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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code MD)

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(3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Feb 1970 to 28 Feb 1970

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Encl: (1) 3d Combined Action Group Command Chronology

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

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HEADQUARTERS
3d Combined Action Group
Combined Action Force
III Marine Amphibious Force
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 February 1970 to 28 February 1970

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION
3d Combined Action Group
Combined Action Force
III Marine Amphibious Force

COMMANDER
Colonel John B. Michaud
1 Feb 1970-4 Feb 1970
LtCol Claude M. Daniels
4 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Combined Action Company 3-1
Capt Donald K. Shockey, USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

Combined Action Company 3-2
Capt John F. Pachak, USMC
1 Feb 1970-13 Feb 1970
Capt Phillip E. Tucker, USMC

Combined Action Company 3-3
Capt Gary F. Carlson, USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

Combined Action Company 3-4
Capt James F. Davis, USMC
1 Feb 1970-13 Feb 1970
Capt Thomas H. Carpenter

Combined Action Company 3-5
1stLt Larry W. Rivers
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

2. LOCATION
Headquarters
1-28 Feb 1970
Phu Bai Combat Base, Huong Thuy District, Thua Thien Province

CA CO 3-1
1-28 Feb 1970
Huong Thuy District Headquarters, Thua Thien Province

CA CO 3-2
1-28 Feb 1970
Phu Loc District Headquarters, Thua Thien Province

CA CO 3-3
1-28 Feb 1970
Phu Thu District Headquarters, Thua Thien Province

CA CO 3-4
1-28 Feb 1970
Huong Tra District Headquarters, Thua Thien Province

CA CO 3-5
1-28 Feb 1970
Troad Bridge Headquarters, Phu Loc District, Thua Thien Province
3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj. Walter W. COLLISON Jr., USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

S-1

Capt. William W. JUSTICE Jr., USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

S-2/3

Maj. William J. LAINES III, USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

S-4

Capt. Roger D. ZURRER, USMC
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

Chaplain

Lt. Cdr. Dewey V. RACE, USN
1 Feb 1970-28 Feb 1970

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Enclosure (1)
I. ORGAUNIZATION, AND TRAINING

A. The major event of this reporting period was the change of command ceremony held on 4 February 1970. LtCol C. M. DANIELS assumed command of the 5th Combined Action Group and Col J. D. MICHAUD departed for duty in Philadelphia. The change of command was attended by Major General BOWMAN, the Deputy Commander of III MAF, and Col NETZGER, Commanding Officer of the Combined Action Force. Other invited guests included members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps as well as Vietnamese Officials.

B. During this period, Tet (6 Feb 1970) came and passed without a major enemy offensive in Thua Thien Province. However, enemy activity did increase somewhat over the previous month. CAPs in 3d CAG accounted for 18 enemy KIA as compared with 2 enemy KIA and 4 POWs in the previous reporting period. However, none of the enemy contacts were unusual in size or type. There were no friendly KIAs during this reporting period. The majority of the friendly WIA were as a result of booby traps in the Phu Tho area.

C. Training was below normal during this period because all hands were involved with insuring preparedness for the expected Tet Offensive. During the month of February, 6 men attended projectionist school at the 65th Signal Battalion and 14 men attended a prisoner chaser class given by 504th H. P. Battalion. In addition, 4 members of 3d Combined Action Group attended the 1st Marine Division NCO Leadership School.

D. 3d Combined Action Group NCOs assigned to the 1st and 2nd Brigades of the 101st Airborne Division (AMEL) were recalled on 15 February 1970. It is believed that the coordination and relationship developed through the efforts of these NCOs will continue to benefit 3d CAG. Liaison is still being maintained by 3d CAG with these units, but not on a daily basis.

E. On 15 February, the 26th Marines deployed from Thua Thien Province. The 101st Airborne Division (AMEL) extended its TAOC to include the area previously assigned to the 26th Marines. The 1st Battalion of the 327th Infantry moved out of Phu Tho District and into Phu Loc District to assume this responsibility. These moves were all part of the post-Tet redeployment plan for Thua Thien Province.

F. Activity by CACOs is as follows:

(1) CACO 5-1

Enclosure (1)
(a) Enemy activity in Huong Thuy District was low during this period. The primary activity in this company's area this period was the participation in several combined sweeps in conjunction with District Forces (KPs and PFs).

(2) CACO 3-2

(a) On 1 February 1970, CAP 3-2-5 had a significant contact which resulted in 6 NVA and 1 VC KIA. There were no friendly casualties. Sgt. GIA TY and H.3 RIO T. were each awarded the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and Trung Si NGUYEN was recommended for the U. S. Bronze Star.

(b) During this reporting period, Capt. M. K. TUCKER assumed command of CACO 3-2. Capt. PALMER departed for duty at Norfolk, Virginia.

(c) Caps in CACO 3-2 have emphasized PSYOPS during this reporting period. PSYOPS material is prominently displayed in An Bang, Ocn Hao, Thuy Lu, Phuoc Cuong and Nuoc Ngat.

(3) CACO 3-3

(a) During the first half of this period, the lst of the 327th Infantry operated in Phu Thu. The coordination and cooperation displayed by this unit was outstanding.

(b) The lst of the 327th Infantry made helicopters available for training. Ten Arnie and ten PFs from Caps 3-3-2, 3-3-3, 3-3-4 and 3-3-5 participated in helicopter assault training. Classes and actual flights were conducted.

(c) Also while operating in Phu Thu, the lst of the 327th Infantry made two leaflet drops in support of the Caps. One leaflet encouraged the VIP program and the other specifically described the goals of the CAP Program.

(d) CACO 3-3 continued to encounter booby traps in its TACO. Also during this period, CACO 3-3 had EOD personnel conduct classes for each CAP on the proper manner in which to destroy ordnance and bunkers.

(e) During this reporting period, Caps of CACO 3-3 accounted for 5 VC KIA.

(h) CACO 3-4

(a) Activity in Huong Tra was low during this entire period.

(b) During this period, Capt. T. H. CARPENTER took command of CACO 3-4. Capt. J. F. DAVIES departed for duty at Quantico, Virginia.

Enclosure (1)
(a) Enemy activity increased somewhat during the latter part of this reporting period, and CAPs of CACO 3-5 accounted for 6 enemy KIA.

(b) Sgt. LASSITER and LCol. STAUDT each received the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for their actions on 16 February which resulted in 2 of the Company's 6 enemy KIA.

G. During this reporting period, 3d CAG was visited by Col. HETZGER, Commanding Officer, CAG, on 14, 15 and 22 February. On 22 February, Col. HETZGER was accompanied by Col. PARNELL, G-1, III MCRP. Col. PARNELL and Col. HETZGER were briefed on the personal situation in 3d CAG and given a tour of several CAPs in CACO 3-1.

H. During this period, Lt. Cmdr. PAGE, 3d CAG Chaplain, conducted 51 worship services in 3d CAG and 18 worship services in 4th CAG. Of these 69 services, 64 were conducted in the villages in which the CAPs operate.

I. During this period, the Commanding Officer of 3d CAG stressed the conduct of individual CAP Marines. This was aimed primarily at discouraging marijuana, excessive alcoholic consumption, and accidental discharge. Improved appearance and greater fire discipline were also emphasized.

J. The totals for this month's activities are as follows:

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**ENEMY CASUALTIES**

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**VIP PAYMENTS**

$1,100 SVM to Vietnamese Nationals for ordnance or information.

**SIGOS**

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Enclosure (1)
II. Personnel and Administration

A. Personnel Transactions. During the month of February, the following personnel transactions were completed.

1. Joined
   - USMC
   - Off: 3
   - Enl: 32

2. Rotated CONUS
   - USMC
   - Off: 4
   - Enl: 16

3. Reassignment Within WestPac
   - USMC
   - Off: 1
   - Enl: 2

4. Transferred by Service Records While Sick (out of country hospital)
   - USMC
   - Off: 0
   - Enl: 9

5. Extension of WestPac Tour Effected
   - USMC
   - Off: 0
   - Enl: 0

B. Promotions: During the month of February, the following promotions were effected:

- To PFC: 0
- To LCpl: 59
- To Cpl: 46
- To Sgt: 0
- To SSgt: 0
- To GySgt: 0
- To 1st Sgt/M Sgt: 0
- To Sgt Maj/MySgt: 0

C. Legal Matters

1. Courts held:
   - GCM: 1
   - SPCM: 0
   - SM: 1

2. Article 32 Investigations: 0

3. NJP: 7

4. JAG-Type Investigations: 11; Completed: 7

Enclosure (1)
D. Award Records

SSM  0
BSM  1
NOM  2
NAM  1
PH   9

E. CONGRINTS/SPLINTS/WEIREPS

The command has responded to:

1 CONGRINT
0 SPLINTS
3 WEIREPS

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   7       Japan   1
    Taipei      5       Bangkok 12
    Hawaii      9       Sydney  10
    Okinawa     2       Manila  1

(b) In Country 10

2) Mail. Daily average bags of mail processed:

   Incoming 11
   Outgoing 3

3) Hospital Visitation. There were 18 hospital visits made seeing 101 patients. Items provided the patients were mail, toilet articles, cigarettes, magazines, stationery and pay.

G. Career Planning

Re-enlistments: 0
Extensions: 0

Enclosure (1)
A. At present, the 3d Combined Action Group is at authorized strength. This includes one man now in CAC school and two men that are scheduled to rotate prior to 8 March 1970.

B. During the reporting period, the mobile dental van from 11th Dental Company in Dongen visited 3d CAG. The van visited each of the Companies, treating all personnel needing routine dental work. Personnel needing more technical treatment such as oral surgery were referred to 11th Dental Company Headquarters in Dongen. During their stay at 3d CAG 272 patients were treated for 613 dental problems.

C. Monthly totals are as follows: WMS-3; WLM-1; KJ-0; NHC-1; FOC-3; Malaria-0; Med Cap Treatments-9,832.

Enclosure (1)
IV. LOGISTICS/SUPPORT
A. Significant Events

(1) The most significant accomplishment noted during the reporting period has been the Interservice Support Agreement (ISSA). Support received from Army Support Supply and Maintenance Activity, Phu Bai included Class II supplies, repair parts for Motor Transport, and Ordnance equipment, e.g., 31 ruptured cartridge extractors for M-60 machine guns and assault pouches.

B. Damage to Weapons Due to Enemy Action

(1) No weapons were damaged or lost due to enemy action during the reporting period.

C. Motor Transport

(1) Motor Transport vehicles averaged 4,720 miles during the month. Cargo transported consisted of 76 tons of Class IV and Class V in support of the CAPs in the field.

D. Food Service

(1) The Food Service Department, 26th General Support Group, Phu Bai, has provided adequate support to this Command during the reporting period.

E. Ordnance

(1) This Command's armorer repaired 24 M-16's, 23 M-60's, 19 M79's and 6 .45 cal pistols during the reporting period.

(2) Repair of weapons at Weapons Maintenance Battalion, FLC, Danang, has been satisfactory. Turn-around time has been approximately 10 to 15 days.

F. Miscellaneous Service

(1) The 3d Combined Action Group received two buildings from 45th Engineer Group for billeting troops. Work orders that were submitted to Public Works, Phu Bai, for repair of electrical wiring in the transient quarters were completed.

(2) Repair of hot water heaters for the showers was also completed.

Enclosure (1)
G. Supply

1. The overall supply situation has been satisfactory during the reporting period. The following list is the overall statistical information on requisitions submitted during the past 30 days.

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H. Communications

1. This Command has received satisfactory support from 2d Maintenance Battalion, XXIV Corps. During the reporting period, 13 PRC-25 radios, 2 MT-524 receiver transmitters, 4 H-138 hand sets, 3 H-189 hand sets, 1 AN-26 amplifier power supply, 4 18-125 loud speakers, 6 H-30 hand mikes, and 1 TA-312 field telephone were received by 2d Maintenance Battalion. The turn-around time was 3-5 days.

V. CIVIC ACTION

1. The following statistics represent Civic Action accomplishments from 1 Feb 1970 to 28 Feb 1970:

   (1) Medical Treatment

     Mild Cases: 9,832 persons treated

   (2) Distribution of Commodities

     Food: 10 lbs.
     Soap: 66 lbs.
     School kits: 52
     Carpenter kits: 1
     Sewing kits: 7
     Candy: 87 lbs.
     Cement: 0
     Plywood: 0
     Tin: 0
     Cotton rag dolls: 0
     Cigarettes: 150 packs

   (3) Health and Sanitation

     Toothbrushes: 21
     Toothpaste: 19 tubes

Enclosure (1)
(h) Educational Efforts

English classes 96
Attendance 669

(5) Construction Projects Completed

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Enclosure (1)
1. On 1 February 1970, CAP 3-2-5 was set in its ambush site at WD 150012. Utilizing the starlight scope, they spotted 5 NVA enter a house from the north. Two additional NVA set up security around the house. The CAP initiated contact with claymores, M79, M60, M72 (IAAWS) and S/A fire at a distance of 65 meters. The NVA returned fire with one R-40 round and S/A fire. CAP called for and received illumination. Sweep of the area revealed (6) NVA KIA, (1) VC KIA, (4) AK47 rifles with magazines, (2) 9mm pistols, (1) .45 caliber pistol, (3) NVA belts, (2) empty rice bags, (2) satchel charges, assorted documents, and (1) flashlight. One FV received a minor wound during the contact; there were no other friendly casualties.

2. On 3 February 1970, CAP 3-1-4 observed 2 VC/NVA approaching its ambush site (WD 822163) from a southeasterly direction. CAP initiated contact with S/A fire at approximately 20 meters. The enemy returned S/A fire and fled, one enemy in a northeasterly direction and one in a southeasterly direction. A sweep of the area under illumination revealed no sign of the VC/NVA. However, a detailed search of the house in the area of contact resulted in the discovery of a small cache containing (6) US canteens, (2) NVA canteens, (20) lbs of rice, and (6) large bags of candy. The CAP apprehended (4) VN females in the house as VC, who were turned over to District Headquarters for further interrogation. A day sweep in the area of contact, utilizing a scout dog, resulted in the further discovery of one bunker containing (29) AK47 rounds, (26) 9mm pistol rounds, (1) blasting cap, and assorted propaganda material. The bunker was destroyed and the findings turned over to District Headquarters.

3. On 3 February 1970, CAP 3-5-3 was set in an ambush site at WD 960085. At 2355 hours, the CAP received approximately (10) R-40 rounds from an unknown size enemy force. This resulted in (2) USMC and (1) FV receiving minor fragmentation wounds. The CAP returned fire with small arms fire. After the contact, the CAP called for illumination and checked the area with negative results. The wounded members of the CAP were med-evaced to 85th Evac Hospital.

4. On 5 February 1970, CAP 3-3-2 discovered one recently used bunker at WD 876235 while on a day patrol. The bunker contained (10) cans of fish, (50) AK47 rounds, (1) shirt, (1) scarf and (1) gas stove. The CAP destroyed the bunker and the findings.

Enclosure (1)
5. On 5 February 1970, CAP 3-4-6 was situated in an ambush site at coord YD 511265. The CAP observed 5 VC approaching the ambush site from the southeast. The CAP initiated contact with claymores and 5/A fire at approximately 50 meters. The enemy returned fire with (8) 81mm rounds, (18) M-79 rounds, and a heavy volume of 5/A fire, resulting in 1 USMC receiving a minor wound. Contact was broken and the VC fled in a southerly direction. A sweep under illumination that night and the sweep at first light were non-productive. The one USMC that sustained the minor wound was not med-evac'd.

6. On 6 February 1970, the CACO 3-1 Company Commander conducted a visual airdrop reconnaissance of his AO. At coord YD 664227, he spotted a VC running into a bunker north of a pagoda which had sand bags on top of it. CAP 3-1-9 was helilifted into the area for a sweep. The search of the area resulted in the discovery of a bunker containing (10) charges for 81mm rounds, (1) .45 caliber pistol, (1) bayonet, (1) M26 grenade, (5) blocks of TIM, (5) .45 caliber rounds, personal gear, fresh food, and assorted documents. The documents and .45 caliber pistol were taken to Sector Headquarters in HMM for disposition. The bunker and the remaining items were destroyed.

7. On 7 February 1970, CAP 3-3-4 discovered a bunker at coord YD 870242 while on a dry patrol. The bunker contained (6) N16 rounds, (1) .38 caliber pistol, (1) Chi Com grenade, (1) helmet liner, (1) civilian radio, (5) .38 caliber rounds, (1) заря, (5) blasting caps, and (1) compass pouch. The CAP destroyed the bunker, and the equipment was turned in to the District Headquarters.

8. On 8 February 1970 while on a dry patrol, CAP 3-3-6 discovered (2) M26 grenades booby trapped with trip wires at coord YD 935185. In addition, the CAP located (2) underground bunkers and (4) bunker above ground. In and around the bunkers were found (2) 82mm mortar rounds booby trapped with trip wires, (1) 81mm round, (1) 105mm round, and (5) bottles of medicine. The CAP destroyed the ordnance, bunkers, and medicine.

9. On 8 February 1970, CAP 3-1-7 observed a light at coord YD 709186 while in an ambush site. CAP investigated and apprehended a VN male who did not have proper identification. The VN male was turned over to District Headquarters for questioning as a VCS.

10. On 10 February 1970, CAPs 3-1-4, 3-1-5, and 3-1-7 discovered (9) bunkers, (1) M26 grenade, (1) Chi Com grenade, and (1) M72 (IAW) while on a combined sweep. The CAPs destroyed the bunkers and ordnance.
11. On 10 February 1970, CAPs 3-3-2 and 3-1-6, in conjunction with VN National Police, checked 497 VN civilians for proper identification in the vicinity of YD 781224 to YD 795225. Some VN civilians were detained. Of those detainees, (5) were classified as VCS; (1) as a draft dodger, and (1) as a deserter.

12. On 11 February 1970, CAP 3-3-1, acting on information received from the village chief, located an AK47 and documents in a pagoda at YD 943196. The CAP turned in the AK47 and documents to the District Headquarters.

13. On 15 February 1970, CAP 3-3-6 was informed by VN children of the location of (16) M61 anti-personnel mines, (3) 60 mm HE rounds, and (2) M26 grenades. The mines had been uncovered by VN civilians at coord YD 917189. CAP recovered and destroyed the ordnance.

14. On 16 February 1970, CAP 3-5-5 was set in an ambush site at coord YD 931049. The CAP observed 2 NVA approaching the ambush site. CAP initiated contact with S/A fire, M60, M79, claymores and IAAWS. Two NVA were killed and 2 AK47s were captured along with (2) Chi Com grenades.

15. On 18 February 1970, CAP 3-3-6 found (2) M-26 grenades, (2) 3.25 inch blocks of C-4 explosive, (16) M16 magazines loaded with ammo, (50) M60 rounds (linked), (1) roll of trip wire, (1) bunker (3'x3'x3'), and (2) spider holes while on day patrol. All of the above were destroyed by the CAP.

16. On 21 February 1970, VN PF and PP units conducted Med CAPs in the hamlets of Non Phu Con and Phuoc My. The KP and PF units also conducted screening of the VN civilians for proper identification. CAPs 3-5-5 and 3-5-2 assisted by acting as a blocking force. The Med CAPs were attended by 140 VN civilians. The numbers were checked for identification was 250. Fourteen of the VN civilians were classified as VCS and taken to District Headquarters for further questioning.

17. On 23 February 1970, CAP 3-5-3 observed 3 to 6 NVA across a road from its ambush site. In a classic ambush, the NVA approached to within 10 meters of the site, at which time the CAP initiated contact with claymores, M60, M79, and M16 fire. The VC returned fire with (5) 80 rounds and sporadic AK47 fire. A sweep of the area revealed (3) NVA KIA and (3) AK47s.

18. On 23 February 1970, CAP 3-3-5 discovered a bunker while on a day patrol in the vicinity of YD 913204. One member of the CAP fired into the bunker while the remainder of the CAP surrounded the bunker. Two VC attempted to flee from the bunker. The CAP initiated contact with M-16 and M-79 fire. One VC returned fire with several rounds of AK47 fire. Both VC were killed by the CAP. In addition, (1) AK47 rifle and (1) 9mm pistol were captured. The weapons were turned in to District Headquarters.

Enclosure (1)
19. On 23 February 1970, CACO 3-3 Company Commander was notified that some VN boys were digging up anti-personnel mines at the old MACV Compound located at coord YD 908197. The CAP recovered (77) 66/1 anti-personnel mines, (9) 81 mm illumination rounds, (32) 62 mm HE rounds, (2) 105 mm rounds, (4) 60 mm HR rounds, (3) M-79 HE rounds and (2) L-40 rounds. EOD destroyed the ordnance.

20. On 23 February 1970, CAP 3-5-1 spotted 2 VC approaching its ambush site at coord YD 918109. CAP initiated contact at 40 meters with M60, M16, and M79 fire, with the claqueurs misfiring. CAP called for illumination and swept the area. The 2 VC were observed fleeing across the rice paddies. CAP engaged the VC with S/A fire, who returned fire with (3) R-60 rounds, (5) match charges, and sporadic S/A fire. One VC was killed; there were no weapons captured. Two PFs were wounded, only one of which was required to be med-evacuated.

21. On 25 February 1970, CAP 3-3-2 while conducting a day patrol, found one underground bunker at coord YD 879236. CAP blasted bunker with a grenade. One VC was killed by the blast and another VC was wounded. The wounded VC refused to surrender, causing the CAP to fire S/A fire into the bunker killing him. One AK47 was also captured, and turned in to District Headquarters.

22. On 28 February 1970, CAP 3-3-3, acting on intelligence, set in an ambush at coord YD 862236. At 2040H, 5 VC approached the ambush. CAP initiated ambush at 50 meters killing 1 VC and capturing 1 AK47 rifle, which was turned in to District Headquarters.

Enclosure (1)
1. The following is a list of the Supporting Documents contained in this report:


Enclosure (1)
From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force  
Via: Commanding Officer, Combined Action Force  

Subj: Monthly Operations Report  

Ref: (a) FORO 3121.43 w/ch 1  

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted for the month of February 1970.

A. LOCATION AND STRENGTH

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### ACTIVITIES

**D.V.PATROLS**: 225

**NIGHT PATROLS**: 1,609

**AMBUSHES**: 1,685

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**C. M. DANIELS**

Enclosure (1)
HEADQUARTERS
Marine Action Group
III Marine Amphibious Force
P.O. San Francisco, California 96602

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force (Attn: G-4)

Subj: Control, Turn-in and Disposal of Captured Enemy Weapons

Ref: (a) FORC 3460.4C

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following information is provided for the month of February 1970:

   a. Captured
   b. Destroyed by Capturing Unit
   c. Turned in to Sub-collection points
   d. Received at Corps level collection points
   e. Turned in to CMRC by Corps level collection points
   f. Retained in Museums or Exhibits
   g. Retained as war trophies
   h. Recaptured and returned to USA, RF, or RNWAR control
   i. Other, (with appropriate explanations)

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