAF from an USEF at BT 072585, 900m E of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and called a 60mm mortar and 81mm mortar fire mission and a fixed wing gunship mission on the enemy location causing the enemy to flee E. 2 PF were KIA, 4 PF WIA and 2 PF received minor fragmentation wounds in the contact. The 4 PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter to NSA Hospital. During a sweep of the area, the patrol discovered 1 RPG and apprehended 8 VN civilians who were classified as VCS by CAP PF and delivered to District Headquarters for interrogation. The RPG was destroyed. RESULTS: 2 PF KIA, 4 PF WIA(E), 2 PF WIA(M), 8 VCS, 1 RPG destroyed.

6 Apr 70

In a combined patrol with an element of the 1st Marines, a CAP 2-7-6 patrol element initiated SAF on 1 VC moving E at BT 069705, 5.9 km SE of Hea Vang District Headquarters. The enemy disappeared from sight without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-47, 1 M-26 grenade and 1 pack containing miscellaneous documents. The grenade was destroyed. The documents were delivered to District Headquarters for analysis along with the rifle. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 1 IMC, miscellaneous documents, 1 pack captured; 1 M-26 grenade destroyed.

7 Apr 70

Acting on information received from local villagers that 6 VC were located at BT 065595, 1 km N of Dien Ban District Headquarters, a CAP 2-5-6 patrol base dispatched a patrol to investigate. Arriving in the vicinity of the suspected enemy location, the patrol received SAF from the 6 VC in a tree line. The patrol returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee N and requested CAP 2-5-2 attempt to make contact with the fleeing VC. A CAP 2-3-2 patrol base dispatched a patrol which initiated organic weapons fire on the fleeing VC at BT 058802, 2.1 km N of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy returned SAF and fled N. The patrol called an 81mm mortar fire mission on probable enemy escape routes. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

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8 Apr 70  A CAP 2-9-1 patrol received SAF from an USMF in a treeline at AT 889490, 2.6 km NE of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The patrol returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee N. The patrol called an artillery fire mission on probable enemy escape routes. During a sweep of the area which disclosed 1 VC KIA, a PF member of the patrol accidentally detonated an unknown type booby trap rigged with an unknown type firing device. 1 PF was KIA and 1 USMC received minor fragmentation wounds from the exploding SFD. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 1 USMC WIA(M), 1 VC KIA.

11 Apr 70  A Marine member of a CAP 2-3-1 patrol accidentally detonated an 81mm HE round booby trap rigged with a trip wire firing device at BT 085590, 2.1 km E of Dien Bien District Headquarters. Two USMC and 1 PF were WIA and 1 USMC received a minor fragmentation wound from the exploding SFD. The 2 USMC WIA and 1 PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter to 95th Evac Hospital. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(E), 1 PF WIA(E), 1 USMC WIA(M).

11 Apr 70  A CAP 2-3-4 patrol discovered at BT 095570, 2.6 km SE of Dien Bien District Headquarters, the body of the Trian Trung Hamlet Chief. The patrol apprehended 1 VN civilian in the vicinity of the body who was classified as VCS by CAP PF, and delivered to District Headquarters. The patrol continued to Trian Trung Hamlet where they learned that 13 VC dressed in 51st ARVN uniforms kidnapped the Hamlet Chief along with 2 other Hamlet officials at 111550H and fled in an unknown direction. The patrol began a sweep of the area where the body was discovered and requested CAP 2-3-5 to dispatch a patrol to the E to attempt to locate the fleeing 15 VC and the 2 kidnapped Hamlet officials. The CAP 2-3-5 patrol base dispatched a patrol as requested and received SAF from an estimated 5 VC moving E with the 2 Hamlet officials as captives at BT 103570, 3.8 km SE of Dien Bien District Headquarters. The patrol returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee E enabling the captive Hamlet officials to escape. The fleeing VC returned SAF wounding 4 VN civilians who were along the escape route. The patrol rendered first aid and medevaced the 4 VN civilian WIA. During a sweep of the area, the patrol apprehended 2 VN civilians without identification. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were classified as VCS and delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation, PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA, 4 VN civilians WIA(E), 3 VCS.
13 Apr 70  A CAP 2-1-4 patrol discovered 2 bunkers at AT 952687, 2.5 km E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. A search of the bunkers and the surrounding area disclosed 2 AK-47 rifles, 2 RPGs, and 500 lbs of rice. The RPGs, rice and bunkers were destroyed and the rifles were delivered to District Headquarters. Continuing on the patrol route, the patrol discovered 1 82mm mortar tube, 2 82mm mortar bipods and 2 82mm mortar baseplates in a creek at AT 962685, 3.5 km E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The 82mm mortar tube, bipods and baseplates were delivered to District Headquarters.

RESULTS: 1 CSGC, 2 IN, 1 82mm mortar bipod, 2 82mm mortar baseplate captured; 2 RPGs, 500 lbs of rice and 2 bunkers destroyed.

15 Apr 70  Responding to a request for assistance from local villagers, CACG 2-4 Headquarters rendered first aid and medevaced 9 VN civilians who were wounded from the detonation of an unknown type explosive device in the Ca Chau Village office at BT 164574, 20m E of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. One VN civilian was KIA from the exploding device. PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA, 9 VN civilians WIA(E).

16 Apr 70  A multi-CAP operation of CAPs 2-3-1, 2-3-2, 2-3-5, and 2-3-6 discovered 1 500 lb bomb booby trap rigged for command detonation, 1 155mm HE round, 1 105mm HE round, 1 82mm HE round and 3 bunkers in the vicinity of BT 055568, 3.2 km SE of Dien Bien District Headquarters. The SFDP, ordnance and bunkers were destroyed in place. RESULTS: 1 SFDP, 1 155mm HE round, 1 105mm HE round, 1 82mm HE round and 3 bunkers destroyed.

18 Apr 70  In a combined operation with PBG elements of 1st Coastal Zone Advisory Group, a CAP 2-4-2 patrol initiated organic weapons fire and called a fixed wing fire support mission on 5 VC in bunkers at BT 118554, 4.6 km SW of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. Two secondary explosions were caused by the air strike. The enemy returned SAF and fired S and W. A sweep of the area disclosed a company size base camp containing 100 lbs foodstuff, 5 M-26 grenades, 2 NVA packs, 2 US steel helmets, 1 NVA helmet, 1 pair ROKMC utilities, assorted pots, pans and cooking utensils, numerous grass huts, 2 sampans, miscellaneous medical supplies, 15 bunkers either destroyed or damaged by the air strike, miscellaneous documents and numerous blood trails. The documents were delivered to District Headquarters for analysis. All other items discovered were destroyed. RESULTS: Miscellaneous documents captured; an enemy company size base camp containing 100 lbs foodstuff, 5 M-26 grenades, 2 NVA packs, 2 US steel helmets,
1 NVA helmet, 1 pair ROKMC utilities, miscellaneous medical supplies destroyed; 15 bunkers either destroyed or damaged.

19 Apr 70

A CAP 2-7-5 patrol base apprehended 1 unfamiliar VN male in a VN uniform at BT 052896, 4.9 km SE of Hau Vang District Headquarters. Without identification and unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN was classified as a VCS and delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

19 Apr 70

A CAP 2-7-6 patrol apprehended 1 VN male obviously attempting to evade the patrol by hiding in the brush at BT 079706, 6.6 km SE of Hau Vang District Headquarters. Upon questioning by CAP PF, the VN was classified as V6. During the sweep of the area, the patrol discovered 1 claymore mine, and apprehended 9 VN civilians with improper identification. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were classified as VCS. The claymore mine was destroyed in place. The local force VC guerrilla POW and 9 VCS were delivered to District Headquarters for interrogation. RESULTS: 1 VC POW, 9 VCS; 1 claymore mine destroyed.

20 Apr 70

A CAP 2-4-1 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 8 VC moving E at BT 177592, 2.5 km NE of Hieu Nham District Headquarters. The enemy returned fire with 5 ChiCom grenades SAF and fled W. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 SA magazine, 1 pistol belt and numerous blood trails. The SA magazine and pistol belt were delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 1 SA magazine and 1 pistol belt captured.

20 Apr 70

A CAP 2-4-3 patrol received 2 ChiCom grenades and SAF from an USSF in a house located at BT 168582, 1.5 km NE of Hieu Nham District Headquarters. The patrol returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee NW. One USMC was WIA and 1 USMC received minor fragmentation wounds in the contact. The USMC WIA was medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area disclosed 5 VN civilians who were obviously preparing feed for the enemy force, 5 lbs of cooked rice, 15 lbs of uncooked rice, miscellaneous cooking utensils and numerous drag marks leading NW out of the village. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were classified as VCS and delivered to District Headquarters for interrogation. The rice and cooking utensils were distributed to local villagers. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(M), 1 USMC WIA(M); 5 VCS; 5 lbs cooked rice, 15 lbs uncooked rice, and miscellaneous cooking utensils captured.
22 Apr 70  A CAP 2-3-2 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 1 VC carrying a weapon and attempting to flee NE across the Son Vinh Dien River at BT 057608, 3 km NW of Dien Bien District Headquarters. The enemy did not return fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA and 4 bunkers. The 4 bunkers were destroyed. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA and 4 bunkers destroyed.

24 Apr 70  A CAP 2-7-5 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on an USEF at BT 051697, 3.2 km SE of Hoa Vang District Headquarters. The enemy returned fire with 2 M-26 grenades and fled in an unknown direction. One USMC received minor fragmentation wounds during the contact. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-47 rifle, 1 SA magazine, 4 M-26 grenades and 1 US type cartridge belt. The M-26 grenades were destroyed in place and the AK-47, SA magazine and US cartridge belt were delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(M), 1 VC KIA; 1 NCO, 1 SA magazine and 1 US cartridge belt captured; 4 M-26 grenades destroyed.

27 Apr 70  A CAP 2-4-3 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 1 VC wearing a helmet and carrying a weapon moving N at BT 165576, 1 km S of Hieu Dien District Headquarters. The VC fled S without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 pith helmet and 1 VC KIA. The pith helmet was delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 1 pith helmet captured.

28 Apr 70  A CAP 2-2-1 patrol base received 4 82mm mortar rounds from an unknown location at AT 922577, km E of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The patrol base returned countermortar fire on the suspected enemy locations causing the enemy to cease fire. One VN civilian was WIA from the exploding enemy mortar fire and medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area was not conducted for lack of a discernable target. PsyOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian WIA(E).

29 Apr 70  A CAP 2-5-2 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 2 VC with weapons moving E at BT 056615, 3.5 km N of Dien Bien District Headquarters. The VC fled E without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA and 1 blood trail. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

30 Apr 70  A CAP 2-2-1 ambush received M-79 rounds and SAF from an USEF at AT 929579, 1 km E of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. At the same time a CAP 2-2-1 patrol base received 5 RPGs and ADF from an USEF at AT 952572, 1.5 km E.
of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The patrol base returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction and called an 81mm mortar fire mission on suspected enemy escape routes. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. The CAP 2-2-1 ambush returning from night activities discovered 6 burned houses at AT 929585, 1.3 km NE of Dai Loc District Headquarters, and were informed by local villagers that the VC had kidnapped 50 VN civilians and fled in an unknown direction. A sweep of the area disclosed 2 men-CAP PF and 1 VN civilian with minor wounds, received from the enemy when they entered the village. PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 2 men-CAP PF WIA(M) and 1 VN civilian WIA(M); 50 VN civilians kidnapped; 6 houses burned.

30 Apr 70

A CAP 2-2-3 patrol base received 7 82mm mortar rounds at AT 929608, 6 km N of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The patrol base called for an 81mm mortar fire mission on the suspected enemy firing position, causing the enemy to cease fire. The area was not swept because it was outside the CAP TAOC. RESULTS: Unknown.

30 Apr 70

Responding to a request for assistance from local villagers, a CAP 2-7 Headquarters patrol rendered first aid and medevaced 3 VN civilians wounded by claymore mine fragmentation in an assassination attempt on the life of the Thanh Kinh Hamlet Chief at BT 049612, 3.5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. A sweep of the area disclosed 2 VN females hiding in brush with batteries and communication wire in their possession. Upon questioning by CAP PF, the VN were classified as local force VC guerrillas and delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 3 VN civilians WIA(E), 2 VC POW.

30 Apr 70

Responding to a request for assistance from local villagers, a CAP 2-7-5 patrol assisted elements of the 2nd Bn 1st Marines in rendering first aid and medevacing the Deputy Chief for Security of Kim Son Village at BT 070700, 6.2 km SE of Hea Vang District Headquarters. The Deputy Chief for Security was reportedly wounded from an exploding M-26 grenade thrown by a VN woman from a passing bus. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. PayOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian WIA(E).
2. Neutralisation of Enemy Forces

   a. NVA KIA  0
   b. VC KIA  15
   c. NVA POW  1
   d. VC POW  14
   e. VCI POW  0
   f. HOI CHAMHS
      (1) NVA  0
      (2) VC  0
      (3) VCI  0

3. Casualties Sustained

   a. USMC KIA  2 (including 1 DOW)
   b. USMC WIA(E) 18 (including 4 NBC(E))
   c. USMC WIA(M) 12 (including 1 NBC(M))
   d. USMC MIA  0
   e. USN KIA  0
   f. USN WIA(E)  2 (including 1 NBC (E))
   g. USN WIA(M)  3 (including 1 NBC (M))
   h. USN MIA  0
   i. CAP PF KIA  4
   j. CAP PF WIA(E) 12
   k. CAP PF WIA(M)  8
   l. CAP PF MIA  0

4. New Techniques Employed

   Negative

5. Command Relationships

   There were no significant problems in the command relationships between
   2d CAG units and coordinating units, Vietnamese, American or Korean.

6. Significant Accomplishments of Attachments

   a. ARVN Interpreters/Translators, III MAF
      During April, 2d CAG employed 6 interpreters in the field and
      1 interpreter stationed at 2d CAG Headquarters. The interpreters
      continued to do their excellent work enabling 2d CAG units to coordinate
      smoothly with their Vietnamese counterparts.

   b. Kit Carson Scouts 1st MarDiv (G-2)
      There were 9 Kit Carson Scouts deployed in 2d CAG units during
      April. They participated in 265 day and night patrols, assisted with
      2 classes and conducted 5 PsyOps broadcasts. They aided in the discovery
      of 3 cave/tunnel complexes.

   c. Scout Dogs 3rd MPS 1st Mar Div

3-9
2d CAG made extensive use of Mine and Beeby Trap dogs and the Scout dogs from 3rd MP's 1st MARDIV. The dogs proved to be a valuable asset to the patrols of 2d CAG small units.

7. Lessons Learned Negative

8. Logistics

a. General: This Command continues to be in a C-2 category under the Mares Reporting System. The biggest single event during this month was the addition of (7) Combined Action Platoons from 3rd and 4th CAG who arrived with equipment.

b. Significant Events: During this period this command received the following combat essential equipment from 3rd CAG and 4th CAG.

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c. Damage to Weapons due to Enemy Action: During this period there were no weapons damaged beyond repair due to enemy action.

d. Meter Transpct:

(1) The Group Meter Transport Section drove a total of 55,517 miles during this period. Thirteen (13) meter transport vehicles were deadlined. Ten (10) of these vehicles were deadlined for 2nd echelon maintenance. Breakdown is as fellows:

(2) M55A2G
(4) M37B1
(4) M151A1

(2) One (1) vehicle was deadlined for 5th echelon maintenance during this period. The Breakdown is as fellows:

(1) M151A1
(5) During this period two (2) M37BL's were code H and were sent in for repair.

(4) This command received during this period (1) M151Al and (1) M37BL for the group meter transport section.

(5) Average deadline times were as follows:

2nd Echelon 5 days
3rd Echelon 15 days

e. Airlift:

(1) During this period no airlifts have been scheduled.

f. Messhall:

(1) Approximately 9,570 meals were served during this period in the 2nd CAG's messhall.

(2) A total of 2,720 meals were distributed to field units from 2nd CAG's messhall.

g. Armory:

(1) The armory has repaired a total of 65 weapons during this period. Forty Five (45) weapons were sent in for repair to 1st FSR for 3rd echelon maintenance.

h. Miscellaneous Services:

i. Supplies: Supplies are generally satisfactory. Lag periods in document status continues to delay completion time frames.

j. Problem Areas:

(1) The command's "Critical Problem Areas" has been the failure to receive the following:

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(2) Failure to receive the above mentioned items causes a marked loss of logistic efficiency. This is especially true as in regards to the PU-462 generators.

(3) Failure to hold (108) 60MM Mortars is the largest deficiency of combat essential equipment. Unlike generators the failure to have the 60MM Mortars on hand causes no impairment of this command's tactical efficiency.

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9. Civic Action/Psychological Operations

1. During the month of April Civic Action NCO's from the 2d Combined Action Group continued their efforts to act as liaison between Hamlet, Village and District Officials, in initiating Civic Action and Community Development. Civic Action efforts in MedCaps, education, distribution of commodities, personal response and construction projects continued at an acceptable level.

2. The Civic Action NCO's have been working to better their relations with the Vietnamese people by helping them in repairing their homes and roads; also by doing this they have become better acquainted with the people.

3. Several CAPs have been giving out trash barrels to their hamlets and villages under conditions where the people have to hold regular police calls in their own area. The CAPs have made arrangements to pick up the trash barrels for them, and the Hamlet Chief provides the people to dump the trash. The Hamlets have been helping daily police calls due to the trash barrels and the CAP Marines.

4. During the month the CAP Civic Action NCOs have received numerous gifts from people in the United States. These gifts have been clothing, toys, soap and personal hygiene kits. These gifts have been given to the most needy Vietnamese in the CAP areas.

5. Several of the CAPs Civic Action NCO’s have been building bulletin boards in the Hamlets where the Vietnamese can post their important events so that all the people in the hamlets can receive the information. The bulletin boards have become very useful for the Vietnamese people and are therefore appreciated.

6. Commodities distributed during the month of April were as follows: Food, 1759 lb.; meals fed, 699; clothing, 850 lb.; soap, 1885 lb.; school refill kits, 149; personal hygiene kits, 22; sewing kits, 124; midwife kits, 4; Physical Education kits, 100; Masonary kits, 8.

7. During April, CAP Personnel of the Group assisted the Vietnamese civilians in completing the following projects: fences, 18; public showers, 4; walls, 21; dwellings, 1; pagodas, 2; bridges, 5; school class rooms, 4; family bunkers, 2.

8. Medical assistance in support of civic action saw MedCaps resulting in the treatment of 10,637 Vietnamese civilians and 35 dental cases were treated. Vietnamese medically evacuated during the month of April were 52 adults and 36 children.

9. CAP corpsmen continued to train Vietnamese civilians in the basics of first aid. During the month 47 such civilians were under going training.
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There aides assist in MedCaps and serve as interpreters for the corpsmen.

10. Psychological operations activities employed by 2d CAG during the month of April included the use of air-dropped leaflets and hand dissemination of leaflets and Vietnamese newspapers.

(1) Approximately 30,000 "CAPs are here to help you" leaflets were air dropped.

(2) Approximately 40,000 "safe conduct passes" were air dropped.

(3) 50,000 reward leaflets were air dropped during the month of April.

(4) Approximately 45,000 Vietnamese newspapers were hand distributed by CAP Marines.

10. Personnel and Administration

a. Personnel Transactions. During the month of April the following personnel transactions were completed.

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b. Promotions: During the month of April the following promotions were effected:

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c. Legal Matters
1. Courts held:
   - GCM - 0
   - SpCM - One (1)
   - SCM - Two (2)

2. Article 32 Investigations: Completed
   - 0

3. NJP
   - Eight (8)

4. JAG-Type Investigations:
   - Two (2)

d. Award Recommendations
   - SSM - 0
   - BSM - 3
   - NCM - 9
   - NAM - 0
   - PH - 34

e. Congr ints/Splints/Welreps
   The command has responded to:
   - (2) Congr ints
   - (0) Splints
   - (5) Welreps

f. Morale and Welfare

3-14
1. R&R. The command has utilized the following number of quotas to the R&R areas listed.

   a. Hong Kong (6)  Japan (3)
   Taipei (4)  Bangkok (8)
   Hawaii (9)  Sydney (9)
   Okinawa (1)  Manila (0)

   b. In Country - Twc (2)

2. Mail. Daily average bags of mail processed:

   Incoming  Outgoing
   25  2

3. Hospital Visitations. All Incountry Hospital patients are visited weekly by their respective C&O Commanders.

   g. Career Planning

   Re-enlistments: (1) 2 yrs; (0) 3 yrs; (0) 4 yrs;
   (0) 6 yrs.

   Extensions: (0) _______ months; (0) _______ months;
   (0) _______ months; (0) _______ months;

11. Intelligence

   Captured enemy documents in Quang Nam Province revealed that the enemy started in late March, early April the Phase I of the K700 campaign. Other captured documents and agent reports revealed the enemy planned to return to guerrilla warfare with an emphasis on the more traditional insurgent tactics of widespread hit and run raids, sabotage, terrorism, attacks-by-fire, and intensified political - economic warfare. Actual combat experience in 2d CAG confirmed these reports with a high rate of terrorist incidents recorded during April. English language enemy propaganda was directed against CAG units. The CAP program is a threat to the VC efforts.

   The terrorist incidents and VC propaganda during April were directed against GVN officials and buildings. In some cases the VC directly attacked civilian groups in an effort to destroy the peoples' faith in the GVN as a viable form of security. After these attacks the VC left behind
propaganda statements to the effect that the GVN cannot be much good if it can not protect your lives, homes and fields.

The enemy is having problems with both troop morale and logistics of vitally needed foodstuffs. Captured documents in Dien Ban District revealed that VC units in the area are not receiving cooperation from local villagers. The local villagers refuse to sell them food and those who are willing to traffic with the VC are prevented by CAP checkpoints from getting their foodstuffs to the VC. A POW captured from the 141st NVA Regiment stated that the troops of this Regiment are close to a state of mutiny due to bad morale and constant setbacks suffered at the hands of allied forces.

Other reports from POWs and captured documents substantiate the visual sightings of mixed NVA/VC units, as mentioned in last month chronology. This farming out of NVA regulars to local force VC units indicates two things. One, the enemy has suffered manpower losses and two, that he is indeed reverting to guerrilla type warfare.

Political activity by the enemy as revealed in captured documents are aimed at discrediting GVN land reform activities. VC agents were instructed by this directive (10/CT/TU) dated 6 April 1970, to motivate the villages in Hwa Vang District to boycott the GVN land reform program and to refuse to supply the GVN with documentary records concerning land ownership of the villages.

12. Communications

a. Problem areas:

This command received batteries for the AN/PRC-25 which were outdated, thereby causing a high rate of battery use.

b. Communications:

1. Radio Relay. A period of 6 hours down time was recorded for the HRC-62. 4 hours of this time was due to a frequency blockage caused by another radio relay using the same frequency. 2 hours of down time was due to the breakage and replacement time of an antenna.

2. Battery usage BA 386. 1428 batteries were used during the month, 149 AN/PRC-25 radios were in use.

3. Combat Operation Center. The following communications traffic was passed through the combat operations center over various nets.

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SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORTS

- Serious Incident Reports: 0
- Commanders Daily Summary: 245
- Total Traffic: 1105

4. Communications Supply. Components of end items were in adequate stock throughout the entire month. The following list reflects requisition status of communication items:

- Requisitions Submitted: 0
- Requisitions Completed: 5
- Requisitions Outstanding: 47
- Total Outstanding: 47

5. Maintenance. Excellent maintenance support on repair of components of end items was provided by Electronic Maintenance from FLSG-B. Total support provided by FLSG-B Electronic Maintenance was as follows:

- Work Requests Submitted: 126
- Work Requests Completed: 126
- Work Requests Outstanding: 0
- Total Outstanding: 0

13. Fire Support

During April 2d CAG units called in (8) artillery missions, (6) 81mm mortar fire missions, and (5) 80mm mortar fire missions on either suspected or known enemy targets.

14. Air Support

During April (2) fixed wing missions were flown in support of 2d CAG units. There was no other type of air support requested during the month of April.

15. Activations, Deactivations, Redesignations, Relocations of CAPs

Negative report

16. Combined Action Force School

2d CAG, in April sent 57 Marines to Combined Action Force School.

17. Combined Action Force Vietnamese Language School

2d CAG, in April sent (7) Marines to Combined Action Force Vietnamese Language School.
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18. Medical Department

a. General:
During the month of April, Headquarters 2d Combined Action Group, Medical Section continued to expand its MedCap capabilities at CAG level with outstanding success.

The CAG Headquarters Supply system was updated to provide better and more effective service for the Corpsmen and Marines in the field. This was accomplished by increasing the T/O of medical personnel to three permanent medical personnel.

b. Personnel:

1. Medical Department Representative: J.H. BRYSON, HMC
2. Administrative/Sick Call Petty Officer: J.F. COMBS, HM1
3. Supply/Sick Call Petty Officer: J.A. EGGINK, HM2

(a) Detached RTD 3
(b) Transferred to 3rd CAG 2
(c) Transferred to CAF DIR 1
(d) Transferred to Air Wing 1
(e) WIA 5
(f) Joined 10

c. MedCap:

1. During the month of April Combined Action Platoons treated 10,637 Vietnamese civilians through routine MedCaps.

2. Headquarters Group Aid Station treated 625 Vietnamese civilians through daily Med Cap. This is an increase of 450 over last months total.

d. Training:

1. CAP Corpsmen conducted a total of 59 classes with an attendance total of 505 Health workers, PF Corpsmen and civilians. This is a decrease of 4 classes and 71 people in attendance.

e. The decrease in MedCaps, classes and attendance was the result of a shortage of Corpsmen for most of the month of April.

19. Special Services

1. The month of April was a good one for Special Services. One Hong Kong trip was made and proved to be quite successful. Our monthly income was $1,752.50.
2. During April the weekly issue of beer and soda to the CAPs was continued. The weekly allotment of beer and soda was changed due to the increase or decrease in the amount of personnel assigned to the different CAPs. During the month 564 cases of beer and soda were issued to the field.

3. One organizational party was held by the S-1 section. Beer and soda were furnished by Special Services.

4. Special Services also received paperback books during the month of April. The paperback books were distributed to all the CAPs.
From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD)
Via: (1) Commanding Officer, Combined Action Force
      (2) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
      (3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

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Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1A
     (b) FMF Pac 5750.8B
     (c) CAFO 5750.1

Encl: (1) 2d Combined Action Group Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.

2. Downgraded at 3-year intervals, declassified after 12 years, DOD Dir 5200.10.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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ENCLOSURE (1)
PART I

Organisational Data

1. Designation | Commander | Date
--- | --- | ---
2d Combined Action Group | LtCol D. R. CHRISTENSEN | 1 - 30 June 70

Subordinate Units

| Designation | Commander | Date |
--- | --- | --- |
1st Combined Action Company | Capt R.D. TOMLIN | 1 - 30 June 70 |
2nd Combined Action Company | Capt T.M. BEELDON | 1 - 30 June 70 |
3rd Combined Action Company | Capt W.J. CAMPBELL | 1 - 07 June 70 |
3rd Combined Action Company | Capt L.H. WILLIAMS | 8 - 30 June 70 |
4th Combined Action Company | 1stLt R.W. JOHNSON | 1 - 30 June 70 |
7th Combined Action Company | Capt R.M. MALLARD | 1 - 30 June 70 |
8th Combined Action Company | Capt J.R. KNIBBS | 1 - 30 June 70 |
9th Combined Action Company | Capt R.A. CRANE | 1 - 30 June 70 |

Attached Units

DET, Kit Carson Scouts, 1st MarDiv G-2 (C-1)
DET, ARVN Interpreters/Translators, III MAF
DET, Medical Section, HQ, III MAF
DET, Scout Dugs, 5d MP Battalion, 1st Marine Division

2. Location

| CAG | Location |
--- | --- |
HQ, 2nd CAG | Hieu Nhon District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
CAGO 2-1 | Hieu Duc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
CAGO 2-2 | Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
CAGO 2-3 | Dien Ban District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
CAGO 2-4 | Hieu Nhon District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
CAGO 2-7 | Hoa Vang District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
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CAGO 2-9 | Duc Duc District, Quang Nam Province, RVN |
5. **Staff Officers**

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During June 2nd CAG made extensive use of War Dog teams. It was found that the employment of these teams in the field had a nullifying effect on enemy mine emplacements. When the dog teams were put into the field with a CAP, the enemy pulled his mines out of their locations.

In Hieu Duc District, the VC utilized a method they had used in the past to gain access to villages in Dien Ban District. Wearing ARVN uniforms two VC entered Hoa Luong Village 5.5 km SE of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The VC assassinated the Deputy Village Chief and one Vietnamese child with AK-47 rifle fire, also wounding one Vietnamese civilian.

On the third, CAP 2-7-4 captured a member of the VC organized Thanh Minh Village Farmers Association. He was identified from the DIOCC blacklist as the Secretary of the organization.

PsyOps was utilized by 2nd CAG as a follow-up to a terrorist attack on the eleventh of June, in Hoa Vang District. Six VC had entered a hamlet 5.8 km SE of the District Headquarters burned four homes and set a booby-trapped M-26 grenade on the approach to one of the homes. On the twenty-ninth an USEF employed terrorist tactics, entering Tu Can (3) Hamlet 7.1 km N of Dien Ban District Headquarters in an attempt to assassinate the Hamlet Chief. The attempt was a failure producing only four Vietnamese civilians with minor wounds. CAP 2-7-8 swept the area with negative results. Capitalizing on the terrorist attack, PsyOps was employed.

All sections at 2nd CAG Headquarters spent the month of June preparing for the influx of personnel and equipment from the other CAGs, as their small units were deactivated.

On the 15th of June Lt. Larry G. CAMPELL was assigned as Dental Officer. During June Lt. CAMPELL treated 2nd CAG Headquarters personnel. In July treatment is planned for CACO personnel.
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 June 70
A CAP 2-7-4 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 2 VC with rifles moving E at BT 055632, 5.5 km N of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy fired N without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 battery tester and miscellaneous documents. The documents were delivered to District Headquarters for analysis along with the battery tester. The patrol detained 2 VN males in the area of contact whose identification card description did not match the bearer. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 2 VN civilians detained; 1 battery tester and miscellaneous documents captured.

1 June 70
A 155mm HE round booby trap was command detonated by an USEF in a CAP 2-7-4 patrol base at BT 040627, 5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. One USN and 1 PF were KIA and 2 USMC were WIA from the exploding SFD. While examining the crater, 1 PF and 1 VN civilian were KIA and 2 USMC and 1 KCS were WIA from the explosion of a command detonated 60mm HE round. The 4 USMC and 1 KCS WIA were medevaced by helicopter. RESULTS: 1 USN KIA, 2 PF KIA, 1 VN civilian KIA, 4 USMC WIA(E), 1 KCS WIA(E).

1 June 70
A Marine member of a CAP 2-4-2 patrol base, at BT 130561, 3.2 km SW of Hieu Nhon District Headquarters, accidentally detonated an unknown type booby trap rigged with an unknown type firing device. Two USMC were WIA from the exploding SFD. As USMC and PF members of the patrol base moved to assist the USMC WIA, four more unknown type SFDs rigged with unknown type firing devices were detonated. Two USMC and 1 USN were KIA, 3 USMC and 3 PF were WIA from the exploding SFDs. At this time, the patrol base received 3 RPGs, M-79 HE rounds and SAF from an USEF. The patrol base returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. The 5 USMC WIA and 3 PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area and search for further SFDs were nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 USMC KIA, 1 USN KIA, 5 USMC WIA(E) and 3 PF WIA(E).

1 June 70
A USMC member of a CAP 2-3-3 patrol base accidentally detonated an unknown type booby trap rigged with an unknown type firing device while digging a fighting hole at BT 049632, 1.8 km W of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The USMC received multiple fragmentation wounds from the exploding SFD and was medevaced by helicopter to 1st Med Bn. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(E).
2 June 70
Local villagers reported to a CAP 2-1-5 patrol base that 2 VC dressed in ARVN uniforms entered Hoa Luong Village at AT 943653, 3.8 km SW of Hieu Duc District Headquarters and assassinated the Deputy Village Chief for Administration of Hoa Luong Village and 1 VN child by AK-47 rifle fire. They also wounded 1 VN civilian and then fled SE. The CAP 2-1-5 patrol base dispatched a patrol to investigate. The patrol confirmed the report, rendered first aid to the VN civilian WIA and medevaced him by helicopter. PsyOps was notified. RESULTS: 2 VN civilians KIA, 1 VN civilian WIA(E).

3 June 70
A CAP 2-7-4 patrol detained 1 VN male obviously attempting to evade the patrol at BT 046625, 4.6 km NW of Dien Ben District Headquarters. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN was delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. The detainee's name was on the DIOCC blacklist and revealed him to be the Secretary of Thanh Minh Village Farmers Association, a VC organization. RESULTS: 1 VCI.

3 June 70
A CAP 2-3-2 patrol received ChiCom grenades and SAF from an USBF at BT 057606, 2.6 km NE of Dien Ben District Headquarters. The patrol returned organic weapons fire and called an artillery fire mission on the enemy location causing the enemy to flee E. The patrol called an artillery fire mission on probable enemy escape routes. Two USMC and 3 PF were WIA in the contact and medevaced by helicopter to 1st Med Bn. A sweep of the area disclosed numerous blood trails. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(2) and 3 PF WIA(E).

4 June 70
CACO 2-2 Headquarters observed 4 enemy 82mm HE rounds impact in Dai Loc Village at AT 915578, 300m W of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The CACO 2-2 Headquarters returned countermortar fire on the suspected enemy location causing the enemy to cease fire and flee in an unknown direction. One VN child was KIA and 4 VN civilians received minor fragmentation wounds from the exploding enemy rounds. A sweep of the area was not conducted because the suspected enemy location was outside the CACO 2-2 area. PsyOps was notified. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA, 4 VN civilians WIA(E).

5 June 70
A CAP 2-2-2 patrol discovered 50 lbs of rice hidden under a hay stack at AT 890565, 2.7 km SW of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The patrol detained 2 VN civilians in vicinity of the hay stack who were obviously attempting to evade the patrol. One of the VN had an altered identification card and the other VN had no identification card. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. The 50 lbs of rice was distributed to local villagers. A search of the area for further rice caches was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 VN civilians detained; 50 lbs of rice captured.
5 June 70  A CAP 2-3-2 patrol received RPGs and SAF from an estimated 30 VC in 2 groups of 15 VC each in the vicinity of BT 058796, 2 km NE of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The patrol returned organic weapons fire, called an 81mm mortar fire mission, artillery fire mission and a fixed wing gunship mission on the enemy locations causing the enemy to flee E and NE. The patrol also called a fixed wing gunship mission on probable enemy escape routes. One PF received a minor fragmentation wound in the contact. A sweep of the area disclosed 2 VC KIA and 1 AK-47 rifle. The rifle was delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 PF WIA(E), 2 VC KIA; 1 IWC.

6 June 70  A CAP 2-7-5 ambush received 3 RPGs and 15 M-79 HE rounds from an USMF at BT 056799, 5 km SE of Hoa Vang District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. Three USMC and 1 PF were WIA in the contact and medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 3 USMC WIA(E), 1 PF WIA(E).

6 June 70  In a combined operation of CAPs 2-2-4, 2-2-2, 1 local non-CAP RF Company, 3 local non-CAP PF Platoons and elements of the 3rd Bn 5th Marines, 12 VN civilians without identification cards were detained in the vicinity of grid square AT 8657, 5 km W of Dai Loc District Headquarters. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP RF and non-CAP RF, the VN were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 12 VN civilians detained.

6 June 70  Acting on information received from local villagers, a CAP 2-3-2 patrol discovered 1 C-4 filled paint can booby trap rigged with a pressure type firing device and 1 250 lb bomb booby trap rigged with a pressure type firing device in a treeline at BT 057596, 1.5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The patrol destroyed the SFDs. A VIF payment was made. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 SFDs destroyed.

7 June 70  Acting on information received from local villagers that an USEF assassinated the CAP 2-7-2 RF corporal at BT 058626, 5.2 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters, a CAP 2-7-2 patrol base dispatched a patrol investigate. The patrol discovered the body of the RF corporal at the above coordinate. The patrol detained 12 VN civilians in the area who had knowledge of the assassination. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP RF, the VN civilians were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 1 CAP RF KIA; 12 VN civilians detained.
8 June 70

A CAP 2-7-1 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 3 VC with weapons moving east at BT 031653, 6 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy fled in an unknown direction without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-47 rifle, 1 AK-47 magazine, 200 S NVN currency and 6 M-14 AP mines. The captured items were delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 1 IWC, 1 AK-47 magazine, 200 S NVN currency and 6 M-14 AP mines captured.

8 June 70

A USMC member of a CAP 2-7-9 patrol detonated a booby trapped M-72 LAW with an unknown type firing device beside a trail at BT 020657, 7 km S of Hoa Vang District Headquarters. Three USMC were KIA and three USMC were WIA from the exploding SFD. The 3 USMC WIA were medevaced by helicopter. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 3 USMC KIA, 3 USMC WIA(B).

11 June 70

Upon observing 4 burning houses at BT 051657, 5.8 km SE of Hoa Vang District Headquarters, a CAP 2-7-8 ambush moved to investigate. The ambush discovered 4 houses destroyed by fire and 1 M-26 grenade booby trap rigged with a trip wire firing device, on a trail in front of one of the houses. The local villagers reported to the ambush that 6 VC had burned the houses, set the booby trap and fled W when the ambush approached. The SFD was destroyed in place. PSYOPS was notified. RESULTS: 1 SFD destroyed, 4 VN civilian houses destroyed by the enemy.

11 June 70

A CAP 2-7-4 patrol observed 2 local force VC guerrillas emplacing an M-26 grenade booby trap with trip wire firing device at BT 048636, 5.5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The patrol deployed capturing 1 VC, 2 M-26 grenades, 4 feet of wire and initiated organic weapons fire on the other VC fleeing N. The patrol called a 60mm mortar fire mission on the probable enemy escape route. A further sweep of the area was nonproductive. The VC POW was delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation along with the grenades and wire. RESULTS: 1 VC POW, 2 M-26 grenades and 4 feet of wire captured.

11 June 70

A CAP 2-3-2 patrol detained 4 VN civilians without identification cards at BT 053596, 1.6 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP FFs, the VN were delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 4 VN civilians detained.
11 June 70  A CAP 2-9-2 patrol base at AT 867491, 1.6 km NW of Duc Duc District Headquarters received 1 M-26 grenade from an USEF in an unknown location. Lacking a discernable target, the CAP did not return fire. One KCS was KIA, 3 USMC, 1 USN, 3 PF and 1 VN civilian were WIA from the exploding grenade. All of the WIA were rendered first aid and medevaced by vehicle to 5th Marines Regimental Aid Station. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 KCS KIA, 3 USMC WIA(E), 1 USN WIA(E), 3 PF WIA(E) and 1 VN civilian WIA(E).

11 June 70  A CAP 2-2-4 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on an estimated 30 VC detected by use of a PSID and Starlight Scope moving toward the ambush site at AT 852569, 6.2 km W of Dal Loc District Headquarters. The enemy returned fire with 60mm HE rounds, AWF and SAF. The ambush called an 81mm mortar fire mission on probable enemy escape routes. A sweep of the area disclosed 2 VC KIA, 2 AK-47 rifles, 3 M-26 grenades, 7 ChiCom grenades, assorted NVA web gear and miscellaneous documents. The documents were delivered to District Headquarters for analysis along with the rifles and web gear. The grenades were destroyed in place.
RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 2 IWC, assorted NVA web gear and miscellaneous documents captured; 3 M-26 grenades and 7 ChiCom grenades destroyed.

12 June 70  A CAP 2-7-1 patrol base received 1 RPG from an USEF at BT 035637, 6.2 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. Lacking a discernable target, the patrol base did not return fire. Three USMC were WIA from the exploding RPG and were medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 3 USMC WIA(E).

13 June 70  A USMC member of a CAP 2-3-3 patrol base accidentally detonated an unknown type explosive while digging a fighting hole at BT 035385, 1.7 km W of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The USMC was WIA from the explosion and medevaced by helicopter to 55th Evac Hospital. A search of the area for further ordnance was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(E).

14 June 70  Local VN villagers led a CAP 2-1-2 patrol to a bunker containing 4 60mm HE rounds at AT 619717, 2.8 km NE of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The patrol destroyed the bunker and 60mm HE rounds. A VIP payment was made. A search of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 bunker and 4 60mm HE rounds destroyed.

3-5
16 June 70 Acting on information received from local villagers that an NVA soldier was hitch-hiking on the road at AT 935625, 5.6 km NE of Dai Loc District Headquarters, a CAP 2-2-3 patrol base dispatched a patrol to investigate. The patrol apprehended the NVA soldier who had a minor gunshot wound. The NVA soldier stated he was a member of the 31st NVA Regiment and had been wounded on 15 June by helicopter gunship fire. The POW was delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. A VIP payment will be made to the informants. RESULTS: 1 NVA POW.

16 June 70 A CAP 2-4-5 patrol apprehended 1 VN male without an identification card and carrying a large sum of VN currency at BT 166572, 1.5 km S of Hieu Nhon District Headquarters. Unresponsible to questioning by CAP PF, the VN was delivered to District Headquarters for further interrogation. RESULTS: 1 VN detainee.

16 June 70 A CAP 2-7-4 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 3 VC with weapons moving E at BT 046636, 5.6 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy returned SAF and fled E. One USMC was WIA in the contact and medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(S).

17 June 70 A NVA soldier rallied to a CAP 2-2-3 patrol base at AT 927610, 3.5 km N of Dai Loc District Headquarters. The Ho Chi Minh surrendered a Chinese manufactured 9mm pistol. The Ho Chi Minh stated he was a member of the 78th Company, 31st NVA Regiment. The Ho Chi Minh was delivered to District Headquarters for processing along with the pistol. RESULTS: 1 Ho Chi Minh; 1 INC.

17 June 70 A CAP 2-7-1 ambush received 4 RPGs from an USEF at BT 021656, 6.7 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. Three USMC were WIA in the contact and medevaced by helicopter to 95th Evac Hospital where one USMC DOW. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA(E).

18 June 70 A CAP 2-7-9 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 7 VC with weapons moving SE at BT 057605, 6.9 km S of Hoa Vang District Headquarters. The enemy returned fire with Chicom grenades, SAF and fled N. One USMC and 1 PF received minor fragmentation wounds in the contact. A sweep of the area disclosed numerous blood trails. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA; 1 PF WIA(M).
20 June 70  A CAP 2-4-3 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 14 VC moving E at BT 171586, 1.5 km NE of Hieu Nhon District Headquarters. The enemy returned SAF and fled in an unknown direction. During a sweep of the area, the patrol received 3 M-26 grenades, 4 M-79 HE rounds and SAF from an USRF at the above coordinate. The patrol returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee W. One USMC and 1 PF were WIA and 1 PF received a minor fragmentation wound in this contact. The USMC and PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area disclosed 6 VC KIA, 1 105mm HE round booby trap rigged with a pressure type firing device on a trail at the above coordinate, 2 bunkers, 1 pack, miscellaneous medical supplies and numerous blood trails. One of the VC bodies was booby trapped with an M-26 grenade. The pin was pulled from the grenade and it was placed under the body. The patrol destroyed the SFDs and bunkers. The medical supplies and pack were delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(E), 1 PF WIA(E), 1 PF WIA(M), 6 VC KIA; miscellaneous medical supplies and 1 pack captured; 2 SFDs destroyed.

21 June 70  A CAP 2-4-5 patrol apprehended 1 VN male and 1 VN female attempting to bury food in a restricted area at BT 167567, 1 km S of Hieu Nhon District Headquarters. Unresponsive to questioning by CAP PF, the VN civilians were delivered to District Headquarters for interrogation. RESULTS: 2 VN civilians detained.

22 June 70  A CAP 2-5-7 patrol initiated organic weapons fire on 6 VC with weapons moving S at BT 024609, 4.1 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy fled SE without returning fire. During a sweep of the area, a PF member of the patrol accidentally detonated a bounding M-26 grenade booby trap rigged with a trip wire firing device on a path at BT 030600, 4.1 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The PF was WIA and 1 USMC received a minor fragmentation wound from the exploding SFD. The PF WIA was medevaced by helicopter. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 PF WIA(E) and 1 USMC WIA(M).

24 June 70  A USMC member of a CAP 2-7-10 patrol accidentally detonated an M-26 grenade booby trap rigged with a trip wire firing device beside a trail at BT 035643, 6.7 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. Two USMC and 1 PF were WIA from the exploding SFD. The USMC and PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter to 1st Med Bn. A search of the area for further SFDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(E) and 1 PF WIA(E).
25 June 70 A CAP 2-3-7 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 2 VC with weapons moving N at BT 034618, 4.5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The enemy fled N without returning fire. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA, 1 M-26 grenade and a blood trail. The VC KIA was a female. The grenade was destroyed in place. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 1 M-26 grenade destroyed.

26 June 70 A CAP 2-1-1 ambush initiated organic weapons fire on 5 VC with weapons moving S at AT 907717, 3 km NE of Hieu Duc District Headquarters. The enemy returned SAF and fled NW. A sweep of the area disclosed 1 VC KIA and 1 AK-47 rifle. The rifle was delivered to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA; 1 IWC

27 June 70 A USMC member of a CAP 2-4-2 patrol base, while bathing in a river at BT 123569, 3.9 km SW of Hieu Phuon District Headquarters, accidentally detonated an unknown type booby trap rigged with a trip wire firing device. The USMC was WIA from the exploding SPG. The USMC WIA was medevaced by helicopter. A search of the area for further SMDs was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIA(E).

27 June 70 In a combined operation of CAP 2-9-2 and elements of the 5th Marines, a USAF spotter plane observed an estimated 15 VC in green uniforms changing into civilian clothes at AT 875496, 1.6 km N of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The USAF spotter plane called a fixed wing air strike on the enemy location causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. A sweep of the area by CAP 2-9-2 disclosed 1 VC KIA and 2 dud 250 lb bombs. The VC KIA was a female. The CAP destroyed the 2 dud bombs. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 2 dud 250 lb bombs destroyed.

27 June 70 A CAP 2-3-3 patrol base received 4 RPGs, 8 M-79 HE rounds and SAF from 7 VC dressed as PPs and carrying AK-16 rifles at BT 051584, 1.7 km W of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The patrol base returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee NW. Two USMC and 1 USN were WIA in the contact. The USMC and USN WIA were medevaced by helicopter. The VC approached the patrol base from the W through an area in which the ROKMC had scheduled an ambush. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(E) and 1 USN WIA(E).

28 June 70 A CAP 2-4-3 ambush received 4 RPGs and SAF from an USBF at BT 165583, 1 km NE of Hieu Phuon District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire and called a helicopter gunship mission on the enemy location causing the enemy to flee W. Two USMC and 1 PP were WIA in the contact. The
USMC and PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter. During the contact, the enemy attempted imitative deception in perfect English on the CACO 2-4 primary frequency. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 2 USMC WIA(E) and 1 PF WIA(E).

28 June 70
A CAP 2-9-1 patrol base heard an English Language VC propaganda broadcast emanating from the vicinity of Mau Chanh (2) and Thach Ban Hamlets at AT 896497, 2.6 km NE of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The broadcast appealed to the Marines to go back to the United States and said the VC would pay $100,000 U.S. currency for a USMC raider. The VC also stated to the local villagers, they would pay $50 U.S. currency for each USMC KIA and for each USMC weapon captured. A platoon from RF Company 215 located nearest the broadcast called an 81mm mortar illumination mission in an attempt to locate the VC making the broadcast. A sweep of the area by the CAP and RF unit was nonproductive.

29 June 70
An USEF entered Tu Cau (3) Hamlet at BT 052656, 7.1 km N of Dien Ban District Headquarters and threw 1 M-26 grenade in the Hamlet Chief's house. The Hamlet Chief and 3 other VN civilians received minor fragmentation wounds from the exploding grenade. The enemy fled in an unknown direction. Hearing the explosion, a CAP 2-7-8 patrol base dispatched a patrol to investigate. The patrol discovered the 4 VN civilians WIA, rendered first aid and released them. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. PsyOps was notified. RESULTS: 4 VN civilians WIA(M).

30 June 70
A CAP 2-3-7 patrol base received RPGs and M-79 HE rounds from an USEF at BT 055617, 4.5 km NW of Dien Ban District Headquarters. The patrol base returned organic weapons fire causing the enemy to flee W. One PF was KIA and 2 PF were WIA in the contact. The PF WIA were medevaced by helicopter. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA and 2 PF WIA(E).

30 June 70
A CAP 2-9-1 ambush received mixed 60mm HE and 82mm HE mortar rounds and SAF from an estimated 30 VC at AT 893477, 1.9 km SW of Duc Duc District Headquarters. The ambush returned organic weapons fire and called an 81mm mortar fire mission on the enemy location causing the enemy to flee N. One PF was KIA and 2 PF received minor fragmentation wounds in the contact. A sweep of the area was nonproductive. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA and 2 PF WIA(M).
2. Neutralization of Enemy Forces

a. NVA KIA  0
b. VC KIA  15
c. NVA POW  0
d. VC POW  4
e. VCI POW  1
f. Hoi Chanhs
   (1) NVA  2
   (2) VC  0
   (3) VCI  0

3. Casualties Sustained

a. USMC KIA   6  (including 2 DOW)
b. USMC WIA(E) 48  (including 2 NBC)
c. USMC WIA(M) 4
  d. USN KIA  2
e. USN WIA(E)  3
g. USN WIA(M)  0
  h. USN MIA  0
  i. CAP PF KIA  5  (including 1 DOW)
  j. CAP PF WIA(E)  21
  k. CAP PF WIA(M)  5
  l. CAP PF MIA  0
  m. CAP KCS KIA  2
  n. CAP KCS WIA(E)  1
  o. CAP KCS WIA(M)  0
  p. CAP KCS MIA  0

4. New Techniques Employed

Negative

5. Command Relationships

2d CAG experienced no problem areas with Vietnamese or local FWMAF units during June.

6. Significant Accomplishments of Attachments

a. Kit Carson Scouts - At the beginning of June 2d CAG had nine KCSs deployed in 2d CAG small units. Two Scouts lost their lives in the performance of duty during the month. Three additional Scouts were attached to this command prior to the end of the month, giving a total of ten Scouts effective at the end of the month. The Scouts conducted ten classes and participated in 285 patrols.
b. ARVN Interpreters - 2d CAG had eight interpreters assigned to the CACO's and Headquarters 2d CAG in the first part of the reporting period. One interpreter as of 27 June 1970 was in a UA status bringing the total end of the month effective strength down to seven men. With the exception of the one man UA, the interpreters assigned to 2d CAG have been cooperative and willing to accept added responsibility. They have been an invaluable asset to the smooth coordination between Vietnamese units, and 2d CAG units, plus aiding 2d CAG units in their work with the civilian populace.

c. Scout Dogs - As mentioned in the narrative summary the War dogs TAD to 2d CAG have been a decisive factor in reducing the deaths and injuries caused to CAP members by enemy implaced mines and booby traps. The War Dog teams have proven their worth to 2d CAG units and have been an invaluable asset to the operation of 2d CAG small units. During June 2d CAG employed twenty Mine and Booby trap Dog teams, and thirteen Scout Dog teams.

7. Lessons Learned

Negative

8. Logistics

a. General: During this reporting period, this Command continued to be in a C-2 category under the MARBS Reporting System.

b. Significant Events: During this period this unit received the following combat essential equipment:

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c. Damage to Weapons due to enemy action: During the period this Command Armory received one combat weapon damaged due to enemy action.

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d. Motor Transport: The Group Motor Transport section drove a total of 35,692 miles during the reporting period. There were no vehicles deadlined for 2nd echelon maintenance for more than a 24 hour period. Nine Motor Transport vehicles were deadlined for 3rd and 4th echelon maintenance. The breakdown of those vehicles is as follows:

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M37BL Truck 3
M151A1 Jeep 2
M274A2 Mule 2

Average deadline time was as follows:

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e. Airlifts: As in previous reports, no airlifts have been scheduled.

f. Messhall: Approximately 8,370 meals were served during this period in the 2nd CAG Messhall. A total of 9,720 meals were distributed to field units from the 2nd CAG Messhall.

g. Armory: The Armory has repaired a total of 40 weapons during the period. Eleven (11) weapons were sent in for repairs to 1st FSR for 3rd Echelon maintenance.

h. Miscellaneous Services:

   (1) Engineer support to inspect Water Distribution System required two messages within ten (10) days. A Line Chlorinator was recommended but not yet received.

   (2) A 15KW Generator for CACO 2-2 was approved by III MAF Engineers, but not received.

i. Supplies:

   (1) Receipt of supplies was unsatisfactory. A force issue on an AS-1 Listing was initiated to correct this problem.

j. Problem Areas:

   (1) Anticipated turn over of the I Corps Generator Pool to the Army, who will in turn subcontract to PHILCO FORD, could become a critical problem area. As of this report no provisions have been made for Emergency Contact Teams, thus "in the field repairs" outside of Danang will not be possible.

   (2) 7th Engineer Battalion support is non-existent. This Battalion has been flooded with priority job orders to the point that only emergency requests will be considered.

9. Civic Action/Psychological Operations

   1. During the month of June Civic Action NCO's from the 2d Combined Action Group continued their efforts to act as Liaisons between Hamlet,
Village and District Officials, in initiating Civic Action and community
development. Civic Action efforts in MedCaps, education, distribution of
commodities, personnel response and construction projects continued at an
acceptable level.

2. During June the Civic Action NCO's worked to better their relationship
with the Vietnamese people by helping them in repairing their homes and
roads.

3. Several CAPs have been giving out trash containers to their hamlets
and villages under conditions where the people have to hold regular police
calls in their own area. The CAPs made arrangements to pick up the trash
containers for them, and the Hamlet Chief provided the people to dump the
trash. The Hamlets had daily police calls under this program in June.

4. During the month the CAP Civic Action NCO's received numerous gifts
from people in the United States. These gifts have been clothing, toys,
soap and personal hygiene kits. These gifts have been given to the most
needy Vietnamese in the CAP areas.

5. Several of the CAPs Civic Action NCO's have been building bulletin
boards in the Hamlets Center of popularity where the Vietnamese can post
their important events so that all the people in the hamlets can receive
important local and GWN information. The bulletin boards are useful for
the Vietnamese people and are therefore appreciated by the Villagers.

6. Commodities distributed during the month of June as follows: food,
2103 lb.; clothing, 500 lb.; soap, 2534 lb.; school refill kits, 25;
personnel hygiene kits, 54; sewing kits, 68; Phy Ed kits, 54; Masonary
kits, 4.

7. During June, CAP Personnel of the Group assisted the Vietnamese
civilians in completing the following projects: fences, 35; public heads,
3; wells, 9; dwellings, 17; pagodas, 1; bridges, 6; school class rooms, 7;
family bunkers, 1.

8. Medical assistance in support of Civic Action saw MedCaps resulting
in the treatment of 21,526 Vietnamese civilians and 49 dental cases.
Vietnamese medically evacuated during the month of June were 69 adults
and 36 children.

9. CAP Corpsmen continued to train Vietnamese civilians in the basics of first
aid. During the month 36 such civilians were under going training. These
aides assist in MedCaps and serve as interpreters.

10. Psychological operations activities employed by 2d CAP during the
month included the use of air-dropped leaflets, hand-outs and Vietnamese
newspapers.
(1) Approximately 30,000 "CAPs are here to help you" leaflets were air dropped.
(2) Approximately 40,000 "Safe conduct passes" were air-dropped.
(3) 50,000 reward leaflets were air dropped during the month of June.
(4) Approximately 55,000 Vietnamese newspapers were hand distributed by CAP Marines.

10. Personnel and Administration

a. Personnel Transactions. During the month of June the following personnel transactions were completed.

(1) Joined USMC
   Off 1
   Enl 108

(2) Rotated CONUS USMC
   Off 1
   Enl 74

(3) Reassignment Within WestPac USMC
   Off 0
   Enl 55

(4) Transferred by SR/while sick (out of country hospital) USMC
   Off 0
   Enl 30

(5) Extension of WestPac Tour Effected USMC
   Off 0
   Enl 1

b. Promotions: During the month of June 70 the following promotions were effected:

   Te PFC 0
   Te LCpl 55
   Te Cpl 0
   Te Sgt 25
   To SSgt 1
   To GySgt 1
   To 1stSgt/MSgt 0
   To SgtMaj/MgySgt 0

c. Legal Matters

1. Courts Held: OCM None
   SpCM None
   SCM None

2. Article 32 Investigations: None

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3. NJP: 6

4. JAG-Type Investigations: 1

d. Award Recommendations

SSM - 0
BSM - 3
NGM - 7
NAM - 2
PH - 48

e. Congrinites/Splints/Valreps

The command has responded to:

(1) CONGRINIT
(0) SPLINTS
(15) WELREPS

f. Morale and Welfare

(1) R&R. The command has utilized the following number of quotas to the R&R areas listed.

(a) Hong Kong (3) Japan (2)
Taipei (6) Bangkok (6)
Hawaii (6) Sydney (6)
Okinawa (2)

(b) In Country (12)

(2) Mail. Daily average bags of mail processed:

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\text{Incoming} & \text{Outgoing} \\
2 & 2 \\
\end{array}
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(3) Hospital Visitations. All in country hospital patients are visited weekly by their respective CACO Commanders.

g. Career Planning

Re-enlistments; (0) 2 yrs; (0) 3 yrs; (1) 4 yrs; (0) 6 yrs;

Extensions; (0) ______ months; (0) ______ months
(0) ______ months; (0) ______ months

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11. Intelligence. Enemy activity in and around 2d CAG units was at a low rate in the beginning of the month. As in the past, when the enemy decreased his overt activity mine and booby-trap incidents rose. Deaths and injuries were kept at a minimum in June because of the employment of War Dog Teams. The dog teams caused the enemy to withdraw his emplaced mine for fear of discovery. Many of the mine incidents during June utilized command detonated dud rounds. These mines were placed in areas that the CAPs frequently covered, or stayed during the day. This type of emplacement was an ever present danger in those TAOs which are small, and thereby restrict movement of the CAP. On the first of the month two command detonated mines took the lives of one USN, two PPs and one Vietnamese civilian, wounding four Marines and one KCS. The initial mine, a 155mm HE round exploded in CAP 2-7-4's day haven site. The second mine was command detonated as CAP personnel and civilians inspected the crater caused by the first mine.

Captured documents revealed that the continued presence of CAPs in Quang Nam Province had caused the enemy supply reserve to drop. Through searches and patrois by day and night, both enemy rice caches and movement to and from these rice caches, have been found and stopped. Out of the VC special zones in Quang Nam Province, only one is producing a surplus, all other zones can't produce and move enough rice to support troops in the area.

The caches that were found in June, such as the one found by CAP 2-2-2 in Dai Loc District on the fifth, were small isolated deposits of rice. Each time such rice is found it is distributed to local villagers.

On the eleventh of the month the first mass movement of enemy troops was reported by a 2d CAG small unit. CAP 2-2-4 initiated fire on an estimated thirty VC detected by the use of a PSOD and starlight. The enemy platoon returned fire with 60mm HE rounds, automatic weapons fire and small arms fire. A 60mm mortar mission was called by the CAP on suspected enemy locations. A sweep of the area disclosed two VC KIA, two AK-47 rifles, three M-26 grenades, seven ChiCom grenades and assorted NVA web gear. The NVA web gear is significant as it is an indication that this unit was similar to units described by an NVA POW captured in Hieu Loc District in May. He had stated that understrength NVA units were combining forces with local and main force VC units in order to have effective fighting units. Another possible explanation for NVA units combining forces with VC troops is that the VC are acting as guides. From one area to another the VC may be picking up NVA units, combining with them, and guiding them through their area until another VC unit takes over the task in an adjacent VC District. The eventual goal of these VC guided NVA units is either mountain "safe zones" or retraining, resupply areas in Laos.

A further indication that NVA units are understaffed, underfed, with poor morale is that on the sixteenth and seventeenth two NVA soldiers Hoi Chanh were picked up in Dai Loc District by CAO 2-2 units. Both men were members of the 31st NVA Regiment. This NVA unit has been reported by Hoi Chanh in the past months to be in combination with a main force VC unit, to bring it up to fighting strength.

In CAO 2-9's area the VC established a Hoi Chanh program of their own. In an English language broadcast heard in the vicinity of Mau Chanh (2)
and Thach Ban Hamlets at AT 896497 the VC offered to pay $100,000 US currency for a USMC rallier. Unfortunately for their Hoi Chanh program they offset this interesting offer, with a statement that a villager could earn $50,00
US currency for each USMC KIA or US weapon captured. This broadcast was heard on the twenty-eighth and was not repeated.

a. Weapons and Ordnance Captured:

(1) Individual Weapons Captured
AK-47  4
9mm pistol 1

(2) Ordnance Captured
250 lb bomb 3
105 HE round 4
60mm HE round 4
M-72 LAW 1
M-79 HE round 2
Claymore mine 1
SFD's (homsemade) 3
Chicom grenade 7
M-26 grenade 12
M-14 AP mine 8

(3) Gear Captured
Pack 1
Medical Kit 1
Battery tester 1
Poncho 1
Helmet 1
AK-47 magazine 1
Web gear - NVA 5
Propaganda leaflets 50
Currency 3200$VN
Rice 350 lbs

12. Communications

a. Security: A compromise of the freq. of CACO 2-4 was experienced as VC came on the net utilizing perfect English.

b. Battery usage (BA-386): 1456 batteries were used during the month, 149 AN/PRC-25 radios were in use.

c. Combat Operations Center: The following communications traffic was passed through the combat operations center over various nets:

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d. Communications Supply:

- Requisitions Submitted: 24
- Requisitions Completed: 6
- Requisitions Outstanding: 18
- Total Outstanding: 36

e. Maintenance: Total support supplied was as follows:

- Work Requests Submitted: 154
- Work Requests Completed: 151
- Work Requests Outstanding: 0
- Total Outstanding: 3

13. Fire Support: During June 2d CAG units utilized twenty (20) 81mm mortar missions and one (1) 60mm mortar mission in support of field operations. Five (5) artillery fire missions were called in June.

14. Air Support: In June 2d CAG units employed three (3) fixed wing support missions, and two (2) gunship missions.

15. Activations, Deactivations, Redesignations, Relocations of CAPs:
On 22/1800 June 1970 CAP 2-7-9 was deactivated due to a lack of RF/PF Forces. Aided responsibilities of RF/PF units in Hoa Vang District prevented the assignment of a unit to this CAP.


18. Special Services:

1. The month of June was a good one for Special Services. Three USO shows were held during the month and the three contained some of the best entertainment held in the Headquarters in quite awhile.
2. During the month of June the regular, weekly ration of beer and soda to the CACOs and CAPs was continued. During this period 464 cases of beer and soda were rationed to the field.

3. Special Services also received paperback books during the month of June from donors in the United States. The paperback books were distributed to all the CAPs and to 2d CAG Headquarters.

19. Medical Department:

a. General: During the month of June emphasis was placed on water and food sanitation at CAG, CACO & CAP levels with particular emphasis on food and water sanitation in the field. Due to an increase in intestinal disorders a review of sanitation of food containers and food/water discipline was undertaken. Discrepancies were corrected with a resulting decrease in intestinal disorders.

General sanitation inspections of CACO's was undertaken during the month with the long range plan of evolving a broad practical sanitation SOP applicable to all CACO's.

Corpsmen meetings were held at CAG and CACO level to restate policies of this Headquarters concerning all phases of CAP Corpsmen activities.

Periodic inspection of CAP's continued during June.

b. Personnel:

(1) Medical Department Representative: J.H. BRYSON, HMC, USN
(2) Admin/Sick Call Petty Officer: J.F. COMBS, HM1, USN
(3) Supply/Sick Call Petty Officer:
   (a) Detached, RTD:
      WIA Medevac: 1
      KIA: 2
      Non-Battle Medevac: 1
      Total Loss: 7
   (b) Gains: 18

   c. Med Cap: During the month of June a total of 21,326 Vietnamese civilians were treated by CAP Corpsmen. A total of 878 civilians were treated at Hq, 2d CAG Vietnamese dispensary. 40 Vietnamese civilians were treated for wounds resulting from hostile action.

d. Training: CAP Corpsmen conducted a total of 86 classes in hygiene and sanitation with a total of 946 attendance.

There are 46 Vietnamese health workers and PH Corpsmen associated with 2d CAG CAP's all of whom derive benefit from CAP Corpsmen training.