

# **Jonathan Abel**

## **A Register of His Papers in the Archives Branch**



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## Introduction

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Jonathan F. Abel Collection

**Collection Number:** COLL/3611

**Physical Characteristics:** 12 standard legal size document boxes; 2 oversize folders

**Span Dates:** 1953-1983

**Languages:** English

**Creator:** Jonathan F. Abel

## Administrative Information

**Restrictions:** Collection is open to all researchers

**Preferred citation:** Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information:

Collection Name, Folder Heading, Collection Number, Name and location of Institution.

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**Provenance:** The Jonathan F. Abel Collection was donated to the Marine Corps Historical Branch, Washington, DC, by Jonathan F. Abel in April 1986. The papers were transferred from the Historical Branch to the Archives at Quantico in January 1999.

## **Biographical Sketch**

Jonathan Ferdinand Abel was born in New York City, New York, on 6 June 1932. He attended the Riverdale Country School and graduated in 1950. He attended Connecticut Wesleyan University and received a Bachelor of Arts in 1954. Abel entered the Marine Corps in 1956. He was a Public Affairs Officer, Infantry Officer, and Training and Audiovisual Support Officer. He received the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and National Defense Service Medal. Originally from New York City, he served as a Marine officer with Force Recon and in Vietnam served as a public affairs officer with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. He also served in Beirut in 1982 as a member of the Multinational Peace Keeping Force, Served as officer in charge, Joint Public Affairs Office, 24th Marine Amphibious Unit until he retired in November 1983 as a Lieutenant Colonel after 27 years of service. He was a member of the Marine Corps Combat Correspondence Association. Abel died in Alexandria, Virginia on 15 December 2013 at age 81. He is buried in the Quantico National Cemetery in Quantico, Virginia.

## **Scope and Content**

The Jonathan F. Abel Collection contains an assortment of materials, including publications, photographs, maps, press releases, and ephemera.

The bulk of the collection is comprised of public affairs photographs generated by the Force Information/Photograph Sections of the II Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF], Military Assistance Command, Vietnam [MACV]. The photographs span the years 1965-1970, the bulk of these dating from 1967-1969. These photographs were routed through the Danang Press Center in Vietnam after being vetted and approved for distribution. The photographs were originally maintained by Abel as subject files, arranged alphabetically. In order to increase their accessibility, the photographs were rearranged into ground and aviation units (arranged numerically), and operations (arranged alphabetically by operation title). Those photographs that were nonspecific to a unit or squadron were arranged into subject files, arranged chronologically by subject. Subjects in the subject file can be as specific as individual aircraft or locations (i.e., "A4 Skyhawk Operations" or "Hue"); or as general as a concept (i.e., "Artillery"). To further improve access, the box list includes a complete list of captions associated with the photographs, where available. Those photographs not bearing captions were assigned captions by the processing archivist, indicated by brackets (i.e., [Unidentified Marine colonel shakes hand with two unidentified aviators]).

Many of the captions read as capsule press releases, noting the units, locations, and individuals featured in the photographs. Many of these photographs reveal the names and street addresses of individual Marines. For privacy reasons, the street addresses have been redacted from the captions; the city and state have not been.

Whenever possible, the individual photograph descriptions include the photograph number, the date the photograph was taken, the title of the photograph, the photograph description, and the photographer.

This large collection of photographs is notable for the highly detailed view of Marine operations and activities in Vietnam. Combat operations and humanitarian endeavors are given equal consideration, and the collection is particularly notable for the depictions of civic affairs that were undertaken by Marine forces. Also notable are the photographs depicting Marine operations. There are substantial photograph sets for many operations, notably Operation Dewey Canyon, Operation Meade River, Operation Pipestone Canyon, Operation Oklahoma Hills, and Operation Taylor Commons.

## **Series Descriptions**

### **Series 1. Educational materials, 1954-1964**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order. This series includes official Marine Corps memoranda, curricular materials, uniform regulations, and lessons from Marine Corps Schools' Basic School and Junior School, Marine Corps Educational Center, Quantico, Virginia.

### **Series 2. Ephemera, 1966-1971**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order.

### **Series 3. Maps, 1963-1976**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order (where indicated). This series consists of maps of Vietnam and Okinawa retained by Abel.

### **Series 4: Public Affairs Materials, 1955-1970**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order (where indicated). This series contains materials retained by Abel during his tenure as a public affairs officer in Vietnam. Includes press releases from Force Logistics Command [FLC] and the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, as well as a press kit and a USMC birthday celebration script.

### **Series 5: Publications, 1943-1983**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order by publication date. This series consists of publications, both official and unofficial.

### **Series 6: Photographs, 1965-1970**

Arrangement: ascending chronological order by unit/squadron; chronological by subject. This series consists of official Marine Corps photographs produced by the public affairs branch of Military Assistance Command, Vietnam [MACV]. This series has been subdivided into 5 subseries: Subseries 6.1 (Aviation Units); Series 6.2 (Ground Units); Series 6.3 (Operations); Series 6.4 (Subject Files); Series 6.5 (Miscellaneous); and Series 6.6 (Photograph Negatives/Contact Sheets).

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- Folder 3. The Basis School [TBS]: Sample Service Record Book, 1955
- Folder 4. Junior School Memoranda, Bulletins, 1959
- Folder 5. Junior School Course: Defensive Combat, Marine Infantry Battalion, 1959
- Folder 6. Junior School Course: Fundamentals of Combat Intelligence, 1959
- Folder 7. Junior School Course: Introduction to Offensive Tactics, 1959
- Folder 8. Junior School Course: Logistics in Operations Ashore, 1959
- Folder 9. Junior School Course: Organization and Equipment of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, 1959
- Folder 10. Junior School Course: Offensive Combat, Marine Infantry Battalion, 1959
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- Folder 23. Press Releases: Miscellaneous, 1967-1968

#### **Series 5: Publications, 1943-1983**

- Folder 24. Boot: A Marine in the Making, 1943
- Folder 25. Handbook for US Forces in Vietnam, 1968
- Folder 26. Newsletters, 1971

- Folder 27. Quotes for the Military Writer, 1972
- Folder 28. Just Plain English, 1973
- Folder 29. Welcome Okusan, 1976-1977
- Folder 30. Military Media Review, April 1983

## **Box 2**

### **Series 6: Photographs, 1965-1970**

#### **Series 6.1: Aviation Units**

##### **Box 2 Folder 1. 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 1W-2-142-69: 1969: Swift Attack: A supersonic Phantom jet of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] speeds away from a target as smoke from bombs billows into the air. The attack jet was called in for the air strike by a Marine reconnaissance team near Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).
2. Photograph number 1-69-67-1: March 1967: Cong Killers: Ordnancemen fuse bombs on a Marine Phantom, one of eight from VMFA-542 and 323 [Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 542 and Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323] that caught a Viet Cong battalion in the open south of the demilitarized zone March 3. The 'Tiger' and the 'Death Rattler' jets, attacking in flights of two, accounted for 70 confirmed kills (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. M. Abreu).
3. Photograph number 0158: 16 February 1968: Observation: Marine Lance Corporal Bradley E. Boyd, 19 (Orlando, Florida), keeps an eye out for enemy activity while manning his defensive position at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] headquarters (official USMC photo by Corporal C. E. Erickson).
4. Photograph number 31-201-69: 1969: It's in the Bag: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] deposits a load of ammunition on a mountaintop southeast of An Hoa. Leathernecks from the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines are conducting search operations from the mountaintop base (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
5. Photograph number 0856: undated: Under Control: Corporal Paul S. Edwards, 21 (Madison, Wisconsin) is a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing Explosive Ordnance Disposal technician, and knows what he's doing with this 122mm rocket. This rocket, and the other weapons in the background, is a small fraction of enemy ordnance found and disarmed by the seven-man Wing EOD team (official USMC photo by Corporal S. L. MacKenzie II).

6. Photograph number 033: undated: Sick Call: A Vietnamese soldier has the dressing on a wound changed by Navy Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class John M. Sullivan, 33 (Brooklyn, New York) during Vietnamese sick call at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing dispensary in Da Nang. Sullivan and other corpsmen and doctors treat as many as 120 Vietnamese a day when sick call goes at the Wing headquarters dispensary (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
7. Photograph number 0133-69: Hi Folks: Home at last is 'Suzie,' a 27-month-old Vietnamese girl who underwent open heart surgery at the Orange County Children's Hospital, California. Looking in on this happy reunion of 'Suzie' and her family are two of the men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] who made her operation possible. Navy Lieutenant Bruce Schumacher (left), the 1<sup>st</sup> MAW chaplain who got the little girl's mother a place to live in California, and Navy Lieutenant Douglas Henning, a 1<sup>st</sup> MAW physician who made arrangements for the actual operation in Suzie's heart. Now with her newly repaired heart Suzie can at last lead a normal and full life, thanks to the 'heart' of the men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing (official USMC photo by Sergeant S. L. Mackenzie).
8. Photograph number 3M-3-0654: 1969: Thank You Friends: Suzie, whose real name is Nguyen Thanh Phuong, and her father look at a toy helicopter given to them as a keepsake from the men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. Men of the wing sent Suzie to the Orange County Children's Hospital, Santa Ana, California, for open heart surgery. Now for the first time in her young life she can run, play, and live a normal life thanks to the men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing (official USMC photo by Sergeant E. E. Kramer).
9. Photograph number 0081: 1969: Scholarship: Marine Major Billy F. Connor, 36 (Kailua-Kona, Hawaii), 1st Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] Civic Affairs officer presents a Lieutenant General Lewis Walt Scholarship award of 1,000 piastres to a Vietnamese nursing student, Huynh Thi Ha. The award was one of 20 made to needy students of an assistant nurses school directed by Mrs. Ly Thi Hanh (right) at the Da Nang Medical Center (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).
10. Photograph number 0061: 1969: Heart Line: Nguyen Kink, father of 22-month-old Nguyen Thi Thanh Phuong, speaks to his daughter in a California hospital where she is recovering from open heart surgery. The call from the China Beach USO Club near Da Nang was arranged to cheer the mending heart of the tiny Vietnamese child whose operation and trip to the United States were arranged by Lieutenant Douglas Henning, USN, and Lieutenant Bruce Schumacher, a Navy chaplain. Both men are assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).

**Box 2 Folder 2.      1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] (2 of 3)**



1. Photograph number 0003: undated: Flying Aquarium: An improvised oxygen system for 1,500 fingerlings is checked by Captain Robert J. Agro (North Merrick, New York), 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] civic action officer, as the fish are airlifted from Pleiku to Da Nang to stock a village fish hatchery (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
2. Photograph number 0736: 11 September 1968: Helping Out: Marine Sergeant Kenneth E. Calhoun (Lower Burrell, Pennsylvania) give a blanket to Hoa Cuong villager whose home and possessions were destroyed by Viet Cong forces. A 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing civic action team distributed household goods and building materials to 300 families in the village south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
3. Photograph number 0733: 11 September 1968: Clothing for Homeless: Residents of Hoa Cuong village, south of the Da Nang Air Base, select clothing from boxes set up by a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing civic action team. Many villagers were left homeless when Viet Cong forces destroyed 300 homes in their village. Clothing was provided through the Marine Corps Reserve CARE fund (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
4. Photograph number 0734: 11 September 1968: Building Material: Marine Staff Sergeant Richard Castor (Tombstone, Arizona) helps Vietnamese Popular Forces soldiers distribute roofing tin to families of Hoa Cuong village, south of Da Nang. 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] distributed tin and cement supplied by the US Agency for International Development (USAID) to 300 families whose homes were destroyed recently by Viet Cong forces (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
5. Photograph number 0128: undated: First Hand Look: Senator John Tower of Texas receives a briefing on UH-1E Huey gunship from Major General Charles J. Quilter, Commanding General, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, during a visit to the Da Nang Air Base. The senator inspected various Marine aircraft and weaponry. He also talked with Leathernecks from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, Force Logistic Command and 1<sup>st</sup> MAW. Senator Tower is currently on a fact finding mission and is visiting military bases throughout Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Alan F. Poulos).
6. Photograph number 0664: 15 August 1968: From Washington to Quang Tri: Marine Corps Commandant, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., talks with a member of Quang Tri's Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 39 honor guard while touring 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing air bases in Vietnam, August 6. The Vietnam tour was the second for General Chapman since his appointment as Commandant last January (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).
7. Photograph number 0129: undated: Bullet Stopper: Major Richard J. Adams takes a good look at his survival radio, which stopped two small arms rounds recently while he was flying a troop lift into a fire support base. The small radio, which was completely destroyed, deflected the enemy rounds, saving a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] aviator from possible serious injury (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).



8. Photograph number 0088: 31 January 1968: Giving: Marine Captain Karl Zavitkovsky, 26 (Pennington, New Jersey), 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] assistant civil affairs officer, distributes toys, food, and soap to Vietnamese at the Hoa Cuong refugee Camp in Hoa Vang district, southeast of Da Nang. More than 1,000 toys and 200 pounds of food and soap were distributed (official USMC photo by Corporal C. E. Erickson).
9. Photograph number 1W15855104631: March 1968: Innocent Victim: Marine Lance Corporal William G. Gilliland, 19, of El Paso, Texas, rushes an injured Vietnamese child to medical aid after a grenade exploded in a residential courtyard, 200 yards from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing Da Nang base, March 4. Two suspects were apprehended at the scene. Marines and Navy hospital corpsmen treated and evacuated the injured official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
10. Photograph number 1W1-167-69: 1969: New Approach: Navy Lieutenant Gordon E. Garthe (Traverse City, Michigan), a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing chaplain, watches Private First Class Richard R. Jackson (Baltimore, Maryland) put the finishing touch on the chapel bulletin board's message. Looking for 'something other than just a schedule' Chaplain Garthe hit on the idea posting humorous yet through-provoking comments to gain the attention of his Leatherneck congregation. 'At least people seem to be looking at it now,' he says (official USMC photo by Corporal Randal F. Nelson).

**Box 2 Folder 3.      1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 0080: undated: Cubs-to-Kids Program: Marine Chief Warrant Officer Angelo Battista passes out school supplies and candy to a wide-eyed tot at a school near the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] headquarters in Da Nang. The gifts for the Vietnamese children were collected by Cub Scout Pack 551, Havelock, North Carolina (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Mike Kucial).
2. Photograph number 1W0710690116: undated: Soggy Center Snap: Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW], Da Nang, prepare to snap the ball in four inches of water during the monsoon rains creating the action in this series of pictures (official USMC photo by Corporal W. V. Wilson).
3. Photograph number 1W0710690119: undated: A Spubble: Proved his plans were unsuccessful and as all wet as the game at the 1<sup>st</sup> MAW headquarters, played after 21.1 inches of rain (official USMC photo by Corporal W. V. Wilson).
4. Photograph number 0092: 30 January 1968: Marine Advisor: Major Walton H. Capps is serving as the Army Aviation adviser to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Zielinski).
5. Photographs 0112: undated: Chaplain's Combat Kit: Rear Admiral H. J. Rotridge, USN, Pacific Fleet Chaplain, is shown a chaplain's combat kit by Captain R. H. Trower, USN,

1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing Chaplain, during a recent visit to the 1<sup>st</sup> MAW Chapel in Da Nang. The combat kit, which contains a complete altar complement, serves the chaplain during services to Marines on combat operations (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randall Nelson).

6. Photograph number FLC-2-0896-69: 1969: Up and (Almost) Over: A Leatherneck from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing tips the bar during a high jump attempt at a three-day Sports Festival in Da Nang. The festival featured track, volleyball and soccer competition between teams representing American, Vietnamese, and Korean military units from throughout the I Corps area Tactical Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers) [2 copies].

#### **Box 2 Folder 4.      1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing (1<sup>st</sup> MAW) Band**

1. Photograph number 0122: undated: Strike Up the Band: Captain William G. Kennedy leads the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing Band in a command performance for wing commander, Major General Charles J. Quilter. Kennedy recently composed a new march he dedicated to the 1<sup>st</sup> MAW and the generals. The captain has written innumerable musical compositions during his 16 years with various Marine Corps bands (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John E. Banister).

[13 black and white photographs of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing band at a football game].

#### **Box 2 Folder 5.      Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2]**

1. Photograph number 0036: 17 January 1968: Turret Sight: Marine Lieutenant John M. Sconyers, 21 (Vienna, Virginia) of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2], inspects the chin turret sight in a UH-1E Huey gunship at Chu Lai. The sight controls two mobile 7.62mm machine guns mounted under the nest of the helicopter (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
2. Photograph number 0559: 4 July 1968: Take Ten: Two aerial gunners of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2] grab a short nap on board their Huey helicopter gunship at the Marble Mountain Facility near Da Nang. Corporal W. R. Dobransky, 22 (East Canton, Ohio), stretches out while Lance Corporal J. E. Ruane, 21 (Waterville, New York) uses his M-60 machinegun for a prop while awaiting another mission (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
3. Photograph number 0525: 20 June 1968: Gunner: Sergeant Major Billie Burcham sights down the barrel of his M-60 machine gun in a Huey gunship during a medical evacuation cover mission south of Da Nang. The 47 year old senior enlisted man of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2] has logged more than 300 missions in his seven months with Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Collett).

4. Photograph number 0305: 1968: Walk Through Ruins: An Ap Von villager points at Viet Cong destruction to Marine Sergeant James Collins (center), Lance Corporal Nathaniel Hullman, Jr. (right), both of Marine Observation Squadron 2, and a Marine of Combined Action Platoon G-4 (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
5. Photograph number 0028: 15 January 1968: Huey Fire Power: Marine Sergeant D. Padilla, 21 (Shelby, Michigan), left, and Lance Corporal E. M. Donaldson, 19 (Columbia, Illinois), of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2], check out an M-79 grenade launcher and grenade prior to a flight in a UH-1E gun ship from Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
6. Photograph number 0035: 16 January 1968: Gunner Readies: Marine Lance Corporal E. M. Donaldson, 19 (Columbia, Illinois), of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2] simulates clearing a jam in one of the external guns on a UH-1E gun ship. 'You must be ready for any emergency and I practice until clearing a gun is as easy as breathing,' says Donaldson (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
7. Photograph number 0034: 15 January 1968: Huey Crew Chief: Sergeant D. Padilla, 21 (Shelby, Michigan), checks the correct seating of a rocket pod on a UH-1E gunship. He is a crew chief with Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMU-2] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
8. Photograph number 115: 5 February 1968: Ordnance Hustlers: Marine Air Base Squadron 16 ordnance crew Leathernecks of Marine Observation Squadron 2 [VMO-2] supplied nearly 2,900 rockets for the gunships to help quell enemy rocket attacks on Marble Mountain and Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).

#### **Box 2 Folder 6. Marine Air Support Squadron 3 [MASS-3]**

1. Photograph number 0615: 28 July 1968: From CARE: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Johnny O. Gregerson, 42 (San Diego, California), Commanding Officer, Marine Air Support Squadron 3 [MASS-3], presents a rice thrasher to the hamlet chief of Trung Toam hamlet located near Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. The thrasher, donated by people of the United States, will enable the Vietnamese to quicken their harvest. Looking on is a young admirer of the Marines who seem to be giving his approval (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0739: 12 September 1968: From Me to You: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Dennis G. Mauro, 24 (Livingston, New Jersey), of Marine Air Support Squadron 3 [MASS-3], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, presents a scholarship to a Vietnamese student at the Ky Ha elementary school, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Twelve scholarships were presented to needy Vietnamese youngsters, with the money furnished by Leathernecks of MASS-3 (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

3. Photograph number 1-221-69: 1969: To the Victor: Marine Sergeant Howard J. Johnson, 24 (West Point, Kentucky), sports a jaunty grin as he strolls along with what's left of an enemy flag he captured when an estimated 40 enemy attacked his unit's position four miles west of Da Nang. Johnson is with Detachment A, Marine Air Support Squadron 3 [MASS-3] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).

**Box 2 Folder 7. Marine Observation Squadron 3 [VMO-3]**

1. Photograph number 0007: 3 January 1968: Huey Maintenance: Marine Corporal Ronald J. Zaczeck, 20 (Baltimore, Maryland), left, helps to other Leathernecks of Marine Observation Squadron 3 [VMO-3] guide a T53L-11 incoming engine onto its mounts on a UH-1E helicopter at Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).

**Box 2 Folder 8. Marine Air Control Squadron 4 [MACS-4]**

1. Photograph number 0666: 5 August 1968: Unit Leaders: Major Donald C. Pauley, 36 (Salt Lake City, Utah) executive officer of Marine Air Control Squadron 4 [MACS-4], points out the number of Marine aircraft assisted by the unit on the previous day to Lieutenant Colonel David S. Twining, 37 (Falls Church, Virginia), MACS-34s commanding officer (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).

**Box 2 Folder 9. Marine Observation Squadron 6 [VMO-6]**

1. Photograph number 0125: 9 February 1968: Rotor Roulette: Mechanics of Marine Observation Squadron 6 [VMO-6] check the rotor blades of a UH-1E helicopter to determine if the two blades are cutting the same 'track.' The tip of each blade is marked with a different colored grease pencil for the test (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Zielinski).
2. Photograph number 0813: undated: Faithful Breed: An O-1 Bird Dog observation plane of Marine Observation Squadron 6 (VMO-6), Quang Tri, Vietnam, scans low over enemy territory seeking targets for Marine jet aircraft (official USMC photo by Corporal Carl E. Erickson).
3. Photograph number 0256: 24 March 1968: Checking Ordnance: Corporal George DeFeo, 20 (Jefferson Township, New Jersey), a crew chief with Marine Observation Squadron 6 [VMO-6], gives his Huey gunship's armament a close look prior to lifting off on another flight. DeFeo voluntarily extended his tour of duty in Vietnam and has more than 600 combat missions to his credit (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron A. Zielinski).

**Box 2 Folder 10. Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11]**

1. Photograph number 0808: undated: Calling the Shots: A Marine Skyhawk jet spotter aircraft of Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11], Da Nang, swings over the North Vietnamese serving as the 'eyes' of the battleship USS New Jersey. Piloting the

Leatherneck aircraft is Major John L. Clark, Jr. (Glendale, California) with 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Pasquale J. Morocco (Lowellville, Ohio) serving as tactical observer. The Marines called in fire from the battlegroup's 16 inch rifles which were directed against an enemy position north of the Demilitarized Zone (Official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. W. Thompson).

2. Photograph number 1W-1-155-69: 1969: Watch Out Charlie: Leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 11 (MAG-11) prepare 500-pound bombs to be loaded on MAG-11 jets for delivery to the enemy (Official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).
3. Photograph number 1-1409-68: 3 September 1968: Welcome, Phantoms: The F-4J Phantom jet, most modern of all Marine Corps Aircraft, arrives in Vietnam for a tour of duty at the Da Nang Air Base with Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. Poulas).
4. Photograph number 3M-8-0153-68: 30 January 1968: Da Nang Debris: Leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] begin to clean up the flight line following the pre-dawn enemy mortar and rocket attack (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
5. Photograph number 0990: undated: Fastest Sergeant Major: A Mach-2 award is awarded to Sergeant Major Angelo F. Cipriano, December 19, by Mr. A Klienpeter of McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft, at Da Nang, after the Marine Aircraft Group 11's [MAG-11] top NCO became the fastest moving sergeant major in the Marine Corps during a Phantom jet ride at twice the speed of sound (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
6. Photograph number 0698: 26 August 1968: Renovation: Sergeant Don L. Brown, 23 (Locust Grove, Georgia) paints a gun barrel now decorating the front of Security Headquarters at Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11]. The barrel, unearthed during a building project at the group has been identified as an old English naval gun piece used by the French during their period of occupation in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim DeWitt).
7. Photograph number 0008: undated: School's Fun Now: Like most little boys, this future student, here watching the construction of Lo Giang village school, probably looks ahead to attending school with mixed emotions. Being built by the villagers, with aid from Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11], the school will allow the younger children to return to studies interrupted when the Viet Cong destroyed their old school last year (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
8. Photograph number 0696: 26 August 1968: Good Neighbor: Captain Roscoe H. Halcomb, Jr. (Danville, Kentucky) puts a shirt on a young Vietnamese boy with the help of the youngster's mother. Halcomb, Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] civil affairs officer, supervised the distribution of a half-dozen boxes of clothing, collected in the United States, to more than 100 children of the hamlet of Lo Giang, two miles south of the Da Nang Air Base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim DeWitt).

9. Photograph number 0679: 2 August 1968: Helping Hand: Vietnamese children of the hamlet of Lo Giang, two miles south of the Da Nang Air Base, cluster around an irrigation pump presented to their hamlet by the Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] civil affairs unit (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
10. Photograph number 0641: 5 August 1968: Welcome Mat: Offering an offbeat come-on, the 11<sup>th</sup> Dental Company's Detachment A added a touch of humor to their new sign at the Marine Aircraft Group 11's [MAG-11] office (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim DeWitt).

**Box 2 Folder 11.      Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12 [H&MS-12]**

1. Photograph number 0726: 5 September 1968: A Job Well Done: Vietnamese Army Sergeant Phan Thanh Cong receives congratulations on his Meritorious Mast from Marine Lieutenant Colonel D. C. Alexander, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12 commanding officer (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0959: undated: Making Friends: Marine Corporal John R. Zmyevski, 22 (Wyandotee, Michigan), a jet mechanic with Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], presents scholarship funds to a pretty Vietnamese student at the Ky Lyn High School, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Forty scholarships were awarded, from the General Lewis Walt fund. The remainder was paid for by Marines of H&MS-12 (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 0964: undated: Her Very Own: Marine Staff Sergeant Leroy Grant, 27 (Littlefield, Texas), Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai, demonstrates a sewing machine presented to this Vietnamese widow. The MAG-12 civic action team, through CARE, presented the machine with will enable her to earn a living for herself and her two children (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 0741: 14 September 1968: Making Friends: Charles Fagan (Jackson, Mississippi), left, American Red Cross, field director at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, and Marine Lance Corporal James P. McKinney, 21 (Rochester, New York), at the Catholics' orphanage in An Tan village after delivering more than 500 pounds of toys and school supplies. McKinney, of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], coordinated the delivery of the goods with the Red Cross in Rochester while home on special leave (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0954: undated: From Santa's Helpers: Marine Sergeant Robert E. Gasion, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], displays Santa Claus at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, bring a reminder of Christmas to his base. Santa was a joint effort, made by school children of the Middlefield Center



School, Middleton, Connecticut, Gasion's home town (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

**Box 2 Folder 12. Marine Air Base Squadron 12 [MABS-12]**

1. Photograph number 0996: 1969: We Like It: Marine 2d Lieutenant Joseph T. Wood, 22 (Freeport, New York), material officer of Marine Air Base Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], presents a sewing machine, donated by CARE, to a pair of very happy Vietnamese ladies of Ky Sahn village, north of the Marine Air Base Chu Lai. The machine was presented by the MAG-12 civic action team (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0994: 1969: From Those Who Care: Marine Corporal Walter T. Shenko, 19 (Abington, Connecticut), of Marine Air Base Squadron 12, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], looks on as the Ky Sanh village chief types a thank you note on his new typewriter. The machine, donated by an organization in the United States and presented by Shenko on behalf of his group's civic action program, will enhance and improve the civil functions of the small Vietnamese village (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

**Box 2 Folder 13. Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0574: undated: Fill 'Er Up: The gas tank of a Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] attack jet fills to 1800 [sic] of jet fuel. Sergeant David L. Biller, a member of Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System, pumps 200 gallons of fuel a minute into the Chu Lai-based Skyhawk (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
2. Photograph number 0467: 3 June 1968: Cat Shot: Members of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] catapult crew at the Chu Lai Air Base position a Skyhawk aircraft for launch. The catapult was employed to launch bomb-loaded attack aircraft from the short aluminum mat runway of Marine expeditionary air field at Chu Lai. Now that Chu Lai has a 10,000 foot runway, the expeditionary catapult and aluminum mat runway is maintained only for emergency operations (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 2-176-67: June 1967: On the Line: Sergeant Carey F. Daly, 23 (background) of Baltimore, Maryland, instructs Leathernecks of the Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] group guard on the M-16 rifle. The rifle is being issued to 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing personnel (official USMC photo by Corporal Russ Cowen).
4. Photograph number 0654: August 1968: Passing Colors: Colonel Rex A. Deasy, right receives MAG-12 colors from Colonel Charles B. Armstrong, Jr., during a formal change of command ceremony, at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).



5. Photograph number 0145: undated: Pilot Talk: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Gary O. Henkel, 24 (Grand Rapids, Michigan), an A-4 Skyhawk pilot with Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW], talks to Leatherneck jets providing close air support for the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines. Henkel is serving with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines as a Forward Air Controller (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 16-173-67: 1967: Wing Visitors: The Honorable Charles F. Baird (right), Under Secretary of the Navy, gets a close look at a briefing chart during his visit to Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] with Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Thomas).
7. Photograph number 0132: undated: Family Pride: Seabee Builder 1<sup>st</sup> Class Russell G. Gidley, left, 39 (Grand Ledge, Michigan), looks on proudly while his son, Marine Corporal Warren R. Gidley, 21 (Grand Ledge, Michigan) receives congratulations from Lieutenant General Lewis Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, who presented him with the Bronze Star. Corporal Gidley was cited for his heroic actions at Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai, following an enemy rocket attack that threatened to destroy many of the group's aircraft. The quick-thinking and brave actions of Corporal Gidley and the crash crew of which he is a member, resulted in saving several Marine aircraft. The elder Gidley took time from his job as a construction supervisor with the Seabees of Mobile Construction Battalion 58, to witness the decoration of his son (official USMC photo by Corporal John A. Ehler).
8. Photograph number 3M-2-0563-69: 1969: Silver Star Award: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Robert Rivers receives the Silver Star from Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps on April 2. Lieutenant Rivers is stationed with Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] at Chu Lai. General Walt made the presentation during one of his many stops in the five day tour he made of Marine units in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
9. Photograph number 1W2-132-69: 1969: Extending Creightons: Corporal Richard D. Creighton (left) and his cousin Lance Corporal Thomas E. Creighton, both of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai, Vietnam, pause to read a letter from Richard's brother, Sergeant Jack E. Creighton, who is stationed in Dong Ha, Vietnam. They have another cousin in Vietnam, Sergeant Allen Keeler, stationed in Da Nang. The four Marine relatives, all from Uxbridge, Massachusetts, have voluntarily extended their tours of duty in Vietnam. All together they will serve a total of 7 ½ years service in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
10. Photograph number 0042: 1969: What Did You Do in the War Daddy?: Staff Sergeant Findley S. Poole, will definitely raise a few eyebrows when he answer, "I cleaned the enemy's weapons." The eight-year veteran uses a communist cleaning rod on the barrel of an AK-47 assault rifle. Other weapons include a light machine gun (on Poole's lap), and communists sub-machineguns, all captured near Marine Air Base Chu Lai. The

weapons are used for instructional and display purposes at Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).

**Box 2 Folder 14. Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0373: 6 May 1968: Congratulations, Pete!: Marine Captain Peter A. Krueger proves you can 'have your cake and eat it too,' if you're willing to fly more jet attack combat missions than any Marine pilot in Southeast Asia. The Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] A-4E Skyhawk pilot cuts the cake with the assistance of Colonel Charles B. Armstrong, Jr., commanding officer of the Chu Lai-based MAG (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
2. Photograph number 0921: undated: Three's Company, Four's an Intruder: Three A-4E Skyhawk jets of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 311 [VMFA-311] and an A-6A Intruder of VMA(AW)-533 [Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 533] of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai, head for another bombing mission in support of Marine Operations in South Vietnam (Official USMC photo by Sergeant C. E. Erickson).
3. Photograph number 0098: undated: Ground Breaking: Marine Captain William M. Milligan III, 26 (Charleston, South Carolina), civic action officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], at Chu Lai, assists the Ky Lyn village chief with the first shovel full of dirt, signifying the construction of the new elementary school in Ky Lyn. Most of the building materials will be provided by the Leathernecks, while the actual construction will be performed by the Vietnamese (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 0957: undated: My Turn to Help: Sergeant Leon Stavros of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] civil affairs, Chu Lai, presents a package of clothing donated by American citizens to a Vietnamese woman from the village of An Tan. Stavros, who was born in Greece, believes he is helping the Vietnamese people much the same as Americans helped him when he arrived in New York at the age of 12 (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0388: 13 May 1968: Center of Attention: Alfie, a two year-old Vietnamese girl who was suffering from malnutrition in a village orphanage near the Marine Air Base at Chu Lai, is the center of attention among the Navy corpsmen at the Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] dispensary. The corpsmen unofficially adopted the youngster and nursed her back to good health. The men are, from left: Hospitalman 2d Class Jim Earl, 25 (Cottage Grove, Oregon); HM3 Joseph Wenzlick, 22 (Cloverdale, Ohio); Chief Hospitalman Ramon J. Flemming, 33 (Correctionville, Iowa); HM1 William Dennis, 41 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania); and HM2 Terry L. Shrubb, 21 (Bradford, Pennsylvania) (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
6. Photograph number 0967: undated: Who's Next: Marine Corporal William C. Burnham, 20 (Glenfield, New York), wonders where all the hands are coming from as he contemplates where to distribute the next piece of candy to the children of Ky Sanh

village, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Burnham, working with the Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] civic action team, is a frequent visitor to the villages and hamlets and is always welcomed by the youngsters (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

7. Photograph number 0097: 1969: Say Ah: Hospitalman Kenneth Wilson, 23 (San Fernando, California) of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW], checks the throat of a young Vietnamese at Long Binh village, two miles north of Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Wilson travels weekly to this and the other nearby villages providing medical care for more than 500 patients (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
8. Photograph number 0760: undated: Roving Chaplin: Using a discarded refrigerator as an altar, Navy Lieutenant Kilian T. Holland, Catholic chaplain of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], conducts mass for Marine at an outpost north of Chu Lai. The chaplain visits outposts, serving Leathernecks unable to reach him (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
9. Photograph number 0953: undated: I Believe: With an assist from Santa Claus, this young Vietnamese lass from Ky Lyn village, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, eyes with anticipation the Christmas gift she received from this bearded gent. Santa will distribute more than 1,000 gifts to the Vietnamese youngsters in villages and hamlets near the base. He will be assisted by Leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12]. For the non-believers in Santa Claus, check with Marine Staff Sergeant Paul D. Christensen, 32 (Omaha, Nebraska) MAG-12 admin chief (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

#### **Box 2 Folder 15. Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13]**

1. Photograph number 0126: 9 February 1968: Last Combat Flight: An F-9J Cougar sits at the Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] flight line after completing the final combat flight over Vietnam for a Leatherneck Cougar (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Patrick Trimble).
2. Photograph number 70651: 28 December 1967: Busy Base: An F-4B Phantom of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] taxis past the wing of a KC-130 Hercules transport at Chu Lai. More than 1,000 aircraft use the Marine base daily (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
3. Photograph number 0743: 14 September 1968: Will They Fit?: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Robert H. Schultz, 37 (Detroit, Michigan), administrative officer of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, presents clothing to a Vietnamese youngster in the village of An Tan. Schultz received the clothing from Our Savior Lutheran Church, Detroit, and distributed more than 500 pounds to needy Vietnamese (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

4. Photograph number 1012: undated: Care USA: Marine Lance Corporal Steven L. Wagner, 21 (Kutztown, Pennsylvania), presents school supplies to a Vietnamese elementary school near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Working with the Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] civic action team, Brown helped distribute more than 100 school kits, donated by an organization in the states (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0677: 22 August 1968: Fightertown Mall: A newly erected sign at Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], Marine Air Base Chu Lai, boasts a one-stop shopping center. The 'mall' will consist of a fully-equipped recreation center, right, and a post office, bank, and barber shop, left. Located further left is a recently constructed PX and the MAG-13 chapel. The PX was built to replace the old one, partially destroyed by enemy rockets a few months ago. Although a far cry from stateside shopping centers, the centralized location will give MAG-13 residents the nearest thing to a mall at Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-0048-68: 11 January 1968: Aviation Briefing: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, talks with a pilot of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] at Chu Lai during his tour of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing facilities. With the Commandant is Colonel Edward N. Le Faivre, MAG-13, commanding officer (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. C. Moore).
7. Photograph number 0690: 22 August 1968: New Commander: Major Edgar A. House, right, receives the squadron colors from Lieutenant Colonel Paul L. Siegmund, August 12, during a formal change of command ceremony at Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 13 [H&MS-13], Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], Chu Lai, Vietnam. House saw duty in Vietnam in September 1963 with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 361 [HMM-361]. He began his current tour as executive officer of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362] and participated in operations Fortress Attack II, Napoleon Saline, Scotland II, and Fortress Attack III (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
8. Photograph number 0003: 2 January 1968: Chief Dedicates Chapel: Chief of Chaplains, Rear Admiral James W. Kelly, CHC, USN, offers his address of dedication, December 23 at the Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] chapel, Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. In his dedicatory remarks, Admiral Kelly distinguished the combat zone chapel as the ideal temple, 'Where men are stripped of their protective coatings and driven to their knees in thankfulness for their lives.' The Chaplain was at Chu Lai for his third Christmas tour of the area (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. J. Jackson).
9. Photograph number 0744: undated: Endless Exercises: Under the eyes of Jim Kie Kwon, center, Leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] go through rigorous exercises at part of their instruction in Tae Kwon Do. Kwon, a Korean civilian working

at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, is instructing Marines under the group's Special Services program (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).

**Box 2 Folder 16. Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1-45-67: 1967: Ready to Go: Ready for takeoff is 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Robert Lyons (right), 23, Klamath Falls, Oregon, one of 15 pilots from the 01-Charlies of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16]. 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Kent Kimmel, 25, of Washington, DC (in rear seat) is an artillery observer from the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Sergeant Richard Groscost).
2. Photograph number 0840: undated: Birthday Greetings: Greetings are extended to Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] Medical Department on October 11, celebrating the Navy's 193d anniversary. Colonel Warren L. MacQuarrie, left (Irvine, California), MAG-16 commanding officer, presents the first slice of cake to the group's senior medical officer, Lieutenant Jerry L. Rasco (Clovis, New Mexico) (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. C. Schobel).
3. Photograph number 0006: 1969: Russian Made: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Larry L. Hunt, 33 (Freemont, Ohio), Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] provost marshal, and Corporal Gregory Kopchak, 19 (Berea, Ohio) examine the markings on a fuel section of an enemy 122mm rocket which they discovered after a recent enemy rocket attack at the Marble Mountain Air Facility (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
4. Photograph number 0771: undated: Ready Machine Gun: Members of Zulu Company, the security group of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] ready their machine gun as they prepare to stand duty for the night. The company maintains watch for the base from bunkers and high steel towers throughout the facility (official USMC photo by A. K. Mack).
5. Photograph number 0938: undated: Doorstep Service: Red Cross workers Ginnie Close, left (Eau Claire, Wisconsin) and Sandy Teorey (Minneapolis, Minnesota) serve Kool-Aid to Leathernecks working on the Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] flight line at the Marble Mountain Air Facility. The girls ride through outdoor working areas at the bases near Da Nang serving iced beverages from the back of a truck (official USMC photo by Private First Class Blake B. Barker).
6. Photograph number 0386: 13 May 1968: My Turn: A Vietnamese boy clamors for a turn riding piggy back on the shoulders of Lance Corporal Thomas Poff. Poff is a member of the Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] Civil Affairs staff who visit villages in their area of responsibility daily in conjunction with their people-to-people program. These boys, from the village of Hoa Long, six miles south of Da Nang, are always happy to see the MAG-16 Marines, who are also responsible for the distribution of clothing, candy, soup, and for romping with the young set (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).

7. Photograph number 0657: 10 August 1968: Guiding Hand: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant David C. Bennett, Industrial Relations Officer of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] instructs a Vietnamese secretary on the proper method of filling out reports. Bennett coordinates a labor program at MAG-16 [Marine Aircraft Group 16] for more than 300 Vietnamese workers (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).
8. Photograph number 7-57-67: 1967: To the Rescue: Marines race from a CH-46A Sea Knight helicopter to set up a defense perimeter around another CH-46 that had been grounded with a damaged tail rotor. Two sister ships from Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16], with a platoon of riflemen and a combat maintenance team, readied the damaged plane for a lift-out by an Army Skycrane helicopter (official USMC photo by Sergeant Rich Groscost).
9. Photograph number 0016: undated: Checkup: Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Walter R. Tyrrell, 21 (Elmire, New York), a Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] corpsman, and Ly Thi Ngoc Chau, right, check the medical record of a Hoa Long village woman. Miss Chau is being trained by the MAG-16 dispensary to give basic medical aid to the Vietnamese residents of the village located south of the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).
10. Photograph number 0205: 29 February 1968: Whirlybird Perch: A Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] CH-53A Sea Stallion helicopter appears to land on the boom of a crane as it arrives at Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).

**Box 2 Folder 17. Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0933: undated: Night Work: Around the clock Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] mechanics and technicians at the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang, labor to prepare their aircraft for the next day's mission (official USMC photo by Corporal A. K. Mack).
2. Photograph number 70657: 30 December 1967: M-16 for MAG-16: Colonel Edwin C. Reed (Alexandria, Virginia), commanding officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16], familiarizes himself with the newly adopted M-16 rifle at the Marble Mountain air facility rifle range. The new range is designed to familiarize the officers and men of MAG-16 with the M-16 prior to its issue to the group (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Dave Johnson).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-0048-68: 1968: Gunship Briefing: During his visit to Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] at the Marble Mountain air facility, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., commandant of the Marine Corps, receives a briefing on the UH-1E gunship (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Dan Moore).



4. Photograph number 0825: undated: Fill 'Er Up: A Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] refueler has the crew chief of a Huey gunship sign for a helicopter load of fuel while others are serviced on the Marble Mountain Air Facility's flight line. The fuel farm pumps more than one million gallons of aviation gasoline and jet fuel each month (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
5. Photograph number 2-45-67: 1967: The Finishing Touch: Private First Class Joseph D. Valentine, 18, of East Providence, Rhode Island, and a plane captain gives the engine of this O1-C spotter a final going over. The plane flies daily missions from Marine Aircraft Group [MAG-16], based at the Marble Mountain Air Facility (official USMC photo by Sergeant Richard Groscost).
6. Photograph number 0979: undated: Boeing Aid: A Vietnamese youngster at the Sacred Heart Nursery and Orphanage near China Beach laughs with Lieutenant Joseph N. Sestito, MAG-16 chaplain (Rome, New York) and Louis Pappas (Morton, Pennsylvania). Pappas, a Boeing representative working with Marine Aircraft Group 16, has been bringing food, clothing, and toys to the orphanage donated by people in his section at the Boeing plant in Philadelphia (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).
7. Photograph number 1W1609690086: undated: Sock It to Me: That is what the Marines in the audience said when Miss Jackie Darnell came on the stage to entertain them in the MAG-16 [Marine Aircraft Group 16] Sergeant's Club. Miss Darnell was touring with the country and western group 'Nashville Vietnam' (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Jenkins).
8. Photograph number 0058: 23 January 1968: Loading Sequence: While a UH-34D helicopter (left) overs a Robertson litter with a 250 pound dummy is raised by the copter's hoist. At right, a hospital corpsman demonstrated the relative ease of loading the litter aboard during recent testing by Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
9. Photograph number 104: undated: Chaplain-Pilot: Navy Lieutenant Bruce Schumacher, 38 (San Diego, California), chaplain of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16], served as a Marine fighter pilot in Korea. He is one of the few chaplains to have earned the gold Naval aviators wings (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).

**Box 2 Folder 18. Marine Air Base 36 [MABS-36]**

1. Photograph number 0978: undated: It's A True?: Lance Corporal Bruce W. Carter, 21 (Chicago, Illinois) of the Marine Air Base Squadron 36 Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System (TAFDS) Section, opens a package from his family while sitting by the unit's unique Christmas tree. The tree, made from gasoline nozzles, fuel dispensing manifolds, and gate vales, is decorated with fuel strainers hung from the tree's 'branches' (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant C. E. Beard).



2. Photograph number 1W1409690084: undated: 'You Got to Prime the Pump:' 'You must have faith and believe, you've got to give of yourself before you're worthy to receive.' So goes the old song 'Desert Pete' and members of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] at Phu Bai know this to be true in aiding the Vietnamese. Marine Gunnery Sergeant Charles H. Graves (Baltimore, Maryland) helped the village chief of Thuy Chau install a pump in the village well. The pump was given to the village by Marine Air Base Squadron 36 (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Roberts).

## **Box 2 Folder 19. Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36]**

1. Photograph number 6114: undated: Sandbagger: Marine Staff Sergeant Avery Monteith, 27 (Key West Florida), is King of the Mountain, err, Sandbags at Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] at Phu Bai. He is surrounded by some of the 2,500 sandbags filled by mistake when he had a new bunker built recently (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
2. Photograph number 0095: 30 January 1968: Enemy Ordnance: Sergeant John S. Dempster, Jr., 21 (Knoxville, Tennessee), of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36], looks over pieces of North Vietnamese rockets fired into the Marine air base at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. Zielinski).
3. Photograph number 1W0409690069: undated: Do Not Open Till Christmas: Some members of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] based at Phu Bai, Vietnam have realized the only way to beat the yuletide mail rush is to start putting Private First Class Dave J. Trocki (Chicago, Illinois) of the group post office, to work sending their largest packages home four months prior to Christmas (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Roberts).
4. Photograph number 0571: 9 July 1968: Security Check: members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Provisional Rifle Company of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] check for signs of the enemy during a reconnaissance patrol north of the Phu Bai Marine Air Base. The rifle company is reinforced by clerks and mechanics responsible for providing security of the group area of the base. Left to right: Gunnery Sergeant Laurence A. Martin (San Diego, California), company first sergeant; 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Wes Firth (Flourtown, Pennsylvania), commanding officer; and Lance Corporal Edwin J. Rodriguez (Bronx, New York), radioman (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
5. Photograph number 0475: 4 June 1968: Benefit of Experience: Hospitalman First Class James A. Mayton, 35 (Andalusia, Alabama), left, and Hospitalman Richard F. Miller, 20 (Putman, Connecticut), medical evacuation corpsmen of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36], check over the medical equipment carried during missions (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
6. Photograph number 1W1409690085: undated: Class is Now in Session: When the fall classes in the Thuy Ghau school started, Marine 2d Lieutenant Stephen B. McNeil

(Framingham, Massachusetts), a member of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] based at nearby Phu Bai, was on hand to pass out text books to the Vietnamese children and coach and impromptu English session (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Roberts).

7. Photograph number 0015: undated: Whatchamacallit? This photo, of what appears to be a new type of helicopter with a tracked front landing gear, was taken along Highway 9 between Dong Ha and Vandegrift Combat Base. Actually, the CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] landed along the highway to check out engine trouble. The tracks are the bottom half of a tank. The men under the chopper, who appears to be leaning against the tank, is a Marine infantryman taking advantage of the shade (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
8. Photograph number 3D-1-358-68: 27 February 1968: Crash Crew in Action: A crash crew team from Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] fights the blaze of a Marine KC-130 transport plane on the runway at Khe Sanh Marine combat base. The Marine transport received small arms fire and was hit by NVA mortar fire while resupplying 3d Marine Division troops defending the strategic Khe Sahn combat base south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. G. Behrens).
9. Photograph number 0088: undated: Checking It Out: Marine Lance Corporal John Daly, 20 (Sonoma, California), tests helicopter radio equipment in the avionics facility's communication and navigation section. Marine technicians who work in Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] avionics complex, repair and test more than 2,000 components a month, including some of the most technical electronic and electrical systems in the Marine Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Butler).
10. Photograph number 0204: 29 February 1968: Emergency Aid: members of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] civil affairs office at Phu Bai unload a CH-53A Sea Stallion, carrying food for distribution to Vietnamese refugees in the I Corps area. The food from the Catholic Relief Organization will aid Vietnamese left homeless during the recent enemy Tet offensive (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
11. Photograph number 0807: undated: Open Air Church: Fresh-air church services are the fashion at Phu Bai Air Base where Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] worshippers gather Sundays at the thatched roofed special services pavilion. The building has been only partially re-roofed since a recent typhoon blew the roofing away (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).

## **Box 2 Folder 20.      Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 37 [H&MS-37]**

1. Photograph number 70656: 30 December 1967: Comfortable Maintenance: During a lull in their flight schedule, Marine Corporal William H. Mielke, 20 (Lewiston, Michigan), top, and Lance Corporal Phillip J. Orlando, 21 (Mayfield, Pennsylvania) of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 36 [H&MS-36], take a comfortable position before starting to

clean the engine of the H&MS-36 C-117 aircraft (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).

**Box 2 Folder 21.      Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39]**

1. Photograph number 0424: 24 May 1968: Transport Crashes: Crash crewmen of Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39], Quang Tri base, brave intense heat, fire, and exploding small arms ammunition to extinguish a burning Air Force C-130 transport. All passengers and air crewmen on board were rescued immediately when the aircraft crashed at the Marine Corps' northernmost air base in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
2. Photograph number 0626: 31 July 1968: Fire: Members of Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] crash crew rushes their firefighting equipment to the scene of a simulated aircraft crash. One of the NB-5 foam trucks has already reached the scene and is pouring gallons of fire suppressing foam on the fire (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).
3. Photograph number 0992: undated: Only Flesh Deep: Bandages and compassion bring a smile to a Vietnamese boy's face as Marine Lance Corporal Richard A. Deitrick, left, 20 (Canton, Ohio) and Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Larry D. Sherer, 23 (North Augusta, South Carolina), wrap gauze and tape around his leg during the Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] medical team's visit to An Mo near Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
4. Photograph number 0965: undated: Breathe Deep: Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Larry D. Sherer, 23 (North Augusta, South Carolina), examines a Vietnamese elder of Am Mo hamlet as another looks on curiously. Sherer, a corpsman at Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] is a member of the medical team dispatched weekly by the group dispensary to aid the nearby hamlet (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
5. Photograph number 1W-2-121-69: 1969: Ba Ben Dedication: Marine Colonel Edward A. Parnell, commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39], left (7838 Brompton, Springfield, Virginia), and Vietnamese Army Major Nguyen Duc Nhiem, district chief for Trieu Phong District, join Ba Ben village elders in honoring Lieutenant Jacobsgaard by dedicating their new school to him. Lieutenant Jacobsgaard had worked closely with the villagers of Ba Ben on civic action projects before he was killed last February while flying in support of Operation Dewey Canyon. Jacobsgaard had gained the love and confidence of the villagers and they responded by naming the school he had helped them to build in his honor (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
6. Photograph number 0404: 7 May 1968: Checking Coordinates: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Jac A. Christiansen looks over a map of north I Corps as he plots the next day's missions for helicopters of Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] based at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Zielinski).

7. Photograph number 0710: 29 August 1968: United Marine Effort: Three Squadrons of Marine Sea Knight helicopters represented both Phu Bai and Quang Tri air bases launch a multi-flight air-ground support mission from the Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] runway. While elements of the 3d Marine Division uncover enemy emplacements in north I Corps, their air arm provides advantageous strategic support (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
8. Photograph number 0939: undated: Failing Eyes: Although this Vietnamese elder's eyes were failing, he could still see the assistance that Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] medical department was performing in his hamlet, Am Mo, near Quang Tri Lieutenant Commander Gordon F. Kellogg, 36 (Highlands, Texas), senior medical officer at MAG-39, during a weekly clinic (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
9. Photograph number 0947: undated: Instant Shelter: Hospitalman 2d Class Thomas J. McEnery, 27 (Erie, Pennsylvania), US Navy, demonstrates the use of a jungle penetrator to 3d Marine Division Leathernecks manning an artillery fire support base. The canopied device, used to hoist Marine casualties through the dense jungle foliage overhead, is one of the medical evacuation procedures explained by McEnery, a corpsman with Marine Aircraft Group [MAG-39] medical facility. McEnery has conducted an hour-long refresher course with each battalion in the division in an effort to help cut down the time a helicopter is exposed to enemy fire while it is in a landing zone picking up casualties (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
10. Photograph number 0891: undated: Dragon Boat: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Rolland A. Schmitten, 24 (Cashmere, Washington), Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 39 security officer, displays the dragon boat he and the members of his security section 'captured.' The dragon turned out to be a part of a Confucianism religious ceremony honoring departed ancestors. It was returned to the river and re-launched (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. William).
11. Photograph number FLC-1-524-69: 1969: First Time in a Long Time: Marine Gunnery Sergeant Robert G. Brown (center) greets his Leatherneck sons at Camp Books, headquarters site of Marine Force Logistics Command (FLC) near Da Nang, in the Republic of Vietnam. Lance Corporal Roger D. Brown (left) is serving with Communications Company, 3d 8-inch Howitzer Battalion, Da Nang, while Private First Class Robert A. Brown is attached to Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] at Quang Tri. The Brown reunion marked the first time in three years that the Fresno, California Marines had been together at the same time (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
12. Photograph number 0633: 3 July 1968: Mess Hall Opened: Brigadier General Homer S. Hill, right, assistant commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, and Colonel Walter Sienko, 47 (Mission Viejo, California), commanding officer of Provisional Marine Aircraft

Group [MAG-39], cut the ribbon signifying the opening of MAG-39s new mess hall (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).

13. Photograph number 0147: undated: New Chapel: Marine Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Bernier points to where he hopes to put a stained glass window in Marine Aircraft Group 39's new modern chapel. The chapel was completed at the end of April (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
14. Photograph number 0147: undated: Unique Chapel: Marine Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Bernier (left) discusses building progress with his foreman, Corporal Rene P. Casavant. The new MAG-39 chapel was designed by Bernier and is being built by the group utilities section which he leads. Casavant, an experienced carpenter, is in charge of the overall building of the chapel (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).

**Box 2 Folder 22. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115]**

1. Photograph number 0754: undated: Packing Chute: Marine Corporal Robert T. Giggie, 21 (Cape Girardeau, Missouri) packs a drogue parachute in the tail of an F-4B Phantom. As a plane captain with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], he repacks the chutes after the jet has landed. The parachute is used by the F-4B upon touch down on the Chu Lai runway to slow the aircraft. A small chute, attached to a spring, pulls the larger parachute out of the recess when it is released by the pilot (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
2. Photograph number 4-237-67: 1967: Happy Birthday: Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] pilots 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Gary Sloan, 25 (left) and Captain William Northcutt, 26, spray paint birthday greetings on 250 pound bombs February 4 prior to boarding their F-4B Phantom jets for a strike against a VC stronghold. Northcutt and Sloman celebrated their birthdays by killing 12 VC, destroying 17 structures and damaging seven others (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Brown).
3. Photograph number 0700: 27 August 1968: Supports Korean Marines: Captain Everett H. Corson climbs from his F-4B Phantom jet upon completion of his 100<sup>th</sup> mission in which he provided close air support for a battalion of Korean Marines. Corson has spent seven months as a forward air controller with the same battalion before joining Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
4. Photograph number 0702: 28 August 1968: Teammates: Captain James R. Denton, left, and Jack W. Proctor, congratulate each other upon completion of another combat mission. The two Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] pilots have been on the same team since they began playing college football together in 1961. They have also been in every squadron together since completing flight training (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).

5. Photograph number 0479: 6 June 1968: Try Again: Marine Captain Jack W. Proctor, left, and Captain Richard T. Cox return from their first flight after ejecting into the South China Sea. The aviators, of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], were forced to eject while flying in close air support for a unit of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
6. Photograph number 0135: undated: Missions Galore: Captain John C. Church, 29 (Detroit, Michigan), left, and Major Oscar W. Britton, 34 (Chicago, Illinois) happily display a sign congratulating them on their 400<sup>th</sup> combat mission in Vietnam. Both men are F-4B Phantom jet radar-intercept officers with the Silver Eagles of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron [VMFA-115], Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], at Chu Lai. Major Britton flew 192 missions in Vietnam in 1965 and has added 208 missions during the last six months. Captain Church, a former enlisted Marine, flew all his 400 missions in the nine months he has been in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
7. Photograph number 555: 1 July 1968: Rescue Team: Lance Corporal Walter S. Brank, of Marine Medium Helicopter 165 [HMM-165] checks over the rescue hoist on his Sea Knight transport helicopter. The Marine used the hoist to drop to the aid of two injured survivors of a downed aircraft (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
8. Photograph number 0693: 23 August 1968: Systems Check: Corporal Edward G. Walters monitors an electrical unit to check the multiple weapons system circuits on the F-4B Phantom. Walters, an ordnanceman of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], helped to design and build one time saving device (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
9. Photograph number 0721: 4 September 1968: Loading Crew: Corporal Sherald Takahasi operates a complicated vehicle a SATS, to load a 2.75 inch rocket pod on an F-4B Phantom. Takahasi is with the ordnance section's loading crew, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
10. Photograph number 0722: 4 September 1968: Electrical Check: Corporal Ralph D. Rinaldi, an ordnance maintenance man of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], checks the electrical circuit on an F-4B Phantom bomb rack (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
11. Photograph number 0723: 5 September 1968: Arming Bombs: Corporal R. C. Silvius inserts fuses in bombs, preparing them for loading on an F-4B Phantom. Silvius is a member of the ordnance section's bomb dump crew, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
12. Photograph number 0724: 5 September 1968: Quality Check: Gunnery Sergeant Jan Polly, ordnance section line chief, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], gives a final check to ordnance loaded on an F-4B Phantom before take off. As line



chief, Polly checks every bomb load, making sure it is secure and properly armed (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).

13. Photograph number 0946: undated: Making Friends: Marine Private First Class Gary J. Brown, 19 (Westover AFB, Massachusetts), finds eager hands for the sweets he distributes to Vietnamese elementary students of Long Phu II village near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Brown, a plane captain with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], spends most of his off-duty hours working with the group's civic action program (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
14. Photograph number 0802: undated: One of Few: Major Jay N. Bibler, right, smiles as he is awarded a plaque by Colonel Norman W. Gourley, commanding officer, Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], upon completion of his 400<sup>th</sup> combat mission. Bibler is the first aviator of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] and the fourth in MAG-13 to reach the 400 mark (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
15. Photograph number 0671: 7 August 1968: Ralph's Memorial: Lance Corporal David L. Arthur, a metalsmith of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115], places a rock on a memorial which the Silver Eagles erected for their rooster, Ralph, whom they believe to have been killed in action July 13 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
16. No photograph number: undated: [F-4B Phantom of VMFA-115] (official USMC photo).

**Box 2 Folder 23. Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121]**

1. Photograph number 103: 5 February 1968: GTC Power: Lance Corporal Roger K. Kirk, 21 (Harlan, Iowa) of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121] maneuvers a gas turbine compressor into a flight line revetment at Chu Lai. The GTC provides the air flow required to start the A-4E Skyhawk and A-6A Intruder jets, in addition to supplying the electrical power to start the Skyhawks (Marine Corps photo by Lance Corporal Mike Servais).
2. Photograph number 0045: 23 January 1968: Wounded Skyhawk: Marine Major Gerald G. Kemp, 32 (Billings, Montana) of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121], examines the damaged wing of his A-4E Skyhawk at Chu Lai. Antiaircraft fire punctured the Skyhawk's right wing fuel tank, 15 January, during Kemp's direct air support near Khe Sanh, as he lost 1,000 pounds of fuel in seconds (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
3. Photograph number 995: undated: Gunfighter: Draped with 20mm ammunition, Marine Lance Corporal Paul M. Phillips, 20 (Warren, Ohio), an ordnanceman of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], carries the belted rounds to an awaiting A4-C Skyhawk jet. The Leatherneck jet, equipped with 20mm



guns, can deliver 1,000 rounds of accurate supporting fire per minute against the enemy (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

4. Photograph number 0090: 31 January 1968: Let's Get 'Em: Marine Major Ray M. Bright (left) and Captain Raymond J. Rauenhorst, of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121], flew a close air support mission to aid two Marine convoys near Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
5. Photograph number 0048: Parallel Pilots: undated: A-4 Skyhawk jet pilots, Marine Captain John S. Holmes, left, and Captain Thomas J. Luciano, return from their 300<sup>th</sup> combat sortie of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121], Chu Lai, Vietnam. The two-year Skyhawk veterans were in the same squadron stateside, on the same draft overseas, and flew their first combat mission together. They have logged 350 combat hours, and both have had 30 missions over North Vietnam prior to the bombing halt. Each has 22 Air Medals, and oddly enough, both have orders to the same new duty station, Beaufort, South Carolina (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 0624: 30 July 1968: Record Setting Mission: Holding up four fingers to signify his 400<sup>th</sup> mission, Major Ray E. Bright, executive officer of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121] climbs out of his A-4E Skyhawk at the Chu Lai Air Base on completion of his record setting flight. The major set a record for Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] missions during a tour in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
7. Photograph number 0969: undated: Say 'Ah': Like a doctor examining the throat of his patient of his patient, Marine Lance Corporal Rodney L. Burroughs, 21 (Bellefontaine, Ohio), an avionics technician of Marine Attack Squadron 121 [VMA-121], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] makes this A-4C Skyhawk jet say 'Ah!' to diagnose it's problem. Leatherneck specialists like Burroughs work around the clock maintaining the attack jets for their prime role of providing close air support missions for allied forces throughout the northernmost tactical zone of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

#### **Box 2 Folder 24. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 [VMFA-122]**

1. Photograph number 4-240-67: 1967: No Cake: Leatherneck pilots of Marine Attack Squadron 122 [VMA-122] celebrated their 2000<sup>th</sup> combat sortie since arriving in Vietnam three months ago by continuing a strike against enemy targets. Ordnancemen loaded more than 1850 tons of ordnance of the 'Green Knight' Skyhawk jets in the 90 day period.
2. Photograph number 0015: 10 January 1968: Mission Ahead: Two F-4B Phantom II jets of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 [VMFA-122] are taxied onto the west runway at Da Nang air base prior to take off on a strike mission (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. B. Williams).

3. Photograph number 0054: 22 January 1968: Wet Weather Ordnance: An ordnanceman of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 [VMFA-122] makes a final check of fuses on a rack of 500 pound bombs hung on the wing pylon of one of the squadron's F-4B Phantom jets at Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. B. Williams).
4. Photograph number 0345: 27 April 1968: Phantom: Major Mike Hanley pulls his Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 [VMFA-122] F-4B Phantom jet up after hitting his target, a group of VC running from an abandoned village south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
5. Photograph number 0449: 29 May 1968: Final Payload: Marine Major Donn C. Beatty, left, and his radar intercept officer Captain John D. Cummings, right, check the ordnance of their Phantom jet with Lieutenant Joseph O. Thornton, standing, ordnance officer, and his noncommissioned officer in charge, Gunnery Sergeant Richard S. Brown. Piloting the Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 [VMFA-122] aircraft last week Beatty delivered the squadron's 10,000<sup>th</sup> ton of ordnance against the enemy since the Tigers arrived in Vietnam last September (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Golden Pace).

**Box 2 Folder 25. Marine Refueler Transport Squadron 152 [VMGR-152]**

1. Photograph number 0596: 16 July 1968: Welcome Sight: A welcome sight to jet fighters low on fuel is this Marine KC-130F Hercules of Marine Refueler Transport Squadron 152 [VMGR-152], with refueling hoses extended, somewhere over the South China Sea. It's mission: to refuel thirsty jets returning from strikes over Vietnam (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0068: 27 January 1968: Loading: Marine Staff Sergeant Loren Alsvig, 27 (Riceville, Iowa), and Corporal Dan Briggs, 21 (Imperial, Nebraska), of Air Freight Section, Sub Unit-1, Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 152, lend a hand in loading a Marine Corps KC-130F transport at Da Nang (official USMC photo) [2 copies].

**Box 2 Folder 26. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161]**

1. Photograph number 0712: 28 August 1968: Count 'Em Up: Marine Lance Corporal John C. Duncan, 22 (Seattle, Washington), Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161] crew chief surveys the hostile fire damage on his Sea Knight helicopter after returning from a reconnaissance team rescue mission in northwestern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
2. Photograph number 0432: 25 May 1968: This chopper polisher is the skipper of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161], Lieutenant Colonel Paul W. Niesen. The CH-46D squadron arrived at Vietnam's northernmost Marine air facility at Quang Tri, last week became operational, flying medical evacuation, resupply and troop lift missions

throughout the northern sector of I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal M. L. Servais).

3. Photograph number 0118: undated: Close Call: Private First Class Sam Hampton is one happy Marine as he checks an enemy .50 caliber round protruding from his helmet. Hampton was flying as an aerial gunner with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161] on a medevac mission near Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone when he had his close call (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).
4. Photograph number 1000: 1969: On Their Way: A Vietnamese mother and child are comforted by a Navy Hospital Corpsman aboard a Leatherneck Sea Knight transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161], Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39], en route to the 3d Medical Battalion for treatment. The Vietnamese were picked up in a small hamlet at the request of a Marine ground unit. The child was suffering from acute malnutrition (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
5. Photograph number 0028: undated: Part-Time Teacher: Marine Corporal Don L. Smith (Columbus, Ohio) conducts a little after-class English tutoring with the assistance of school principal Phan Thanh Thien, right. Smith, an avionics technician with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161 [HMM-161], devotes two days weekly teaching English at the Trieu Phong District Secondary School, near the Quang Tri Air Base in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim DeWitt).

**Box 2 Folder 27. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0670: 17 August 1968: Help Arrives: While a Leatherneck helicopter waits, a wounded Republic of Korea Marine is brought on a stretcher upon which he'll begin the short journey from battlefield to aid station. The aircraft, of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16], is assigned primarily to medevac (medical evacuation) missions (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
2. Photograph number 0650: 10 August 1968: 1,000 Missions: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Thomas D. Wilson prepares to takeoff on his 1,000<sup>th</sup> mission as he climbs aboard a 'Sea Horse' helicopter at the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang. Wilson, a pilot with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], has also completed 1,000 hours of combat flying in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal A. K. Mack).
3. Photograph number 0093: 30 January 1968: Brothers Meet: Captain Frederick M. Rivers, Jr., 25 (Coon Rapids, Iowa), a pilot of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], meets his brother, Private First Class Walter J. Rivers, 20 (Elk City, Oklahoma), Force Logistic Support Group A, at the Quang Tri helicopter pad (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Peters).

4. Photograph number 0097: 2 February 1968: Hail, Colorado: Lance Corporal John W. Hutchinson, 21 (Lafayette, Colorado), Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], poses proudly beside his home state flag of Colorado at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron Zielinski).

**Box 2 Folder 28. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0100: February 1968: Quang Tri Blooms: Planted in late December, these black eyed peas are being carefully cultivated by Corporal Gerald W. Bradford, 21 (Hackensack, New Jersey), of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], operating near Quang Tri. Bradford decided some greenery was needed to break the monotony of the sand and a cooperative cook furnished the peas (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A Zielinski).
2. Photograph number 0101: 2 February 1968: Hail, Massachusetts: Lance Corporal Richard E. Swett, 20 (Lowell, Massachusetts), Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], poses proudly beside his home state flag of Massachusetts at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron Zielinski).
3. Photograph number 0584: 12 July 1968: Medical Evacuation: A wounded Leatherneck starts down the road to recovery as his buddies help him to a waiting stretcher and Marine helicopter which will transport him to a field hospital. The aircraft of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163] carries a hospital corpsman as part of the crew to assist injured during the short flight from battlefield to aid station (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant B. J. Collett).
4. Photograph number 0255: 24 March 1968: Aerial Gunner: Ready for signs of enemy activity, Corporal Lester E. Sellers, 22 (Johnstown, Pennsylvania), a crew chief with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 [HMM-163], keeps alert behind his M-60 machine gun (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Zielinski).

**Box 2 Folder 29. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164]**

1. Photograph number 0002: undated: Sea Duty: The flight deck officer of the USS Tripoli watches a Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] as it approaches the ship's flight deck. The Leatherneck squadron operates from aboard the helicopter carrier in the South China Sea (official USMC photo by Corporal A. K. Mack).
2. Photograph number 1007: undated: On Deck Delivery: Sea Knight helicopters deposit Leatherneck infantrymen in a landing zone southwest of Da Nang as the ground Marines began a search for enemy arms and ammunition caches. The aircraft, of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164], placed three companies in the zone in less than an hour (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).

3. Photograph number 3M-4-0098-69: 1969: Ready for Assault: Helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] may appear idle as they sit on the deck of the USS Tripoli. However, the helicopters were used the following morning to land Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam, for Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
4. Photograph number 0971: undated: 60s for a Sea Knight: Staff Sergeant C. D. Jackson (Butte, Montana) of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] adjusts the gun mount he designed for use on the CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter. The arrangement allows the pilot or co-pilot to fire four M-60 machine guns, providing firepower to the front of the aircraft (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
5. Photograph number X-4-352-66: December 1966: For a Safe Flight: Corporal Harry C. Wesler, 21, of Bridgeport, Pennsylvania, helps a young Vietnamese boy with his safety belt prior to his aerial trip with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164]. The squadron transported the Vietnamese children needing attention to a nearby medical facility (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Russ Cowen).
6. Photograph number 0129: 9 February 1968: Enemy Rocket: Lance Corporal Kenton R. Fehler, 20 (Clinton, New York) of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] shows the motor section of a 122mm rocket which destroyed his tent during an attack on Phu Bai. Fehler was running from his tent to a nearby bunker when the rocket exploded, knocking him uninjured to the ground (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. D. Wilson).
7. Photograph number 0560: 1968: Virginians Swap Jobs: The command of two Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] squadrons remained in the hands of Virginia Leathernecks as Lieutenant Colonel William E. Smilanich, 38 (left), of Fairfax assumed command of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] from Lieutenant Colonel Robert Rick, 41, of Woodbridge, and turned his old outfit, Marine Air Base Squadron 16, over to Rick (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

**Box 2 Folder 30.      Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165]**

1. Photograph number 1W1208690046: undated: Fly By: CH-46 Sea Knights, of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165], pass over the Marble Mountain Air Facility, south of Da Nang, for the last time in a final salute, prior to boarding ships from Futenma, Okinawa. The squadron departed Vietnam after providing air support for Allied forces throughout the I Corps area of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Ed Willis).
2. Photograph number 0949: undated: Embarking: South Vietnamese troops, observed from the window of a Sea Knight helicopter, prepare to embark aboard a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] transport helicopter at a jumping-off point south of

Da Nang. They will be air lifted into an area southwest of Da Nang in search of enemy forces (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).

3. Photograph number 1W1208690048: undated: Pushing Ahead: Members of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] lend a hand in loading gear aboard a CH-46 helicopter during the squadron's deployment from Vietnam to Okinawa (official USMC photo by Corporal Ed Willis).
4. Photograph number 477: 5 June 1968: Fire Brigade: Infantrymen of a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division heli-team race for a Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] before a lift, last week, into an area where the Viet Cong were active (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
5. Photographs number 0673: 19 August 1968: The Shores of Tripoli: Pilots of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] take a literal meaning of that line from the famed Marine Corps hymn as they land aboard the deck of the helicopter aircraft carrier, USS Tripoli, off the coast of South Vietnam. Chopper squadrons of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] operate on a rotating basis off the carrier (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Bradley).
6. Photograph number 0599: 17 July 1968: External Lift: A Sea Knight transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] lifts off from An Hoa with an external load of supplies, bound for a 13<sup>th</sup> Marines outpost on a hill near An Hoa Valley. The choppers of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] fly daily resupply missions in support of ground units west of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
7. Photograph number 0148: 13 February 1968: Lift: A CH-46A Sea Knight lifts a member of an isolated CAP from a landing zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
8. Photograph number 0601: 17 July 1968: Supplies Arriving: A CH-46D transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 (HMM-165) approaches a hill-top landing zone with a load of external supplies for elements of the 13<sup>th</sup> Marines near An Hoa Valley. Choppers of the Blue Knight squadron, based at Marine Air Base, Phu Bai, fly daily resupply missions in support of ground units operating in the valley (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
9. Photograph number 1W1-20-869-0049: undated: Last Mail Call: Members of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165], based at the Marble Mountain Air Facility, crowd around their 'mailman' as they receive their last letters in the combat zone prior to boarding ship for Futenma, Okinawa. The squadron and its CH-46 helicopters provided air support for Allied forces serving throughout the I Corps area of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant S. Kuslo).



**Box 2 Folder 31.      Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HMLA-167]**

1. Photograph number 0030: undated: One Thousand Missions: Marine Captain William A. Knight, 26, left (Ellsworth, Maine) is greeted by Lieutenant Colonel T. F. Miller, commanding officer of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HMLA-167], after returning from his 1,005<sup>th</sup> combat mission as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. He flew most of his missions in a Sea Horse transport helicopter, however, his last two months in Vietnam were spent flying as a Huey helicopter gunship pilot with HML-167 at the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang where he logged more than 200 missions in the Huey (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeants Jim Mims).
2. Photograph number 0005: undated: Pre-Flight Check: Captain S. J. Yoon (left) an aviator with the 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade, and Captain W. F. Krywko, 27 (Mission Viejo, California) of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HMLA-167], inspect their UH-1E (Huey) helicopter before taking off from the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang, Vietnam. Several Korean Marine pilots have been flying with HML-167 to gain operational experience in the Huey aircraft (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).
3. Photograph number 0047: undated: Viet Baby: A month-old Vietnamese baby is examined by Navy Lieutenant John Hackworth, flight surgeon of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HML-167]. Hackworth is part of the Medical Civic Action Team from the Marble Mountain Air Facility. The team visits the village of Kui Kim Son three times weekly, averaging 20 patients each visit (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. J. Tolarchyk).
4. Photograph number 0694: 23 August 1968: Prize of War: Captain John Henry Key, left, and Corporal John B. Becker displays the North Vietnamese Army flag Becker captured near Marble Mountain following an enemy attack during the pre-dawn hours. Both are members of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HML-167], Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
5. Photograph number 0882: undated: Firefly Push: Leathernecks of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HMLA-167] strain to push a powerful searchlight aboard a UH-1E Huey helicopter as the aircraft is prepared for is nightly 'firefly' mission. The squadron uses the large light during the hours of darkness to detect enemy moment in and around the Da Nang sector (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).
6. Photograph number 0011: undated: Featherneck: Lieutenant Colonel Thomas F. Miller, 38 (Seattle, Washington), commanding officer of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 167 [HMLA-167], greets the newest 'member' of his command, 'PFC' Alexander J. Goosebrady. The mascot was recently transferred to the Phu Bai, Vietnam, helicopter outfit from a sister squadron, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMH-164] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker) [2 copies].



**Box 2 Folder 32. Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211]**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Color 8 in. x 10 in. color photograph of an A-4 Skyhawk of Marine Attack Squadron 211 (VMA-211) being serviced by ground crew] (official USMC photo by Corporal P. Bettig) [2 copies].
2. No photograph number: undated: [Color 8 in. x 10 in. color photograph of an A-4 Skyhawk of Marine Attack Squadron 211 (VMA-211) being directed by ground crew] (official USMC photo by Corporal P. Bettig).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Color 8 in. x 10 in. color photograph of an A-4 Skyhawk of Marine Attack Squadron 211 (VMA-211) on the tarmac] (official USMC photo by Corporal P. Bettig).
4. Photograph number 1-178-67: 2 July 1967: Skyhawk to Target: An ordnance-laden A-4E Skyhawk of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211] streaks to a target just north of the demilitarized zone to blast a complex of enemy antiaircraft guns June 24 (Official USMC photo by Corporal Russ Cowen).
5. Photograph number 0861: undated: Added Push: A Marine A-4E Skyhawk, of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], Chu Lai, gains an extra bomb with the thrust jet assist take-off rockets (JATO) attached to the rear of the aircraft. JATO enables attack jets to become airborne in strong winds using less runway distance (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 3-94-67: 7 April 1967: A Pause: Marine Captain Fletch Clark, 27, of Shreveport, Louisiana, has a last swallow of coffee before going on a strike mission against Viet Cong fortified positions 30 miles south of Chu Lai. The Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211] Skyhawk flight was credited with killing 15 VC and destroying 11 structures (official USMC Private First Class D. A. Johnson).
7. Photograph number 70643: 24 December 1967: Chu Lai Visit: Bob Hope sits in an A-4E Skyhawk of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211] at Chu Lai following his Christmas show (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. P. Luke).
8. Photograph number 0147: 13 February 1968: Rocketing Pilot: Marine Major Richard C. Hoffman, of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211], disembarks from his A-4E Skyhawk following his second mission in three days involving the destruction of enemy tanks (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).
9. Photograph number 0120: undated: Glad to be Back: Major Anthony D. Miller, 34 (Indianapolis, Indiana), right, explains the details of how he was shot down, rescued and returned to Chu Lai. Listening are Lieutenant Colonel Howard T. Graham, Jr., 39 (Montgomery, Alabama), left, and Major Bruce B. Rutherford, 37 (Falls Church,

Virginia), commanding officer and executive officer of [Marine Attack Squadron 211] VMA-211 (official USMC photo by Corporal John A. Ehlert).

10. Photograph number 0691: 22 August 1968: Wake Island Avengers: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Jeffrey B. McAnally, pilot of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], smiles proudly next to the patch of the Wake Island Avengers on the fuselage of his A-4E Skyhawk jet. McAnally's father, a Marine corporal in December 1941, helped defend this squadron during the defense of Wake Island (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
11. Photograph number 2-177-67: 1967: On the Way: Leatherneck jet pilots, Captain Al Ransom (left) of Pueblo, Colorado, and Captain Fred McPartlin (Lake Forest, Illinois) of Marine Attack Squadron 211, run to their jets to assist US Army units under heavy enemy fire during Operation Malheur II, south of Quang Ngai City. They were credited with 20 enemy killed and 22 structures destroyed (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
12. Photograph number 0983: undated: It Has Its Ups and Downs: Marine Corporal Paul S. Jasko, Jr., 22 (Cleveland, Ohio) receives a smile of thanks from scrap material by Leathernecks of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12]. More than 100 students from the Khuong Long elementary school and children of the village will enjoy this playground equipment—thanks to the Chu Lai-based Marines and their civic action program (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
13. Photograph number 1001-69: 1969: Game Time: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Norman K. Billipp, 23 (Deerfield, Illinois), a pilot of Marine Attack Squadron 211 [VMA-211], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], explains the use of a Tether ball presented to Vietnamese students of Khuong Long Elementary School, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Squadron Leathernecks have adopted the school, providing money for the scholarship program and playground equipment. Most of all, they are demonstrating an 'I care' attitude (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

**Box 2 Folder 33. Marine Attack Squadron 214 [VMA-214]**

1. Photograph number 1-47-67: 1967: Bombs Aplenty: An A4-E Skyhawk is almost hidden behind its lethal load of bombs at Chu Lai. Marine Attack Squadron 214 [VMA-214]'s Ordnance Section bomb loaders recently attached 215 tons of bombs and other ordnance to the Skyhawk attack jets during a three day period (official USMC photo by SSgt J. M. Baker).
2. No photograph number: undated: [A-4E Skyhawk of VMA-214] (official USMC photo).

**Box 2 Folder 34. Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223]**

1. Photograph number 0368: 4 May 1968: Skyhawks Prepared: On line at the expeditionary landing field, Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, A-4 Skyhawks of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223] are fully armed and prepared to launch in support of allied forces operating in the I Corps area (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
2. Photograph number 0610: 24 July 1968: Two Marine Skyhawk jets, with bombs, rockets, and 20mm cannons, fly the skies over I Corps ready to support allied forces in that area. The aircraft of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], based at Chu Lai Marine Air Base, are capable of delivering instant trouble to the enemy below (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 0934: undated: Short Stop: With its tail hook catching the arresting gear, an A-4E Skyhawk makes a short arrested landing on the Chu Lai runway. Flow by Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], this attack jet supplies close air support missions to the Free World forces throughout the northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 0110: undated: Air Support: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Dennis R. Grose, 26 (Niagara Falls, New York) of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223] is congratulated by Colonel Thomas H. Nichols, commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] on completing the squadron's 25,000 combat sortie against communist forces. Based at Chu Lai, squadron pilots logged a record setting 953 missions during February, flying the A-4 Skyhawk in support of Allied forces throughout I Corps (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0991: undated: Sweet Tooth: Marine Lance Corporal Raul D. Gonzalez, 19 (Hialeah, Florida) of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] has no problem finding an eager taker for a spoonful of ice cream. Gonzalez assisted the group's civic action program when more than 1,000 Vietnamese youngsters were treated to 40 gallons of ice cream and 400 gallons of Kool Aid during a party for the children (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 0019: undated: Party Time: Marine Lance Corporal James A. Shavers, 21 (Farrell, Pennsylvania) of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], finds eager hands for the ice cream presented to more than 100 Vietnamese children of Ky Lien village, north of Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Shavers accompanied by other Leathernecks of VMA-223, surprised youngsters with a party and also distributed candies donated by individuals in the States (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
7. Photograph number 0998: undated: Riding High: Marine Lance Corporal Thomas P. DiPrima, 22 (Chicago, Illinois), of Marine Attack Squadron 223 [VMA-223], Marine Aircraft Group 12, shares his free time with a Vietnamese youngster of Ky Lien village, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Leathernecks of MAG-12, working with the group's

civil action program, are frequent visitors to the villages and hamlets near the base (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

**Box 2 Folder 35. Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 225 [VMA (AW)-225]**

1. Photograph number 0676: undated: Early Launch: Under Secretary of the Navy, John W. Warner, walks away from a Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 225 [VMA (AW)-225] A-6A Intruder following an early morning familiarization flight over the I Corps Tactical Zone. Pilot on the mission, a part of Mr. Warner's visit to Marine and Navy units in I Corps, was Lieutenant Donald L. Harvey, commanding officer of the Da Nang-based squadron (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. P. MacDonald).

**Box 2 Folder 36. Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 232 [VMF (AW)-232]**

1. Photograph number 2-174-67: 1967: Poised for Action: An ordnance-laden F-8E Crusader jet of Marine All-Weather Fighter Squadron 232 [VMF (AW)-232] stands ready on the Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] flight line (official USMC photo by T. J. Mercurio).
2. Photograph number 8-49-67: 1967: On the Way: An F-8E Crusader jet of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 232 [VMF (AW)-232] launches on a scramble mission in support of Marine ground forces south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Fisher).

**Box 2 Folder 37. Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 235 [VMF (AW)-235]**

1. Photograph number 6-82-67-2: 1967: Deadly Load: Using a short airfield tactical support bomb-loader, an ordnance man of Marine All Weather Fighter Squadron 235 [VMA (AW)-235] attaches a rack of 500 lb. bombs under the wing of an F-8E Crusader jet. The SATS loader greatly decreases the time required to fully load an aircraft. It can lift racks of four of the bombs at a time (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Brown).

**Box 2 Folder 38. Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 242 [VMA (AW)-242]**

1. Photograph number 0121: 1968: New Record: Marine Corporal Robert D. Lynam, 21 (Kemah, Texas), an ordnanceman with Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 242 [VMA (AW)-242] marks the total number of tons his squadron dropped in January on a 500-pound bomb.
2. Photograph number 0080: 28 January 1968: 553 Missions: Marine Staff Sergeant Clifford A. Sanford, 32 (Brinkley, Arkansas), a member of the air frames shop of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 242 [VMA (AW)-242], applies the final touches to an A-6A Intruder. 'This aircraft has flown 553 combat missions and has dropped 3,320 tons of ordnance,' according to the sign. The painting is part of preparations for turning in the

squadron's A-6As for a more sophisticated version of the Grumman-built Intruders (Marine Corps photo by Sergeant R. B. Williams).

3. Photograph number 0038: undated: 10,000<sup>th</sup> Combat Mission: Congratulations are offered to squadron commander, Lieutenant Colonel A. K. Frain (Costa Mesa, California), after he flew Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 242's [VMF (AW)-242] record breaking 10,000<sup>th</sup> combat mission, by Colonel Robert D. Slay, 44 (Petersburg, VA), commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11]. The 10,000<sup>th</sup> mission is the record for any Marine or Navy units flying the A-6 Intruder jet in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).

**Box 2 Folder 39. Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 255 [VMF (AW)-255]**

1. Photograph number 0063: undated: End of the Journey: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Ronald L. Townsend, commanding officer, Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 255 [VMF(AW)-255] climbs aboard his A-6 Intruder jet after leading his squadron on its trans-Pacific flight from California to Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Fisher).
2. Photograph number 0056: undated: Welcome Aboard: Lieutenant Colonel Ronald L. Townsend and Major General Charles J. Quilter, commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, discuss the trans-Pacific flight of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 255 [VMA (AW)-255]. Townsend, the squadron's commanding officer, piloted the first of the units A-6 Intruder jets to land in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Risher).

**Box 2 Folder 40. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262]**

1. Photograph number 0069: undated: Plenty of Room: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262], Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39], finds enough landing room atop a fire support base in the northernmost of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0832: undated: Hover Aft: A Sea Knight transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] moves toward a landing zone as Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines scurry across the zone. The Flying Tigers of HMM-262, plus other Marine helicopter squadrons supported the 3d Marine Division infantrymen near Lang Vei (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).
3. Photograph number 0627: 30 July 1968: Tankful of Tigers: Flying Tigers of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] pause briefly on the Landing Zone at the Vandegrift Combat Base, while crews prepare their Sea Knight helicopters for more resupply missions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).

4. Photograph number 0966: undated: Seek 'Em Out: Airlifted into the elephant grass of northeastern I Corps, a squad of 3d Division Leathernecks exit a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] transport to join their platoon. The Marines were part of a battalion-size force sent in to engage a large enemy unit sighted in the area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
5. Photograph number 0699: 27 August 1968: One in 1,000: Marine Corporal William D. Ward (Church Hill, Tennessee) takes a breather during one of his 1,000 helicopter combat missions while his Sea Knight aircraft is refueled at Vandegrift Combat Base. Ward, a crew chief of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262], reached this mark in less than six months (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
6. Photograph number 0705: 28 August 1968: Gettin' Close: Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] Sea Knight helicopters transporting 3d Marine Division Marines see a sure sign of the enemy's close proximity as a North Vietnamese gun peppers a probable landing zone below (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
7. Photograph number 0632: 31 July 1968: 4,000<sup>th</sup> Landing: The crew of a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] Sea Knight transport helicopter that made the 4,000<sup>th</sup> landing aboard the hospital ship USS Sanctuary during a medical evacuation mission in July displays the cake and plaque the ship's crew presented them. Members of the helicopter crew are, left to right: Sergeant Arthur Dechant, 25 (Santa Ana, California), gunner; Corporal Norman W. Livingston, 21 (Fort Worth, Texas), crew chief; Captain Rocky Darger, 26 (Sioux Falls, South Dakota), pilot; and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Thomas M. Nequette, 24 (Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin), copilot (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).
8. Photograph number 0153: undated: Constant Attention: A Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] crew chief and a Navy hospital corpsman attend a wounded Leatherneck. Hit only moments earlier in a firefight with North Vietnamese forces off South Vietnam for immediate medical care (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim DeWitt).
9. Photograph number 0977: undated: Easy Does It: A Marine controller directs a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter into a landing zone west of Quang Tri, Vietnam. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] of Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] inserted troops and supplies of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines into the area December 18 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Collett).
10. Photograph number 1W-1-141-69: 1969: Dusty Departure: A CH-46 Sea Knight transport chopper from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] raises billowing clouds of dust as it takes off from a hilltop landing zone following a vital resupply mission south of Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. Dust or no dust, the Sea Knight is always a welcome sight for Marine infantrymen operating in Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).



11. Photograph number 0251: 24 March 1969: Parking Instructions: Lance Corporal Dale Johnson, 19 (Strathmore, California), a crew chief with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262], gives the pilot of his chopper hand signals as he guides the twin rotor aircraft into a protective revetment (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Zielinski).

**Box 2 Folder 41. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263]**

1. Photograph number 1W2207690024: undated: Silhouettes: An Army of the Republic of Vietnam Ranger and a CH-46D helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] are silhouetted against the early morning sky near An Hoa (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
2. Photograph number 1W2207690023: undated: At Dawn's Early Light: Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN) Rangers board CH-46D helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263]. The ARVN Rangers spearheaded a multi-battalion allied helicopter assault. The operation got underway as the first rays of sunlight glinted from the whirling helicopter blades. The operation took place near An Hoa (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 1W0808690042: undated: Pit Stop: Crewmen of a CH-46D Sea Knight helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] refuel their chopper at An Hoa, between resupply missions in support of nearby 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division fire support bases (official USMC photo by Corporal Ed Willis).
4. Photograph number 1W2207690022: undated: Got You Covered: Marine Staff Sergeant Willard J. Falgout, Jr. (Port Sulphur, Louisiana) provides covering fire with a .50 caliber machine gun aboard a HC-46D helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 0082: undated: 263 Lift: Marines board helicopters from the newly arrived Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] near Da Nang. The squadron, on its first major operation since arriving in Vietnam in January, deposited the Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment, 12 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. J. Tolarchyk).
6. Photograph number 0034: undated: Stripping for Action: A CH-46D Sea Knight copter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] is stripped of its protective covering at Marine Mountain Marine Air Facility, near Da Nang. HMM-263, an all CH-46D squadron, arrived in Vietnam from the United States on January 18. The 'Gopher-Broke' squadron is replacing a UH-34 D Sea Horse squadron slated for return to the United States. This will not result in any changes the number of personnel or aircraft in the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW], but will result in increased copter lift capability. HMM-263 is led by Lieutenant Colonel Robert Hofstetter (Salem, Illinois), a veteran of

17 years' service. The CH-46D Sea Knight troop-cargo compartment is 24 feet long and has seats for 25 troops. It is powered by two 1,400 horsepower free-turbine jet engines, and can travel at speeds in excess of 130 nautical miles an hour (official USMC photo).

7. Photograph number 0039: undated: Preflight: Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. Hofstetter, 37 (Salem, Illinois), conducts a cockpit preflight check on his CH-46 Sea Knight transport helicopter before departing on his first combat mission as commanding officer of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263], which recently arrived at the Marble Mountain Air Facility from the United States for duty (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyc).

**Box 2 Folder 42. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265]**

1. Photograph number 0050: 2 January 1968: Ammo Lift: A CH-46 Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] is unloaded on the beach by Republic of Korea Marines near Hoi An. Copters of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] moved more than 1,000 Korea Marines from Binh Son to their new base at Hoi An (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.)
2. Photograph number 0145: undated: Haulin' Troops: Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] wait as Leatherneck infantrymen prepare to board the transport choppers for Marine positions near Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. In addition to transporting troops in Marine operations through I Corps, HMM-265 regularly resupplies fire support bases and infantry units of the 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
3. Photograph number 0048: 2 January 1968: ROK Lifting: A CH-46 Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] lands on the beach near Hoi An with Korean Marines from the 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade. An AmTrac of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion transports more ROK Marines along the beach in the background (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
4. Photograph number 3M-15-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Grasshoppers: Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265], taxi onto the Marble Mountain Air Facility runway near Da Nang after refueling. The squadron operates off the USS Tripoli which operates off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number 0639: 5 August 1968: Mission Complete: The last of four Sea Knights of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] returns to the USS Tripoli following the completion of morning resupply and medevac missions (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Dan R. Morris).
6. Photograph number 3M-26-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Briefing: Pilots of Marine Medium Helicopter 265 [HMM-265] from the USS Tripoli are briefed prior to resupply Marines

of the Special Landing Force Bravo operating south of Da Nang. The pilots are, left to right: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Fred Pratt (Setauket, New York); 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joseph Adair (Austin, Texas); 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Ralph Nelson (Minneapolis, Minnesota); and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Charles E. Anders (Pensacola, Florida) (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

7. Photograph number 0198: 24 February 1968: Air-Ground Move: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] pulls out of a landing zone south of Da Nang after off-loading infantrymen of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines. The multi-battalion operation was supported by helicopters of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] at Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
8. Photograph number 10-176-67: 1967: Rough Going: Elephant grass hampers Marines as they run from CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265], June 22. The Marines were heli-lifted to a zone southwest of Khe Sanh on a search and clear mission (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Saska).
9. Photograph number 0216: 4 March 1968: In and Out: A CH-46A Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 (HMM-265) lifts from a landing zone as another chopper makes its approach. Both were supplying Republic of Korea Marine units south of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
10. Photograph number 0044: 1969: 30,000 Flight Hours: Mr. Harmann (left) and Mr. Roy Alase (right), Boeing Vertol representatives, present a gold bar with the inscription, '30,000 flight hours' to Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Thusen, 41 (Ithaca, New York), commanding officer of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265]. More than 25,000 of the 30,000 flight hours have been logged since the unit's arrival in Vietnam during April 1968 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Joe Vaiksnis).
11. Photograph number 0769: undated: Instrument Check: CWO William A. Poe checks the instruments aboard his CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter before another mission. Poe, a pilot of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265], surpassed the 1,000 mark both in missions in combat flight hours (official USMC photo by A. K. Mack).
12. Photograph number 0521: 19 June 1968: Tools of Trade: Gunnery Sergeant John F. Walt works on a .50 caliber machine gun. He instructs the junior men of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] in the use of the weapon in addition to working as the squadron logistic chief (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

**Box 2 Folder 43. Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0577: 9 July 1968: Waiting to Fuel: Skyhawk attack jets of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] based at Chu Lai, wait to be fueled by Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System, a jet aircraft filling

station. Supporting units of MAG-12 make it possible for a jet to land, refuel, re-arm, and be airborne within 20 minutes (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

2. Photograph number 0398: 15 May 1938: Ready to Go: A Marine A-4E Skyhawk jet of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], Chu Lai, Vietnam, awaits the 'go' signal on the squadron hot pad. In the foreground, 500-pound bombs are ready for loading on the next hot pad sortie. The Tomcat squadron flew 240 hot pad missions in a four-day period and delivered more than 369 tons of ordnance on enemy targets (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 1W1208690044: undated: Silver Star: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, presents a Silver Star to Major David T. Sites (Greeneville, Tennessee) during the commandant's recent visit to Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] Quang Tri. Major Sites, now a pilot with Marine Observation Squadron 6 [VMO-6], was awarded the nation's third highest combat decoration for his heroism and superior performance on a night close air support mission while an A-4 Skyhawk pilot with Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311]. As a result of his pinpoint delivery of his ordnance, despite a heavy volume of enemy fire, the enemy's capability to launch an assault on Allied troops was severely crippled (official USMC photo by Sergeant John Ehlert).
4. Photograph number 0090: undated: Supported Marines: Marine Skyhawk jet pilots, Major Hardy R. Stennis (left), and Captain Durwood K. Schnell, members of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], debrief their latest mission in which they flew their A-4Es in support of members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division on an operation south of Da Nang and killed 75 North Vietnamese soldiers. The Skyhawk pilots are based at Chu Lai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0447: 29 May 1968: Chu Lai Reunion: Lieutenant Peter D. Nichols (25, Ridgewood, New Jersey), left, from the aircraft carrier Bonhomme Richard, shows Marine Captain Ronald J. Prichard (25, Dallas, Texas), of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], where the fire started aboard his Skyhawk jet. Both pilots were classmates during flight training at Pensacola, Florida (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 0435: 27 May 1968: 600 Missions: Four Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] pilots return to Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] at Chu Lai, after completing a total 800 aerial combat missions over Vietnam. Each pilot flew his 200<sup>th</sup> aerial combat missions over Vietnam. Each pilot flew his 200<sup>th</sup> aerial combat mission last week. The aviators are, from left: Major Ron Merrihew, 37 (Benton Harbor, Michigan); Major Donald E. Kirby, 37 (Ft. Lauderdale, Florida); Major Norman E. Pridgen, 32 (Wilson, North Carolina); and Major A. Herber, 35 (Bothell, Washington) (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).

7. Photograph number 0401: 16 May 1968: 20,000 Combat Sorties: Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] has flown an all time record high for combat sorties in the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. Brigadier General Homer S. Hill, left, assistant wing commander, congratulates Captain Thomas W. Krimminger, who earned the distinction of flying the squadron's 20,000<sup>th</sup> combat sortie. Squadron executive officer, Major Don Yelek, was also on hand to give the squadron congratulations (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).

**Box 2 Folder 44. Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0374: 6 May 1968: Marine's Top Pilot: With 500 combat missions in the A-4E Skyhawk, Captain Peter A. Krueger leaves Vietnam with more jet combat missions than any Marine jet pilot in Southeast Asia. Here Krueger talks with fellow pilots of Chu Lai-based Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] after flying his last mission (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
2. Photograph number 0661: 5 August 1968: Greetings: Marine Corporal James R. Swauger, Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] displays the seven foot greeting he received from Sister 'Marine' Maureen and Sisters of Mercy at a Catholic convent in Toledo, Ohio. Swauger has posted his greeting on the group flight line for all to see (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 0240: 6 March 1968: Four Pros: Four pilots, all Distinguished Flying Cross winners of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], are temporarily grounded upon returning from missions over North Vietnam as they await refueling of their A-4E Skyhawks. The pilots, (left to right) Major William E. Loftus, 31 (Chicago, Illinois), Lieutenant Colonel Richard B. Taber, 38 (Davenport, New York), Major John H. Buchanan and Major Darrell S. Shelor, 31 (Wichita, Kansas), have logged 921 missions and 1,160 flight hours in Vietnamese skies (official USMC photo by Mike Servais).
4. Photograph number 1W-1-162-69: 1969: Safety First!: Lance Corporal Larry W. Carter (Fords, New Jersey), a safety and survival mechanic with Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] of Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], checks over one of his squadron's A-4E Skyhawk jets prior to a combat mission. The Chu Lai based 'Tomcats' of VMFA-311 recently completed 10,000 accident free flight hours, compiling 8,901 combat sorties within a nine month period (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
5. Photograph number 0243: undated: Fits Fine: A Vietnamese boy from the Long Binh elementary school, located just north of Chu Lai, gets fitted for spring classes by Marine Captain Thomas C. Byall, 30 (Columbus, Ohio), of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12]. The children's clothes and other items were donated by Miss Pat Orr and her sister Nancy Orr, of [Fowlesville, Michigan] (official USMC photograph by Sergeant R. R. Keene).

6. Photograph number 0718: 31 August 1968: School Time: Marine Corporal James L. Robb, 23 (Torrance, California) presents a school book to a Vietnamese student of Long Bien Elementary School near Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Robb, attached to Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], assisted fellow Marines in presenting writing tablets and school supplies to students of the school (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
7. Photograph number 0727: 5 September 1968: Working Together: Vietnamese Army Staff Sergeant Phan Thanh Cong assists Marine Sergeant John R. Pagnin, 22 (Huntsville, Ohio), Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] distribute school books to Vietnamese elementary students of Long Binh near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins)
8. Photograph number 0209: 3 March 1968: Home Sweet Home: Major Darold L. Guttormson, left, and Captain Norman E. Pridgen, Jr., A-4E Skyhawk pilots of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311], exchange congratulations after flying back-to-back close air support attacks near Khe Sanh. Both returned to Chu Lai with enemy 30 millimeter cannon rounds lodged in their aircraft (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. E. Davis).

**Box 2 Folder 45. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314]**

1. Photograph number 0581: 12 July 1968: [An F-4 Phantom jet from Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 (VMFA-314) on the flight line].
2. Photograph number 0703: undated: Three Hundredth: Marine Captain Kenneth D. Edelen, radar intercept officer, left is congratulated by his squadron commander, Lieutenant Colonel Frank E. Petersen, Jr. on completion of Edelen's 300<sup>th</sup> combat mission with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314]. Edelen, a veteran aviator has more than 2,700 flight hours (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
3. Photograph number 0669: 7 August 1968: One Thousand Missions: Three Marine aviators of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314] hold up ten fingers representing their 1,000 missions. They are 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Melford M. Johnson, center, high with 400; Captain Robert A. Fraser, right, and Captain George M. Lohnes, both with 300 missions (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
4. Photograph number 0344: 25 April 1968: Supported ARVNs: Marine Phantom flight leader Lieutenant Colonel Robert H. Schultz (left), his radar intercept officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Robert J. Riordon, and wingman 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James M. Kelly discuss their strike in Happy Valley in which the F-4 Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314] crews killed seven North Vietnamese soldiers in support of the South Vietnamese Army (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).



5. Photograph number 0382: 10 May 1968: Happy Return: 'Sure glad to be back,' says 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Frank Hunsaker, right radar intercept officer, to Captain Donnie C. Evans, pilot, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314], Chu Lai. Both Marines were plucked from enemy territory by an Air Force search and rescue helicopter after ejecting from their flaming F-4 Phantom jet 15 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
6. Photograph number 0304: 8 April 1968: Davies' 300<sup>th</sup>: Captain Paul H. Davies climbs from his F-4B Phantom for the last time in Vietnam. A member of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314], based at Chu Lai, Davies flew his 300<sup>th</sup> and final combat mission on his tour, one year after the first (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
7. Photograph number 0740: 14 September 1968: Suiting Up: Lieutenant Colonel Frank E. Petersen, Jr., right, and his radar intercept officer, Captain Kenneth D. Edelen tighten their flight gear before leaving on a combat mission. Petersen and Edelen had to eject from their battle-damaged aircraft north of the Rockpile. Petersen commands Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314]. Edelen flies as his radar intercept officer (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
8. Photograph number 0931: undated: Chalk Up Some More: Phantom pilot, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Manfred A. Rietsch, chalks up 28 enemy kills. Rietsch, with Captain Stephen R. McComb, pilot, left, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Raleigh R. Griffiths, radar intercept officer, center, and Captain Richard L. Klose, Jr., RIO (not in photo) killed 28 North Vietnamese during an air strike south of Chu Lai. All are members of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314] based at Chu Lai (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number 1W-1-146-69: 1969: Job Well Done: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Clarence B. Cheatham (Franklinton, North Carolina), second from left, is congratulated by Colonel Richard S. Rash (left), commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], while 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Paul E. Hubis (Elkton, Maryland), third from left, receives congratulations from Major John W. Black, commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314]. The two radar intercept officers of VMFA-314 recently completed their 400<sup>th</sup> combat mission in Vietnam in the F-4B Phantom jets (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
10. Photograph number 0018: 1969: Proud Moment: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Frank L. Petersen, Jr., 36 (Topeka, Kansas), commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314 [VMFA-314], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], receives the Chief of Naval Operations 1968 Naval Aviation Safety plaque from General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, during the general's recent visit to Chu Lai. The plaque is presented yearly for the outstanding safety record achieved during aircraft operations in the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. It recognizes competent leadership, superior technical skill and outstanding airmanship (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).

**Box 2 Folder 46. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 [VMFA-323]**

1. Photograph number 2-268-66: 1968: Arrested Landing: An F-4B Phantom II of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 [VMFA-323], Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11], is the first plane to engage the newly installed arrested landing equipment at Da Nang. The equipment is designed to provide safe landings for aircraft under adverse conditions (Defense Department photo). [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 0644: 6 August 1968: Completes 300<sup>th</sup> Mission: Captain Thomas J. Lyman stands in front of his F-4B Phantom jet following his 300<sup>th</sup> combat mission with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 [VMFA-323] at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
3. Photograph number 0387: 3 May 1968: Ruptured Tank: Maintenance crewmen of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 [VMFA-323] remove what's left of an external fuel tank from Major Henry G. Miller's F-4B Phantom. After his plane was hit by enemy ground fire near Hue, Major Miller flew the damaged plane back to Chu Lai after the tank exploded. Crewmen are Lance Corporal Fred Adams, left, and Corporal Paul Murphy (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
4. Photograph number 0130: 9 February 1968: Jet Age Grandpa: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joseph Marzioli, radar intercept officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 [VMFA-323], hasn't slowed down since he became a grandfather as he works from the rear seat of an F-4B Phantom jet in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).

**Box 2 Folder 47. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334]**

1. Photograph number 0151: undated: Still Together: Lance Corporals Norman E. Bonnette, 21 (Baltimore Highlands, Maryland) (right) and Frank Cavy (Arbutus, Maryland) check an ejection seat in an F-4J Phantom. Both enlisted in the Marine Corps 'buddy system' in October 1967. Still serving together, with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334] at Chu Lai, Bonnette and Cavey are safety equipment mechanics for VMFA-334s F-4J Phantom aircraft. In addition to staying together during their entire enlistment, the two Maryland Marines have also enjoyed the same leave periods, and have been promoted at the same times (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
2. Photograph number 1W2808690067: undated: Loading Up: US Navy ship loaders stack Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334] maintenance equipment, packed and crated for the journey to Japan, in the hold of the USNS Westchester County (LST 1167) at the Chu Lai LST ramp. The equipment, plus 43 Marines from VMFA-334, were put aboard the ship in advance of the bulk of the squadron, which was redeployed from Vietnam, August 28 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal I. M. Macrae).

3. Photograph number 0146: undated: Record Setting Maintenance: Marine Corporal James E. Blake, 22 (Fremont, Nebraska) checks the instruments in the cockpit of Whiskey Uniform Three (WU-3), an F-4J Phantom jet of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334]. With the excellent maintenance and repair from ground crews of VMFA-334, WU-3 set a possible record for F-4Js of 82 missions and 107 flight hours during the month of March (official USMC photo by Corporal John Ehlert).
4. Photograph number 1W280869006: undated: Last Mission: Lieutenant Colonel J. R. Braddon (San Clemente, California), commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334], shuts down his F-4J Phantom jet following the last mission flown by VMFA-334 in the Republic of Vietnam. The squadron completed redeployment to Japan on August 28 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal I. M. Macrae).
5. Photograph number 1W-2-162-69: 1969: 5,000 Combat Sorties: Lieutenant Colonel Samuel D'Angelo (Baltimore, Maryland), left, commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334], Colonel Richard S. Rash, commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 13 [MAG-13], and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Dennis D. Jackson (Watertown, Massachusetts) display a sign pointing up a combat milestone for Marine F-4J aircraft in Vietnam. Lieutenant Colonel D'Angelo and Lieutenant Jackson flew the squadron's 5,000<sup>th</sup> combat sortie. Since the 'Falcons' arrived at Chu Lai in August 1968, VMFA-334 has dropped nearly 10,000 tons of ordnance on enemy targets (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
6. Photograph number 2-1409-68: 3 September 1968: New Arrival: Colonel Robert D. Slay (Ft. Worth, Texas), Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11], welcomes Lieutenant Hiel L. Van Campen (Seattle, Washington), to Vietnam. Van Campen, VMFA-334 [Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334] commander flew his squadron from California to the Da Nang Air Base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. Poulas).
7. Photograph number 0735: 11 September 1968: Destructive Winds: Leathernecks of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 334 [VMFA-334] combine their strength to tie a tarpaulin to an F-4J Phantom jet during Typhoon Bess which rampaged near the Da Nang area recently. Bess brought nearly 11 inches of rain and gusts up to 55 knots (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).

**Box 2 Folder 48. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362]**

1. Photograph number 757-68: 2 March 1968: [Vietnamese Air Force] Visitor: A Vietnamese Air Force A-1E Skyraider was an unexpected guest on the Phu Bai flight line of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362] when its Vietnamese pilot experienced engine trouble while on a close air support mission over Hue (official USMC photo).

2. Photograph number 1W1808690056: undated: Retirement Fly-By: UH-34s of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362], the last Leatherneck UH-34D squadron in Vietnam, make a final fly-by before the squadron's decommissioning ceremonies at Phu Bai August 18. The helicopter in the foreground later had its blades folded during the ceremonies, symbolically retiring it after seven years of service with Marines in the Republic of Vietnam. The squadron will be recommissioned a heavy helicopter squadron at Marine Corps Air Station, New River North Carolina (official USMC photo by Corporal R. G. Musolf).
3. Photograph number 1W1808690052: undated: Retired: Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362] crewmen salute after folding the blades of a squadron UH-34D, symbolically retiring the aircraft from combat service with the Marine Corps. HMM-362 was decommissioned August 18 at Phu Bai, the last Marine UH-34D helicopter squadron in Vietnam. The aircraft was introduced into Vietnam by the same squadron over seven years ago. HMM-362s colors will return to the US where it will become a heavy helicopter squadron flying the CH-53 Sea Stallion (official USMC photo by Corporal R. G. Musolf).
4. Photograph number 0568: 6 July 1968: Contortions: A crewman aboard the USS Princeton directs an aircraft of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362] to a landing on the ship's flight deck using hand and arm signals with a few body contortions thrown in for good measure. HMM-362 is assigned to the Special Landing Force patrolling water of the coast of the Vietnamese coast (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0145: 2 February 1968: Hard to Believe: Seems to be what Lance Corporal Russell Kefauver, of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 362 [HMM-362], is thinking as he examines a 12.7mm projectile which missed his foot by just two inches. Kefauver was flying as crew chief on a medevac mission when his UH-34D came under fire. This round ripped through the floor of the chopper, then fell near his side. He plans to keep the bullet as a souvenir (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).

**Box 2 Folder 49. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363]**

1. Photograph number 0842: undated: Farewell: A lone CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] seems to be bidding farewell to a formation of UH-34D Sea Horse choppers of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] as they leave the Phu Bai airfield to board the USS Princeton off the coast of Vietnam. The UH-34, scheduled to be phased out of the Marine Corps is being replaced by larger and faster type transport helicopters (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
2. Photograph number 0719: 31 August 1968: This Is It!: Captain Darly S. McClung, 25 (Pensacola, Florida), shows Corporal Leland H. Krotzer, 20 (Warren, Ohio) the fuse of an anti-personnel mine broken off a mine which punctured the tire of his UH-34D Sea Horse helicopter. McClung and Krotzer are members of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] based at Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).

### **Box 3**

#### **Box 3 Folder 1. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364]**

1. Photograph number 0139: undated: A Watchful Eye: Marine Corporal John F. Gruenwald (Savannah, Georgia) of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] has a big responsibility as crew chief aboard a CH-46 Sea Knight transport helicopter. While the Purple Fox squadron is on a combat mission, the crew chief must be constantly alert for signs of mechanical difficulty, for other aircraft in the sky above, and for the enemy below (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
2. Photograph number 0958: undated: Moving Day: Leathernecks of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] unload their Sea Knight transport helicopters at the Marble Mountain Air Facility, east of Da Nang, after being transferred recently from Marine Aircraft Group [MAG-36] at Phu Bai to MAG-36. The squadron carried troops and cargo in support of US Marines and allied ground forces throughout the northern sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
3. Photograph number 70654: 29 December 1967: Calling Card: Crewmen of the CH-46 Sea Knights of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] are leaving their card all over I Corps. The 'Purple Foxes,' Leathernecks of HMM-364, hand out the card, whenever possible, during supply missions and troop lifts. The gesture of friendship and jest has created a broad smile for many weary Marines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
4. Photograph number 0005: 2 January 1968: Woman Driver?: 'Pretend it's a car driven by a luscious blonde,' shouted a Leatherneck of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] pushing on the CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter that was stuck in the mud at Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
5. Photograph number 70645: 27 December 1967: Leaving the Zone: A CH-46D Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] leaves the landing zone after unloading 3d Division Marines for a search and destroy operation northwest of Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
6. Photograph number 0697: 26 August 1968: Tells It Like It Was: Corporal Ronald G. Betts (Madison, Wisconsin) explains to Staff Sergeant Richard E. Hess (Puna, Hawaii) how they had to get the wounded co-pilot out of a plane after he was wounded while picking up a Marine reconnaissance team south of Da Nang. Betts was crew chief of the chopper which came under heavy enemy fire while making a recon team extraction August 13. Betts and Hess are both members of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364], based at Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).

7. Photograph number 0537: 25 June 1968: Lifesaver: Corporal Carl A. Franklin (Payson, Arizona), left, and Master Sergeant Kenneth G. Sample (Millington, Tennessee), check over the winch and jungle penetrator used by the Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] Marines in the rescue of nine wounded Marines in mountainous terrain west of Da Nang (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 0936: undated: Steady Now: A Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 (HMM-364), perches on a mountain top near the Demilitarized Zone with only its rear landing gear touching. Helicopters are used to resupply Marine units stationed on top of mountains (official USMC photo by Sergeant C. E. Beard).
9. Photograph number 0308: 10 April 1968: Cool Cargo: Part of a 4,000 pound lift of ice cream dubbed Operation Cool-It destined for Marines sweating it out on the hills surrounding Khe Sanh swings from a cargo hook beneath a CH-46D Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
10. Photograph number 0150: undated: Navy Cross: Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr., commanding General, FMFPac, pins the nation's second highest award for valor, the Navy Cross, on the chest of Marine Corporal Ernesto Gomez, 21 (Los Angeles, California), during ceremonies at the Marine Air Facility near Da Nang. Corporal Gomez, a helicopter crew chief with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364], was awarded the Navy Cross for shielding a wounded and blinded Marine from intense enemy automatic weapons fire during the battle at Khe Sanh in January 1968. Gomez was on a medical evacuation mission near Hill 881. He was then serving with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).

**Box 3 Folder 2. Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1011-69: 1969: Pilot's Supreme: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant John R. Voneida (left) of Columbus, Ohio, and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant John Shavce of Plainfield, New Jersey, both members of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 (HMLA-367), were recently called upon to pilot their unarmed Hueys on emergency medevac and resupply missions. They did the job in extremely bad weather conditions. Their external resupply lifts were the first that unarmed Hueys had been called upon to deliver in the 3d Marine Division's area in over a year (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Fred Lowe III).
2. Photograph number 1W1509690090: undated: Tour Completed: Marine Major Thomas S. Hill (right) is greeted by Colonel Noah C. New, commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36], as Hill returns from his last combat mission after 25 months in Vietnam. Major Hill, who completed his tour with Phu Bai-based Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367], flew a total of 1,259 combat missions in



the Republic and, although shot down a week before his tour ended, escaped uninjured (official USMC photo by Corporal R. G. Musolf).

3. Photograph number 0815: undated: Safety Award: Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Robinson, 38 (King of Prussia, Pennsylvania), commanding officer, Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367], shows 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joseph R. Turner, center, 24 (Silver Spring, Maryland), squadron safety officer and Major Fred Gatez, 30 (Louisville, Kentucky), squadron operations officer, the chief of Naval Operations citation presented the Huey squadron for their outstanding safety record during the past year. Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, commanding general, Fleet Marine Forces, Pacific, made the presentation during an informal ceremony at 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing headquarters in Da Nang. HML-367 was awarded the citation for the period covering July 1967 to 30 June 1968. During that time only one major operational accident was logged (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
4. Photograph number 0442: 27 May 1968: Teamwork: Captain Richard L. Greene, left, and Major Peter M. Heiman of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367], check the record of their series of strikes against enemy ground forces last week. The Marine pilots relieved each other's flights on station through the afternoon to protect a surrounded Marine unit and to direct jet strikes at enemy forces (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
5. Photograph number 0534: 24 June 1968: Load of Lead: Marine Captain Peter E. Laux, left, and Captain Joseph F. Kline, look over 8,000 rounds of 7.62 mm ammunition, the amount they used one night to stop a Viet Cong attack with their Huey gunships. The Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367] aviators fired more than 100 2.75 in. rockets during the battle (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
6. Photograph number 0009: undated: Fire Suppression: A Marine aerial gunner of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 (HML-367) provides covering fire as his Huey helicopter pulls out of a rocker run on an enemy bunker position south of the Demilitarized Zone in Vietnam. The Huey door gunners provide suppression fire during crucial moments when the plane is most vulnerable to enemy ground fire (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).

### **Box 3 Folder 3. Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HMLA-367] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0877: undated: Stretch for Life: Corporal Norman P. Cutzwiler, 21 (Wenatchee, Washington) shows pilot 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Theodore C. Robinson, 24 (La Grange, Illinois) how he cleared a loose warhead from a rocket pod during a recent mission. The Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [VMA-367] crew chief's quick action, only a split second before the pod was fired, is credited with saving the Huey gunship and its crew from disaster (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).

2. Photograph number 0086: 1969: Man of 1,000 Missions: Marine Corporal David Lockwood, 22 (Mt. Clemes, Michigan), installs a machinegun aboard his Huey 'gunship' (armed UH-1E helicopter) prior to adding another mission to his record setting 1,000 combat missions. A crew chief with Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HML-367], Lockwood is the first enlisted man in the history of his squadron to fly 1,000 missions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Joe Vaiksnsis).
3. Photograph number 0392: 15 May 1968: Guest Pilot: Major James A. Miller of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 36 checks the controls of an armed UH-1E Huey gunship prior to takeoff on an armed escort mission against Viet Cong forces. Miller flies missions from Phu Bai air base with Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HML-367] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
4. Photograph number 0680: 21 August 1968: Cox's Army: While returning to Phu Bai from a routine administrative flight, these five men, four Marines from Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HML-367] and a Bell Aircraft Corporation technical representative, pooled their resources to save the life of a seriously injured Vietnamese boy. Left to right are: Staff Sergeant Marvin G. Knuth, Master Sergeant Fred C. Knuth (brothers, both from Ceylon, Minnesota), Captain Howard Hoffman (Millville, New Jersey), pilot of the Huey, Corporal Richard E. Porter (Munroe Falls, Ohio), crew chief, and Mr. John Driver (Watertown, Tennessee), civilian tech rep (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
5. Photograph number 0987: 1969: Minuteman Award: Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Robinson, right (King of Prussia, Pennsylvania), commanding officer, Marine Corps Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HML-367], and Sergeant Major Norman C. Sanderson (Spokane, Washington), the unit's top enlisted man, raise the squadron's newly awarded Minuteman Flag during a ceremony at the Phu Bai Air Base. HML-367 was awarded the flag after more than 95 percent of the squadron's Marines signed to buy US savings bonds (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
6. Photograph number 0010: 1969: Major League: Major William J. Gash (center), 35 (Parkin, Arkansas), receives congratulations from Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Robinson (left), commanding officer of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 367 [HML-367] and Colonel Bruce J. Matheson, commander of Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36], upon returning from his 1,000<sup>th</sup> combat mission flying a UH-1 (Huey) helicopter. Gash has flown more than 1,000 combat hours during a year when his primary duties didn't even include operational flying. His regular duties were as squadron maintenance officer (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham) [2 copies].

**Box 3 Folder 4. Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462]**

1. Photograph number 0116: undated: War in a Small Place: For crew members of Marine Sea Stallion helicopters, the Vietnam war is about ten feet wide and 30 feet long. Here, an aerial gunner (left) and a crew chief with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462

[HMH-462] scan the ground below for signs of enemy activity while flying in support of Leatherneck infantrymen in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).

2. Photograph number 0152: undated: Look Out: One of Marine Corporal John E. Brenner's least favorite pastimes is standing watch in the belly of his Sea Stallion helicopter during resupply missions in northern I Corps. Brenner, 24 (Anchorage, Alaska), is the aircraft's crew chief, and must keep a continuous watch on the outside load of supplies, dangling beneath the huge helicopter for Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
3. Photograph number 0149: undated: Welcome Wagon: The inside of this CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter is a welcome sight for these Marine infantrymen, being airlifted from a fire support base north of the Rock Pile to Vandegrift Combat Base. Resupply choppers from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] regularly pick up passengers at distant Marine positions when returning to Vandegrift for resupply (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
4. Photograph number 0078: undated: Around the Clock: A giant CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter is floodlighted so mechanics of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] ready it for flight the next day. The Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] flight line is a busy place, no matter what hour of the day or night it is (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Robert Musolf).
5. Photograph number 0181: undated: 'Prop Wash': Nothing is overlooked in preparing one of the giant CH-53 helicopters of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] for flight, as is shown by Marine Corporal J. A. Espinoza, 22 (Stockton, California), who is cleaning a tail rotor on one of the huge cargo carriers. All helicopters in the squadron receive a thorough 'going over' by mechanics like Corporal Espinoza before they are allowed to leave the flight line (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
6. Photograph number 0981: undated: Big Stretch: A CH-53 Sea Stallion of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462], stretches the 600 foot cable of a special towing device designed by the Sikorsky Aircraft Corp. It is being tested by the Marines as a towing rig on such jobs as pulling a disabled tank out of areas inaccessible to a tank retriever. HMH-462 is the first Marine helicopter unit to test the mechanism under combat conditions. During the trial, a large water tanker was butted against the edge of a taxiway at the Phu Bai airstrip in order to let the pilots get the feel of how the aircraft reacted while straining against a 20,000 pound load (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
7. Photograph number 0071: 1969: Valentines in Vietnam: Marine Captain Robert Stout, 28 (Pensacola, Florida), a pilot with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] based at Phu Bai, grins as he wades through more than 100 valentines he received. The cards were a group project by several sixth grade classes in Castle Rock, Colorado and

mailed to the pilot, who now faces the prospect of answering them (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Joe Vaiksnis).

8. Photograph number 0982: undated: Christmas in Vietnam: Marine Corporals John J. Risenbarth, left (Reno, Nevada) and Stephen B. Milistefr (Hayward, California) of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462], Phu Bai, open presents from home Christmas morning in the crew's lounge (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).

**Box 3 Folder 5.      Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463]**

1. Photograph number 0792: undated: Come to Papa: A Marine Sea Stallion helicopter gently lifts a Leatherneck Skyhawk attack jet from the parking ramp at Phu Bai where the latter landed after being struck by enemy ground fire. The Sea Stallion, of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463], transported the jet to Da Nang for repairs (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant G. Edwards).
2. Photograph number 0997: 1969: New Helmet: Marine Lance Corporal Charles L. Williams, 19 (Vidor, Texas) ground controller, has less trouble controlling helicopters at the An Hoa resupply helicopter pad southwest of Da Nang due to the efforts of Leathernecks of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463]. The unit donated a special red and yellow painted flight helmet with built in earphones and microphone for communication with helicopters (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
3. Photograph number 0812: undated: The Big Stick: A Marine Sea Stallion helicopter hovers over a section o Monkey Mountain near Da Nang, while preparing to lower a 90 foot telephone pole into position for an Air Force communications unit. The aircraft, of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463], was piloted by Major Morris W. [unreadable], 32 (Blytheville, Arkansas) (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. C. Schobel).
4. Photograph number 0810: undated: Storm Cover: A member of the 3d Shore Party Battalion uses ammunition boxes to escape the rotor wash from a CH-53 Sea Stallion. The giant helicopter, of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463] transports infantry units throughout the northern tactical zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. Frank).
5. Photograph number 0118: 5 February 1968: Record Month: A CH-53A Sea Stallion of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463] brings in a sling-load of cargo lifted as part of a record 4,477 tons lifted during January (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
6. Photograph number 0980: undated: Heavy Haulers Cited: Lieutenant Colonel Roger W. Peard, left (St. Petersburg, Florida), commanding officer of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463], accepts the National Defense Transportation Award from

Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr., commanding general, Fleet Marine Force Pacific. The 'heavy haulers' of HMH-463 received the award as the outstanding Marine transportation unit serving in a combat zone (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. C. Schobel).

7. Photograph number 0729: 8 September 1968: Sea Knight Recovery: A CH-53 Sea Stallion prepares to lift a damaged CH-46 Sea Knight after the aircraft was downed by enemy fire. Better known as a heavy hauler, the Sea Stallion is part of a detachment of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463], operating from Quang Tri, in support of ground units in the northern tier of I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).
8. Photograph number 1-1797-68: 29 October 1968: Meritorious Citation: Lieutenant Lewis W. Walt, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, awards the Meritorious Unit Commendation to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463] of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] in Vietnam. The unit was cited for 'extraordinary achievement in support of ground forces at the Con Thien outpost during Operation Kingfisher during September and October of last year. General Walt is visiting units in Vietnam, keeping abreast of the current situation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).

**Box 3 Folder 6. Marine All Weather Fighter Squadron 533 [VMA (AW)-533]**

1. Photograph number 333: 19 April 1968: Best and Last: Captain David B. Williams, bombardier-navigator with Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 533 [VMA (AW)-533], readies to launch on his 225<sup>th</sup> A-6 Intruder mission (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal T. W. Lomax).
2. Photograph number 0774: undated: Hi Uncle: Marine Private First Class Charles L. Ellicott, 20 (Sebring, Florida), left, of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 533 [VMA (AW)-533], meets his uncle Army Platoon Sergeant Wayne Teals (Colorado Springs, Colorado). Teals, a member of the 17<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, H Troop, Americal Division, received a close look at Marine aviation as a guest of Marine Attack Squadron 311 [VMA-311] (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 0717: 30 August 1968: Thank You: Marine Captain William M. Milligan III, 26 (Charleston, South Carolina), receives a handshake and written thanks from a Vietnamese student in the Ky Lien Elementary School near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Milligan delivered two blackboards to the school, which were made by Leathernecks of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 533 (VMA (AW)-533), Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 0014: 1969: Commandant's Visit: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., commandant of the Marine Corps, (right) presents Lieutenant Colonel Paul K. German (Ardmore, Pennsylvania) commanding officer of Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 533 [VMA (AW)-533], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], with the Commandant's



Aviation Efficiency Trophy for 1968 during the general's January 12 visit to the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. The award was presented in recognition of the squadron's superior professional performance under rigorous combat conditions in support of Marines and other free world forces in Vietnam. VMA-533 flies the A-6 Intruder jet, capable of hitting enemy targets under all weather conditions (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).

5. Photograph number 0109: 1969: Heavy Hauler's New Skipper: Lieutenant Colonel George H. Shutt, Jr., 40, (left) (Granby, Quebec, Canada) not only received Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 533's [VMA (AW)-533] colors, but outgoing commander, Lieutenant Colonel Paul K. German, 41 (Ardmore, Pennsylvania) presented him with the Commandant of the Marine Corps Aviation Efficiency Award, earned by the A-6A Intruder squadron during the 1968 fiscal year. The squadron is based at the Chu Lai Air Base (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 0678: 2 August 1968: Civilian Marine: Jim Harkness, center, a Grumman Aircraft representative of Marine All-Weather Attack Squadron 533 [VMA(AW)-533], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], receives a certificate of appreciation and congratulations from Marine Corporal Rex A. Deasy, MAG-12 commanding officer, for sponsoring a Vietnamese elementary student through the unit's scholarship program. Lieutenant Colonel Edward A. Laning, commanding officer of VMA (AW)-533 looks on (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

### **Box 3 Folder 7. Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 542 [VMFA-542]**

1. Photograph number 0450: 29 May 1968: Long Timer: Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 542 [VMFA-542] has arrived in Da Nang, Vietnam to join the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. The squadron, flying the famed Phantom Fighter Attack jet, replaced Marine All-Weather Fighter Squadron 235 [VMF(AW)-235], which flew the Crusader fighter jet. The drag chute on the Phantom helps speedy jet slow down on landings (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Gary Thomas).
2. Photograph number 0750: undated: Post-Flight Checkout: Corporal Wayne H. Wolter, a plane captain with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 542 [VMFA-542], leads the pilot through a check of aircraft systems. The F-4B Phantom had returned from its last mission for the month of August, setting a squadron high of 75 missions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
3. Photograph number 0873: undated: Donation: An operating table is presented to Hgo-Hong Nguyet, adjutant of the Trung-Nhi Vietnamese military dependents' hospital by dental technician second class E. J. Dumont, left, 33 (Brunswick, Maine) and Marine Gunnery Sergeant George E. Brassard, right, 37 (Brunswick, Maine), metal shop section chief, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 542 [VMFA-542] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).



## **Series 6.2      Ground Units**

### **Box 3 Folder 8.      1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion**

1. Photograph number 5-85-67: 26 March 1967: Monsters to Rescue: Tractors from the 1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion churn into position to squelch a Viet Cong ambush which had Leathernecks from the 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5] pinned down (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. L. McClory).
2. Photograph number 3D-12-6-082-69: 1969: General's Flag: Corporal Larry Tackett (Hensonport, Kentucky), presents the enemy flag he captured near Cua Viet to Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division. Tackett is a member of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).

### **Box 3 Folder 9.      1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-242-68: 29 August 1968: Soap: A small boy holds a bar of soap given to him by civil affairs personnel from the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. The battalion supports the village of Hoa Phu southwest of Da Nang under the Marine Corps Civic Action Program (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
2. Photograph number 2-242-68: 29 August 1968: Hello!: This young school girl was attending the dedication of her new school southwest of Da Nang. The construction of the building was sponsored by the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division through the Marine Corps Civic Action Program (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
3. Photograph number 3-242-68: 29 August 1968: Blessing: The village elders of Hoa Phu, eight miles southwest of Da Nang, bless their new one-roomed school before it is dedicated in ceremonies by the villagers. The 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division sponsored its construction through the Marine Corps Civic Action Program (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
4. Photograph number 1-84-69: 1969: New First Engineers Honcho: Lieutenant Colonel John F. Mader (right) (San Marcos, California) accepts the battalion colors from Lieutenant Colonel Donald H. Hildebrand (Alexander, Virginia) officially taking command of the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Hildebrand is now the Division Engineer Officer (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 1D-2-270-68: 1968: Timber!: Sergeant William L. Conlee (Brownfield, Texas) swings an ax to fell a tree during a land clearing operation by the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division in the Tu Cau area northeast of Da Nang. When the Leatherneck engineers encounter unwarranted foliage too close to occupied homes for

foliage too close to occupied homes for blasting or dozing, the job falls to the men with the ax (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. A. Dye).

**Box 3 Folder 10.      Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-100-68: 27 January 1968: Lucky Engineer: Lance Corporal Stephen Dame, a combat engineer with C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, exhibits his luck after a recent operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Steve Wyatt).
2. Photograph number 1-94-68: 3 April 1968: Chain Saw: Private First Class Charles Forrstrom, C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion clears a helicopter landing zone with a gasoline-powered chain saw (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Steve Wyatt).

**Box 3 Folder 11.      1<sup>st</sup> Force Reconnaissance Battalion**

1. Photograph number 0607: 24 July 1968: A member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Force Reconnaissance unit rappels from a Sea Knight transport helicopter at the Phu Bai Marine Air Base. The team boarded a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 (HMM-165) chopper and was flown to a practice zone to rehearse the maneuver, which is sometimes the only means available to enter an area covered by the thick jungle canopy (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).

**Box 3 Folder 12.      1<sup>st</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion [1<sup>st</sup> LAAM]**

1. Photograph number 1W-1208690045: undated: Loaded and Afloat: Electronic equipment of the 1<sup>st</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion heads out of Da Nang harbor bound for Marine Corps Base, 29 Palms, California, where the battalion will be stationed. During its stay in Vietnam, the battalion provided HAWK missile defense for the Da Nang Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. P. McDonald).
2. Photograph number 0280: 31 March 1968: Gifts from America: Navy chaplain Lieutenant James R. Perdew, 30 (Pensacola, Florida), of the 1<sup>st</sup> Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion, presents wash cloths and writing materials donated by the National Catholic Society, Salem, South Dakota, to Nai Nam villagers (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy F. Nelson).
3. Photograph number 0985: undated: Oh, Thank You!: An expression of appreciation on the fact of this Vietnamese girl is thanks enough for Marine Corporal Edward J. Butman, 21, (Beverly, Massachusetts) who, along with Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion at Da Nang, played host at a Christmas Eve party for 100 Vietnamese children (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
4. Photograph number 1W-6-165-69: 1969: A Helping Hand: Marine Chief Warrant Officer Glenford Newtown (Fayetteville, Virginia), maintenance officer with the 1<sup>st</sup> Light

Antiaircraft Missile Battalion, explains the dashboard of a converted weapons carrier to Sister Mary Margaret, Sister Superior of the Sacred Heart Orphanage in Da Nang. The vehicle, an old weapons carrier of World War II vintage was revamped by 1<sup>st</sup> LAAM Marines during their spare time and will be used to transport the orphans at Sacred Heart outings (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. Vaiksnis).

**Box 3 Folder 13.      1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division**

1. Photograph number 1D-3-272-69: 29 September 1968: [Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division relax in the field] (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. Adkinson).
2. Photograph number 1D-8-110-69: 1969: Medevac: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks get help from a villager as they carry a Vietnamese woman, injured by Viet Cong terrorists, to a waiting Marine helicopter 4 miles east of Hoa An (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).
3. Photograph number 1-279-68: 13 October 1968: Gum for Kids: Staff Sergeant Walter Leamy, Jr., 34 (Cranston, Rhode Island), distributes gum to children of Hoa My hamlet northwest of Da Nang. Leamy, of Headquarters Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, visits the hamlet regularly as one of his duties of the Battalion Industrial Relations Office. He schedules Navy medical and dental teams to the village each Monday and Friday to treat the villagers. Headquarters Battalion has also supplied building materials to construct a school and is presently providing materials to rebuild a Catholic Church for the 4,000 population village (official USMC photo by Navy Lieutenant Hason A. [unreadable]).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-307-68: 1968: Robb Promoted: Charles S. Robb, President Johnson's son in law, is promoted to the rank of major in the US Marine Corps by Major General Carl A. Youngsdale, commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Major Robb is presently assigned duty with the Logistics section, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division G-4. His first five months in Vietnam were spent as commanding officer of I Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/7] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-17-69: 1969: Brothers in Law: Marine Major Charles Robb, and Airman 2d Class Patrick Nugent, sons in law of President Johnson, help stage a party for Vietnamese children at the St. Paul de Chartres Sisters Infant Orphanage in Da Nang when Nugent visited Robb at 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Headquarters west of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Tim Godfrey).
6. No photograph number: undated: Rolling Along: Staff Sergeant John F. Warling (Jacksonville, North Carolina), a member of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific-Western Pacific Food Inspection Team, shapes dough for dinner rolls at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's Headquarters Battalion mess hall near Da Nang (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 1D-2031-68: 1968: Christmas Spirit: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division headquarters played host to more than 250 Vietnamese children at a special

Christmas party at the Headquarters Battalion Staff NCO Club, December 22. Master Sergeant Charles Ford (Chesapeake, Virginia) was Santa for the occasion and Major General Ormand R. Simpson, commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, assisted in passing out gifts and goodies for the children (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Goller).

8. Photograph number 1-2030-68: 1968: No Bed of Roses: Lance Corporal W. R. House (Cedar Hill, Texas) believes in taking his ease where he finds it. If it happens to be on a rockpile, that's okay with him. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leatherneck has been in Vietnam since April and is a member of the Communication Section of Headquarters Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Captain Mark Arnold).

**Box 3 Folder 14. 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Band**

1. Photograph number 3-56-69: 1969: Where's Your Horn?: It isn't all spit and polish for members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division band. Corporal Ruben Botello, 21 (Oxnard, California), cleans the sweat off his glasses during a combat patrol along the hill sides surrounding Da Nang. Ruben is part of a security force that checks for enemy activity near Da Nang. Ruben's regular job is playing the baritone horn in the band (official USMC photo by Corporal R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-268-68: October 1968: Concert for Casualties: One hundred and eighty Vietnamese civilians sick and wounded and staff of 30 German workers were entertained by the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Band at Da Nang harbor. The band, led by Gunnery Sergeant J. S. Sutherland, played a variety of selections for the West German hospital ship Helgoland. After the concert, the band was invited aboard for German refreshments (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. L. Sanville).

**Box 3 Folder 15. 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1]**

1. Photograph number 3-300-68: November 1968: Rest for the Weary: Lance Corporal C. Clements, 19 (Lake Mary, Florida), takes a load off his feet after a trek through swollen rice paddies. Clements and other Marines from A Company and B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1], uncovered more than 4,400 pounds of rice during a two-day sweep on the Dodge City Area, some 13 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-307-68: 1968: Fate for a Bunker: Marine Private First Class Kenneth Hinds, 19 (Route 4, Springdale, Arkansas) of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, crawls from an enemy bunker in which he had placed a charge of high explosives. His company found this and other bunkers during a combat operation south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Rick Lavers).
3. Photograph number 11-95-67: 5 April 1967: Special to 'Charlie': Crouched down to avoid the blast, a 60mm mortar crew from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine

Division, sends a round (at top of photo) on its way to the Viet Cong. The Marines were on a five day search and destroy operation 14 miles southeast of Da Nang early in April (official USMC photo by Sergeant John J. Williams).

4. Photograph number 3-01-69: 1969: Now What: Private First Class D. M. Clown, 19 (Dupree, South Dakota), an infantryman with L Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, prepares a charge of TNT. PFC Clown recently completed a three-day course at the Land Mine Warfare School conducted by the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Company, near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
5. Photograph number 6-183-67: 1967: VC Ahead: Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, relay information by radio on enemy positions during an operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant E. L. Lewis).
6. Photograph number 2-363-68: 1968: Corpsman Receives the Legion of Merit: Hospital Corpsman Third Class Jack N. Kaylor, 23 (Redwood City, California) stands at attention in front of a color and honor guard formed for him by Marines from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment [1/1], when he received the Legion of Merit from Major General Ormand R. Simpson, commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, December 28. Kaylor received the medal for his 'bold courage and exceptional talent,' which resulted in the saving of a Marines' life, July 7, near the Khe Sanh Combat Base (official USMC Sergeant A. V. Huffman).

**Box 3 Folder 16.      Company A, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines [A/1/1]**

1. Photograph number 3D-18-0211-68: February 1968: Fire Power: Leathernecks move a 106mm recoilless rifle during heavy fighting in Hue. The team are members of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
2. Photograph number 6-01-69: 1969: Watch Your Step: Staff Sergeant Pablo Gonzalez, 34 (Westlaco, Texas), a platoon sergeant with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines, goes through the road sweeping procedures with a mine detector while receiving instruction at Land Mine Warfare School in Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number 9-300-68: 1968: Reflections: A Marine from A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] pauses by a swollen rice paddy to catch his breath and reflect on the two day operation he and his buddies were conducting in [unreadable] City area 13 miles south of Da Nang. The Marines uncovered 4,400 pounds of rice and various weapons caches (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 3-266-68: October 1968: Mine Sweep: Private First Class G. R. Connell, 20 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) uses an electronic mine detector to sweep an area of Marble Mountain. Connell was on a search and clear operation with A Company,

1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaff).

5. Photograph number 6-300-68: 7 November 1968: C-Ration Hat: The ability of the Viet Cong to improvise was demonstrated by Corporal Peter S. Munizza, 20 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), when Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1] found a coolie hat made from a c-ration box during an operation south of Da Nang. Munizza, a member of A Company, tried the hat on for size and then asked his buddies, 'Anybody got a hat box for a box hat?' (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 3 Folder 17.      2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1]**

1. Photograph number 6-202-69: 1969: Hey Wait For Us: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1] run to board CH-46 helicopters which will lift the combat Marines to an area five miles southeast of An Hoa Combat Base to conduct search and clear operations (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).
2. Photograph number 3-71-69: 1969: Diagnosis: A Navy medical corpsman from the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1] treats one of the many Vietnamese who recently moved from remote areas to a new fortified hamlet. This man was suffering from a lung ailment. Now that he is living in a secure village, medical aid will be more readily available to him (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).
3. Photograph number 1D-2-272-68: October 1968: A Little Help: A Marine (lower left) tosses an M-16 rifle up a steep slope to Sergeant J. T. Furman, 22 (Yuma, Arizona). Both are members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, and were searching caves in the Marble Mountain complex south of Da Nang for enemy weapons caches (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
4. Photograph number 1D-3-272-68: October 1968: Easy Going: Marines of 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, walk up a stairway built of rock in the Marble Mountain complex south of Da Nang. The Marines were searching caves in the mountain for enemy weapons caches (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
5. Photograph number 1D-13-202-69: 1969: Thirst Quencher: After trudging over hot mountain terrain conducting search and clear missions five miles southeast of An Hoa Combat Base, Joe E. Hooker, 18 (Weirton, West Virginia), takes a break to quench his thirst. Hooker is a member of the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1] (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).
6. Photograph number 3-110-67: 20 April 1967: Paddling Patrol: Combat loaded Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines cross a river via rubber raft during an operation. 1<sup>st</sup> Division Marines killed 17 Viet Cong during the four day search and



destroy mission 12 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. N. Bradford).

7. Photograph number 77-126-69: 1969: Built for Their Futures: Staff Sergeant Richard M. Matters (Tucson, Arizona) the civil affairs chief for the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/2], has become a close friend with the children of Xuan Tra since the Marine Corps first began helping the villagers there (official USMC photo by Corporal H. Smith).
8. Photograph number 4-71-69: 1969: Getting Ready: Regional Force troops from the 59<sup>th</sup> Regional Force Battalion put up tents supplied by the 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1] for use as temporary shelters for Vietnamese families relocating to a new hamlet. Some 600 people were involved in the move with more scheduled to move to the new hamlet (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).

**Box 3 Folder 18.      Company F, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [F/2/1]**

1. Photograph number 3M-10-2172-68: 1968: Hoi Chanh: Private First Class Andre L. Knoppert, 21 (Salt Lake City, Utah), right, of F Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [F/2/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, guards a former Viet Cong who turned himself in to work for the Government of Vietnam. The Hoi Chanh, at left, will point out VC suspects within the group of Vietnamese gathered near the armored vehicle in the rear. Leatherneck tanks, amphibian tractors, and an infantry unit participated in the operation (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-272-68: October 1968: Approach March: Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [F/2/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, advance toward a Buddhist shrine at the base of the Marble Mountain complex south of Da Nang. The Marines searched caves in the four-mountain complex for hidden enemy weapons caches (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
3. Photograph number 1-213-69: 1969: A Date to Remember: Marine Private First Class Jerry W. Garner, 19 (Guntown, Mississippi), a machine gunner attached to F Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [F/2/1] wears the helmet that saved his life when his gun team assaulted an enemy position 10 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
4. Photograph number 5-2172-68: 1968: Ready to Go: The Reverend Gordon Smith, right, informs Marine Major King D. Thatenhurst, left, that the residents of the Happy Haven Leprosarium, south of Da Nang, are ready to load into armored vehicles for resettlement. Thatenhurst, executive officer, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/2], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, moved F Company into the leper colony, under command of Captain Ken Hayes, center. The lepers came under recent attacks by the Viet Cong and were moved to a new colony on the coast of the South China Sea (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 3 Folder 19.      Company G, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1]**

1. Photograph number 27-202-69: 1969: Deuce on an Ace: A quiet game of solitaire provides relaxation for Lance Corporal James A. Hingle (Port Sulphur, Louisiana). Hingle's unit, Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines is conducting search and clear operations five miles southeast of An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).
2. Photograph number 21-202-69: 1969: Ready and Alert: is Private First Class Roger D. Jenkins, 19 (Jackson, Mississippi), as he sweeps through a rice paddy on a search and clear operation being conducted five miles southeast of An Hoa Combat Base. Jenkins is a member of G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Sergeant Huffman).
3. Photograph number 40-202-69: 1969: Slogging Along: Marines from G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] strain through one more bone-weary patrol while conducting a search and clear operation six miles east of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Sergeant Huffman).
4. Photograph number 9-202-69: 1969: Marines move across a rice paddy approximately five miles southeast of the An Hoa combat base during a search and clear operation being conducted by G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).
5. Photograph number 32-202-69: 1969: Heading Out: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks from G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] unload on the double from CH-46 helicopters that dropped them into a landing zone six miles east of An Hoa to being a search and clear operation (official USMC photo by Sergeant Huffman).
6. Photograph number 36-202-69: 1969: Shot Out: Lance Corporal Ronald Sampson, 22 (Newark, New Jersey), a mortarman with G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] prepares to drop a 60mm mortar round down the tube while Lance Corporal Joseph A. Hammel, 20 (Covington, Kentucky) holds the legs of the mortar to prevent slipping. The Marines are firing in support of Leatherneck operations six miles southeast of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Sergeant Huffman).
7. Photograph number 10-2-346-68: Flag Raising: Private First Class Kevin Stevens, 18 (814 Carl Court, Wantagh, Long Island, New York), a grenadier with G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment [2/1], displays the flag donated to his unit by the Feustel-Kurdt American Legion Post No. 1120 of Lindenhurst, New York. The flag will hang in the battalion mess hall and be returned to the American Legion post at the end of Vietnam hostilities (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
8. Photograph number 1D-308-68: 1968: Incoming: Lance Corporal Charles O. Seiler, 20 (Alamogordo, New Mexico), carries one of eight 122mm rockets which were captured by

G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1]. Seven of the rockets had warheads. They were uncovered in a hedgerow about 10 miles south of Da Nang, just outside the Da Nang rocket belt (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

9. Photograph number 1D-37-202-69: 1969: Head'em Out: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks from G Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] move out on another heat-laden day while conducting a search and clear operation six miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Huffman).
10. Photograph number 23-202-69: 1969: Cheyenne in 'Indian Country.' Private First Class Joseph Big Medicine, Jr., 19 (Watonga, Oklahoma), takes five and writes a letter home. Private First Class Big Medicine and the Marines of Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [G/2/1] are conducted search and clear operations in 'Indian Country' five miles southeast of An Hoa Combat Base in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).

**Box 3 Folder 20.      Company H, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [H/2/1]**

1. Photograph number 4-249-69: 1969: Heave Ho: Hospitalman 2d Class Mike B. Raftern, 22 (Clementon, New Jersey), and Marine Private First Class Thomas L. Allen, 18 (Lincoln, Nebraska), carry an enemy 122mm rocket weighing 110 pounds. The rocket was found by Marines from Hotel Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [H/2/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division during a search of an enemy rocket site five miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo Lance Corporal John Gentry).

**Box 3 Folder 21.      3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1]**

1. Photograph number 1D-7-353-67: 19 December 1967: Tool Cleaning: Private First Class Ricardo King, 19 (Savannah, Georgia), of the 81mm mortar platoon, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1], carefully cleans his M-16 aboard the helicopter assault ship USS Valley Forge (LPH-8) while part of the Special Landing Force along the coast of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
2. Photograph number 3-1380-69: 1969: Take Five: Two Marines of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines take a quick five-minute break during a patrol just south of the Vu Gia River, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. Fierce fighting took place in almost every treeline during this combat action (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-16-68: 17 December 1967: Pounding the Beach: Marine Lance Corporal Arthur W. Young, 19 (Detroit, Michigan), moves along the shore in Quang Tri province. Young, a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [I/3/1], is part of Special Landing Force B off of the amphibious assault ship USS Valley Forge (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).

4. Photograph number 1D-4-338-67: January 1967: Changing Legs: Switching from 'sea legs' to 'land legs' Marines from 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1], offload from the helicopter assault ship USS Valley Forge (LPH-8) at Subic Bay, Philippines, before assuming the role of Special Landing Force along the coast of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
5. Photograph number SLF-3-68: 21 May 1968: Captured Gear: Hospitalman James E. Stanley, a corpsman attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon of M Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [M/3/1] examines a North Vietnamese helmet and entrenching tool that the platoon found after overrunning an enemy bunker position on Hill 512, southeast of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. V. Kinnaird).
6. Photograph number 1D-1-23168-68: August 1968: Voting Absentee: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Amauel Griffin, voting officer of 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1], observes as Corporal Gary L. Froberg, completes his voting registration form for the forth coming elections. Froberg, 21 (Visalia, California), is registering for the first time. Voting officers go wherever the men are, to insure all eligible servicemen are afforded the opportunity to exercise this basic American right (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
7. No photograph number: March 1966: Heat exhaustion victim from the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division [3/1], being evacuated by Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] helicopter (official USMC photo by Corporal Isaacson).
8. Photograph number 1D-6-353-67: 19 December 1967: With Loving Care: Lance Corporal Ronnie N. Rentz, 20 (Augusta, Georgia) of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1], applies a protective coat of oil to his 106mm recoilless rifle while aboard the helicopter assault ship USS Valley Forge (LPH-8) as part of the Special Landing Force along the coast of Vietnam (official USMC photo by M. J. Coates).

**Box 3 Folder 22.      Company L, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1]**

1. Photograph number 1D-3-293-68: 1968: Setting the Net?: These Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1] appear to be setting a fishing net. They are actually using a safety rope to cross a rain-swollen stream six miles south of Da Nang during the recent early monsoon. The rain was and ally to the Marines in many cases. It stranded groups of the enemy enabling the Marines to 'fish' them out (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
2. Photograph number 07-43-69: 1969: Captured Communist Flags: Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, display communist flags they uncovered in a bunker complex southwest of Da Nang. Just prior to discovering the flags, the Leathernecks killed two enemy soldiers in a brief firefight (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).

3. Photograph number 4-293-68: 30 October 1968: The Wet War: The oppressing heat and swirling dust of summer was gone in the downpour of 35 inches of rain that hit the Da Nang area during a four-day rain period. Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1] had to add still another protective piece of clothing over their flak jackets and helmets—rain suits (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
4. Photograph number 03-43-69: 1969: Safe-Guarding Da Nang: Private First Class Raymond Ornalles, 19 (Kauaii, Hawaii), a rifleman with L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1], walks with a patrol southwest of here. It is a patrol such as this one in and around Da Nang that has achieved the large success in the defense of the city (official USMC photo by Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
5. Photograph number 00-43-69: 1969: Up and Over: Private First Class Felise Robles, 19 (Balavia, Illinois), a radio operator with L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, leaps over a log while patrolling the flatlands southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
6. Photograph number 1-341-68: 1968: Roll of Greetings: Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1] show off the 150 foot Christmas card sent to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division by students of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. Typical of the many messages handwritten on the card was the one signed by ‘Suzie, Suzie, and Suzie, and Suzie, and Sonja. 1<sup>st</sup> floor front, Schoedinger Hall.’ It simply said ‘Merry Xmas’ (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 04-43-69: 1969: The Gentle Touch: Hospitalman Donald G. Voyt (Victoria, Texas), a corpsman with L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1], applies the gentle touch to a young Vietnamese boy as he examines his eye while on a patrol southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal B. R. Sanchez).

### **Box 3 Folder 23. 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion**

1. Photograph number X1D-5-188-68: 6 July 1968: Nurse Gives Shot: Nguyen Thi Theo, a Vietnamese nurse in the village of Tan To near Phu Bai, vaccinates a Vietnamese schoolboy. The nurse was assisting corpsmen and doctors of the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, during a Medical Civil Affairs Program (MEDCAP) (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dennis Fisher).
2. Photograph number 1D-3-133-68: May 1968: Family Boxes: A Vietnamese boy from the village of Thuy Chau carries home a family box. Twenty-five boxes were distributed last week by the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Civil Affairs Office. Each box contained children’s clothes, personal hygiene items and toys for the children. They are distributed to needy Vietnamese families designated by the village chief. The materials are contributed by American civilians and divided into ‘family boxes’ by the civil affairs office (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Fischer).

3. Photograph number 3-351-66: 1966: It Only Hurts for a Little While: Hospital Corpsman 3d Class John F. Chetister, a 21 year old native of Oregon, Ohio, and a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion gives medical aid to a young villager during a Medical Civilian Affairs Program (MEDCAP) journey to the village of Hoa Thuan, located on the island of Ky Hoa, near Chu Lai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by R. C. Hathaway).
4. Photograph number 1D-1971: 1967: Open Air Restaurant: A Christmas toast is in order as (seated from left to right) Navy Commander E. G. Gleason, Navy Lieutenant Commander McKim Williams, Marine Lieutenant Colonel J. W. Wilson, and Navy Commander C. H. Lowery sit down, as planned, to their holiday meal at the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion's new mess hall. Marine Gunnery Sergeant J. G. Stenson, battalion mess sergeant, pours (official Navy photo).
5. Photograph number X1D-1-190-68: 8 July 1968: First Soda: Brigadier General George D. Webster, commanding general of Task Force X-Ray, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, receives the first soda at the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion's new enlisted men's club. Presenting the soda was Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class J. W. Duke club manager (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dennis Fisher).

**Box 3 Folder 24.      1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion [1<sup>st</sup> MP Battalion]**

1. Photograph number 1-2216-68: 1968: Ours Again: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion reopen traffic across Cam Lo Bridge after enemy forces were driven from the bridge's southern end. The important span over the Han River just south of the vital Da Nang airfield was the scene of heavy action August 23 as enemy troops tried to seize the bridge. The 1<sup>st</sup> MPs stopped them at the northern end of the span. The southern bank was back in Marine hands within a few hours (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).
2. Photograph number 2-0331-69: 1969: Lonely Vigil: A member of the Force Logistic Command's 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion keeps his M-16 rifle at the ready and a sharp eye peeled for any unusual debris floating in the water beneath Da Nang's main bridges. In the past, enemy forces have made several ill-fated attempts to blow up the bridges which constitute the main access routes to South Vietnam's second largest city (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
3. Photograph number 1-615-69: 1969: Vocal Gourmet: Voicing his approval of his cake and munching on it at the same time is a young Vietnamese orphan who attended a recent Tet Mid-Autumn Children's Day party at the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion mess hall near Da Nang. Marine Corporal William Singleton of New Iberia, Louisiana, a battalion driver, helped serve up the food, ice cream, candy, and of course, the cake (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
4. Photograph number 1-1740-69: 1969: After-Class Discussion: Marine Private First Class Timothy Hamilton (St. Louis Park, Minnesota) and one of his English language students



discuss a lesson in the courtyard at the Hoa Vang School, two miles south of Da Nang. Hamilton, a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command, teaches English at the school in his spare time (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).

5. Photograph number 1-2149-68: 15 August 1968: Play Interrupts Patrol: A young Vietnamese girl seems to enjoy the audience as she continues to play hop-scotch while a group of 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion Marines pause to watch during a patrol. A unit of the Force Logistic Command, the 1<sup>st</sup> MPs provide security for the area east of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).
6. Photograph number 1-0331-69: 1969: Bunker Builder: Not all Marines serving with the Force Logistic Command (FLC) are involved with supply operations. Two Marine attached to the FLCs 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion put the finishing touches to their outposts. One Leatherneck wields the sandbags while his buddy watches for possible enemy snipers. The outpost is one of several which help protect approaches to the nearby Da Nang Air Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
7. Photograph number 3-615-69: 1969: Holiday Treat: Marine Corporal Danny W. Horne of Durham, North Carolina helps out with a mess hall party for Vietnamese orphans at the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion near Da Nang. The occasion was the Mid-Autumn Tet Children's Day. The traditional event was celebrated by Horne and a group of orphans from Da Nang's Sacred Heart Orphanage (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
8. No photograph number: December 1966: Marines gather near a bunker during Christmas services. From left to right are Corporal J. F. Jennings (Arlington, Virginia) of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, Lance Corporal T. L. Barton (Erie, Pennsylvania), Lance Corporal G. W. Harrison (Texarkana, Texas), Private First Class R. M. Farewell (Syracuse, New York), Lance Corporal D. H. Wohllaib (Portland, Oregon), and Sergeant J. D. Goldey (Henderson, Kentucky) (official USMC photo by W. O. Cornust) [2 copies; alternate angles of color 8 in. x 10 in. photograph].

**Box 3 Folder 25.      Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-44-69: 1969: Marines on Patrol: Marine Corporal Donald W. Zieis, Jr. (Blasdell, New York), a squad leader with the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, leads his squad down a trail during a search and clear operation just south of the sprawling Da Nang airfield. The Military Police basically function as an infantry unit providing security for hamlets and villages surrounding the air base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
2. Photograph number 3-44-69: 1969: Searching for the Enemy: Marine Private First Class John R. Hofstrand (Vallejo, California), a radio operator with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, follows a trail while on a search and clear operation south of the

massive Da Nang air field. The Marines, in conjunction with Vietnamese soldiers, conduct day and night patrols and ambushes in the villages and hamlets surrounding the military installation to detect enemy activity in the area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

3. Photograph number FLC-4-44-69: 1969: Marines Landing: This 18 foot fiberglass skimmer boat powered by an outboard engine is used by A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion to transport troops to trouble areas along the maze of waterways south of the massive Da Nang air base. The 1<sup>st</sup> MP Battalion is responsible for the security of the sprawling air bas and the villages and hamlets that surround it. The skimmer boat is used constantly by the MPs to provide a quick and reliable means of transportation (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

**Box 3 Folder 26.      Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-2153-68: 25 August 1968: Boat Check: Two Marines from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, inspect a boat passing along their tower check point south of the III Marine Amphibious Force Bridge. The 1<sup>st</sup> MP Battalion, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, provides security for the area east of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. K. Nystrom).
2. Photograph number 1-0248-69: 1969: On Patrol: Private First Class Lamar Lambert (Milwaukee, Wisconsin), a radioman with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command, treks through the island village of Da Me. The village, located on the Han River, southwest of Da Nang, is patrolled regularly by B Company Marines checking for weapons caches and enemy soldiers attempting to infiltrate into the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
3. Photograph number 1-5038-68: 1968: How 'Bout a Hand: Marines of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion struggle up a slope in the Marble Mountain complex during a cordoned search of the area. Six caves were uncovered and two Viet Cong suspects detained (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Reid).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-0937-69: 1969: Checking Papers: Corporal Clyde Harrelson (Dallas, Texas) patrol leader with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, checks identification cards of several Vietnamese during a three-day patrol on Monkey Mountain, near Da Nang. Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, a unit of Marine Force Logistic Command, are responsible for the security of the prominent mountain overlooking the harbor of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

**Box 3 Folder 27.      Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-1489-68: 1968: Watching for the Enemy: A Marine .50 caliber machine gun team from C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, maintains a vigil on

the southern end of the Cam Lo Bridge, eight kilometers south of here, (left to right): Staff Sergeant Booker T. Hunter (Compton, California), Private First Class Rick R. Chapin (Findlay, Ohio), and Lance Corporal Thomas J. Bowman (Sumter, South Carolina). Extra fire power was put into position on both sides of the bridge during heavy fighting in which 63 Viet Cong were killed while attempting to enter Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

2. Photograph number 2-1551-69: 1969: Marine Workday: Security of the vital III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF], linking east and west Da Nang, covers a wide spectrum of related activities. Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command, are responsible for security on the bridge and patrolling nearby villages also falls into their realm of operations. Marines, on one of their patrols, pass a village resident on her way to market (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-1961-68: 1968: Protective Pride: Private First Class Bernard T. Connor (Tuscola, Illinois) of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion watches a Marine Phantom jet preparing to land at the Da Nang airfield. The 1<sup>st</sup> MPs, a unit of Force Logistic Command, are responsible for security of the huge airfield complex (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).

**Box 3 Folder 28.      Company D, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-0482-69: 1969: Bunker's Eye View: Marines from D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command, keep a close watch on the area around the Cam Le Bridge near Da Nang. The area has been the scene of heavy fighting in the past. The Cam Le Bridge leads directly to the south end of the giant Da Nang Air Base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
2. Photograph number 2-2236-68: September 1968: Watchful: A Marine from D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, watches for the enemy from a 'skimmer' boat on the Han River near Da Nang. The company provides security for the area south of Da Nang airfield including the Cam Le Bridge, scene of heavy recent fighting. A unit of the Force Logistic Command, the 1<sup>st</sup> MPs coordinates the defense of Da Nang's vital area (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).

**Box 3 Folder 29.      1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1W-2-155-69: 1969: Water Point: Marine Sergeant Robert W. Gwinn (Auburn, Washington) fills his canteens from a swift-flowing mountain stream. The 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion Leatherneck was on patrol in the rugged mountains northwest of Da Nang. Working closely with 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing pilots and air crews, Sergeant Gwinn's recon team spotted enemy units, and directed air and artillery fire on them (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).

2. Photograph number 1W-4-155-69: 1969: End of the Trail: Marine Sergeant Robert W. Gwinn (Auburn, Washington) catches 'forty winks' as he waits for a helicopter from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing to transport him to the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion near Da Nang. Gwinn had just completed a five-day recon patrol in the rugged mountain area northwest of the city (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 1D-5-355-68: 1968: This is...: Marine Lieutenant P. J. Ehret, 25 (Huron, South Dakota) platoon commander with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, explains the uses of equipment carried by a recon team on patrol to Mayor Frank Curran of San Diego. Mayor Curran was on goodwill mission and visited with servicemen from the San Diego area at several camps around Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
4. Photograph number 1D-17-232-69: 1969: VIP Inspection: Under Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable John W. Warner, speaks with Silver Star holder Sergeant Ted Ott (Monroe, Wisconsin) of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, during the secretary's half-day visit to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division recently (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. K. Mullins).
5. Photograph number 14-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, visits Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, during his tour of Marine units in the I Corps (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 7-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, is framed between two M-16 rifles as he talks to Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 8-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, listens to Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, explain a point of their most recent action (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 3M-9-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, is shown with Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James J. Barta of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, during a tour of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division area (official USMC photo).

**Box 3 Folder 30.      1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1W-3-155-69: 1969: Life-Line: Marine Corporal Joseph L. Owens, Jr. (Ossining, New York) talks by radio to a Marine pilot overhead. 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion Leathernecks direct air strikes and artillery barrages, report enemy sighting and observe bomb damage. Their mission is accomplished with the support of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing aviators and air crews (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).

2. Photograph number 1W-2-154-69: 1969: Enemy Below: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Robert H. Phieffer (Waterville, Maine) carefully scans the terrain below for signs of enemy activity in Vietnam. The 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion Leatherneck and his recon team were flown to their patrol area by a CH-46D Sea Knight helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 1-266-68: 1968: Admiral Visits Recon: Admiral John S. McCain, Commander, US Forces, Pacific chats with Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, during a four-day visit to Vietnam. McCain praised the Recon Marines for the job they're doing stating the world would be better for the efforts (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 0444: 28 May 1968: Multi-Chopper Lift: Three CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 lift from the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion headquarters near Da Nang in an early morning mission. Reconnaissance Marines provide ground units with visual reports of Viet Cong movements in the Da Nang tactical area of responsibility (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Del Vernon).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-1432-68: 1968: Careful Listeners: 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion Marines listen carefully as HM2 Robert A. Quinlin (Long Island, New York), 1<sup>st</sup> Hospital Company, explains techniques of giving intravenous transfusions to wounded patients. The Leathernecks are taking part in the battalion's 'A-Corps' program in which Marines are taught extensive first aid procedures to help corpsmen in an emergency situation (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. W. Cheeley).
6. Photograph number 1D-1-1450-68: 1968: NVA Water Point: Marine Private First Class W. B. Goodwin (Seabrook, Maryland) gives water to North Vietnamese Army soldiers captured by the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
7. Photograph number 1D-11-118-68: 1968: Navy Cross Presented: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Klaus D. Schreiber, 26 (Washington, DC) receives the Navy Cross from Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, during formal ceremonies conducted April 27 at the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division command post (official USMC photo by Corporal Alva Huffman).
8. No photograph number: undated: Wrap Up: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, are given bandaging instructions by Hospital Corpsman 2d Class J. E. Tissot (Farmingdale, New Jersey), right, a Navy corpsman. Tissot is teaching classes in the 'A-Corps' program, which trains battalion Leathernecks in advanced first-aid procedures to help corpsmen in emergency situations (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. W. Cheeley).

9. Photograph number 04-39-69: 1969: Change of Command: Lieutenant Colonels L. P. Charon, left (171 North Barnwell, Oceanside, California), and R. D. Mickelson, right (7708 Heming Place, Springfield, Virginia), look on as battalion colors are returned to the color guard. The ceremony was held at the 1<sup>st</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion headquarters, as Colonel Mickleson assumed command of the unit from Colonel Charon (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. A. Tour).

**Box 3 Folder 31. 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-1085-69: 1969: Steady Up: 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion Marines position a forklift to move one of nine railroad cars into loading position. FLC Leathernecks hauled the cars on 'low boy' trailers. The entire project saved the government of Vietnam \$300,000 in replacement costs (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
2. Photograph number 1W2909690103: undated: Hookup: While a Marine CH-46 transport helicopter hovers directly above his head, a Marine loadmaster from C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion hooks up an external load of supplies to be helilifted to Marines in the field (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Jenkins).
3. Photograph number FLC-2-1580-69: 1969: All Together Now: Marines engaged in a project to provide Vietnam's National Railroad with nine freight cars abandoned at the An Hoa Combat Base area supervise the loading of a car onto a truck. 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion cranes and forklifts hoisted the freight cars onto 40-foot Air Force trailers pulled by Marine Force Logistic Command's Truck Company (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).

**Box 3 Folder 32. 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion**

1. Photograph number 20-65-67: 6 March 1967: Tankers Construct Road: A blade wielding tank of the 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion carves a road for Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] during an operation south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Private First Class Warren E. Wilson).
2. Photograph number 3M-9-2172-68: 1968: Shaving Trees: Leatherneck Corporal Alton Webb (Shreveport, Louisiana), a tank commander with the 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division uses the bulldozer blade on his tank to clear a fire lane in a thicket of pine. Because of the dry heat in Vietnam, the trees were creating a fire hazard to a village south of Da Nang. The tank made a fire lane surrounding the small village (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Thom Bartlett).
3. Photograph number 1D-3-140-69: 1969: Heave Ho: Marines of Maintenance Platoon, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, guide the top deck plate into position over the tank engine. Each tank is given a quarterly service which includes cleaning and checking the engine for any damage (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. A. Mullins).



4. Photograph number 1D-7-140-69: 1969: Track Repair: Two Marines with Maintenance Platoon, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, replace a tank track damaged by a land mine. Track damage is the most routine damage repaired by the Maintenance Platoon Leathernecks (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. A. Mullins).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-140-69: 1969: Spring Cleaning: (Left to right) Private First Class Bary L. Hill, 18 (Bethlehem, Pennsylvania), Private First Class Kenneth Beckman, 18 (Louisville, Kentucky), and Private First Class Ora Little, 19 (Eau Claire, Wisconsin) give a 9,000 pound tank its quarterly service. Steam cleans the engine while Hill and Beckman check for loose nuts and bolts. The men are serving with the Maintenance Platoon, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. A. Mullins).

**Box 3 Folder 33.      Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-125-68: May 1968: Rig Explosive: Marines of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division rig an explosive charge to detonate a mine found during a road sweep near Hue (official USMC photo by Private First Class Ed Sullivan).
2. Photograph number 1D-x2-125-68: May 1968: Super Support: A Marine tank of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, provides support for members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division in an action near Hue last week (official USMC photo by Private First Class Ed Sullivan).

**Box 3 Folder 34.      Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion**

1. Photograph number 14-65-67: 6 March 1967: A Do-It Yourself Road: is built by the 2d Platoon, B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, during an operation south of Da Nang. The 1<sup>st</sup> Division tanks were in support of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] (official USMC photo by Private First Class Warren E. Wilson).
2. No photograph number: undated: Daily Ritual: Members of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion conduct a mine-sweep of Liberty Road prior to opening the road to ground troops. Each day, the road must be swept for booby traps, mines, or any obstruction that would hinder travel on the road (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. L. Newsome).
3. Photograph number 19-65-67: 6 March 1967: Waterborne: A tank from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion fords the Cu De River south of Da Nang during an operation conducted by the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26]. The search probed deep into Elephant Valley, a former VC-controlled area (official USMC photo by Sergeant G. D. Sullivan, Jr.).
4. Photograph number 17-65-67: 6 March 1967: Follow Me: Sergeant Bruce E. Strickler, 24, of Pacific Beach, California leads the way for fellow tankers of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion during an operation. The tanks, supporting the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines

[2/26] built fordings across the Cu De River and probed deep into Elephant Valley, in search of VC supply routes and a suspected base camp (official USMC photo by Sergeant G. D. Sullivan, Jr.).

5. Photograph number 1D-5-243-68: 30 August 1968: Rough Riders: Marines hand on for dear life while a tank from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, climbs a steep incline during a sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. The Marines killed 55 NVA soldiers during the four-day operation, captured a variety of enemy weapons, and destroyed an elaborate complex of fortified bunkers and trench lines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 3 Folder 35.      2d Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion [2d LAAM]**

1. Photograph number 0800: undated: Dedicated Doc: Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Levander Stone treats an infected foot of a small Vietnamese boy while a doctor, accompanying the team, looks on. Stone, for the past eight months, has made three visits weekly to the six hamlets on Ky Hoa Island as part of 2d Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion's civic action program (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).

**Box 3 Folder 36.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 2d Marines [1/2]**

1. Photograph number 8-587-69: 1969: Radio Operator: Private First Class John N. Bryant (San Pedro, California), a radio operator with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 2d Marines [1/2] establishes radio contact with the company command post for his platoon commander during a search and clear operation south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).

**Box 3 Folder 37.      3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion [3d AmTrac Battalion]**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-1435-68: 10 September 1968: Chief: Corporal Ronald Henningfeld, 20 (Franksville, Wisconsin), carries considerable weight on his shoulders as crew chief of one of 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion's vehicles. Henningfeld has been with 3d AmTracs in Vietnam for about three months. The battalion is attached to 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
2. Photograph number 5-353-66: 12 December 1966: River Watch: Corporal Stephen C. Randall, 19 (College Park, Georgia), keeps a watch on the Cau Do river south of Da Nang when his unit, the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division threw an armored cordon down stream to prevent the escape of Viet Cong, December 12-14. The corporal is a tank commander and has been in Vietnam since June 1966 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal William G. Norman).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-1435-68: 10 September 1968: Unstoppable: Mud and water are no barriers to this 3d Amtrac Battalion crew currently operating in the Song Cu De River area near Da Nang. The battalion, attached to A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines

[A/1/26], runs periodic resupply and patrol missions along the river (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).

4. Photograph number 1-2172: undated: Everything Goes: When Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division assisted in the resettlement of a leper colony, the Vietnamese lepers were instructed to pack their possessions. The armored vehicles of the Marine 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion loaded the possessions on top of and inside the vehicles. This Vietnamese boat was part of the shipment carried by nine AmTracs (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number 3M-7-2172-68: 1968: Armored Convoy: Vietnamese lepers ride atop a Leatherneck vehicle of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, near Marble Mountain. The lepers were resettled to a more secure area, free from Viet Cong terrorism (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
6. Photograph number 3M-2-2172-68: 1968: Expensive: A Vietnamese woman at the Happy Haven Leprosarium, south of Da Nang, helps load roofing tiles into an armored vehicle of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. The tiles, nearly 3,000, were moved as the lepers resettled to a more secure area. The tiles are worth 15 cents apiece (official USMC photo by Tom Bartlett).
7. Photograph number 1-2177-68: 1968: Beached: Sergeant Claude L. Stowers (Anaheim, California) assists Vietnamese lepers in moving their possessions after enemy soldiers terrorized the leper colony six miles south of Da Nang. Leathernecks of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, assisted the Vietnamese in their resettlement to a new leper colony (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
8. Photograph number 3D-1-4325-68: 1968: Room for More: A Vietnamese woman loads her belongings into a Marine Amphibian Tractor of the 3d Marine Division. Because of continual Viet Cong terrorism, the small fishing hamlet near Cua Viet asked the Marines to assist them in moving to a well-protected resettlement village (official USMC photo by Corporal John Lawrence).

### **Box 3 Folder 38. 3d Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-1344-68: 1968: Mine Sweep: Lance Corporal Fred J. Meier (Last Meadow, New York), leads a mine sweep team from 3d Engineer Battalion as it checks a road ahead of an advancing tank from 3d Tank Battalion. The tanks were supporting Marines in an operation just south of the Demilitarized Zone and west of Con Thien (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
2. Photograph number 2-159-68: 4 October 1968: Big Find: Members of the 3d Engineers attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment carry enemy ammunition to a bunker to be blown up. The ammunition was part of a huge complex of enemy caches discovered by the Marines

in the mountains below the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Jerry M. Shelton).

3. Photograph number 3D-1-256-231-68: Mine Sweep: A Marine mine sweep team of A Company, 3d Engineer Battalion, checks a road west of Ca Lu for enemy mines or dud rounds. This sweep, like many others in the Northern I Corps, is conducted each morning before traffic is permitted to use the road (official USMC photo by Corporal R. L. Brumfield).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-7013-69: 1969: Engineers Chapel: Marines of the 3d Engineer Battalion bow their heads during dedication ceremonies for their new chapel at Quang Tri Combat Base. The chapel, a wooden structure with mahogany paneling and glass windows, was built by the men of the battalion and was dedicated for all who have lived and died with the 3d Engineer Battalion in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. J. Carroll).
5. Photograph number 3D-6-3-243-69: 1969: Building an LZ: Private First Class Wilbur Mahone (Waverly Falls, Georgia), 3d Engineer Battalion, attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment [1/3], ties detonating cord together prior to blasting a landing zone out of dense jungle for a resupply mission near the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).

### **Box 3 Folder 39. 3d Force Reconnaissance Company**

1. Photograph number 3D-16-1017-68: 1968: Safe Landing: A 3d Force Reconnaissance Company Marine rolls up his parachute after successfully completing a training jump west of Quang Tri. The unit's jump training is conducted by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Donald W. Blair (Alameda, California), a veteran of 1,259 military jumps (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. G. McCullough).
2. Photograph number 3D-4-7-238-69: 1969: A member of the 3d Force Reconnaissance Company prepares to make a dive in the Bo Dieu in Dong Ha City. A scuba team from the company is helping Mobile Construction Battalion 62 build a new bridge over the river (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Wood).
3. Photograph number 3D-4-1017-68: 1968: Boarding Copter: Marines of the 3d Force Reconnaissance Company climb aboard a UH-1E (Huey) helicopter as they participate in a training parachute jump. Four-man teams are carried aboard the helicopters. Since arriving in Vietnam the unit has made 96 jumps (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. G. McCullough).

### **Box 3 Folder 40. III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF]**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-2213-68: 1968: A Mile of Thanks: Students of Florida Southern College and the citizens of Lakeland, Florida, sent a mile-long scroll Christmas

'card' expressing their appreciation and thanks for what the servicemen are doing in Vietnam. Showing part of the mile-long scroll are Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general of III Marine Amphibious Corps [III MAF] (bottom left), 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Roy L. Hillard (Miami Springs, Florida) (top left), James A. Boyd of the American Red Cross, headquartered at III MAF, and Private First Class David B. Ingraham (Miami, Florida) (right bottom). The scroll was sponsored by the American Red Cross (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).

2. Photograph number 3M-1-1415-68: 3 September 1968: Doubled: Marine Major General Earl E. Anderson, center, Chief of Staff, III Marine Amphibious Force, is promoted to his present rank by his commander, Lieutenant Robert E. Cushman, Jr., left, and Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, Army of the Republic of Vietnam, commanding general of the northernmost tactical zone of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
3. Photograph number 1-1578-69: 1969: Not Much Different in the States: Marine Corporal William Reid (Port Huron, Michigan), a member of 5<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, works on telephone line equipment several miles south of Da Nang. The joint battalion provides communication support to all III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) units as well as Republic of Korea Marine Corps and Free World forces operating in I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Captain D. G. Menely).
4. Photograph number 2-1578-69: 1969: Just a Slight Adjustment: Marine Lance Corporal C. I. Harris (Cincinnati, Ohio) adjusts an antenna used a part of a long-distance radio relay system between major Marine units in Vietnam. Harris, a member of 5<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, is part of an important team that furnishes communication support to all US and Republic Korea Marines and Free World forces operating I Corps (official USMC photo by Captain D. G. Menely).
5. Photograph number 3M-2-2313-68: 1968: Season's Greetings: The Eastfield Mall Merchants Association (Springfield, Massachusetts) sponsored a Christmas greeting project for servicemen in Vietnam. The 8 ft. x 20 ft. card was signed by thousands of residents of the New England area, particularly those of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. Merchants also arranged for 8 in. x 10 in. photographs of their families to be sent to the servicemen in Vietnam at no cost. Exhibiting the Christmas card is Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general of III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] (bottom left), Master Gunnery Sergeant Albert E. Zollin (Norwell, Massachusetts) (bottom right), Corporal Robert R. Maglio (Milton, Massachusetts) (top right) and Chief Warrant Officer Robert H. Page (Hathorne, Massachusetts) (top right) (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-0437-69: 1969: Trooping the Line: Lieutenant General Herman Nickerson, Jr. (left), newly appointed commanding general of the III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF), in Vietnam, inspects an honor guard upon his arrival at III MAF headquarters in Da Nang. Accompanying General Nickerson is outgoing III MAF

commander Lieutenant Robert E. Cushman, Jr., who has held command since May 31, 1967. General Nickerson will take command March 1926 (official USMC photo by Corporal Don Barr).

7. Photograph number 3M-1-0474-69: 1969: New Marine Commander in Vietnam: Lieutenant General Herman Nickerson, Jr., assumed command of the III Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam's I Corps area March 26. He will also be the senior US advisor to the Vietnamese commander of I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

**Box 3 Folder 41.      III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] Drum and Bugle Corps**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Keep 'Em Shining: Lance Corporal Frederick C. Nicol, Jr. (Rutherford, New Jersey) finds that a lot of his free time is spent to shining the French Horn Bugle he plays as a member of the III Marine Amphibious Force's Drum and Bugle Corps in Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Music Mechanic: Sergeant David E. Cairo (Jacksonville, North Carolina) fixes a water key spring on a French Horn Bugle as part of his job as instrument repairman with the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
3. Photograph number 4-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Drum and Bugle Slate: Master Sergeant Thomas P. Moran (left), Brooklyn, New York, discusses Drum and Bugle bookings with Lieutenant Charles W. Thomas, Canyon, Texas, officer in charge of the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps. Moran is NCOIC of that Marine musical unit at Camp Horn, Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-1331-68: 23 August 1968: And the Drum Goes Bang: Colorfully emblazoned on the drumhead for all to see is the identification of the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps. Corporal James A. Newbold (Miami, Florida) says his drum is the loudest in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
5. Photograph number 3M-6-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Drummer's Three: And all from Cambridge, Massachusetts. Snare drummers Corporals Thomas P. Callahan, left, and Gregory M. O'Keefe, right, help Private First Class Walter L. Hardy out of a helicopter at Headquarters, III MAF, in Vietnam. Former school mates at Cambridge's Rindge Technical School, the three are members of the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps (official USMC photo by C. F. X. Houts).
6. Photograph number 7-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Practice Session: A relentless taskmaster, Staff Sergeant David L. Modlin (San Diego, California), Drum Master of the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps, leads the Marine musicians through endless hours of



rehearsal...whenever and wherever they can find a place to practice (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).

7. Photograph number 3M-8-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Spit Shine in Vietnam: Corporal Callahan (Cambridge, Massachusetts) learns that musicians are expected to look as sharp as spit and polish can make them. Callahan plays a snare drum in III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
8. Photograph number 3M-2-966-69: 1969: In the Vietnamese Tradition: Corporal Spencer Iverson, 19 (Storden, Minnesota), bows in the Vietnamese tradition as he awards a youngster an educational scholarship for the coming year. Iverson and other members of the III Marine Amphibious Force Drum and Bugle Corps collected \$686.25 in a month's time for the purpose of educational scholarships for the Vietnamese children (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
9. Photograph number 3M-0278-69: 1969: Music Men: The III Marine Amphibious Force Drum and Bugle Corps is led by Drum Major Master Sergeant Thomas P. Moran (Plainfield, New Jersey), through the villages of Hoa Vinh and Hoa Thunh near Da Nang during a pre-Tet performance for the villagers. The Drum and Bugle Corps' appearance was a musical present from the Marines of the Combined Action Platoons 2-8-1 and 2-8-2, stationed in the two villages (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
10. Photograph number 3M-1-966-69: 1969: Shared Happiness abounds after members of the III Marine Amphibious Force Drum and Bugle Corps presented 13 scholarships to Vietnamese youngsters for their education the coming school year. The Leathernecks, backed by Colonel Don D. Ezell (Fort Worth, Texas), commanding officer of III MAF's Headquarters and Service Company, collected \$686.25 among their 30 members during a month's time (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

**Box 3 Folder 42.      3d Marine Division (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-13-3270-68: 1968: Emergency: A Marine Sea Knight helicopter hovers above a wounded Marine in the Demilitarized Zone of South Vietnam. Elements of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, 3d Marine Division [went] into the DMZ searching [for] North Vietnamese soldiers, enemy supply and weapons caches. Helicopters from Marine units provided immediate medical evacuations for Marines, but due to the uneven terrain features, specially designed hoists were used to raise the Marines to the helicopters (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
2. Photograph number 1-1448-68: June 1968: Chow on the Move: 3d Marine Division Leathernecks escorting a supply convoy bite into refreshing apples as they bump and jolt over the dusty, dry and hot Vietnamese roads from Ca Lu to Khe Sanh. Regular supply convoys run by Force Logistic Support Group B keep Marines supplied near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).

3. Photograph number 1-1315-69: 1969: Always Ready: A Leatherneck of the 3d Marine Division provides security at a mountain-top fire support base in the northern reaches of South Vietnam during a helicopter resupply mission. The artillery installations are located at strategic areas to give maximum support to Marine infantry units, are accessible only by helicopters which fly in food, ammunition, and combat supplies from logistic support units of Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Leetch).
4. Photograph number 3D-6-3270-68: 1968: Close Air Support: A bomb explodes on a landing zone in the Demilitarized Zone of South Vietnam. Marine jets strafed and bombed suspected enemy positions prior to landing ground Marines of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines and 9<sup>th</sup> Marines. The Leathernecks were searching for North Vietnamese soldiers, weapons and supply caches (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
5. Photograph number 3D-141272-68: 1968: Sweeping Up: Elements of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Marines sweep up a mountain slope while searching for North Vietnamese soldiers, enemy supplies, and bunkers in the Demilitarized Zone. The men of the 3d Marine Division found the going tough, the heat intense, and the enemy scarce (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
6. Photograph number 0748: undated: Bush Country: A 3d Marine Division Marine squad scrambles northwest of the Rockpile after their insertion by a Marine Sea Knight helicopter (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
7. Photograph number 3D-19-3298-68: 1968: Perched: A Marine Sea Knight medium transport helicopter looks as if it's perched atop a tree as it hoists up a heat casualty. The 3d Marine Division Leatherneck suffered from heat exhaustion during an operation along the Demilitarized Zone. The rugged jungle terrain did not permit the helicopter to land and the man had to be hoisted aboard (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
8. Photograph number 3D-3-2045-69: 1969: Relief Column Corpsman: Hospital Corpsman 3d Class George H. Naeve, 28 (Los Angeles, California), accompanied a 3d Marine Division column that pushed through the jungle to reach wounded men on Co Ka Leuye, a 3,650 foot mountain near the Laos border (official USMC photo by Captain Robb Robinson).
9. Photograph number DH-1-3-228-68: September 1968: Comfort: Brothers display companionship as they follow a 3d Marine Division Leatherneck protecting their village from communist terrorists. Close family relationships are common to the South Vietnamese. Although years of war have destroyed homes and villages, strong family ties remain intact (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. G. McCullough).
10. Photograph number 0704: 28 August 1968: Mount Up: 3d Division Marines board Sea Knight helicopters on hills northwest of the Rock Pile. Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] transport aircraft are spearheading the air arm of the search for enemy troop

concentrations near the Demilitarized Zone during Operation Lancaster II and Kentucky (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).

**Box 3 Folder 43. 3d Marine Division (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-283-68: 1968: In Memory of...: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division bow their heads in memory of other Marines and the soldiers of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam who sacrificed their lives during the battle for Khe Sanh. A memorial service was held yesterday by elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines and the 2d Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Army of the Republic of Vietnam Division at Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-340-68: 1968: Combat Photographer: Sergeant Raymond A. Bribiesca (Garden City, Kansas), a 3d Marine Division photographer, accompanies a patrol in search of enemy forces in northern I Corps. During his 11 months of duty in Vietnam, Bribiesca has carried his camera into action with every combat unit within the 3d Marine Division. He was wounded while covering the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines during Operation Maine Crag as he rescued wounded Marines under fire (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe, Jr.).
3. Photograph number 3D-10-1272-68: 1968: Who Takes Care of Marines in the Field? Marines! A Marine, victim of the intense heat of the Demilitarized Zone, is carried by another Marine during a sweep by Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division. Units of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines and 9<sup>th</sup> Marines were searching for North Vietnamese soldiers, weapons caches and bunkers. The Marine carried the heat victim to a landing zone, where Marine helicopters evacuated him to a nearby medical aid station (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-4352-68: 1968: God and Country: First Lieutenant Richard J. Gustafson (Yuma, Arizona) receives a Certificate of Merit from Navy Captain John E. Zoller (Bonita Springs, Florida), 3d Marine Division chaplain. The certificate was presented to Gustafson in the name of the Navy's Chief of Chaplains for "loyal and faithful service to God and Country" thorough outstanding contributions of time and talent to the chapel program at Vandegrift Combat Base. Gustafson is serving as personnel officer for Task Force Hotel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. K. Maddeaux).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-1339-68: 1968: Moment of Peace: Corporal Larry G. Nabb (Brush, Colorado) finds a moment of peace in front of a gaily decorated Christmas tree at Quang Tri Combat Base. Nabb is serving as a truck driver with 3d Marine Division's Headquarters Battalion, and is one of thousands of Marines celebrating their Christmas in Vietnam (official USMC photo Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
6. Photograph number F-842-68: 1968: Humor in Combat: A 24 year-old corporal's helmet and flak jacket bear the inscriptions, 'Just you and me, right Lord?' and 'Caution:

Vietnam may be hazardous to your health.’ John F. Lawrence (Austin, Minnesota), the wearer of the inscribed combat equipment, is just one of thousands of 3d Marine Division Leathernecks, who through word and deed manage to keep humor alive in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Gus Apsitis).

7. Photograph number 3D-1-7056-69: 1969: Enemy Explosives: Marine Private First Class Robert T. Ikner (Houston, Texas), displays blocks of explosives dropped by North Vietnamese Army troops during an attack on a 3d Marine Division fire support base in northern I Corps. During the heavy fighting Ikner ducked into a bunker to reload his rifle magazines and hear enemy soldiers on top of the bunker where he later found the explosives (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
8. Photograph number 3M-5-1387-68: 30 August 1968: Fact Team: Finding a speck of a man incapacitated in the Vietnamese jungle is no job for amateurs. Lance Corporal George A. Moore (Smith Creek, Michigan) and Lance Corporal C. H. Henson, right (Hoxie, Arkansas), ‘fact team’ members with 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, L Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division call in a position report to a circling helicopter preparing to extract an injured Marine (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
9. Photograph number P-583-69: 1969: A member of the 3d Marine Division Post Office loads some of the more than 200 tons of mail handled at the Dong Ha Air Terminal monthly (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. E. Wood).
10. Photograph number N-583-69: 1969: 3d Marine Division postal personnel check an incoming shipment of mail before distributing it to the post offices they serve. The Division Post Office, located at Dong Ha, handles more than 200 tons of incoming and outgoing mail each month (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. E. Wood).

#### **Box 3 Folder 44. 3d Marine Division (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1347-68: 1968: Holiday Greetings: Men of the 3d Marine Division examine a 35 foot Christmas card sent to Marines at Dong Ha from the faculty and students of East Tennessee State University. The Christmas card contains 1,500 names. Lance Corporal Gary A. Mays, Knoxville, Tennessee (third from left) spotted a familiar name on the card, that of his cousin, Miss Pat Mortimer, a student at East Tennessee State. Other Marines examining the card are: (left to right) Corporal John Lawrence (Austin, Minnesota), Lance Corporal Gary Molleur (Easton, Pennsylvania), Mays, and Lance Corporal Ray Wolf (Hollywood, Florida) (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-3342-68: Boost For Christmas: Two 3d Marine Division Leathernecks give the Yuletide season a boost by putting up Christmas decorations at Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Corporal J. C. McCullough).

3. Photograph number 3D-1-8168-69: 1969: Good Humor Man: Vietnamese students from Quang Tri City line up for ice cream and Kool-Aid during a Sunday outing at Gia Dang on the Gulf of Tonkin. The weekly trips to the beach are sponsored by the 3d Marine Division's Civil Affairs section (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Kerr).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-7201-69: 1969: Handing the Money: Captain James P. Allen (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), assistant division comptroller for the 3d Marine Division, reviews the division budget in his office at Quang Tri, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal John Dunham).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-8356-68: 1968: Flight Plan: Marine Captain Russell C. Cedoz, right (Jacksonville, North Carolina), and Captain Roger Bounds, US Army (Umatilla, Oregon), examine a map before an aerial observation mission in support of 3d Marine Division operations in Quang Tri Province. Bounds pilots the aircraft while Cedoz serves as aerial observer (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-8356-68: 1968: Ready: Captain Russell C. Cedoz (Jacksonville, North Carolina) puts on his flight helmet in preparation for a flight in an unarmed two-seat single engine 'Bird Dog' observation aircraft in support of 3d Marine Division ground operations in sth northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-1324-68: 1968: Teamwork: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division's Headquarters Battalion hitch a ride on an Army tracked personnel carrier during an operation southwest of Quang Tri. In addition to their normal support duties, Headquarters Battalion Marines man Quang Tri's defense perimeter and serve as a reactionary force (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. G. McCullough).
8. No photograph number: undated: [Units from the 3d Marine Division on parade, location unknown] (official USMC photo).

### **Box 3 Folder 45.      3d Marine Division Band**

1. Photograph number DH-5-222-68: 1968: A Little Help: Corporal Barry G. Madison (Hempstead, New York) a member of the 3d Marine Division Band receives a helping hand on his drums from a Vietnamese youngster during a rock and roll concert at the Quang Tri Provincial Hospital. Madison and four other Marine musicians played a hone concert for Vietnamese patients at the hospital (official USMC photo by Private First Class Edward Hildreth).
2. Photograph number DH-1-2-228-68: 23 August 1968: Strike Up the Band: Captain Sidney L. Snellings, Jr. (Winchester, Virginia) leads the 3d Marine Division Band in a concert for residents of Quang Tri City. The marines played both Vietnamese and American tunes, which were greeted with hearty applause (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

3. Photograph number 30-6-1002-68: 1968: Instruments: Captain Sidney L. Snellings, Jr. (Oceanside, California), 3d Marine Division band officer and representative of a Vietnamese cultural drama team inspect some of the musical instruments donated to the Vietnamese people by the 3d Marine Division. Altogether, 25 band instruments were presented to various musical groups in Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal William J. Carroll).
4. Photograph number 3M-2-0540-69: 1969: Ruffles and Flourishes: Sound as the 3d Marine Division band sounds attention at the opening of the Hoi An Vocational Training School. The Marine bandsmen traveled some 150 miles to provide musical entertainment at the 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade civic action project (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).

**Box 3 Folder 46.      3d Marine Regiment [3d Marines]**

1. Photograph number 3D-4-11316-68: 1968: Cautious: Men of the 3d Marine Regiment thread their way down a small hill while on a search and clear operation southwest of Con Thien. The two-day operation netted an enemy bunker complex and some field equipment, but ended without contact with the enemy (official USMC photo by Corporal Stephen A. Tilson).
2. Photograph number 2-365-68: 1968: On the Way: A wounded North Vietnamese soldier, on the stretcher, is lifted out of the dense jungle canopy where the 3d Marine Regiment Leathernecks found him. The NVA was lifted out for transportation to a field hospital (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
3. Photograph number 1-1043-67: 1967: Fire One!: A Marine 60mm mortar crew prepares to fire a round against North Vietnamese troops. The Marines, attached to the 3d Marine Regiment, were on operations near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Axelrod).
4. Photograph number 1-1598-68: 4 October 1968: Dig In: A Sea Knight helicopter brings heavy tools for digging in to members of the 3d Marines on a new landing zone in the mountains south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by 1st Lieutenant Jerry M. Shelton).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-2321-68: 1968: Search and Clear: Marines of the 3d Marines search through six foot high elephant grass for the enemy and his equipment. The Marines were on a search and clear mission southeast of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Corporal S. A. Tilson).
6. Photograph number 3M-6-1870-68: 1968: Slushing Along: A Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division tanks rumble through the mud heading to their company area at Con Thien. The tankers had finished taxiing the 3d Marine Division Marines to south of Con



Thien where they will start a sweep and clear operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

7. Photograph number 3M-3-1870-68: 1968: Tanks: Tankers of A Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division have tanks on line in their company area. A Company is in support of 3d Division infantrymen operating in the Con Thien area. They recently returned from a sweep and clear mission north of Con Thien (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
8. Photograph number 2-2321-68: 1968: Supply Request: Captain William B. Gray (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma), commanding officer of a 3d Marine Regiment company, calls in for a resupply during an operation southeast of Camp Carroll, near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal S. A. Tilson).
9. Photograph number 3D-1-169-206-68: 1968: Captured Howitzer: Lieutenant Colonel Vaughn R. Stuart (Haskell, Texas), commanding officer, 3d Marines, attaches a sign to one of two North Vietnamese (NVA) 75mm pack howitzers captured by Marines of this regiment. The NVA artillery pieces, which for months had harassed Camp Carroll Marines, were captured by I Company Leathernecks during a sweep and clear operation northwest of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. G. McCullough).
10. Photograph number 5-7321-68: 1968: Elephant Grass: The seven-foot high elephant grass makes an ideal hiding place for the enemy as Marines of the 3d Marines, operating east of Camp Carroll search for him, his weapons, and supplies (official USMC photo by Private First Class Waldo Nilo).

**Box 3 Folder 47.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-P-586-69: 1969: Machine Gun Team: Private First Class Michael D. Reams (Indianapolis, Indiana), a machine gun team leader, moves his team through brush and elephant grass while on a search and clear patrol with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
2. Photograph number 3D-P-584-69: 1969: Squad Leader: Private First Class Rudy A. Yslas (Tucson, Arizona), a squad leader with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], relays information to his platoon commander by radio during a patrol in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
3. Photograph number P-568-69: 1969: Easy Does It: A CH-46 Sea Knight makes a gentle and successful pick-up of an injured Marine during a Medevac mission for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3] north of the Rock Pile (official USMC photo by Corporal Phillip J. Boehme).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-1344-68: 1968: Wet Going: Sergeant Donald E. Mara (Manchester, New Hampshire), finds the going wet as he wades through a knee-deep stream during an operation west of Con Thien. A member of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines, participated in the multi-battalion operation just south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff) [2 copies].
5. Photograph number P-580-69: 1969: Take Five: Private First Class Thomas M. Wivell (Missoula, Montana), a fire team leader with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], takes a break during a patrol against communist forces in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
6. Photograph number 3D-4-3-243-69: 1969: Fresh Water: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment, distribute fresh water during an operation north of Dong Ha Mountain, near the demilitarized zone. The water, in plastic bottles, was heli-lifted to the fighting infantrymen (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
7. Photograph number 3D-36-189-68: 1968: 'Machine Gun Up!': Corporal Tony Hartman, squad leader, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], calls for another machine gun to assist his squad in a heavy firefight during a sweep and clear mission south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
8. Photograph number P-588-69: 1969: Area Check: Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], move into thick jungle area to check an impact area for damage following an artillery fire mission. The regiment is conducting search and clear operations north of the Rockpile (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
9. Photograph number P-581-69: 1969: Jungle Patrol: Lance Corporal Lawrence E. Sloan (Franklin, Massachusetts), a fire team leader with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3], cautiously makes his way through the dense jungles of northern I Corps during operations against the enemy in that area (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).

**Box 3 Folder 48.      Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [A/1/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-16-3-243-69: 1969: Watching Air Strike: Staff Sergeant Herbert Ballantyne (Bomoseen, Vermont), platoon sergeant with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [A/1/3], watches an air strike from his position at the Khe Gin Bridge on Highway 9 (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
2. Photograph number 3D-24-3-243-69: 1969: Steak Time: Corporal William Hampton (Norfolk, Virginia), a cook with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [A/1/3], prepares steaks for an evening meal for members of his company. A Company is in charge of the security of the Khe Gia Bridge, four miles east of Elliott Combat Base on Highway 9 (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).

3. Photograph number 3D-15-3-243-69: August 1969: Evening Colors: The sunset silhouettes the Color Detail of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment [1/3] as they lower the national standard at the Khe Gia Bridge on Highway 9. The colors were first raised at the important bridge site by A Company when they took over the security of the area in August (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).

**Box 3 Folder 49.      Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-3-3-243-69: 1969: Shooting an Azimuth: Private First Class Edward C. Moran (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), a forward observer attached to C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] takes a bearing on an enemy sniper position before calling in artillery on the position. Fire from the sniper position stopped following the strike and the battalion continued its operation north of Fire Support Base Fuller (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
2. Photograph number 3D-11-6-256-69: 1969: A Little Rest: Private First Class William H. Gass (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) a member of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] takes a break while on patrol. Gass's company was sweeping the jungles surrounding Dong Ha Mountain (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Carroll).
3. Photograph number 3D-12-6-256-69: 1969: Artist at Work: Private First Class Gary Moss (Minneapolis, Minnesota), sketches a picture of the Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] while on patrol. Moss is assigned to the Combat Information Bureau in Da Nang as a combat artist (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Carroll).
4. Photograph number 3D-18-3-243-69: 1969: Taking a Break: Private First Class William G. Smiley (Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania), a radioman with C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3], 3d Marine Regiment, takes a break with Corporal Gorman Couch (Hamilton, Ohio), an 81mm mortar section leader during an operation south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-3-243-69: 1969: Dawn Patrol: A light morning mist falls on members of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] as they move out on an early morning patrol during an operation sought of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
6. Photograph number 3D-21-3-243-69: 1969: Drink for a Friend: Private First Class Richard Leopard (La Grange, Georgia) gives his scout dog, Irco, a drink of water from a canteen before starting a morning patrol in support of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3] (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
7. Photograph number 3D-9-6-256-69: 1969: Going Down: Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] traverse one of the many gullies cutting the rough section

of the jungle around Dong Ha Mountain while on patrol (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Carroll).

8. Photograph number 3D-26-3-243-69: 1969: Resupply: Members of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] break open a crate of C rations during an operation near Dong Ha Mountain. The chow was delivered to the company by helicopter (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
9. Photograph number 3D-9-3-243-69: 1969: A Helping Hand: A member of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] lends a hand to a combat photographer on a steep jungle trail during an operation north of Fire Support Base Russell (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
10. Photograph number 3D-2-6-256-69: 1969: Jungle Patrol: Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3] sweep through the jungles around Dong Ha Mountain. The men of C Company were searching the area for the enemy and his caches of supplies and weapons (official USMC photo by Corporal W. J. Carroll).
11. Photograph number 3D-11-3-243-69: 1969: Company Sweep: Private First Class Robert Parsons (Spartanburg, South Carolina) surveys the area as members of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] spreads out across a valley during a sweep in an operation south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).
12. Photograph number 3D-2-3-243-69: 1969: Chow Time: Private First Class Daniel J. Adell (Oak Lawn, Illinois) watches his footing after drawing some C rations following a resupply mission to C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] north of Fire Support Base Fuller. Adell is an 81mm mortar forward observer with the battalion (official USMC photo by Corporal Philip R. Boehme).

**Box 3 Folder 50.      2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-20-150-203-68: August 1968: Chopper Resupply: Private First Class Charles K. Hamilton (Durham, North Carolina) unhooks an external load cable from a Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter during a resupply just below the demilitarized zone. Hamilton, a member of 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] participated in a joint Army of the Republic of Vietnam and 3d Marine Division thrust into mountainous jungles southwest of Con Thien. The joint South Vietnamese-American drive unearthed large North Vietnamese bunker complexes and large quantities of enemy weapons, ammunition, and supplies (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-2343-68: 1968: Foxhole Classroom: Private First Class David S. Simpson (Portland, Oregon) 'bones up' on his Vietnamese vocabulary with the help of a small boy and Vietnamese-American dictionary. Simpson, a member of 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3], met the youngster while his unit was providing security for Vietnamese forces operating in the village of Mai Loc, southwest of Dong Ha. Simpson would point

to a word and the Vietnamese youngster would say it in Vietnamese and Simpson would repeat it. Both gained knowledge of each other's language during the impromptu classes (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Pat Patterson).

3. Photograph number 3D-6-082-69: 1969: Destroyed Truck: Lance Corporal R. L. Glasgow (Nashville, Tennessee), moves past the remains of an enemy truck destroyed when elements of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] ambushed it. The truck was carrying ammunition and supplies from Laos into Vietnam along an enemy road south of Khe Sanh when it ran into the Leatherneck ambush (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
4. Photograph number 3D-34-150-203-68: 1968: Tough Terrain: Staff Sergeant Gilbert R. Gonzales (San Antonio, Texas), a platoon sergeant with the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3], makes his way through heavy underbrush during a sweep and clear operation northwest of Camp Carroll. The large scale operation, involving elements of the 3d Marine Division and Army of the Republic of Vietnam, was conducted to locate enemy infiltration routes, supply cadres, and destroy enemy fortifications and bunker complexes in the area just south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
5. No photograph number: 2 February 1966: The morning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February the battalion rear of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines was hit by the Viet Cong. The area was protected by a Provisional Company made up of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines. The Viet Cong fired on the Marines from a nearby village. Naval gun fire and mortars strafed the village and the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon of the Provisional Company started a sweep through the area. They captured 12 Viet Cong who were carrying one of their comrades, who had been killed in an air attack, and trying to escape. Marines here are under fire from the village (Defense Department photo by Corporal Jim Hallas).

**Box 3 Folder 51.      Company E, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [E/2/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-13-150-203-68: 1968: Thirst Quenching: A much welcomed drink of water is enjoyed by Private First Class Allen Shannon (Cincinnati, Ohio) of E Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines during operations five miles northwest of Camp Carroll. Heat and thick jungle were the biggest enemy faced by E Company Marines as they hacked their way through 10 feet high elephant grass in search of North Vietnamese Army (NVA) bunker complexes and supply cadre (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
2. Photograph number 3D-16-150-68: August 1968: Cautious Marine: Private First Class Ronald D. Richards (La Habra, California), a Marine rifleman with E Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [E/2/3] cautiously makes its way through tall elephant grass, during a joint 3d Marine Division and Army of the Republic of Vietnam operation northwest of Camp Carroll. The large scale drive along the demilitarized zone was conducted to

locate enemy bunkers, supply cadres, and rocket and artillery sites (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).

**Box 3 Folder 52.      Company F, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [F/2/3]**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-385-67: 25 April 1967: Dawn Assault: Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [F/2/3] load aboard helicopters on the flight deck of the aircraft carrier Princeton April 21, to begin a vertical assault of an area southwest of Quang Tri city while on a search and destroy operation (official USMC photo by Corporal A. C. Ferreira).
2. Photograph number 2-385-67: 25 April 1967: Drummer Boy: Marine Lance Corporal William Miller of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, brings up a Viet Cong signal drum discovered while searching a tunnel during an operation southwest of Quang Tri April 22, as a comrade stands guard. The Marines are with F Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [F/2/3] (official USMC photo by Corporal A. C. Ferreira).

**Box 3 Folder 53.      Company H, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [H/2/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-2-215-69: 1969: Bust Patrol: Lance Corporal Douglas Brush (Lockhaven, Pennsylvania), an M-79 man with H Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [H/2/3] searches the hills east of the Razorback for signs of the enemy. Brush and H Company are currently participating in search and clear operations in the area around the DMZ (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Smith).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-2-215-69: 1969: Unsure Footing: Lance Corporal Douglas Brush (Lockhaven, Pennsylvania), an M-79 man with H Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [H/2/3] crosses the Cam Lo River during a patrol. H Company is currently participating in a sweep and clear operation north of the Rockpile (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Smith).

**Box 3 Folder 54.      3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-156-205-68: 1968: Tough Going: Leathernecks of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines find the terrain a tough 'enemy' as they move up a mountain side in search of North Vietnamese Army fortifications and supply caches near Dong Ha Mountain, northwest of Camp Carroll. Members of the 3d Marine Regiment were part of a multi-battalion sweep along the demilitarized zone. The joint Army of Republic of Vietnam and 3d Marine Division drive, supported by Marine air and artillery, killed more than 300 enemy and yielded nearly 800 NVA bunkers and large quantities of enemy supplies (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Bribiesca).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-957-68: 1968: All Aboard: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3] load their field equipment aboard a Navy utility landing craft (LCU) following an operation along the Cua Viet River. The LCU, provided through the efforts



of the Division Embarkation Section, transported the Marines and their equipment to Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. E. Stetson).

3. Photograph number A187208: 1966: Half the Loaf: Private First Class Robert P. O'Shay (Monroe, New York) helps a Vietnamese man carry wheat for distribution to villagers near Da Nang. Marines of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3], 3d Marine Division, regularly perform such chores as part of their civic action program to aid villages near the battalion area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Durbin).
4. Photograph number 3D-6-7321-68: 1968: Time to Think: Gunnery Sergeant Lauren W. Watson (San Diego, California) takes a puff on his cigar as he mulls over the evens of the day. Watson, a company gunnery sergeant with 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3] coordinated the resupply of his company during an operation east of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Private Waldo Nilo).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-7321-68: 1968: Sunset Vigil: With the sunset for a backdrop, a Leatherneck from 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3] keeps a lonely vigil against the threat of an enemy attack. The battalion conducted a search and clear operation in the Mai Loc area, east of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Private First Class Waldo Nilo).
6. Photograph number 3D-10-7321-68: 1968: A Helping Hand: A Leatherneck from 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3] helps his buddy climb a steep ravine during an operation east of Camp Carroll. The Marines swept through the thick jungle area and unearthed enemy bunkers, weapons, ammunition, and supplies (official USMC photo by Private First Class Waldo Nilo).

**Box 3 Folder 55.      Company A, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [A/3/3]**

1. Photograph number 3M-5-1870-68: 1968: Climbing On: A machinegunner with 3d Marine Division climbs aboard an A Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division tank. The infantrymen and tankers are operating around the Con Thien area in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

**Box 3 Folder 56.      Company C, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [C/3/3]**

1. Photograph number 3M-7-1870-68: 1968: Feet: They feel so cool. A Leatherneck with C Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines relaxes in the driver's seat of his tank. C Company has been operating in the My Loc area for the past two months. The tankers will be heading back to their battalion area in a few days (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Donn Barr).
2. No photograph number: undated: Backing On: Tankers of C Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division back their tank onto a Navy LSD. C Company has been operating in the

My Loc area for the past two months. The tankers are heading for their battalion area at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

**Box 3 Folder 57.      Company I, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [I/3/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-11-039-69: 1969: Enemy Road: Private First Class Otis T. Ussery (Tuscaloosa, Alabama), a sniper with I Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [I/3/3] walks down an enemy road during a search and clear operation. Marines discovered the North Vietnamese Army (NVA) road near Fire Support Base Dart, north of An Hoa. The road, approximately eight feet wide, was leveled for easy waling and covered with trees and heavy foliage to prevent detection from the air. The NVA have gone to great pains to make a drainage ditch on the side of the road and even had gravel spread in some parts (official USMC photo by Corporal Larry White).

**Box 3 Folder 58.      Company K, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [K/3/3]**

1. Photograph number 12-309-67: March 1967: Time for a Drink: A Marine of K Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [K/3/3] pauses to fill his canteen before crossing the Cam Lo River during an operation near the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. L. Shaw).
2. Photograph number 11-309-67: 1967: Wet Going: Marines of K Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [K/3/3] cross the Cam Lo River, west of the village of Cam Lo, on a search and clear mission near the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. L. Shaw).

**Box 3 Folder 59.      Company L, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [L/3/3]**

1. Photograph number 3D-4-2321-68: 1968: Observation Post: Private First Class John F. Lee (Fayetteville, Georgia), a rifleman for L Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, scans the area for enemy activity from his observation post while on a search and clear operation southeast of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Corporal S. A. Tilson).
2. Photograph number 3D-5-2321-68: 1968: Takes Five: A Marine of L Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [L/3/3] takes time out for a cigarette during a search and clear operation southwest of Camp Carroll. The company found a platoon-size bunker complex and supply cache in the six-foot high elephant grass (official USMC photo by Corporal S. A. Tilson).
3. Photograph number 3D-7-7321-68: 1968: Leader of Men: Captain William B. Gray (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) commander of L Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [L/3/3] points out a suspected enemy position while on an operation east of Camp Carroll. The multi-company force swept the jungle area and uncovered enemy bunkers, weapons, ammunition, and supplies (official USMC photo by Private First Class Waldo Nilo).

## **Box 4**

### **Box 4 Folder 1.      3d Medical Battalion**

1. Photograph number 0140: undated: Instant Service: Here is a Marine helicopter gunner's view at Quang Tri's 3d Medical Battalion as two corpsmen carry a wounded Leatherneck to a waiting Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] helicopter for the short trip to a hospital ship cruising off shore. At any time of the day or night, in all kinds of weather, MAG-39 helicopters stand ready to pluck American and South Vietnamese casualties from their northern I Corps battlegrounds and swiftly transport them to medical facilities (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-1024-67: 1967: Walking Hospital: Members of a medical civic action patrol (MEDCAP) carry their supplies as they start on a regular visit to a village near Dong Ha, just south of the demilitarized zone. The corpsmen belong to the 3d Medical Battalion, detachment serving with the Force Logistic Supply Unit 1 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-7-238-69: 1969: Pleasant Memories: Miss Kathy Goff, Miss Missouri of 1969, chatted with Marine Corporal Gary C. Graham (Independence, Missouri) about mutual friends and their home state when Miss Goff and five other American beauties toured the 3d Medical Battalion, hospital at Quang Tri. Graham was recovering from a case of malaria he contracted while serving with 2d Battalion, 3d Marines (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Wood).

### **Box 4 Folder 2.      3d Military Police Battalion [3d MP Battalion] (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 0144: undated: Vietnamese-American Patrol: A Vietnamese patrol boat pulls up to the loading pier at the east end of the Da Nang river bridge to pick up a team of 3d Military Police Battalion Marines who will assist them in patrolling the river and providing bridge security (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
2. Photograph number 1-0925-69: 1969: Security Down Under: Two US Marine SCUBA divers, assigned to the 3d Military Police Battalion, Da Nang, prepare to hit the water near the III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] bridge. The divers search the numerous pilings of the bridge daily, looking for enemy explosives. The two Marines are Lance Corporals Greg J. Morrow (Overland Park, Kansas) and Wayne D. Hittle (Middleboro, Massachusetts) (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
3. Photograph number 1-1398-69: 1969: Sore Dogs: Marine Private First Class Michael R. Galloway (Moultrie, Georgia) soaks an infected paw on Stormy, a Marine dog scout. Galloway is a scout dog handler serving with 3d Military Police Battalion, Marine Force Logistic Command. The handler-scout dog teams are used by Marine units in Vietnam to

detect the enemy, his supply caches, and bunker-tunnel complex (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).

4. Photograph number FLC-2-1267-67: 1967: Combat Casualty: 'Duke,' a scout dog with 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command, is steadied by Sp5 Michael Byrne, Army veterinarian assigned to the Scout Dog Platoon (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-2962-68: 1968: Log Runner: Prince, a Marine scout dog, paws down a log while running an obstacle course near Da Nang at the 3d Military Police Battalion. The battalion is currently conducting a school for handlers incorporating the use of the already highly trained German Shepherds (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
6. Photograph number 1-0019-69: 1969: Not So Secret Weapon: Ronald T. Roane guides his scout dog, Hobo, as they track down the elusive enemy. The 75 pound German Shepherd and Roane have uncovered countless enemy hideaways and are credited with saving many American lives since their arrival in Vietnam in May 1968. The two are members of the Scout Dog Platoon, 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Corporal John S. Krill).
7. Photograph number FLC-4-2962-68: 1968: Ready, Seats: Five Marine scout dogs lie in formation during an obedience training session. The dogs handlers are being trained by veteran scout dog handlers in classes conducted by the Force Logistics Command's 3d Military Police Battalion (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
8. Photograph number FLC-2-1398-69: 1969: In Tribute: A US Marine scout dog at the 3d Military Police Battalion compound west of Da Nang, Vietnam, pays tribute to other scout dogs who have been killed while operating with Leatherneck units in Vietnam. The dogs, with a keen sense of sight and smell, are used by Marine units to detect the enemy, their supply caches, and bunker-tunnel complexes (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
9. Photograph number FLC-3-2962-68: 1968: Attack: Wotan, a Marine scout dog in Vietnam, responds to an 'attack' command by Marine Sergeant Robert A. Nichols (Columbus, Georgia). Handlers for the highly-trained German Shepherds are currently being trained near Da Nang by Force Logistic Command's 3d Military Police Battalion (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
10. Photograph number FLC-4-0391-69: 1969: Multi Purpose Mission: Directing traffic in downtown Da Nang, protecting a base perimeter with the aid of a sentry dog or walking point with a scout dog are all integral parts of the overall mission of Force Logistic Command's 3d Military Police Battalion. The unit also provides combat reaction platoons to defeat the enemy during attacks in the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).

**Box 4 Folder 3.      3d Military Police Battalion [3d MP Battalion] (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-0322-69: 1969: On the Move: A patrol of Force Logistic Command (FLC) Marines utilize the services of a scout dog and handler during a search and clear operation northwest of Da Nang. The dog and handler are members of FLC's 3d Military Police Battalion. Scout dogs have proven extremely effective in uncovering enemy personnel and weapons caches throughout the northernmost tactical area of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Captain D. G. Menely).
2. Photograph number 1-3042-68: 1968: A Marine and his Friend: Happiness radiates from the face of Marine Sergeant Robert S. Sabo (Toledo, Ohio) as he embraces his scout dog, Hans. The two were reunited at the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, where Sabo is recovering from a wound sustained while on patrol with Hans. Sabo and his dog are members of the 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant B. R. Finlayson).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-1107-69: 1969: Unique Dogs—Unique Tasks: Many Marine scout and sentry dogs and their handlers have graduated from the 3d Military Police Battalion's dog handler course, but this particular class has some interesting missions in their future. Each of the dog-handler teams will be assigned to work with Vietnamese combined action platoons near Da Nang. During their training, the teams received special emphasis on patrolling. The battalion, a unit of Marine Force Logistic Command, has scout and sentry dogs assigned throughout I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
4. Photograph number FLC-3-0959-69: 1969: Canine Corpuscule Count: Army Specialist 5<sup>th</sup> Class Thomas Shannon (Birmingham, Alabama) takes a blood count from US Marine sentry dog named Caesar. Holding the muzzled dog is his handler, Marine Sergeant Michael J. Nutt (Spokane, Washington). The dog was undergoing a normal physical at the Marine Corps' 3d Military Police Battalion veterinarian clinic. Marine sentry dogs are deployed to the battalion throughout the I Corps tactical zone to help guard vital installations (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
5. Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command. The dog, named King, is handled by master trainer Corporal Dennis C. Fisher (Lakewood, California). In addition to the attack demonstrations, King ran throughout obedience tests (with and without a leash) and responded to oral and manual commands (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. M. Keller).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-1829-68: 11 July 1968: Alert: Corporal Carl J. Pedrotti watches his scout dog Wotan as he stops to test the wind while on patrol. The scout dog is from the 3d Military Police Battalion's Scout Dog Platoon. Dog teams are used as point on patrols to give infantrymen an early warning if the enemy is nearby (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger Nystrom).

7. Photograph number FLC-1-119-67: 1967: Good Shepherd: Marine Corporal John J. Guerrero (Topeka, Kansas) presents a \$100 check to nurse's aide Nguyen Le Thi Chi at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang. Guerrero and his dog, Wolf, are members of the Scout Dog Platoon, 3d Military Police Battalion, whose members donated the money (official USMC photo by Sergeant Andrew M. Chambers).
8. Photograph number 3M-3-107-68: 20 January 1968: Village Patrol: Marines of the 3d Military Police Battalion and scout dogs move through a Vietnamese village in the Marble Mountain area hunting for Viet Cong (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. O. Olsen).

**Box 4 Folder 4.      3d Military Police Battalion [3d MP Battalion] (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0961-69: 1969: Welcome Aboard: Staff Sergeant J. J. Yuhas prepares to greet a visiting Leatherneck at the 3d Military Police Battalion career planning office. The attractive building was constructed by the battalion because relocation of the office space left career planner Yuhas without an office. The battalion's headquarters compound is located four miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
2. Photograph number 1-1919-68: 21 July 1968: Waterborne Watch: Marine Lance Corporal Michael Hellinrake (Grand Rapids, Michigan), uses a power boat to check the pilings of the III Marine Amphibious Force Bridge. Hellinrake is serving with C Company, 3d Military Police Battalion, which guards the bridge (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-3282-69: 1969: Gate Check: Lance Corporal Paul A. Rhoades (Evansville, Indiana), a 3d Military Police Battalion sentry at the main gate of the Da Nang Hotel compound, where MACV (Military Assistance Command, Vietnam) personnel are billeted, checks the passes of Vietnamese government employees (official USMC photo by Sergeant Patrick B. Nixon).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-3268-69: 1969: Just Checking: Marine Private First Class John E. Fontan, member of Da Nang's Armed Forces Police (AFP), checks the credentials of a US Army officer who is an advisor to the Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN). Check points have recently been set up around Da Nang's perimeter to curtail unauthorized military vehicles and personnel from entering South Vietnam's second largest city. The AFP in Da Nang is administratively and operationally under the control of the Marine Corps' 3d Military Police Battalion (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).
5. Photograph number 1-2470-68: 1968: Chow Time: Vietnamese youngsters crowd around the grill, anxious to sample their first hot dog, during a picnic sponsored by Marines of the 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command. Marine Staff Sergeant



Patrick J. Antezak (Albany, Georgia) serves his 'customers' from the barbeque. The picnic was held in a schoolyard at Ap Thach Nham hamlet, southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).

6. Photograph number FLC-4-1244-68: May 1968: Confirmation: Bishop Chi, Catholic Bishop of Vietnam, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to Marines of the Force Logistic Command during ceremonies at the 3d Military Police Battalion Chapel, located west of Da Nang. The bishop also confirmed Vietnamese children from Thah Nam village at the same ceremony. In the foreground is Navy Lieutenant Louis J. Nichols, 3d MP Battalion chaplain (official USMC photo by Corporal Was Westby).
7. Photograph number 1-1452-68: 1968: Cross of Gallantry: Marine Sergeant Harvey E. Steiner, right, receives the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry from Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, I Corps Commander during ceremonies yesterday in Da Nang. Steiner (Oregon, Wisconsin) was one of 27 members of the 3d Military Police Battalion who received the decoration, one of the Vietnam's highest decorations (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).
8. Photograph number FLC-3-1244-68: 19 May 1968: [Representatives of the 3d Military Police Battalion pose with a Catholic priest and a wooden statue of St. Joseph, the patron saint of Vietnam].

#### **Box 4 Folder 5.      3d Motor Transport Battalion [3d Motors]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1068-68: 1968: Teamwork: A transport helicopter hovers with a bridge span over a stream near Quang Tri as Vietnamese servicemen and Marines work to place the new bridge. The bridge, built by members of the 3d Marine Division's 3d Motor Transport Battalion, is another example of cooperation between American servicemen and the people of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

#### **Box 4 Folder 6.      3d Reconnaissance Battalion (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-10-048: 1969: Recon Training: Marines of D Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion race across the Quang Tri River in a rubber boat as part of their continuous training conditioning. When not on reconnaissance patrols deep into enemy infested territory, 3d Marine Division Recon Marines spend long hours sharpening the various skills required to operate against the enemy in small teams (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-2033-69: 1969: Fire: Marine Lance Corporal David Chrietzburg (Fort Worth, Texas), a member of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, opens fire on the enemy during a patrol. The eight man unit unearthed large quantities of enemy munitions including four anti-aircraft (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).

3. Photograph number 3D-2-2033-69: 1969: Antiaircraft Guns: Three Marines of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion carry captured North Vietnamese Army 12.7mm antiaircraft guns. Front to rear are Private First Class Albert O. Covington (Hamlet, North Carolina), Corporal Lester L. Reardon (East Greenwich, Rhode Island), and Lance Corporal James B. Taylor (Miami, Florida). The three were members of a small reconnaissance force that uncovered a large enemy munitions cache (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).
4. Photograph number 3D-3-2033-69: 1969: On Target: Two Marines of a patrol from 3d Reconnaissance Battalion open fire on the enemy during a recon mission near Con Thien. Left to right: Gunnery Sergeant David Michael F. Merritt (Atchison, Kansas) and Lance Corporal David Chrietzburg (Fort Worth, Texas). The two were part of a small recon force that unearthed a large enemy munitions cache (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).
5. Photograph number 3D-4-2033-69: 1969: Enemy Weapons: Two Marines of the 3d Reconnaissance Battalion carry captured North Vietnamese Army antiaircraft guns. Left to right are Corporals Mike Schatz (Tonkawa, Oklahoma), Robert I. Scheid (Hartford, Connecticut), and Ken B. Williams. The 12.7mm antiaircraft guns were part of a large enemy munitions cache uncovered near Con Thien (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).
6. Photograph number 3D-5-4329-68: 1968: Home Again: A recon team from D Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion returns to its base of operations following a mission in the northernmost corner of South Vietnam. The Marine tank in the background awaits the returning patrol (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
7. Photograph number 0759: undated: Get'em Up: Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] Sea Knights receive loads of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Marines at Quang Tri en route to enemy territory in the northern tactical zone of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).

#### **Box 4 Folder 7.      3d Reconnaissance Battalion (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-6003-69: 1969: Point Man: Private First Class Ruben Zapata (Fort Worth, Texas), point man for a reconnaissance team, lead the way for a six-man patrol just south of the Demilitarized Zone. 3d Reconnaissance Battalion uses small recon teams extensively to scout enemy positions and movement throughout the 3d Marine Division area of operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Partain).
2. Photograph number 0711: 29 August 1968: At the Ready: A gear-laden 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Marine studies enemy-occupied terrain near the Demilitarized Zone dust prior to his team's insertion by a Quang Tri Air Base Sea Knight helicopter.

This Marine air-ground team is always at the ready. Keeping one step ahead of the enemy infiltrators in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).

3. Photograph number 0706: 28 August 1968: Thought Before Action: A 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Marine absorbs detailed terrain features from his map just prior to his team's helo insertion into suspected enemy territory near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
4. Photograph number 3M-10-0150-68: 29 January 1968: Room for Rent?: Marines of B Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion tried to sublease after moving into bunkers at Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Sergeant F. A. Barrett, Jr.).
5. Photograph number 3M-5-0150-68: 26 January 1968: Welcome Change: Private First Class Toronto West (Bountiful, Utah), a scout with B Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, grabs a much-needed shave at Khe Sanh while others watching incoming aircraft (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
6. Photograph number 3D-6-6003-69: 1969: Lookout: Corporal Sandy R. Reid (Kalamazoo, Michigan), 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, scans the ridge line with binoculars while on a recon patrol west of the Rock Pile, in the northernmost province of South Vietnam. The Vietnams found numerous enemy field positions in the area as well as an enemy base camp (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Partain).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-1353-68: 1968: Double Award: Corporal Sandy R. Reid (Kalamazoo, Michigan) receives the Silver Star, America's fourth highest award for combat heroism, and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry from Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division. Reid, a member of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division, was cited for his courage and extraordinary military resourcefulness (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Waldo Nilo).

#### **Box 4 Folder 8.      3d Reconnaissance Battalion (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-10058: undated: Silver Star: Gunnery Sergeant James R. Johnson (San Bernardino, California) receives the Silver Star from Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, during ceremonies held at Dong Ha. Johnson was cited for his heroic actions while leading a patrol from 3d Reconnaissance Battalion that killed 25 enemy soldiers when the communists tried to assault their position (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).
2. Photograph number 3D-3-9851-69: May 1969: New Battle Ribbon: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee attaches the Navy Unit Commendation streamer to the colors of the 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division, May 26. Watching with pride is Major General William K. Jones, commanding general, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackmann).

3. Photograph number 3D-2-0857-69: 1969: Marine Tactics: Secretary of State William B. Rogers discusses small unit patrols with Corporal Ken Williams (Birmingham, Alabama) of the 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division at Dong Ha, Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Shackmann).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-0857-69: 1969: Recon Mission: Secretary of State William P. Rogers and General Creighton Abrams (right), commander, Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, listen while members of the 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division, explain the mission of recon patrols in the northern sector of I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-4358-68: 1968: Dead Cat: Members of a reconnaissance team examine a nine-foot long, 400 pound tiger they killed while on patrol in the northwestern sector of South Vietnam. The Marines killed the cat when it attacked one of the patrol's members. Examining the trophy are: (standing left to right) Private First Class Maurice M. Howell (Richmond, Kentucky), Lance Corporal Jackie Blankenship (Bluefield, Virginia), and Private First Class Delbert D. Kelly, Jr. (Korbel, California); and (kneeling, foreground, left to right) Private First Class Thomas E. Shainline (Gilbertsville, Pennsylvania), and Private First Class Roy Reagan (Nacogdoches, Texas). All are members of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Brebiesca).
6. Photograph number 0989: 1968: Tiger's Tale Ends: Marine helicopter pilot Captain Jene Massey, background, and his co-pilot, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Terry H. Powell, examine the 400 pound tiger which was loaded aboard their CH-46 chopper when they were called upon to pick up a member of a reconnaissance team attacked by the huge cat (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
7. Photograph number 3D-2-1353-68: 1968: Decorated: Lance Corporal Lee R. Gaugler (Phoenix, Arizona), a member of 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division, receives the Silver Star from Army Lieutenant General R. G. Stilwell, commanding general XXIV Corps, during ceremonies at Quang Tri. Gaugler was also awarded the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for his courage and extraordinary military resourcefulness while leading a six-man reconnaissance team into enemy infested territory. All six Marines earned the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and two received Silver Star (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Waldo Nilo).
8. Photograph number 0926: undated: Concentration: Minutes before a Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] Sea Knight lands a 3d Marine Division reconnaissance team in the rugged terrain west of Vandegrift Combat Base, one Marine's face is etched in concentration as he studies the area through which he'll be operating (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).

**Box 4 Folder 9.      3d Shore Party Battalion**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-3093-68: 1968: Hooking a Donut: Marines of C Company, 3d Shore Party Battalion, prepare to hook up two 500-gallon rubber fuel 'donuts' to a Marine CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter for airlift from the fuel farm at Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, Dong Ha, to Fire Support Base Charlie-2, near Con Thien. The airlifts were initiated to expedite the resupply of fuel, provided by the 7<sup>th</sup> Separate Bulk Fuel Platoon, to the fire support base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
2. No photograph number: undated: Preparing Supply Lifts: Corporal Ronald S. Schweiger (Southington, Connecticut), B Company, 3d Shore Party Battalion, organizes resupply lifts on the logistic support area (LSA) at Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Wood).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-11309-68: 1968: Builders: Two Marines from 3d Shore Party Battalion labor to hook up two pieces of matting. Shore Party men worked around the clock to complete a river ramp at Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. A. Molleur).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-6131-69: 1969: Party Time: Leathernecks of 3d Shore Party Battalion in Quang Tri, Vietnam, treat 34 Vietnamese youngsters, all patients at 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital, to a fun-filled afternoon of cake, ice cream, and cartoon movies. Each Marine 'adopted' a youngster for the afternoon and enjoyed a variety of entertainment including a wild rooster race and boxing matches (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Partain).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-242-68: 1968: Air Ground Team: Leathernecks of B Company, 3d Shore Battalion, work to hook an external sling load under the belly of a hovering Marine Sea Knight transport at Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
6. Photograph number 0629: 30 July 1968: Hook Up: A 3d Shore Party Marine braces himself against the resultant windstorm as a Sea Knight hovers over its load on the landing zone of Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-199-69: 1969: This Doesn't Hurt: Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Ken Hennington (Los Angeles, California) of the 3d Marine Division, 3d Shore Party Battalion uses an immunization gun in administering inoculations against typhoid and diphtheria to members of a village near Quang Tri during one of the battalion's medcaps (medical civic action patrol) (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Eisworth).

**Box 4 Folder 10.      3d Tank Battalion [3d Tanks]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-8011-69: 1969: Armored Patrol: Marine armored personnel carriers from 3d Tank Battalion, conduct a joint patrol west of Quang Tri Combat Base with the security platoon from Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, 3d Marine Division. The security platoon is responsible for patrolling the area surrounding Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Carroll).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-1102-69: 1969: No Sweat: Leathernecks of the 3d Tank Battalion's tank retriever team at Dong Ha ease a huge engine into place with their heavy tank recovery vehicle. It is a small job for the vehicle, which is capable of moving 32 tons (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Kerr).
3. Photograph number 1-1656-67: September 1967: On the Move: A convoy of Marine M-48 tanks moves along a dirt road south of the demilitarized zone. The 3d Tank Battalion patrols the areas of recent Marine ground action against the North Vietnamese Army between Dong Ha and Con Thien (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant G. R. Smith).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-3345-68: 1968: Wash Job: Boots on the riverbank set the scene for a washday for tanks, as men of 3d Tank Battalion clean up their vehicles at a river crossing near Cam Lo. The tankers support 3d Marine Division operations throughout Quang Tri province, South Vietnam northernmost province (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-1344-68: 1968: Up and Over: An M-48 tank from 3d Tank Battalion, rolls over a small bridge to get into position during an operation against North Vietnamese Army units west of Con Thien. The tanks were part of a tank-infantry blocking force for a multi-battalion search and clear operation south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-3-254-69: 1969: Loader and Gunner: Private First Class Jim Dunlap (Sandusky, Ohio) loads a shell into the 90mm cannon of his tank. Dunlap doubles as the gunner and loader in his three man tank crew of A Company, 3d Tank Battalion (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Muldoon).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-11336-68: 1968: Shot Gun: A Marine infantryman from the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] keeps a sharp lookout aboard an M-48 tank while a crew of from the 3d Tank Battalion makes minor repairs to the lead vehicle. The tank-infantry force was a search and clear operation south of Ca Lu (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
8. Photograph number 3M-4-1870-68: 1968: Moving Out: Tanks from A Company, 3d Tank Battalion, 3d Marine Division mouth out with 3d Division infantrymen on their tanks. Both tankers and infantrymen are operating in the Con Thien area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

**Box 4 Folder 11.     4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [4<sup>th</sup> Marines]**



1. Photograph number 9-270-68: 1968: Landing Zone: Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division rush up a hill to secure a landing zone while a Marine Sea Knight helicopter lands to unload additional ground Marines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
2. Photograph number 3D-29-3270-68: 1968: Med Evac: A Marine Sea Knight helicopter hovers overhead while a wounded Marine is hoisted into the medical evacuation aircraft. The Marine, a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines, 3d Marine Division was injured during a Marine operation within the southern portion of the Demilitarized Zone. The uneven terrain features prevented the helicopter from landing. The wounded Marine was lifted by a specially designed hoist (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-1-247-68: 1968: One-Star Sniper: Brigadier General Frank E. Garretson, Assistant 3d Marine Division Commander, tests his shooting eye with the Model 700 sniper rifle at the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines sniper range at Dong Ha. Prior to assuming his present duties, General Garretson was Director, Division of Information Headquarters Marine Corps (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
4. Photograph number 12-3270-68: 1968: Squad Leader: Sergeant J. H. Petrella (Flint, Michigan) leads his squad of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division, from the helicopter landing zone to defensive positions within the Demilitarized Zone of South Vietnam during a recent operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
5. Photograph number 3D-30-3270-68: 1968: Taking Ten: Marine 2d Lieutenant Carl R. Wilson, a platoon commander of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division, takes a break during a Marine operation in the Demilitarized Zone of South Vietnam. The Marines of the 3d Marine Division were searching for North Vietnamese soldiers, weapons, and supply caches (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
6. Photograph number 3D-2-3270-68: 1968: Going In, Going Out: Marine Sea Knight helicopters approach landing zones to carry Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment into the demilitarized zone. Units of the 3d Marine Division swept through the DMZ searching for North Vietnamese soldiers and supplies (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
7. Photograph number 3D-4-6006-69: 1969: River Crossing: Infantrymen of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines cross a jungle stream during an operation just south of the Demilitarized Zone in Vietnam. Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment are constantly operating against North Vietnamese forces in the northwesternmost corner of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
8. Photograph number 3m-2-0877-68: 15 June 1968: The 'A' Train: 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment Marines and supplies ride an amphibious tractor (AmTrac) during a sweep near Cau Viet. The area between Cau Viet and Dong Ha has been the scene of continuous fighting between

the Leathernecks and North Vietnamese forces trying to interdict the Cau Viet River supply route (official USMC photo by Private First Class D. W. Barr).

9. Photograph number 3M-3-0877-68: 30 May 1968: Search: A patrol of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines moves out across the rice paddies to begin their search for North Vietnamese forces operating between the demilitarized zone and the Cau Viet River (official USMC photo by Private First Class D. W. Barr).
10. Photograph number 3D-3-6365-69: 1969: Arms Cache: Sergeant William L. Lamb (Wenatchee, Washington) walks along thousands of rounds of North Vietnamese Army (NVA) ammunition found by elements of 4<sup>th</sup> Marines during a search and clear operation northwest of Vandegrift Combat Base. The Marine force met no enemy resistance as it entered the NVA's jungle sanctuary. Leathernecks destroyed 56 enemy bunkers and unearthed large quantities of small arms rounds and 2,085 enemy mortar and rocket rounds (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. K. Maddeaux).
11. Photograph number 3D-1-5356-68: 1968: New Chalice: Commander Nilus W. Hubble (Hilton, New York), 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment chaplain, conducts religious services near Vandegrift Combat Base. During the services Chaplain Hubble uses the golden chalice presented to the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines by Mrs. J. G. McDonald (Newark, New York) in memory of her son, Private First Class James McDonald. He was mortally wounded May 2, 1968, while serving with the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. L. Randolph).

**Box 4 Folder 12.     1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-5-5-350-68: 1968: Moving Out: Lance Corporal T. J. Gledhill dashes from position to position, passing out ammunition to his men during an enemy attack at Fire Support Base Russell. Gledhill is a squad leader in the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-6006-69: 1969: All Aboard: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] head for a CH-46 transport helicopter at Vandegrift Combat Base to kick off another search and clear mission in the Scotland II area of operations south of the DMZ in Quang Tri Province of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
3. Photograph number 3D-4-283-68: 1968: Silent Tribute: Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4], 3d Marine Division, bow their heads in silent tribute to the American Marines and Vietnamese soldiers who gave their lives at Khe Sanh. The Memorial Service held yesterday at Khe Sanh was attended by Brigadier General Frank E. Garretson, assistant 3d Marine Division Commander, 2d Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Army of the Republic of Vietnam Division (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

4. Photograph number 3D-5-3298-68: 1968: Made in the Shade: A member of a patrol from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] seem to have it made as he uses a huge banana leaf umbrella to shield himself from the rain during a patrol near Khe Sanh. The patrol's radioman (left) looks on with approval (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-283-68: 1968: Old Glory: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4], 3d Marine Division, prepare to raise the American flag during Memorial Services yesterday at Khe Sanh. The American Marines and soldiers of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam conducted the ceremony in honor of the brave men who sacrificed their lives at Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
6. Photograph number 3D-3-5-350-68: 1968: Another Day: Lance Corporal T. J. Gledhill, a squad leader with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] begins another day in the field with a clean shave. Each day brings new decisions and added responsibility for this young Marine squad leader (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
7. Photograph number P-548-69: 1969: Bunker Builders: Two of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] add sandbag reinforcements to their bunker at Ca Lu, near Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Steve Conlan).

**Box 4 Folder 13.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-3298-68: 1968: Wet Going: Lance Corporal Anthony L. Gleaton (Los Angeles, California), a radio operator with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] finds the going wet as the rain soaked Marine stops in midstream to call in his patrol's location during a sweep and clear operation near Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-4-254-69: 1969: Navy Lieutenant H. R. Wagner (Pasadena, Texas) witnesses the reenlistment of Chief Hospital Corpsman Pacifico A. Tenoria (Manassas, Virginia) by Major R. T. Carney (Cardiff-by-the-sea, California), executive officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [1/4]. The ceremony took place at Vandegrift Combat Base in front of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines shield (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Muldoon).
3. Photograph number 3D-7-7006-69: 1969: Double Image: Marine Corporal Harold Cochanour (Osseo, Michigan) and Lance Corporal Clint H. Norman, Jr. (La Verne, California) share a mirror and grab a quick shave during a search and clear operation just south of the Demilitarized Zone in Vietnam. Both are members of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/4], 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Zane Wilson).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-5-350-69: 1969: Teamwork: Lance Corporal T. J. Gledhill (with sledge), a squad leader with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4], and Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Elisandro Sendejo, Gledhill's first fire team leader, displays real teamwork, common to a

Marine squad as they fortify their position at Fire Support Base Russell near the DMZ (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).

5. Photograph number 5-176-67: 1967: Early Morning Lift: Elements of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] board Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] on their way to a zone northwest of Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Corporal R. R. Keene).
6. Photograph number 3D-5-5-350-68: 12 December 1968: Moving Out: Lance Corporal T. J. Gledhill dashes from position to position, passing out ammunition to his men during an enemy attack at Fire Support Base Russell. Gledhill is a squad leader in the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines (Defense Department photo Corporal J. G. McCullough).

**Box 4 Folder 14.      2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 243-68: September 1968: Running Water: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James Luker, Jr. (Cincinnati, Ohio) fills his canteens at a stream while on patrol in Vietnam. Luker is a Fire Support Coordinator with the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] operating near Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Thurston Bechtel).
2. Photograph number 239-68: September 1968: Bunker Builder: A Seabee attached to a Marine unit near Khe Sanh uses a bulldozer in preparing bunker sites, used in defensive perimeters of the operational area. The Seabees, members of the Navy's Construction Battalion, are working with the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Thurston Bechtel).
3. Photograph number 3M -11-0218-68: 9 February 1968: Armored Protection: Men of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] move along a road south of Con Thien before a search and destroy mission in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-0218-68: 9 February 1968: Enemy Greeting: Men of the 4.2 inch mortar platoon, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] blast enemy positions near Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-3033-69: 1969: Fire: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] fire their 81mm mortar during an operation in Vietnam's I Corps area of operations. Operating south of the Demilitarized Zone, the Marine mortarmen provide an added supporting arms punch against enemy forces Quant Tri province (official USMC photo by Corporal J. C. McCullough).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-8100-69: 1969: Bru Crossbow: Corporal Joseph Milton (Jackson, Mississippi) a member of 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4], receives a few tips on how to shoot a crossbow from a Montagnard tribesman. Bru souvenir shop located at Dong Ha Combat Base sells handmade items made in their village in the Cua Valley to

supplement their meager incomes (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Frank De Long).

7. Photograph number 3M-19-0218-68: 8 February 1968: Easy Does It: Sergeant Wayne Stillson (Salamanca, New York), an engineer attached to the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4], disarms an enemy booby trap near Con Thien (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
8. Photograph number 3M-1-0877-68: 30 May 1968: Ready to Move Out: Private First Class James Thornburg (Jackson, Mississippi), carries his mine detector on his shoulder as he prepares to move out on a patrol with the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] along the Cau Viet River. The battalion has had several sharp contacts during the past few weeks with North Vietnamese forces in the area just south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Private First Class D. W. Barr).
9. Photograph number 3D-1-12-014-69: 1969: Final Tribute: Corporal Bill R. Hoesch (Lindsborg, Kansas), a member of 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4], 3d Marine Division, places a helmet on the stock of an M-16 rifle during memorial services at Cua Viet, Vietnam. Marines paid final tribute to comrades who lost their lives during a fierce battle with an entrenched North Vietnamese force. Bodies of enemy soldiers were scattered in the area after the fighting in testimony of the bitter battle for a ridgeline just south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
10. Photograph number 0833: undated: Vertical Envelopment: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] debark from a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] Sea Knight transport helicopter near Lang Vei, as another Sea Knight lands with additionally Leathernecks (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).

**Box 4 Folder 15.      2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0235: 12 March 1968: Strike Force: Infantrymen of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] board helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] on the USS Iwo Jima (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-10345-68: 1968: Cool Water: Private First Class Robert Gray (Abilene, Texas) uses a leaf to fill his canteen cup from a mountain stream. Gray, a member of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] was participating in a search and clear operation near Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-1505-69: 1969: Many Mortar Rounds: Private First Class Clifford G. Dann (Gig Harbor, Washington) carries a load of mortar rounds to his mortar pit at Fire Support Base Russell. Dann is a member of the 81mm Mortar Platoon, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-0849-68: 1968: A Light that Saved a Life: Marine Private First Class Otis E. Boss compares the flame of his match to that of the Commanding General's lighter in the latter's office. Major General R. McC. Tompkins, commander of the 3d Marine Division, presented the young radioman from the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4], an engraved division lighter after learning how Boss signaled an aerial observer with a single match. This enabled him to be rescued after spending five hours alone surrounded by the NVA during an operation north of Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Atwell).
5. Photograph number 3M-3-0752-68: 8 May 1968: River Patrol: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] patrol the Cua Viet river near Dong Ha. The Cua Viet river is a valuable supply line for I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
6. Photograph number 3M-2-1505-69: 1969: 81s in Action: A member of the 81mm Mortar Platoon, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] drops another round into the tube during a fire mission in support of the 2d Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Division Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN) at Fire Support Base Russell, northwest of the Rock Pile (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
7. Photograph number 3D-2-10345-68: 1968: Stream Crossing: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4], cross a small stream during a search and clear operation near the Rockpile in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
8. Photograph number 214-68: 1968: Sky Crane: A sky crane helicopter carries a bulldozer for bunker construction near Landing Zone Cates in Vietnam. The landing zone, east of Khe Sanh, is within the operational area of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Thurston Bechtel).

**Box 4 Folder 16.      Company C, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/2/4]**

1. No photograph number: 1966: Vietnamese farmers continue their labor as a fire team of Marines from C Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/2/4] pass by on a patrol of the Ly Tin area, 8 miles northwest of Chu Lai (Defense Department photo).

**Box 4 Folder 17.      Company F, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/4]**

1. Photograph number 3D-3-10300-68: 1968: Enemy Bunker: Lance Corporal Ronald W. White (Altoona, Pennsylvania) scrambles out of an enemy bunker west of Vandegrift Combat Base. White, a member of F Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/4], participated in a search and clear operation through the rugged jungle terrain in the northwesternmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
2. Photograph number 3M-13-0218-68: 10 February 1968: Ready: Corporal Ray P. Jackson (Newport, Rhode Island), a fireteam leader with F Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines



[F/2/4] maintains a sharp vigil near Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).

3. Photograph number 3M-12-0218-68: 10 February 1968: Sniper's View?: A Marine CH-46 helicopter sits in a precarious position after unloading cargo and men of F Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] during operations in Thua Thien province south of Camp Evans (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
4. No photograph number: January 1968: A Marine with F Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/4] is a seasoned veteran after three weeks in Vietnam [Private First Class Abel E. Saiz, Bloomfield, New Mexico] (official USMC photo).

**Box 4 Folder 18.      Company G, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1040-69: 1969: Wounded Scout Dog: Navy Corpsman Ken Hamilton (left) of Dayton, Ohio and Corporal James Harrison (Needles, California) treat a wounded scout dog. The dog received a minor flesh wound when he charged an NVA bunker while on patrol with G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] north of Con Thien. The Marines found 30 enemy bunkers containing nine rifles, a machine gun, 3,000 rounds of small arms ammunition and other enemy supplies in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).
2. Photograph number 1-1643: undated: Before the Storm: The opportunity presented itself momentarily for Corporal James W. Parker, 21 (Natick, Massachusetts) to grab a few winks before his unit embarked via chopper for a recent operation in the Khe Sanh vicinity. Moments later Parker, an artillery forward observer with G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4], 3d Marine Division, blinked once, was in the sky and gone (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
3. Photograph 3M-1-0218-68: 9 February 1968: Ready and Waiting: Marine Corporal Terry L. Whittredge (Detroit, Michigan), G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] takes cover near a Vietnamese grave during a search and destroy mission in Loc Son village area (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
4. No photograph number: 1966: Patrol of the Ly Tin area, 8 miles northwest of Chu Lai. The 3d Platoon, G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] moves across the dike of a rice paddy in the patrol area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. Henderson).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0152-69: 1969: Awards at Vandegrift: Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr. (2d from left) stands with Staff Sergeant D. J. Hinson (2d from right), a platoon sergeant with G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4], after presenting Hinson with the Bronze Star, during the general's latest visit to Vietnam. At left is Colonel William F. Goggin, commanding officer of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment. Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general of the 3d Marine Division, stands at

right. Lieutenant General Buse commands the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).

6. Photograph number 3M-14-0218-68: 10 February 1968: Wet Going: Private First Class Orville Ford (Jacksonville, Florida), wades through a rice paddy with a 3.5 inch rocket launcher while on a patrol with G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] just south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
7. Photograph number 3M-9-0218-68: 9 February 1968: Damp Footing: Gunnery Sergeant John E. Curry (Beaufort, South Carolina), company gunnery sergeant G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] trudges through a rice paddy while on a patrol east of Con Thien (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
8. Photograph number SLF-A-2-12-67: 1967: Finger-Lickin' Good: A Marine sniper scout attached to G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] enjoys a holiday meal in the field, while manning a defensive position southeast of Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal L. Preston Brown).

**Box 4 Folder 19.      Company H, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/4]**

1. Photograph number 3M-3-0301-68: 1968: Heavy Load: Men of H Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/4] carry a large steel beam to be used in construction of a bunker in the Cam Lo District Headquarters (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
2. Photograph number 3M-5-0301-68: 27 February 1968: Ducking Arty: Corporal Kenneth Juby (Raleigh, North Carolina), a radar technician attached to H Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/4], dives into a fox hole at the Cam Lo District Headquarters to escape incoming artillery rounds (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
3. Photograph number 3M-8-0301-68: 1968: No Time to Eat: Three men of H Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/4] leave a C-ration lunch to take cover in their bunkers at the beginning of an enemy attack on Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-173338-68: 1968: Gifts from Wounded Marines: Sergeant Major Gilbert B. Boozier (left) of Woodbridge, Virginia, distributes packages to men of H Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/4] at Vandegrift Combat Base. The gift packages were sent to Sergeant Major Boozier for distribution to men in the field by wounded Marines convalescing at US Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).
5. Photograph number 3M-4-0301-68: 27 February 1968: By Candlelight: With the aid of candlelight, a Navy Corpsman slips a needle into the arm of a wounded Leatherneck. The Marine, a member of H Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines, was hit with shrapnel

during an NVA rocket, artillery, and mortar attack on the Cam Lo District Headquarters near Cam Lo village (official USMC photo by Corporal L. Preston Brown).

**Box 4 Folder 20.      3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4]**

1. Photograph number 3D-6-3-260-69: 1969: Speak Up: 2d Lieutenant Robert B. Haseman (Columbia, Missouri), a platoon commander with the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4], checks the position and situation out with one of his squads during a patrol north of Fire Support Base Russell (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).
2. Photograph 3D-1-7366-68: 1968: Wet Feet: Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/4] wade a stream while on a patrol north of Vandegrift Combat Base, in the northernmost province of South Vietnam. The Leathernecks are searching for the enemy, his fighting bunkers and supply caches (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. K. Maddeaux).
3. Photograph number 1-1677-68: 1968: Drill Team: Marines of the 3d Marine Division use a power hole digger to drill holes for flag poles at Khe Sanh. The two poles one for the American and other for the flag of the Republic of Vietnam, were used during a Memorial Service at Khe Sanh last week. Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4] conducted the service (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Fred Lowe III).
4. Photograph number 2-295-67: 17 March 1967: Returning Fire: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4], return fire near the village of Gia Do, east of Dong Ha, after the unit was hit by automatic and small arms fire by enemy (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Weimer).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-295-67: 17 March 1967: Moving Through: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4] move through the village of Gia Do, east of Dong Ha, while searching for the enemy (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Weimer).
6. Photograph number 4-1677-68: 1968: Salute: The 1<sup>st</sup> platoon of K Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/4] salutes as the American flag is hoisted to the top of the flag pole during memorial services held at Khe Sanh last week. Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division were joined by soldiers of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam during the memorial services (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Fred Lowe III).
7. Photograph number 3D-2-8082-69: 1969: Sermon on the Mount: Navy Lieutenant Commander Frederick E. Whitaker (Gosport, Indiana), Chaplain for the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4], holds religious services for Leathernecks of M Company, on a mountainous ridgeline north of the Rockpile. The Leathernecks were participating in a battalion-size search and clear operation near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Randolph).

8. Photograph number 3D-3-3-260-69: 1969: Searching: Private First Class J. P. Gardner (Knoxville, Tennessee) shades his eyes while checking the terrain ahead of him on a patrol near the DMZ. Gardner is a member of the 2d Platoon, L Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/4] (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).
9. Photograph number 17-1677-68: 1968: Colors: Soldiers of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam raise their nation's flag during memorial services held last week at Khe Sanh. The 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4] salute their nation's flag, and that of their host nation during the services. Bunkers at left side of photo, revetments, and the airstrip are all that remain...other than memories (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Fred Lowe III).

#### **Box 4 Folder 21.      5<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-2346-68: 1968: A Brighter Future: Twelve year-old Tran Van Pho is returning to school after three years absence, thanks to the generosity of more than 30 Marines serving with the Motor Transport Section of 5<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger K. Nystrom).
2. Photograph number 2-2346-68: 1968: School Talk: Twelve year-old Tran Van Pho and three buddies take time out from repairing trucks to discuss Pho's educational future. The Marines are (left to right) Lance Corporal C. V. Sharrow (Romulus, Michigan), Corporal D. W. Milan (McKinney, Texas), and Corporal R. L. Dotzenrod (Wyndmere, North Dakota), members of the 5<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, Force Logistic Command. It was Sharrow's idea to pass the hat to further Pho's schooling (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger K. Nystrom).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-1078-68: 4 May 1968: Beach Party: Four Marines from the 5<sup>th</sup> Communication Battalion, Force Logistic Command, east of Da Nang, play with children from the Sacred Heart Orphanage during a beach party sponsored for the kids by the battalion (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
4. Photograph number 1-0991-69: 1969: Change of Command: Marine Lieutenant Colonel C. L. Brady (right) accepts the unit colors of 5<sup>th</sup> Communication Battalion from Lieutenant Colonel J. D. Hines, during change of command ceremonies April 15 near Da Nang. Brady finds himself in a somewhat unique position because he is also commanding officer of 7<sup>th</sup> Communication Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. At the same time, administrative control of 5<sup>th</sup> Communication Battalion shifted from Force Logistic Command [FLC] to III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF]. Hines leaves Vietnam shortly for duty at Headquarters Marine Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
5. Photograph number 1-2086-68: 8 August 1968: Herman the Determined: He was more than determined not to have his picture taken. Even coaxing him with his favorite grunts. Herman is the pet and mascot of Radio Relay Company, a part of 5<sup>th</sup> Communications

Battalion. Corporal Jimmy 'Snuffy' Blair, who is trying to coax Herman out from under the shade of a hut, bought baby Herman a year ago (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger K. Nystrom).

6. Photograph number 1-0128-69: 1969: Waiting Apprehensively: Concern shows on the face of a Vietnamese youngster as he waits for his name to be called so he can receive medical treatment from a Medical Civic Action Team from 5<sup>th</sup> Communication Battalion, Force Logistic Command, near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
7. Photograph number 2-0128-69: 1969: Gently, Please: Gentle medication given by one of the Navy hospital corpsman from 5<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, Medical Civic Action Team, Force Logistic Command, helps erase much fear and apprehensiveness many children have upon receiving medical treatment for the first time (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).

**Box 4 Folder 22.     5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [5<sup>th</sup> Marines] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 2-203-69: 1969: Like Giant Insects: CH-46 helicopters hover over Marines of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, who are waiting heli-lifted five miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam to conduct a sweep and clear mission (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
2. Photograph number 1-0729-69: 1969: Even in Combat: Private First Class R. M. Flore (Pontiac, Michigan), a member of Force Logistic Command, has wash day blues every day. He handles the laundry chores for the entire 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, operating from the An Hoa Combat Base, 20 miles south of Da Nang. Flore operates a field laundry and washes up to 4,000 pounds of clothing every day. He and one other Marine operate the mobile washers and dryers 24 hours a day, working 12 hour shifts. 'Mr. Clean' has nothing on these two men (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
3. Photograph number 3-69: Tanks A Lot: Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, supported by tanks, rout an enemy force estimated at 400 strong during two days of bitter fighting in the Vu Gia River Valley about 18 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. The retreating enemy force suffering 219 killed and the loss of hundreds of weapons and thousands of rounds of ammunition during the running battle (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
4. Photograph number ISO 2-69: 1969: Good Pursuit: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marines cool off while crossing the Vu Gia River, about 17 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. The Marines were in pursuit of an enemy force estimated at 400 strong. When contact was made the Marines, supported by artillery and airstrikes by 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] jets, killed 219 enemy in two days of bitter fighting (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

5. Photograph number 1D-1-203-69: 1969: Dog Gone: Lance Corporal D. J. O'Hara, 20 (Syracuse, New York), and his scout dog King move over mountainous terrain during operations with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, five miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
6. Photograph number 2-357-68: 1968: Honored: Lance, a five month old puppy and mascot of a battalion of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines poses atop Hill 575 where Landing Zone Lance was named for him. Private First Class T. E. Aunko, 19 (Tulsa, Oklahoma) holds Lance (official USMC photo by Sergeant John K. Mullins).
7. Photograph number 1D-1-70-69: 1969: Direct Hit: Marines at the An Hoa Combat Base inspect the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment's Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Office, which received a direct hit from an enemy 122mm rocket (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).

**Box 4 Folder 23.      5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [5<sup>th</sup> Marines] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 14-131-69: 1969: Search and Clear: Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment search a village in an area known as 'Arizona Territory,' while pursuing enemy forces 17 miles southwest of Da Nang. The Leatherneck air-ground team, supported by Marine artillery, killed 219 enemies in two days of bitter fighting (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. Volpe).
2. Photograph number 26-131-69: 1969: Moving Out: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment pursue elusive enemy soldiers during two days of bitter fighting in an area known as 'Arizona Territory' 17 miles southwest of Da Nang. Leatherneck ground forces supported by Marine air strikes and artillery killed 219 enemy during the two-day battle (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. Volpe).
3. Photograph number 36-131-69: 1969: Call For Help: Marine Private First Class William Hand, 20 (Klamath Falls, Oregon), a radioman attached to the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment relays a call for artillery fire during two days of bitter fighting in an area known as the Arizona Territory, 17 miles southwest of Da Nang. Marine air strikes and artillery, coupled with ground assaults, destroyed 219 enemy (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. Volpe).
4. Photograph number 2-255-68: 3 October 1968: Worship in Vietnam: Navy Chaplain Lieutenant D. Thompson, Jr., 36 (Charleston, South Carolina) holds services for members of the 81mm mortar section, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] while in the field (official USMC photo by Corporal R. Grimm).
5. Photograph number 1-335-68: 1968: Up a Tree: Communications are 'up a tree' with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines. Lance Corporal Larry N. Fuller, 20 (Port Moline, Illinois) secures a long



range radio antenna to a tree near the unit's command post southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).

6. Photograph number 0903: undated: Move Out: Leathernecks of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines dash from helicopters to cover as they initiate an attack against enemy forces south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
7. Photograph number 1-82-69: 1969: New An Hoa Honcho: Colonel William J. Zaro, 49 (San Antonio, Texas), accepts the regimental colors of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment from Colonel James B. Ord (Kailua, Oahu, Hawaii) officially taking command of the unit. Colonel Ord is now the division operations officer (officer USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division).
8. Photograph number 1D-10-2-52-69: 1969: Ham and Eggs for Joe: Joe, a Vietnamese boy found suffering from malnutrition was taken to the refugee center near An Hoa by a medical patrol. Corporal Robert L. Anderson, 20 (Wausa, Nebraska), Civil Affairs Chief for the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, has since been making daily trips to the refugee center to feed Joe c-rations prescribed by the regiment surgeon (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).

**Box 4 Folder 24.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 5-197-69: 1969: Racing Aboard: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] race to board a chopper for return to the An Hoa Combat Base after operations in the Arizona Territory (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
2. Photograph number 121-256-69: 1969: Refreshing: During a brief lull in fighting, Leathernecks from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] find pleasure in the cool water of the Khe Eya Mai river. The Marines were participating on a battalion-size search and clear operation 16 miles southwest of here in Arizona Territory (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John A. Gentry).
3. Photograph number 83-256-69: 1969: Feels Alot Better: A Marine, attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] prepares to put a band aid on his blistered foot while on a break in the Arizona Territory, 23 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
4. Photograph number 7-197-69: 1969: Waiting for Choppers: Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] wait to board choppers for return to An Hoa combat base after conducting operations in the Arizona Territory recently (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
5. Photograph number 6-197-69: 1969: Moving Out: Private First Class Brad Glaser, 20 (Farmingdale, New York), a mortarman with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] carries a 60mm mortar tube on his shoulder as he moves out on a sweep in the Arizona Territory 17 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).

6. Photograph number 1D-69-256-69: 1969: Break Time: Lance Corporal Larry W. Kimbro, 20 (Cataula, Georgia) and his scout dog Matsu take a break during a sweep and clear operation in the Arizona Territory, 23 miles southwest of here. The team is working with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
7. Photograph number 1D-1-197-69: 1969: Resupply in the field is a welcome sight to Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5]. Here the combat Leatherneck collect and sort C-rations for distribution among platoons and squadrons operating in the Arizona Territory (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
8. Photograph number 4-342A-66: 8 December 1966: All Set: An 81mm mortar team leader zeroes in on a target while another Marine prepares to drop a round into the tube. The action took place during a recent search and clear operation by the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. In a village nearby the Marines discovered one thousand pounds of rice, hidden by the Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Private First Class Keith Hall).

**Box 4 Folder 25.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 29-342-66: December 1966: Get That Sniper: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division move into position to flush out a sniper that had been harassing the Marines as they traveled across the rice paddies. The Marines got the sniper and his weapon. In addition 12 Viet Cong were killed during the entire search and clear (official USMC photo by Private First Class Keith Hall).
2. Photograph number 1D-87-256-69: 1969: MEDCAP: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division working with Vietnamese soldiers take time out from a sweep and clear mission to conduct a Medical Civic Action Program in the 'Arizona Territory' 23 miles southwest of here. The combat Marines gathered Vietnamese civilians from the area to aid them in their medical needs (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
3. Photograph number 141-256-69: 1969: Get Some: Lance Corporal Thomas V. Moore, 21 (Memphis, Tennessee), prepares to fire an 81mm mortar at a suspected enemy position. Moore is assigned to Headquarters and Service Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (official USMC photo Lance Corporal John Gentry).
4. Photograph number 92-256-69: 1969: Helping Hand: Hospital Corpsman First Class Estill D. Mitts, 24 (Miami, Florida), a corpsman with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], applies first aid to a small Vietnamese boy during a Medical Civic Action Program (MEDCAP) in the 'Arizona Territory,' 23 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).

5. Photograph number A369806: 10 March 1967: A Vietnamese child feeds his little brother chicken and rice, which was given to the villagers of Ky Bich village during a county fair held by the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (official USMC photo by Private First Class Porter) [2 copies].
6. Photograph number A369807: 10 March 1967: A Vietnamese worker helps Sergeant R. H. Schiener put up a General Purpose tent at the Ky Bich County Fair, which was held by the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (official USMC photo by Private First Class Porter) [2 copies].
7. Photograph number 1D-16-357-68: 23 December 1968: Searching: Corporal Gilfort Futch, 19 (Jacksonville, Florida), and his scout dog search for Viet Cong near a river bank south of Da Nang. The scout dog team is attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal Dave Martinez).

**Box 4 Folder 26.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3M-7-239-68: 12 February 1968: Walled City: Men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] move through tower guarding entrance to the ancient walled city of Hue (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. L. Harlan).
2. Photograph number 3M-4-239-68: 12 February 1968: Inside Wall: Marines from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] advance with tank inside the citadel at Hue (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. T. Harlan).
3. Photograph number 3M-2-255-68: 16 February 1968: Housekeeping: Weary trooper of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] cleans his M-16 during a lull in battle for the Imperial City of Hue (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. W. Thompson).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-239-68: 12 February 1968: New and Old: Modern tank supports men of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] as the fight beside ancient walls of the imperial citadel at Hue (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. L. Harlan).
5. Photograph number 3M-5-239-68: 12 February 1968: Armor on the Move: Tanks rumble into the imperial walled city of Hue to support men of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] in bitter street fighting (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. L. Harlan).
6. Photograph number 1D-2-197-69: 1969: Resupply: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/5] transport supplies, brought in by helicopter, back to their command post. Other unit members, in full combat gear, wait for a ride back to An Hoa combat base. The Marines have been participating in operations in the 'Arizona Territory,' 17 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
7. Photograph number 1-152: 8 March 1969: Chapel of Relaxation: Navy Lieutenant Harold M. Roberts, 38 (Sheffield, Iowa), a chaplain attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines

[1/5], operating 20 miles southeast of Da Nang, works on the combined chapel and recreation center he is building for his men at An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

**Box 4 Folder 27.      Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5]**

1. Photograph number 3-197-69: 1969: Marines of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] appear to be swallowed up by a CH-46 helicopter as they carry water containers aboard. The empties, capable of holding two and one half gallons of water, will be carried back to An Hoa where they will be refilled and sent out to the 'bush' Marines on the next resupply (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
2. Photograph number 6-169-69: 1969: Helping Hand: Staff Sergeant Terrance E. Dunn, 27 (Huntsville, Alabama), a platoon sergeant with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, gets a hand from Lance Corporal Norris I. Branham, 18 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) as he climbs over a rice paddy dike 3 miles northwest of An Hoa in the 'Arizona Territory.' The Marines are searching for an elusive enemy force sighted by aerial observers (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
3. Photograph number 12-169-69: 1969: Pause That Refreshes: Leathernecks of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] take advantage of a lull in fighting to bathe and swim in the cool waters of a lake 3 miles northwest of An Hoa. The Marines had been operating in the Arizona Territory in temperatures above 100 degrees trying to find and destroy an elusive enemy force which was sighted by an aerial observer in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
4. Photograph number 4-197-69: 1969: Waiting to Go 'Home:' Marines of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] wait for a CG-53 helicopter to arrive and take them 'home.' The Marines are returning to the An Hoa combat base after conducting operations in the Arizona Territory, 17 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).
5. Photograph number 67-256-69: 1969: That's a Rog: 2d Lieutenant Edward A. Benes, 23 (Dos Palos, California), a platoon commander with Bravo Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] coordinates movement of his men with a field telephone. The Marines are conducting a sweep and clear operation in Arizona Territory 23 miles southwest of here (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
6. Photograph number 8-197-69: 1969: Cleaning His Baseplate: Private First Class Gregg Horner, 21 (Wheatland, Wyoming), removes mud from the baseplate of his 60mm mortar. The mud accumulated during a fire mission the previous night. Horner is a mortarman with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5]. His unit has been conducting operations in the Arizona Territory 17 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. Smith).

7. Photograph number 37-256-69: 1969: On the Move: Leathernecks of Bravo Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] move through the dense growth in Arizona Territory, 23 miles southwest of Da Nang. The Marines are conducting search and clear operations against elusive enemy forces seeking to re-establish the area as an enemy stronghold (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
8. Photograph number 7-169-69: 1969: The Hunt Is On: Leathernecks of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] cross streams and rough terrain as they push through Arizona Territory northwest of An Hoa, searching for an elusive enemy force that was spotted earlier by Marine aerial observers (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
9. Photograph number 1D-76-256-69: 1969: Civilian Medevac's: Leathernecks of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/5] help South Vietnamese civilians onto a medevac chopper. The Marines were operating in the Arizona Territory, 16 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John A. Gentry).

**Box 4 Folder 28.      Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/5]**

1. Photograph number 2-274-68: 1968: Mortar, Out-Going: Lance Corporal G. L. Thomkins (Morristown, Pennsylvania), 19, holds bipods for a 60mm mortar and Corporal G. E. Knapp (Aumsville, Oregon), 18, drops a high explosive round down the tube in support of helicopters on the landing zone. Corporal W. P. Troy (Cleveland, Ohio), 22, adjusts the rounds on Viet Cong positions by radio for C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. J. Shannon).

**Box 4 Folder 29.      Company D, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/5]**

1. Photograph number 1-69-69: 1969: Helping Hands: Marines of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/5] get a helping hand from a young Vietnamese as they carry as sick woman they found to medical aid while on routine patrol five miles northeast of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).

**Box 4 Folder 30.      2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5]**

1. Photograph number 2-130-69: 1969: Fire Away: 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5] Sergeant Major C. M. Burks (Monticello, Arkansas) directs 106mm recoilless rifle fire during a two-day battle in the 'Arizona Territory; about 17 miles southwest of Da Nang. During the running battle, Marines, supported by artillery and air strikes, killed 219 enemy soldiers (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. A. Mullins).
2. Photograph number 26-85-67: 26 March 1967: Fire Mission: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5] fire at Viet Cong during an operation 25 miles southwest of Da Nang. 111 enemy were killed in the four day operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. L. McClory).

**Box 4 Folder 31.      Company E, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/5]**

1. Photograph number 3-305-68: 1968: War Prize: Staff Sergeant William T. Turner, 33 (Shreveport, Louisiana) and a Vietnamese interpreter examine a captured AK-47 assault rifle found by E Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Private A. C. Prentiss).

**Folder 31A.      Company G, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/5]**

1. Photograph number 1D-4-158-69: 1969: My Mattress, the South China Sea, and Me: Not exactly a romantic group, but certainly an enjoyable one. These Marines from G Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/5] are proving that point, soaking up all the sun and sea they can during their 48 hour stay at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's stand-down center. Golf Company, the first company to attend the center, recently returned from 92 days in the field (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. A. Tour).
2. Photograph number 1D-7-158-69: 1969: One Line That's Really Worth It: Marines are pretty accustomed to standing in lines waiting for things, but this line is entirely different. It's the chow line at the new 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division stand-down center 'Stack Arms'. Steaks, chicken, hamburgers, and hotdogs are the diet at the daily cookouts held on the beach, and the men of G Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/5] were the first company to attend (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 1D-5-158-69: 1969: Two Days of Ease: Swimming, sunbathing, sleeping or playing solitaire like Lance Corporal Douglas, 19 (Saugus, California), of G Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/5] are a few of the ways Marines relax during their 48 hour stay at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division stand-down center. The biggest attractions, according to Golf Company, were the unlimited supply of free beer and soda and the extra sleep the men were able to enjoy (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. A. Tour).

**Box 4 Folder 32.      Company H, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/5]**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-16-36-68: 1968: In Good Hands: Private First Class Charles B. Wilson, Jr. (Lexington, Kentucky), an M-79 grenadier with H Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/5], helped evacuate a Vietnamese patient from the Hue hospital during heavy fighting in that area. Hospitals in Hue have returned to peak operation in the year following the battle for the city (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).
2. Photograph number 19-245-68: 1 September 1968: Water: A CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter delivers a supply of water to Marines of H Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5]. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks were participating in an operation near An Hoa (official USMC photo by Private First Class N. J. Shannon).



3. Photograph number 1D-20-245-68: 1 February 1968: Beats Walking: Leathernecks of H Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/5] take a break from walking and ride an amphibious tractor (AmTrac) during a recent operation near An Hoa (official USMC photo by Private First Class N. J. Shannon).
4. Photograph number 1S-16-113-68: May 1968: In the Hole: Before checking out a poorly concealed enemy cave a Leatherneck from H Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/5] pitches an M-26 grenade just in case. The recent combat sweep took place east of Hue (official USMC photo by Corporal D. I. Fisher).
5. Photograph number 3-305-68: 1968: War Prize: Staff Sergeant William T. Turner, 33 (Shreveport, Louisiana) and a Vietnamese interpreter examine a captured AK-47 assault rifle found by E Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Private A. C. Prentiss).
6. Photograph number 1D-5-170-67: 19 June 1967: Captured Rice: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5] load 20 tons of captured Viet Cong rice aboard helicopters during a search and destroy mission near An Hoa, 26 miles southwest of Da Nang. The rice, uncovered by H Company, was redistributed to refugees (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Clark D. Thomas).

**Box 4 Folder 33.      3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5]**

1. Photograph number 1W2207690021: undated: Combat Helilift: Private First Class Vernon L. Robinson, left (Barstow, California) and Lance Corporal Steve H. Ridinger (Indianapolis, Indiana) wait tensely aboard a CD-46D helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263], carrying them on an assault wave. The Leathernecks are attached to the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, participating in a multi-battalion operation south of An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-129-68: May 1968: Scrub a Dub: 2d Lieutenant Wayman H. Dodson, 30 (Greenville, South Carolina), the civil affairs officer for 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5], bathes a Vietnamese youngster during a MEDCAP held south of Phu Bai. The battalion the bathtub from a discarded 50 gallon oil drum for use in treating skin infections and teaching hygiene to the villagers (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Fisher).
3. Photograph number 1D-34-167-69: 1969: Hot But Wet: Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] wade through waist-deep water in 100 degree temperatures during a search and clear mission in Phu Loc Valley, south of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant C. E. Lane).
4. Photograph number 1D-40-201-69: 1969: Airborne!!!: Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] hang on for dear life as a passing helicopter threatens to destroy their

shelters. The Marines have been operating in the mountains six miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam, where the daily rainfall makes a shelter necessary (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).

5. Photograph number 1D-14-201-69: 1969: Next!!!: Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] wait to board helicopters at An Hoa Combat Base in Vietnam. Pilots of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] deposited the grunts six miles southeast of An Hoa to conduct search and clear operations in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
6. Photograph number 2-255-68: 3 October 1968: Worship in Vietnam: Navy Chaplain Lieutenant D. Thompson, Jr., 36 (Charleston, South Carolina) holds services for members of the 81mm mortar section, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] while in the field (official USMC photo by Corporal R. Grimm).

**Box 4 Folder 34.      Company I, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-25-1678-69: 1969: Heavy Load: The weight of normal combat gear plus a 60mm mortar tube slung over his shoulder in the 100 degree temperature have a telling effect on the expression of Private First Class K. J. Clark (Bay Minette, Alabama). Clark was on a sweep and clear mission with his unit, I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] south of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-268-68: October 1968: Company Sweep: An M-60 machine gun team reaches the crest of a hill while the rest of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] stretches out behind during a routine search and clear operation near their combat base here (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
3. Photograph number 3M-13-1088-69: 1969: The Pause that Refreshes: Marines of India Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] unwind as they take a break during a sweep mission 12 miles south southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. Not all of the men could 'take ten' at the same time though. While these Leathernecks were cleaning up, other Marines maintained a guard against possible enemy movement. Using turns, all the men got a chance to cool off (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 3M-6-1088-69: 1969: Momentary Halt: Marine Private First Class K. J. Clark (Bay Minette, Alabama), front, and Lance Corporal R. A. Azebood (Nevada City, California) pause for a 'breather' while on a patrol with I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5], 12 miles south southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
5. Photograph number 3M-7-1088-69: 1969: Close Scrutiny: Marine Private First Class K. J. Clark (Bay Minette, Alabama), a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines

[I/3/5] fights the heat, eight foot high elephant grass and rocky terrain on a combat sweep 12 miles south of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

6. Photograph number 3M-14-1088-69: 1969: Slippery Footing: Marine Private First Class: K. J. Clark (Bay Minette, Alabama) watches his footing in eight foot high elephant grass during a sweep mission 12 miles south-southwest of Da Nang. Clark is a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

**Box 4 Folder 35.      Company I, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-15-1088-69: 1969: Wet Going: Marine Private First Class J. L. Collins (Montgomery, Alabama) keeps a battery pack dry as he wades through a muddy hole while on a search mission with I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5], 12 miles south-southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 1D-3-259-68: October 1968: Treating Vietnamese: A young Vietnamese girl suffering from malaria was carried to nearby Marines where she received medical care from Hospitalman 2d Class R. B. Keeler, 28 (Manchester, New Hampshire), senior Navy corpsman for I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Minutes later the girl was airlifted to a nearby hospital. The Leathernecks were conducted a sweep and clear mission north of the An Hoa combat base when the girl was treated (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
3. Photograph number 3-250-68: 6 September 1968: Close Call: Private First Class Tommy J. Gribble (Parkersburg, West Virginia) displays his M-16 rifle, hit by an enemy AK-47 rifle round. The enemy round pierced Gribble's forearm, passing between both bones, then smashed through is rifle stock. The Leatherneck is a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] and was walking as point man of his squad when the round stuck. The firefight netted three confirmed North Vietnamese killed. Gribble is recuperating (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
4. Photograph number 1D-5-226-68: 13 August 1968: Breathing Room: While he prepares his C-ration meal, Corporal Thomas F. J. Ernst (Tujunga, California) allows an injured foot to relax in a makeshift slipper. The 1<sup>st</sup> Division Marine had just completed a three-day patrol with his unit, I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] near Hill 60, north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
5. Photograph number 1D-4-226-68: 13 August 1968: A Chance to Shave: Private First Class Jesse Prado, 21 (Galveston, Texas), a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] takes advantage of a short break in a three day patrol to shave (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

6. Photograph number 1D-3-226-68: 13 August 1968: A Quick Letter Home: Private First Class Marve C. Stewart, 19 (Rock Island, Illinois), takes advantage of a short break between patrols to write a few lines home. Stewart is a member of I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, operating north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

**Box 4 Folder 36.      Company K, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5]**

1. Photograph number 35-167-69: 1969: Under scorching sun that send temperatures toward the 110 degree mark, these Marines of K Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5] use a break to cool off while on a sweep and clear mission south of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant C. E. Lane).
2. Photograph number 1D-47-201-69: 1969: Just Perfect!: The astronauts walk in the moon dust may have seemed perfect, but other dust combined with water is on the mind and boots of Private First Class Joe G. Mitole, 19 (North Babylon, New York), a rifleman with K Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5]. The Leatherneck and his unit celebrated the occasion by working on Monday, a holiday in the United States (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).

**Box 4 Folder 37.      Company M, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 6-203-69: Jumping Off: Leathernecks of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, disembark from a helicopter into the mountainous jungle five miles southeast of An Hoa during search and clear operations (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
2. Photograph number 12-1459-69: 1969: Beside Manner: Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Anthony Fodale, 22 (St. Clair Shores, Michigan), comforts a North Vietnamese Army soldier found by the Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], abandoned in a vast hospital complex seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
3. Photograph number 3-1495-69: 1969: What a Load: Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Glenn G. Simpson, 20 (West Springfield, Massachusetts) a patrol member of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, carries a war-weary North Vietnamese soldier up a steep slope. The patrol was operating seven miles east of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
4. Photograph number 8-1495-69: 1969: Heavy Fire: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] open up with M-16 rifle and M-60 machine gun fire on several North Vietnamese Army soldiers sighted during search and clear operations seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

5. Photograph number 1-1495-69: 1969: Lower 'Em Gently: Two members of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] help carry a wounded North Vietnamese Army soldier to a landing zone prior to medevacing him to the An Hoa Combat Base after the company discovered a vast hospital complex containing four abandoned patients (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
6. Photograph number 3-1495-69: 1969: Dwarfs: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] are dwarfed by thick jungle growth as they move out on a sweep and clear mission seven miles east of An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
7. Photograph number 2-1495-69: Rough Terrain: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] move out on a search and clear mission seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base. The terrain covered by the Mike Company Marines was so thick and mountainous that the Marines had to clear landing zones for resupply helicopters (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
8. Photograph number 4-203-69: 1969: Timber: Members of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines help topple a tree as the company prepares a landing zone in the dense jungle five miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam, to bring in much needed supplies and ammunition (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
9. Photograph number 5-203-69: 1969: Charley-4: Engineers attached to M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] Private First Class Robert L. Green, Jr., 20 (West Point, Virginia) (left), and Private First Class William K. Hickey, 18 (Chattanooga, Tennessee) attach a plastic explosive charge to the base of a tree prior to blasting a landing zone in the mountainous jungle five miles southeast of An Hoa, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
10. Photograph number 4-1495-69: 1969: White Flag: Corporal Ronald F. Cushman (left), 20 (Seattle, Washington), an intelligence scout with M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], escorts a North Vietnamese Army (NVA) soldier to the unit command post for interrogation. Sergeant Larry L. Skidmore, 23 (Garrison, Kentucky), provides extra security. The NVA soldier surrendered to the Marines during operations seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

**Box 4 Folder 38.      Company M, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] (2 of 2)**

1. 1D-7-1495-69: 1969: Mountain of Work: An intelligence scout attached to M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] Corporal Ronald F. Cushman, 20 (Seattle, Washington) sorts through a small mountain of captured gear including: AK-47 medical and other assorted gear found by M Company, Marines on a search and clear operation in the mountains seven miles of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

2. Photograph number 13-1495-69: 1969: Angel of Mercy: Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Anthony Fodale, 22 (St. Claire Shores, Michigan), checks the pulse of a wounded North Vietnamese Army soldier. The NVA, one of four captured, was found by Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] in a hospital complex where he had been abandoned, during operations seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-1495-69: 1969: Breakthrough: During recent search and clear operations seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base, a Marine patrol from M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] breaks out of the double and triple canopy jungle growth (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
4. Photograph number 3M-2-192-68: 5 February 1968: Captured Weapon: Lance Corporal William Bunchles (Hollywood, Florida) checks a captured enemy AK-47 assault rifle during a pause in a search and destroy sweep south of Da Nang by M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] (official USMC photo by Sergeant F. A. Barrett, Jr.).
5. Photograph number 3M-4-192-68: 5 February 1968: Aids Villager: Corporal Larry Robinson (Dearborn Heights, Michigan) helps a Vietnamese woman during a sweep February 5 south of Da Nang by M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] (official USMC photo by Sergeant F. A. Barrett, Jr.).
6. Photograph number 3M-5-192-68: 5 February 1968: Protection Arrives: A Marine beckons a Vietnamese woman from a hiding spot in heavy brush following Viet Cong terrorist attacks south of Da Nang before the arrival M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] (official USMC photo by Sergeant F. A. Barrett, Jr.).
7. Photograph number 1D-3-260-68: September 1968: Up for Air: Sergeant Raymond H. Wagner (Portsmouth, Virginia) exits an enemy bunker after searching it as another Leatherneck provides security. Both Marines are members of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal A. V. Huffman).
8. Photograph number 1D-11-1495-69: 1969: Helping the Enemy: A wounded North Vietnamese Army soldier, found abandoned in a hospital complex seven miles east of An Hoa by M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], receives a refreshing drink of cool water from Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Clement Pallo, 26 (Milwaukee, Wisconsin) (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).
9. Photograph number 1D-9-1495-69: 1969: Get Some: Leathernecks from M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division open up on a fleeing enemy soldier, spotted while the company was conducting search and clear operations in an area seven miles east of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Hank Berkowitz).



**Box 4 Folder 39.      7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-304-68: 1968: Bridge Repair: Building and repairing bridges is a never ending job for the men of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Lance Corporal Jesse J. Garrard, 19 (Bellevue, Ohio), operates a chainsaw while Lance Corporal William G. Boyles, 21 (Altoona, Pennsylvania) pulls nails from a damaged section of the Than Quit Bridge 10 miles southwest of here on Highway 1. Both men are members of B Company (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
2. Photograph number 2-9-69: 1969: Tools of Trade: A Vietnamese farmer participating in the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion's agricultural project displays the plow he received to work with on the project from the battalion. It is pulled by water buffalo (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
3. Photograph number 1-9-69: 1969: Marine Shows How: A Marine with the Civil Affairs section of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion gives a Vietnamese farmer a helping hand with his plowing. Marines are helping the people of An Ngai Tay hamlet where the farmers have volunteered for an experimental farm project buffalo (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
4. Photograph number 1-2515-68: 1968: 'Mot Buoi Uong Tra Than-Mat': 'This is the way we brush our teeth,' exclaims interpreter Van Quang Huynh, as Dr. J. R. Gassman (Pocatello, Idaho) demonstrates the procedure for Vietnamese children. They live in a rural hamlet called Huong Phon in the mountains west of the Marine's Force Logistic Command headquarters north of Da Nang. Lieutenant Gassman, attached to the Marine 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division as a member of the dental civic action program known as DENCAP (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
5. Photograph number 4-2515-68: 1968: Field Dentistry: Lieutenant J. R. Gassman (Pocatello, Idaho) removes the last particles of decay from a child's tooth. Dental Technician C. M. Silverman (La Mesa, California) assists the doctor on their DENCAPs (dental civic action programs). One morning each week they travel into the rural area northwest of Da Nang to treat Vietnamese people. This boy is from the hamlet of Huong Phuoc, located in the westernmost sector of Marine Force Logistic Command's civil affairs area. Gassman and Silverman are attached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number 1D-7-1507-68: 1968: A plaque from the villagers of Ha Thanh is presented to Major James E. Harman, Executive Officer of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion. The hand lacquered plaque was presented in appreciation of the dedication and work of the men of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion in the construction of McClelland Dam (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

**Box 4 Folder 40.      7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3-219-68: August 1968: Dental Office: Navy Dental Technician DT3 Jim J. Wallace sets up his office wherever he finds a patient. Wallace, 20 (West Covina, California) of 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's mobile MedCap unit stops at Combined Action Unit Quebec 2-8-1 northwest of Da Nang to check and operate on Hoa Thanh villagers (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-121-68: May 1968: Old Well, New Pump: Fresh water flows once more from a 300 year old well in Tung Son hamlet, north of Da Nang. The Villagers rebuilt the well with materials supplied by the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion. The village chief and Staff Sergeant Ho Dinh Luc, the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer's interpreter, pump water into a bucket held by a village boy and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James Turse, 24 (Groton, Connecticut), the battalion civil affairs officer (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant J. F. Colton).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-121-68: May 1968: 500,000<sup>th</sup> Brick: The 500,000<sup>th</sup> brick produced by Vietnamese workers in the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division brick factory is presented to Lieutenant Colonel Ray Funderburk (Beaufort, South Carolina), battalion commander. Ho Cung, the two-year old factory's senior worker, presents the brick as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James Turse, 27 (Groton, Connecticut), 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer's civil affairs officer, looks on (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. F. Colton).
4. Photograph number 1D-3-121-68: May 1968: New School Supplies: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James Turse, 24 (Croton, Connecticut) presents school supplies to Sister Regina Teresina, a teacher at the Catholic school in Hoa Thanh, north of Da Nang. The school supplies were gifts from Kingsport School (Springfield, Virginia) and were distributed to the Buddhist and Catholic schools in Hoa Than by the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, Civil Affairs section. Included in supplies were notebooks, pencils, crayons, erasers, and pencil sharpeners (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. F. Colton).
5. Photograph number 2-2050-68: 1968: Viet Cong Haven: Private First Class John E. Pope, left (Forest Park, Georgia) and Lance Corporal Robert J. Green (Waterville, Maine), members of B Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, wait at the mouth of a five-story cave found in Marble Mountain. The cave was searched and sealed with explosives (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Reid).
6. Photograph number 9-157-69: 1969: Going to the Pagoda: Two Buddhist monks greet Marines from the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion. The Leathernecks, visiting some of the religious shrines and temples near Da Nang, found the Tam Bao Tu pagoda, one of the most interesting places on their tour (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
7. Photograph number 1-1630-68: 1968: 'I Baptize You in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit': Navy Chaplain Aubret H. White utilizes the Tuy Loan River southwest of Da Nang to baptize [unreadable] Speaks (right) (Indianapolis, Indiana) and an unidentified Marine of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. For the chaplains whose denominational mode of baptism is immersion, the rivers of South

Vietnam have become a symbol of eternal life in baptizing military men into the Christian faith (official Navy photo by Lieutenant Commander Aubret H. White).

8. Photograph number 1D-32-126-69: 1969: Mine Probes: In many ways the Vietnam War is unlike any other in which Leathernecks have fought. However, as Marines in previous wars learned, Private First Class Dale Burges (Little Rock, Arkansas) knows that the best way to locate other members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, conduct daily road sweeps to keep roads free of mines that may wound or kill Marines and Vietnamese civilians (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).

**Box 4 Folder 41.      7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [7<sup>th</sup> Marines]**

1. Photograph number 0197: 24 February 1968: On the Move: An equipment-laden infantryman of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines moves from a landing zone south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
2. Photograph number 33-240-69: 1969: Spring Cleaning: Marines with the 106mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, take a break from firing at the enemy and clean their weapons. The platoon fires in support of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, located at LZ Baldy, 23 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
3. Photograph number 10-164-68: 12 July 1968: Field Maintenance: A machinegunner with the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment takes time out in the field to clean his weapon. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leatherneck was participating in operations north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
4. Photograph number 7-324-68: 1968: Fire in the Hole!: Marine Lance Corporal Charles H. Chaussy, 20 (Chalmette, Louisiana), tosses a grenade into an enemy tunnel entrance while on a sweep south of Hill 55 with the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
5. Photograph number 1D-2-324-68: 1968: Dog Gone Tired: Sergeant Tim L. Miller, 21 (Hays, Kansas) and his German Shepherd Scout Dog 'Rip' catch a few winks during a lull. They were attached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines while on a sweep of Chau Son hamlet south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
6. Photograph number 02-36-69: 1969: With a Firm Grasp: Colonel Robert L. Nichols (Saunderstown, Rhode Island), right, takes firm control of both the colors and the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment during change of command ceremonies at Camp Joseph L. Muir, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. Relinquishing command was Colonel Herbert L. Beckington (Alexandria, Virginia), who reported to 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division headquarters for further assignment (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).

7. Photograph number 1D-1-163-69:1969: Rice Cache: 'Charlie' will miss a few meals this month after losing 62 tons of rice to elements of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines. The rice was taken to An Hoa for storage. Unloading the rice is Private First Class U. Colello, 19 (Medford, Massachusetts), on truck, and Lance Corporal James F. McBray, 21 (San Francisco, California), bag of rice in hands (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Hank Berkowitz).

**Box 4 Folder 42. 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-37-226-69: 1969: All Aboard: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] board trucks heading for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's stand-down center, 'Stack Arms', for a two-day rest and recuperation period. The combat Marines had been engaged in heavy fighting against North Vietnamese Army soldiers in a two-day conflict that netted the Leathernecks 224 enemy kills (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
2. Photograph number 1D-34-226-69: 1969: A Different War: Sergeant Major Charles C. Awkerman (Mount Union, Pennsylvania), battalion sergeant major of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] takes another drag on his stogie as he thinks back to other wars he has seen. The things that he has seen in the last few days have made him proud of today's Marine, for his Leathernecks showed the fighting spirit of the 'Old Corps' as they killed 224 enemy soldiers in two days of bitter fighting during a recent operation (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
3. Photograph number 1-1380-69: 1969: Amtrack Support: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7], cross the Vu Gia River after smashing the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces in the area, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang. Amphibian tractors (AmTracs) support the ground troops with covering fire as the Marines advanced against enemy (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
4. Photograph number 24-226-69: 1969: Cool Drink: After a hot day of patrolling, nothing tastes as good as a cool drink of water. Private First Class James R. Daigle, 24 (Gretna, Louisiana), pauses for a cool drink after participating in an operation with this unit, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7]. The battalion, supported by artillery and airstrikes, killed 224 North Vietnamese Army soldiers during two days of bitter fighting 16 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 33-226-69: 1969: Nomad: Marine Corporal Bobbie J. Crawford, 21 (Kingsport, Tennessee), a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7], looks like a nomad as he shades himself from the blistering Vietnamese sun with a towel while participating in operation 16 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
6. Photograph number 28-226-69: 1969: Exhausted: An unidentified Marine from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] relaxes after two days of constant and violent contact with

North Vietnamese soldiers 16 miles southwest of Da Nang. The Marines were responsible for killing 224 enemy soldiers (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).

7. Photograph number 8-256-68: September 1968: Arty Up: 2d Lieutenant Jon L. Zich (Birmingham, Michigan) moves down an embankment when the word is passed for 'artillery up front!' Zich is an artillery forward observer with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7]. He and his radiomen called in tons of ordnance on reinforced enemy positions during an operation 13 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 4 Folder 43.     1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 5-226-69: 1969: Grim Determination: A radio man with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] seems grimly determined to make it across the last river before returning home to his base camp after a recent grueling operation. During two days the Leathernecks teamed up with Marine artillery and airstrikes to kill 224 North Vietnamese Army soldiers in a series of running battles (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
2. Photograph number 18-226-69: 1969: Helping Hand: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7], lend a helping hand to one of their buddies as they cross the Vu Gia River, 15 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. The Marines had been conducting operations against the enemy and were returning to their home base for a well deserved rest (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
3. Photograph number 1D-4-64-68: 4 March 1968: Long Walk Home: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] return from the field to their battalion command post at the end of an operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brusch).
4. Photograph number 13-226-69: 1969: Step Up: That last thankful step always seems longest but it's good to have a buddy to give you a helping hand as these Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] demonstrate as they return from an exhausting operation 16 miles southwest of Da Nang. During two days of bitter fighting the Leathernecks, utilizing artillery and close air support, killed 224 North Vietnamese soldiers in a series of running battles (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 1D-18-46-68: 15 February 1968: River Crossing: 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] Leathernecks ford a river during an operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
6. Photograph number 1D-1-9-46-68: 15 February 1968: Hoisted Out: A wounded Leatherneck from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] is lifted from the mountainous jungle

southwest of Da Nang into a hovering medical evacuation helicopter (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).

7. Photograph number 1D-1-10-46-68: 15 February 1968: Hoisted Out: A wounded Leatherneck from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] is lifted from the mountainous jungle southwest of Da Nang into a hovering medical evacuation helicopter (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
8. Photograph number 1D-1-11-46-68: 15 February 1968: Hoisted Out: A wounded Leatherneck from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/7] is lifted from the mountainous jungle southwest of Da Nang into a hovering medical evacuation helicopter (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).

**Box 4 Folder 44.      Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/7]**

1. Photograph number 1-1205-68: 11 August 1968: Vigilance: Marine Lance Corporal Bill Lyons, 19 (Springfield, Ohio), keeps a watchful eye for the enemy during a break. Lyons was on a search for North Vietnamese Army rocket sites with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/7], in Elephant Valley near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
2. Photograph number 7-256-68: 1968: Searching Ruins: 2d Lieutenant Wyman E. Shuler (Elloree, South Carolina) gets information while searching the ruins of an enemy strong point 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. Shuler and the other 'Professionals' from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/7] uncovered and destroyed more than 50 reinforced North Vietnamese Army bunkers during the operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
3. Photograph number 2-205-68: August 1968: Takes Ten: Marine Lance Corporal Charley Ascew, 20 (Chesapeake, Virginia) a machine gunner with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/7] takes a break in the tall grass of Elephant Valley near Da Nang. Ascew was on a sweep looking for North Vietnamese Army rocket sites that fire on the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

**Box 4 Folder 45.      2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-10-347-67: 13 December 1967: Helping Hand: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division found the going a bit rough on a muddy slope during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. G. Davenport).
2. Photograph number 1D-7-343-67: 9 December 1967: Amphibious Marines: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] utilize AmTracs during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brusch).



3. Photograph number 1D-18-343-67: 9 December 1967: Air Drop: A Marine H-34 helicopters drops rations to Marines of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brusch).
4. Photograph number 0369: 4 May 1968: On the Double: Troops of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] move out on the double to board a CH-46 Sea Knight of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] on a recent troop lift from Hill 55, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).
5. Photograph number 2-68X-67: 9 March 1967: Lance Corporal Joseph Luca of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] looks at a hole in his helmet which was put there by a Viet Cong sniper while Luca was carrying wounded comrades to safety. Luca is being nominated for the Medal of Honor (Defense Department photo).
6. Photograph number 10-27-68: 1968: Sighting In: Marine Corporal Sylvester L. Hanna, 19 (Chicago, Illinois), sights in his rifle during an operation south of Da Nang, Vietnam. Hanna is a sniper with 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).
7. Photograph number 1D-16-192-68: August 1968: Needle in a Haystack: That's what this Leatherneck of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] seems to be thinking as he searches for arms caches in a Vietnamese haystack. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division trooper was participating in operations north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
8. Photograph number 4043: undated: Assistance: A corpsman and Marines of 2/7 [2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines] bandage an injured Vietnamese boy's head during an operation 22 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).
9. Photograph number 12-191-68: 1968: It Beats C-Rations: Fresh fruit is a rare find in the field but this Marine of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] bites into a fresh pineapple to supplement his C-Rations. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leatherneck was participating in operations north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).

**Box 4 Folder 46.      Company E, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-15-36-68: 5 February 1968: Arms Captured: Private First Class Robert Majeran, 18 (Dorchester, Massachusetts), left, and Private Kenneth Sisson, 19 (Ellenwood, Georgia), members of E Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/7] examine enemy weapons captured near the village of Nam-O, west of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Steve Wyatt).
2. Photograph number 3M-3-1474-68: 1968: Memorial: Lieutenant Bradford Lovejoy (center), Battalion Landing Team 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [BLT 2/7] chaplain, gives memorial services for E Company in memory of those who gave their lives in the

Republic of Vietnam. With Lovejoy are Lieutenant Colonel E. L. Watson (left), BLT commanding officer, and Sergeant Major Cook, right (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).

3. Photograph number 3M-1-1474-68: 1968: Memorial Services: Memorial services were held for E Company, Battalion, Landing Team 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [BLT 2/7], at the battalion command post 5 miles southwest of Da Nang September 12 in memory of those who gave their lives in the Republic of Vietnam. Lieutenant J. F. O'Donnell, PHIBRON Nine Chaplain, and Lieutenant Bradford Lovejoy, BLT Chaplain, preside at the service (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).

**Box 4 Folder 47.      Company F, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1-4-240-68: September 1968: Observing the hit of a 3.5 inch rocket on Marble Mountain is Lance Corporal Robert S. Brooks, 19 (Sparta, Wisconsin). Brooks, of F Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/7] was on patrol in search of Viet Cong suspected of hiding in the mountain complex four miles southeast of here (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant C. E. Lane).

**Box 4 Folder 48.      Company G, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-9-347-67: 19 December 1967: Fireside Gathering: Leathernecks of G Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, huddle around a fire during a lull in the fighting during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. G. Davenport).

**Box 4 Folder 49.      Company H, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-257-69: 1969: No Slack: In Vietnam, a clean weapon can mean the difference between life and death. When H Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/7] took a break while patrolling north of Da Nang, Corporal John C. Thompson (Pittsburg, Pennsylvania) took advantage of the pause to clean his M-16 rifle just one more time (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-248-69: 1969: Moving Out: Marine troops of Hotel Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/7] move out to secure a hillside surrounding a CH-46 Helicopter that was shot down by enemy sniper fire during heavy fighting in the jungle flatlands 10 miles southwest of Fire Support Base Ross in Quang Tin Province (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike J. Adkinson).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-255-69: 1969: The Green, Green Grass of Home: Private Norman D. Green (Providence, Rhode Island) moves cautiously through the high grass while on a patrol north of Da Nang with H Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).

4. Photograph number 1D-1-256-69: 1969: Valor, Yes! But a Deep Hole Helps: Leathernecks of H Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/2/7] prepare night defensive positions north of Da Nang. While Private First Class Ernie Lemaire (Lafayette, Louisiana) digs his bed, Lance Corporal Gerald P. Headley (Thermopolis, Wyoming) catches up on a little homework. Taking no chances, Headley has already completed his hole nearby (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).

**Box 4 Folder 50. Headquarters and Service Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-4-343-67: 9 December 1967: Message Traffic: Lance Corporal C. M. Wolfe (Long Beach, California), copies a message during an operation northwest of Da Nang. The H & S Company communicator is a member of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brush).
2. Photograph number 8-11X-67: 11 January 1967: Lance Corporal A. B. Brandi (Headquarters and Service Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7], Communications) sits in a church steeple and watches the surrounding area while his companions relax below in the church. The steeple had been used by the Viet Cong as a sniper position (Defense Department photo by Lance Corporal Worden).

**Box 4 Folder 51. 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-321-69: 1969: Where the Mountains Touch the Rice Paddies: The headquarters of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] sits on Hill 10, eight miles southwest of Da Nang. Towers on all the high ground maintain surveillance for enemy movement or rocket launchings (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
2. Photograph number 1D-11-343-67: 9 December 1967: Preventative Maintenance: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant W. R. Standley (Fort Lauderdale, Florida), takes time out to dry out his socks and feet. The artillery liaison officer was attached to the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brush).
3. Photograph number 1D-4-359-67: 25 December 1967: Resupply Chopper: A CH-46 helicopter resupplies the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] during an operation southwest of Da Nang. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing supports the ground units with helicopter for medical evacuations, resupply and troop movements (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brush).
4. Photograph number 3-116-67: 1967: 26 April 1967: Jungle Trail: Leathernecks of 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, pick their way through heavy jungle foliage during an operation 12 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Preston Brown).

5. Photograph number 1-68-68: 8 March 1968: On the Way: A Leatherneck of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines ducks as his 60mm mortar fires at Viet Cong positions during an operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal D. I. Fisher).
6. Photograph number 1D-5-359-67: 25 December 1967: King-Sized Rations: Lance Corporal R. C. Cullars (Pinehurst, Goodwater, Alabama), 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], seems to have cornered the market on fruit cocktail during an operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brusch).
7. Photograph number 70243-68: 30 August 1968: Watchful: Private First Class Harold L. Newell, 18 (Shingle Springs, California), a member of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], watches a jet aircraft make their bombing runs on fortified NVA positions 13 miles south of Da Nang. Heavy rains fell during the bombardment, causing discomfort to both enemy and Marines alike. When the four-day operation ended, 55 NVA soldiers were dead, numerous enemy weapons had been captured and an elaborate complex of fortified bunkers and trench lines had been demolished (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
8. Photograph number 6-243-68: 30 August 1968: Sky Watch: Private First Class Tom P. Siegmeier, 20 (Long Beach, California), a radioman with 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], watches as aircraft make their bombing runs on a fortified NVA position during a four-day sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. The Marines killed 55 NVA soldiers during the operation, captured numerous weapons, and completely destroyed an elaborate complex of reinforced bunkers and trench lines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
9. Photograph number 331-69: 1969: Passing the Colors: Lieutenant Colonel J. O. Allison (right) (Vienna, Virginia), receives the battalion colors from Lieutenant Colonel F. X. Quinn (San Diego, California), in a change of command ceremony at the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division command post. Lieutenant Colonel Allison, who assumed command, was comptroller for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Lieutenant Colonel Quinn will report to 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Headquarters as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 (official USMC by Staff Sergeant A. Sharp).

## **Box 5**

### **Box 5 Folder 1.      Company I, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/7]**

1. Photograph number 2-319-68: 1968: Supporting Fire: An 81mm mortar team attached to I Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/7], shoots a fire mission from its combat base. The team was firing in support of Marine infantry units patrolling the area (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
2. No photograph number: undated: Hometown News for a Break: After a day-long combat patrol, Lance Corporal Danny Chorba, 19 (Northfield, Ohio) takes time out to catch up

on hometown news with the Bulletin. Chorba, a veteran of 10 months in Vietnam, is a member of I Combat, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. His unit is commanded by Captain Charles Robb (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Steve Wyatt).

3. Photograph number 1D-1-319-68: 1968: Going Out of My Head: Miss Martha Raye and her guitar accompanist John Paul Carr, entertain troops of I Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/7] at their combat base. The brief appearance of Miss Raye and Mr. Carr was the first show the India Company Marines had at their isolated combat base (official USMC photo by A. V. Huffman).

**Box 5 Folder 2.      Company L, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7]**

1. Photograph number 17-243-68: 30 August 1968: Firepower: Lance Corporal Harry J. Howell (left) 20, (McKenzie, Alabama) and Private First Class Pete G. Heckwine (right), 20 (Carpentersville, Illinois) fire on an enemy sniper during a sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. The L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7] helped account for 55 NVA soldiers killed and numerous weapons captured during the four-day operation. The Marines also destroyed a fortified NVA complex of reinforced bunkers and trenches (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
2. Photograph number 13-243-68: 30 August 1968: Firing Line: Lance Corporal Wayne Smith, 19 (Marsville, Pennsylvania), and assistant machine gunner with L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7] keeps his trigger finger ready and his eyes to the front of a sweep and clear mission 13 miles south of Da Nang. L and M Companies killed 55 NVA soldiers and destroyed a number of reinforced steel and concrete bunkers during the four-day operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
3. Photograph number 15-243-68: September 1968: Looking: Private First Class Willie J. Cheffen, 18 (Winnsboro, Louisiana), a member of L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7], searches for enemy bunkers during a four-day sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. Marines killed 55 NVA soldiers during the operation, captured numerous enemy weapons, and completely destroyed the fortified complex of reinforced bunkers and trench lines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 18-243-68: 30 August 1968: Under Fire: Private First Class Ed A. Stoutenger, 19 (Oswego, New York), a radioman with L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7], takes cover during heavy fighting with a well-entrenched NVA unit 13 miles south of Da Nang. Marines killed 55 NVA soldiers during the four-day sweep and clear operation. They also captured numerous enemy weapons and completely destroyed an elaborate complex of reinforced bunkers and trench lines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
5. Photograph number 1D-9-243-68: 30 August 1968: Mortar Cache: Lance Corporal Larry Petterson, 20 (Delmar, Iowa), a member of L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7]

carefully removes three enemy 82mm mortars from their hiding place during a sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. L Company and M Company killed 55 NVA soldiers, captured numerous weapons, and destroyed a fortified complex of bunkers and trench lines during the four-day operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

6. Photograph number 1D-16-243-68: 30 August 1968: NVA Mortar: Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7] pose with an 82mm mortar and mortar rounds they captured during a four-day sweep and clear operation 13 miles south of Da Nang. The operation netted 55 dead NVA soldiers, a variety of weapons, and the Marines destroyed an elaborate complex of fortified bunkers and trench lines. Left to right: Private First Class Jacob V. Perez, 20 (Waco, Texas); Private First Class John A. Crowell, 19 (Columbus, Ohio); and Lance Corporal Daniel A. Scott, 19 (Rocky Mountain, Virginia) (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 5 Folder 3.      Company M, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7]**

1. Photograph number 10-72X-67: 13 March 1967: Marines of the 3d Platoon, M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7], wade through a river bed during an overnight patrol just south of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines command post area at Duc Pho (Defense Department photo) by Sergeant Lenin).
2. Photograph number 7-72X-67: 13 March 1967: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7], move out in column across a bridge which was blown up by the Viet Cong, at the start of an overnight patrol just south of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] command post area at Duc Pho (Defense Department photo by Sergeant Lenin).
3. Photograph number 1-223-69: 1969: M Equals VC Squared: Lance Corporal James E. Gilbert (Scott, Arkansas) examines an enemy 82mm mortar captured by M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7] in fighting five miles southwest of Da Nang. The mortar was one of three captured by the Leathernecks in hand-to-hand combat. The Marines also captured the ammunition used to spell out the equation (official USMC photo by Private First Class Ralph Evankavitch).
4. Photograph number 1-224-69: 1969: Enemy Mortar: This 61mm mortar and the ammunition surrounding it were captured by Leathernecks of M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7] during heavy fighting five miles southwest of Da Nang. The Marines also captured two 82mm mortars and numerous individual weapons (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
5. Photograph number 3-252-69: 1969: Explaining: Lance Corporal Ed Jorgensen, 19 (Rosemead, California), explains how to operate the new ANPRC-88 squad radio to Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7]. The lightweight radio is now



being used by units of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).

6. Photograph number 1D-1-122-69: 1969: Captured Enemy Weapons: Three Marines from M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, examine the assortment of enemy weapons and ammunition they and their fellow Leathernecks captured during heavy fighting five miles south of Da Nang. Left to right are Lance Corporal William R. Sandridge (Winchester, Pennsylvania), Lance Corporal Calvin Tilghman (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), and Corporal Robert J. Cosgrove (Astoria, New York). The Marines captured two 82mm mortars, a 61mm mortar, a radio and assorted other weapons including the RPG-2 launcher held by Tilghman (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
7. No photograph number: undated: [A field inspection of Company M, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines (M/3/7)].

**Box 5 Folder 4. Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7]**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-236-69: 1969: Watching: Corporal Russell S. Davis, 19 (Galena, Kansas), watches for enemy movement from atop his 70 foot observation tower seven miles southwest of Da Nang. Davis is with Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).

**Box 5 Folder 5. 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion [7<sup>th</sup> Motors] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-386-69: 1969: Humpin' Hills: Marines from 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Quang Tri Combat Base, 13 miles south of Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone, patrol hills and flatlands around Quang Tri in search of enemy activity. In recent weeks, the Marines have located a number of enemy equipment caches and camp sites near Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-386-69: 1969: Truck Drivin' Grunts: Elephant grass makes elephant-sized problems for Marines of 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Quang Tri Combat Base, 13 miles southwest of Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. The Marines park their trucks periodically and conduct combat patrols near Quang Tri in search of enemy activity and hidden weapons and equipment caches. The 7<sup>th</sup> Motors Marines have been successful in uncovering many such finds (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
3. Photograph number N-578-69: 1969: Secure Load: Staff Sergeant William P. Redden (Stafford, Virginia), convoy trail officer, checks load rigging during a break on a 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion 'line haul' convoy from Da Nang to Quang Tri (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. E. Wood).
4. Photograph number FLC-2-3288-69: 1969: Movin' On: A truck loaded with Artillery ammunition makes it dusty going for the rest of a convoy as it rolls along National

Highway 9, between Dong Ha and Vandegrift Combat Base. Marine convoys make resupply runs between the two Marine installations in support of 3d Marine Division forces operating in the northernmost province of Vietnam. Most of the trucks are from 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Marine Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Otte).

5. Photograph number FLC-1-3288-68: 1968: Driver's Eye View: Driving a truck becomes a hot dusty job when you're in a convoy headed along National Highway 9 toward Vandegrift Combat Base in the northernmost province of South Vietnam. Marine Private First Class Stephen L. Vohsen (St. Louis, Missouri) makes the run almost every day from Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at Dong Ha. Vohsen is serving with B Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Otte).
6. Photograph number 2-2013-68: 31 July 1968: 'Guntrucks': From the 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, headquartered at Force Logistic Command's Red Beach supply complex, travel along Route 6 north of Da Nang to their 'staging' point near an ammunition supply point. There they take their places between heavily laden convoy trucks before the convoy moves out toward An Hoa (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger Nystrom).

**Box 5 Folder 6.        7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion [7<sup>th</sup> Motors] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-1257-69: 1969: Slippery When Wet: Five-ton trucks find the going a bit slippery as they ford a small mountain stream on their return trip from Vandegrift Combat Base to Dong Ha Combat Base. The 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion convoys make the 52-mile round trip hauling supplies from Marine Force Logistic Support Group Bravo for allied operations in the northwest sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-0900-69: 1969: Bite the Dust: Marines of the 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, bite plenty of dust hauling supplies along Highway 9 from Dong Ha to Vandegrift Combat Base. The convoys make the 28 mile run to the combat base daily. Highway 9 runs almost parallel to and just south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
3. Photograph number N-578-69: 1969: On the Road: A 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion 'line haul' winds its way through the Hi Phuong Pass en route to Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. E. Wood).
4. Photograph number 2-1781-69: 1969: Going Home: A 50-ton truck Marine convoy from the 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion pulls to a brief halt near the summit of 1,300 foot Hai Van pass near Da Nang on its way to Quang Tri with fresh supplies to support 3d Marine Division operations in the republic's northernmost province (official USMC photo by Corporal Trygg Hansen).

5. Photograph number FLC-2-2013-68: 31 July 1968: Vigil: Corporal Howard Shinn (Jacksonville, Florida) mans a machine gun on a recent 7<sup>th</sup> Mortars convoy to An Hoa, 35 miles south-southwest of Da Nang. Watching both sides of the dusty road, gunners pay particular attention to the tree lines paralleling the road for possible mortar attacks (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger Nystrom).

**Box 5 Folder 7.      9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 3M-4-2267-68: 1968: Earth Mover: Marine Corporal Less Cline (Rowood, New Jersey), a member of the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion backs his bulldozer up to push filler dirt into the northern approach of the Song Ba Ren Bridge (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 1D-17-195-69: 1969: Fill'er Up: Dump trucks of the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion maneuver into position for a load of hot asphalt. The Leathernecks are improving several miles of Route 1, 17 miles north of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
3. Photograph number 3M-5-2267-68: 1968: Road Sweep: Combat engineers from the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion dig an enemy mine from Highway 1 just north of Tam Ky. Private First Class Ronald Deveney (St. Peters, Missouri) scans the area around the mine with a mine detector. Removing the mine from the road are Staff Sergeant W. A. Stewart and Private First Class Ken Overby (Peakville, New York) (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 1-293-69: 1969: Last Load: The final load of asphalt is dumped into a paving machine by drivers from the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, as they complete work on the Chu Lai to Tam Ky stretch of Route QL 1. More than 21,000 tons of asphalt were used in the paving of the 16 ½ mile long road (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0038-69: 1969: Testing their own handiwork on the newly completed Song Ba bridge are dump trucks driven by men of the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division engineers constructed the 722 foot span believed to be the longest ever built by Marine engineers. The bridge crosses the Song Ba river, 29 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
6. Photograph number 1D-3-293-69: 1969: Smooth Ride: Manning a huge steam roller, two Marines from the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion tamp down and smooth the new asphalt surface on Route QL-1. Paving the road was a delicate job with temperature and dampness of the road being crucial factors in the laying of the asphalt (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dick Licciardi).

7. Photograph number 3M-2-0038-69: 1969: Across the new bridge go Vietnamese buses loaded with people and bicycles. The 722 foot span crossing the Song Ba Ren River, was built by Leathernecks of the 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. It was opened to traffic January 6, six months after construction began (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

**Box 5 Folder 8.      Company D, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-2267-68: 1968: Swing that Hammer: Marines from D Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion drive the last of the rive inch nails used to secure planking on the Song Ba Ben bridge 29 miles south of Da Nang. Throughout the six months construction of the bridge the Marines were continuously hampered by enemy sniper fire, monsoon rains and mine roads (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-2267-68: 1968: Final Touches: The finishing touches are added to the northern approach of the Song Ba Ren River bridge. Lance Corporal Brown Martin (St. John Berry, Vermont) cuts away excess planking at Staff Sergeant Willard Thomas (Hartford, Connecticut) directs the approach of a dump truck filling in the bridge approach. The bridge was constructed by members of D Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-2267-68: 1968: Bridge Builders: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Jack Hawkins, Jr. (Mobile, Alabama) (left) discusses the next phase of construction on the Song Ba Ren bridge with Corporal Richard C. Hoffman (Chicago, Illinois). Hawkins and his platoon from D Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion constructed the 722 foot span 29 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-294-69: 1969: Bigger, Better Idea: A load of rock is dumped into the 75 ton per hour Austen Western Rock Crusher, manned by Marines of D Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 40 miles north of Chu Lai. The crusher and quarry provides surface materials for the upgrading of Vietnam's Route QL-1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
5. Photograph number 3M-6-2267-68: 1968: The Old and the New: The Song Ba Ren Bridge, believed to be the longest bridge ever constructed by Marine Corps engineers, sits beside a Vietnamese bridge (left), which it will replace. The bridge was constructed in six months by members of D Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

**Box 5 Folder 9.      9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [9<sup>th</sup> Marines] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number DH-2-1-232-68: September 1968: Tight Squeeze: A Sea Knight helicopter barely fits in a small landing zone in the thick jungles north of Con Thien. The aircraft is providing medical evacuation missions for 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leathernecks

searching for enemy bunkers and supply caches just south of the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

2. Photograph number 3D-2-1304-68: 1968: Trophy at His Feet: Marine Private First Class David E. Miller, 20 (Brawley, California) stands over the 300 pound boar he shot while on a patrol with a battalion of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines. It took four Leathernecks to carry in the large animal that charged the patrol through thick jungle undergrowth near the Laotian border (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-2342-68: 1968: Steve's Coffee Shop: Private First Class Steve Boling (Chicago, Illinois) brews a fresh pot of coffee at Fire Support Base Dick, southeast of Vandegrift Combat Base. Steve's Coffee Shop caters to Marines manning the hilltop artillery outpost and command post of 9<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-6311-68: 1968: Mortar Pit Chapel: Lieutenant Commander William Childers (Tucson, Arizona), a chaplain with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, holds services for his Marines on a hilltop near the Laotian border, south of Khe Sanh. An 81mm mortar sets the scenery for the services held in a mortar pit (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).
5. Photograph number 0976: undated: That's Using Your Head: Marine Private First Class W. Williams (New York City, New York), of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, uses his head to haul a case of ammunition up a hill west of Quang Tri, South Vietnam, after his unit was inserted into the area December 18 by Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262], of Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Collett).
6. Photograph number 3D-7-1304-68: 1968: Amphibious Mule: A Mechanical Mule loaded with explosives to blow an enemy road in the rugged jungle-studded mountains near Laos in South Vietnam is helped across a stream by men of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, 3d Marine Division. The mule driver is Lance Corporal Louis Pluneda (San Luis Obispo, California) (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
7. Photograph number 3D-3-10029-69: 1969: Report: 2d Lieutenant C. M. Newsom (Orlando, Florida), a platoon commander with a 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment rifle company, radioes a report to his company commander after landing in the assault wave with his men atop Hill 764 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).
8. Photograph number 3D-2-10029-69: 1969: Landing Zone Perimeter: Marines of a 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Rifle Company protect a rugged landing zone while other members of the unit are en route in choppers (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).

9. Photograph number 11-1272-68: 1968: Landing Zone Pacific: Leathernecks of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment dash out of Sea Knight helicopters inside the Demilitarized Zone during an operation against the 320<sup>th</sup> North Vietnamese Army Division. Brigadier General Frank E. Garretson's Task Force Hotel conducted the DMZ operation which accounted for over 500 dead NVA soldiers (official USMC photo by Private First Class Hildreth).

**Box 5 Folder 10.      9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [9<sup>th</sup> Marines] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-46-67: 15 February 1967: 'Love Jayne': A permanent record of her visit to the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines is recorded in concrete by Jayne Mansfield during her visit to Da Nang, February 15. The buxom blonde also visited the 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/5] and the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/26], posing for photographs and talking with Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal J. J. Williams).
2. Photograph number 3D-11-9060-69: 1969: Lost to the NVA: An infantryman from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines carries the tube of a communist 82mm mortar captured near the Laotian border. The mortar was in an enemy munitions cache so big, estimated at 288 tons, it took two Marine companies to carry out all of the captured enemy weapons. In addition, tons of enemy ammunition, including mines, grenades, artillery, and mortar rounds, were destroyed (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-5318-68: 1968: Easy Living: Corporal Bob McDonald (33 Acorn Circle, Baltimore, Maryland), a rifleman with Headquarters, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, takes time out to relax. For McDonald, happiness is a cool mountain stream, an easy chair, and his favorite magazine. The young corporal, a 12-month veteran of Vietnam, found time to relax while at Vandegrift Combat Base, headquarters for the 3d Marine Division's Task Force Hotel and the jump-off point for Marine operations along the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-10029-69: 1969: Skipper's Brief: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant R. T. Rohweller (Jacksonville, Florida), center, a company commander with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, briefs his men atop Hill 764 during a combat operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).
5. Photograph number 3D-13-9-060-69: 1969: Buried Treasure: Two Leathernecks from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines uncover boxes of 82mm mortar rounds discovered in a huge enemy supply point near the Laotian border. Marines unearthed the 288 ton enemy munitions storage area following a battle with an estimated company sized enemy force. Thirty communists lost their lives in an attempt to safeguard the cache (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
6. Photograph number 3D-2-6311-68: 1968: Church Services in the Field: Ammunition boxes serve as a makeshift altar as Lieutenant Commander William Childers (Tucson, Arizona) holds services on a jungle hilltop south of Khe Sanh. Chaplain Childers is



serving as a battalion chaplain with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines and continuously travels from unit to unit to provide services and spiritual guidance for infantrymen (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackmann).

**Box 5 Folder 11.     1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9]**

1. Photograph number 3D-3-12054-69: 1969: One for Two: Private First Class Ronnie S. Tucker (Rockford, Illinois), left, and Robert M. Moxley (Tigard, Oregon), members of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/9], examine their helmets which were both hit by a single enemy round (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).
2. Photograph number 3D-14-3030-69: 1969: Take Five: Marine Lance Corporal Dennis L. Butts, 19 (Carlyle, Illinois), takes a well earned break after humping his heavy pack and radio during an operation against enemy forces in Quang Tri Province. Butts, a member of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9], is one of thousands of grunts who must carry heavy packs, radios, and other equipment as they search for the enemy in the jungle terrain just south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Corporal J. C. McCullough).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-2-007-69: 1969: Mortar Crew: Men of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] prepare their 81mm mortar for firing. The mortars pounded suspected enemy positions in support of Marine infantrymen as they searched for the enemy near Laotian border (official USMC photo by Corporal M. C. Patterson).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-2002-69: 1969: Hitting the Beach: Leathernecks of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] hit the beach at Cua Viet for two days of rest and rehabilitation. Under the newly initiated program, 3d Marine Division units are given a brief period of rest after months of searching for the enemy in the mountainous jungles of Quang Tri Province (official USMC photo by Corporal John McCullough).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-6010-69: January 1969: Silver Star Medal: The Commandant of the Marine Corps, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., congratulated Lance Corporal Dennis C. Coffey (Sandusky, Ohio) after presenting the Silver Star to the young 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] Leatherneck. Coffey earned the award for heroism while operating against North Vietnamese Army Forces in Quang Tri Province, December 8, 1968 (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. J. Carroll).
6. 3D-3-2002-69: 1969: Rare Sight: Leathernecks of of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] enjoy the surf of the Gulf of Tonkin during a two-day rest and rehabilitation break at Cua Viet, just six miles south of the Demilitarized Zone. Under a newly initiated program, 3d Marine Division units are given a two-day 'breather' after lengthy operations against the enemy in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal John McCullough).
7. Photograph number 3D-2-2002-69: 1969: Seaside Church Service: Navy Lieutenant Evan J. Greco, a chaplain with the 3d Marine Division, conducts services on the beach at Cua

Viet for men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9]. The Leathernecks were on a two-day rest and rehabilitation break after long weeks of operations against the enemy in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by John McCullough).

**Box 5 Folder 12.      2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9]**

1. Photograph number 3D-5-240-68: 1968: Wet Going: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9], find the going 'damp' as they cross a mountain stream during a sweep and clear operation north of Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-240-68: 1968: Shady Canopy: Dense jungles provide cool shade from the hot sun for Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] as they conduct a sweep and clear mission southwest of Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-240-68: 1968: Brief Relief: Leathernecks of 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] pause in a cool mountain stream before starting the rough trek up a steep hill southwest of Vandegrift Combat Base during a sweep and clear mission (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
4. Photograph number 3M-6-1355-69: 1969: With Thanks: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. Modjeski (Baton Rouge, Louisiana) commanding officer of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] accepts a gift from Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, Vietnamese command general of I Corps, as 2/9 leaves Vietnam for its new headquarters on Okinawa. The Marines left from the Deep Water Pier, Da Nang, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-240: undated: LZ Defense: Leathernecks of 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] prepare to fire an 81mm mortar to suppress enemy mortar fire while a Marine transport helicopter drops into their landing zone. The landing zone was the night position for the Marines as they conducted a search and clear mission southwest of Vandegrift Combat Base August 27 (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
6. Photograph number 3D-6-210-68: 1968: Another Day: The day ends, but not for two radio operators of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] on radio watch near a helicopter landing one during a multi-battalion Marine operation north of Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim Lamont).
7. Photograph number 3M-4-1355-69: August 1969: Bon Voyage: Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, Vietnamese Commanding General, I Corps, presents a small token of appreciation to one of the battalion commanders as the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] prepare to leave Vietnam for Okinawa, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).

8. Photograph number 3M-5-1355-69: 1969: August 1969: Case the Colors: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] prepare to case the unit's colors for the last time in Vietnam. When 2/9's colors again wave in the breeze, it will be on Okinawa. The Marines boarded the USS Paul Revere at the Deep Water Pier, Da Nang, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
9. Photograph number 3M-10-1355-69: August 1969: Farewell: Major General William K. Jones, commanding general, 3d Marine Division (right, front) bids farewell to Marine Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. Modjeski (Baton Rouge, Louisiana), commanding officer, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marine [2/9]. This increment departed for their new headquarters on Okinawa, August 1, from Da Nang's deep water pier, as part of President's Nixon's troop withdrawal program (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
10. Photograph number 3M-1-1355-69: August 1969: The Long Green Line: Marines from 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] line up according to their boarding numbers as 2/9 leaves Vietnam for Okinawa. The Leathernecks left from the Deep Water Pier, Da Nang, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
11. Photograph number 3M-2-1355-69: August 1969: Moving Out: Departing Marines from 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] prepare to board the USS Paul Revere bound for Okinawa. These Marines are part of President Nixon's troop redeployment program. They left Vietnam from the Deep Water Pier, Da Nang, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).

**Box 5 Folder 13.      Company G, 2d Battalion 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/9]**

1. Photograph number 3D-11-26-67: 10 January 1967: A Vietnamese woman mans the boat as she guides Marines of Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/9], 3d Marine Division, toward the island hamlet of Ha Chou, six miles south of Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam (Defense Department photo by Corporal Holbert).
2. Photograph number 3D-5-26-67: 10 January 1967: Marines of Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/9] come ashore at Ha Chou, Republic of Vietnam, in an amphibious type assault. The villagers of this hamlet have been the point of Viet Cong harassment during the past few weeks (Defense Department photo by Corporal Holbert).
3. Photograph number 3D-9-26-67: 10 January 1967: The Vietnamese coxswain had his job, and Marines from Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/9], had theirs, as Popular Force troops and 3d Division Marines move along toward their objective six miles south of Phu Bai, Vietnam (Defense Department photo by Corporal Holbert).
4. Photograph number 3D-17-26-67: 10 January 1967: The final approach to the beach was tense as Golf Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/9] moved nearer the island hamlet of Ha Chou, in an amphibious assault, Vietnamese style (Defense Department photo by Corporal Holbert).

**Box 5 Folder 14.      3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/9]**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-0378-69: March 1965: Charging Ashore: Marines from the 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [BLT 3/9] charge ashore at Red Beach 2 north of Da Nang on the morning of March 9 1965. The Marines later moved to positions on Hill 327 overlooking Da Nang Air Base (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-0378-69: 1965: Moving Out: Leathernecks of I Company, 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/9] move toward Hill 327 overlooking the Da Nang Air Base on March 8, 1965 to begin their mission of defending the vital air field (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 3M-1-0378: March 1965: Coming Ashore: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [BLT 3/9] wad ashore from landing craft at Red Beach 2, just north of Da Nang on March 8, 1965 (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-10-219-69: 1969: Members of the 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/9] conduct an ice cream party for members of Lang Cant, a Montagnard village near Vandegrift Combat Base. The battalion picked Lang Cant for the party because of the close cooperation between the villagers and allied forces during operations in that area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Beyerlein).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-2358-69: 1969: Rice Cache: Staff Sergeant Fred A. Willey (Rainelle, West Virginia), supply noncommissioned officer with 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/9] examines a large enemy rice cache bought into the Vandegrift Combat Base. Leathernecks unearthed large enemy rice and ammunition caches while operating south of Vandegrift (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. L. Randolph).

**Box 5 Folder 15.      11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion**

1. Photograph number 3M-7-519-68: April 1968: Highway 9 Repair: Leathernecks of B Company, 11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion prepare a river bed before laying culvert pipes east of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ernest H. Leblanc).
2. Photograph number 3D-3-8935-69: 1969: Progress: Sergeant William Sepe (Pleasant Valley, New York), a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, examines a plow he constructed for Vietnamese farmers west of Dong Ha as a village official looks at the furrow dug by the new implement (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-8935-66: 1969: After: Vietnamese farmers west of Dong Ha watch in amazement as a new steel plow and tractor till their fields. Marine Sergeant William Sepe (Pleasant Valley, New York), a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, constructed the new plow to fit the tractor the farmers had just acquired (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-1115-69: 1969: Working Hand in Hand: A Marine from 11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion and a Vietnamese villager from Cam Vo, northwest of Dong Ha, work together to repair an aqueduct irrigation system that supplies the valley with water. The Marines are assisting the villagers in repairing the irrigation system after it was damaged during the 1968 Tet offensive (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-6103-69: 1969: Moving Day: Marines of the 3d Bridge Company, 11<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, provide a ferry service to assist residents of the Truong Xa Village in returning to their former homes north of the Cam Lo River. The Marines helped nearly 2,100 villagers return to their homes after they fled south of the river during the 1968 Tet offensive to seek the protection of nearby Marine and Vietnamese bases (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Leo Meidlinger).

**Box 5 Folder 16.      11<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [11<sup>th</sup> Marines]**

1. Photograph number 1D-2-06-69: 1969: Wet Journey: Private First Class Thomas G. Hill, 20 (Ellicott City, Maryland), wades through knee-deep water on the way to an enemy rocket site. Hill is an artillery surveyor with the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines and a member of the rocket launch site inspection team deployed after each enemy rocket attack to locate, investigate, and destroy the launch site (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
2. Photograph number 2-219-68: 6 August 1968: Perilous Perch: A small observation helicopter attached to the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines takes off on a scout mission in the Da Nang area. The machine gunner, Army Private First Class John Lindemuth, 20 (Fort Wayne, Indiana) actually rides outside the canopy during flights in which speeds reach more than 80 knots. The tiny helicopter also carries a Marine air observer capable of calling in area artillery on suspected enemy targets (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. W. Cheeley).
3. Photograph number 1D-16-117-68: 1968: 25,000 Round: Lieutenant Colonel Clayton V. Hendricks (Virginia Beach, Virginia), a commanding officer of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, pulls the lanyard to fire the 25,000 round by the 175mm guns of B Battery, 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Artillery, US Army. The battery has been in country an attached to the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines since August 1967. B Battery is credited with more than 450 confirmed kills (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. L. Cummings).
4. Photograph number 1D-14-117-68: 1968: Fire!: 175mm artillery pieces of B Battery, 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Artillery, US Army, attached it to the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, fire on enemy positions near Da Nang. The big guns fire in general support of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's infantry battalions and reconnaissance elements. The four 175mm self-propelled guns have 450 confirmed enemy kills to their credit (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant M. M. Upton).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-131-68: 1968: Launching the Noon Balloon: at the 11<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment headquarters, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division are Lance Corporal John Jennings, 24

(Independence, Missouri), left, and Lance Corporal Ronald Shafer, 19 (Ballwin, Missouri). The weather balloons, launched three times daily, collect atmospheric data affecting artillery fire. Signals are transmitted by radar equipment to regimental headquarters and the information is relayed to Marine artillery units in the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant M. O. Upton).

6. Photograph number 1-06-69: 1969: Lance Corporal Lewis Reynolds, 21 (Bay City, Michigan), a radioman with the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines waits for enemy machinegun fire to cease before moving out. Reynolds was with a rocket launch site inspection team near Da Nang when they were fired on (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
7. Photograph number 1D-1-41-69: 1969: Tet Gifts: A child from the Ba Son hamlet elementary school plays with toys presented to him by Marines of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. More than 320 gifts were given to the school children to help them celebrate the Tet (Lunar New Year) holidays (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
8. Photograph number 1D-02-38-69: 1969: 'Arty' Commanders" Colonel H. E. Dickinson, left (Veblen, South Dakota), and Captain Samuel A. Hannah (Greensboro, North Carolina), the old new commander of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, inspect troops during a change of command ceremony. Colonel Dickinson will assume Colonel Hannah's former position as Division Chief of Staff (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).

**Box 5 Folder 17.     1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/11]**

1. Photograph number 2-226-68: 13 August 1968: Ready for Charlie: Marines of C Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/11], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division fuze 105mm howitzer rounds at an artillery outpost nine miles north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
2. Photograph number 1D-6-226-68: 13 August 1968: Hot Chow: Marines of C Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/11], get a change of menu—hot chow, brought to them at an artillery outpost north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

**Box 5 Folder 18.     2d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/11]**

1. Photograph number 1D-1326-68: 1968: Cutting Charge: Private First Class James M. Prescott, 19 (South Portland, Maine), supplies the right amount of powder charges for a 105mm howitzer shell as F Battery, 2d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/11] prepares to fire the battalion's 600,000<sup>th</sup> round in Vietnam. Since March 24, 1966 the battalion has blasted away at enemy targets in support of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment (official USMC photo).

**Box 5 Folder 19.     3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11]**



1. Photograph number 21-240-69: 1969: Adjusts Sights: An artilleryman, attached to Golf Battery, 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11] adjusts the elevation of a 105mm howitzer after firing a round. Golf Battery, located on Hill 63, 25 miles southwest of Da Nang, fires in support of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
2. Photograph number 1D-4-134-68: 1968: This is It: As the gun crew from the 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11] loads the battalion's one millionth round, Major General Don J. Robertson (far right), commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, stands by to pull the lanyard. The round was fired from H Battery headquarters, northwest Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brush).
3. Photograph number 32-240-69: 1969: Get Some: Marine Corporals Robert P. Hoffman, 19 (Chicago, Illinois), and Dennis M. Hayes, 18 (Marietta, Georgia), and Private First Class Robert L. Allen, 22 (Alburt, Washington) (left to right) fire a 105mm howitzer at enemy positions. The men are assigned to the 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11], which fires in support of the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] located at Fire Support Base Ross, 26 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
4. Photograph number 3-231-69: 1969: Artillery Swings Into Action: Marines of G Battery, 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11] swing their 105mm howitzer into a new firing position. Located on Hill 10, the battery provides supporting fire for the Rocket Hunters of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] and adjacent units eight miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
5. No photograph number: undated: Boom!: The 4.2 inch howitzer makes Marines of W Battery, [3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines] 3/11 hold their ears. The howitzer is being fired in support 2/7 [2d Battalion. 7<sup>th</sup> Marines] in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).
6. Photograph number 4-240-69: 1969: Clearing Time: Private First Class Donovan L. Boyd, 20 (Onamia, Minnesota) cleans the bore of a 105mm howitzer. Boyd is assigned to Golf Battery, 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11]. The artillery unit fires in support of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines operating in the Que Son Valley in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
7. Photograph number 3-240-69: 1969: Spit and Polish: Private First Class Danny W. Collins, 25 (St. Louis, Missouri), a cannoneer with Golf Battery, 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11], cleans the bore of his 105mm howitzer between fire missions. Golf Battery, located on Hill 63, 25 miles southwest of Da Nang, fires in support of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. Gentry).
8. Photograph number 1D-8-324-68: 1968: Ready for Business: HM3 James W. Davis, 21 (Newport News, Virginia), a corpsman from Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/11], gets his supplies ready to treat Vietnamese villagers during a recent

operation by the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines near Hill 55 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).

**Box 5 Folder 20.      11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion [11<sup>th</sup> Motors]**

1. Photograph number 1D-2-263-69: 1969: Coming Ashore: Marines of the 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, roar ashore in the Marine Corps' newest amphibious cargo vehicle, the Huskie. The Huskie is capable of traveling 4 mph in the water and 37 mph on land (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
2. Photograph number 1D-3-263-69: 1969: Deep Water Trials: Student drivers from B Company, 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, put the new Huskie through its paces. The Huskie can transport 11 to 13 Marines 200 to 300 miles on land or 22 miles in the water (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-66-69: 1969: Division Showplace: Looking clean and orderly even from the air, the 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion cantonment has earned the admiration of the entire 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. Recently renovated huts, housing 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division rear personnel, can be seen directly behind the truck lot and huts behind those are occupied by men of the battalion. Neat rows of Huskies, the Corps' newest amphibious cargo vehicle, can be seen at lower right (official USMC photo by Corporal R. B. Sanville).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-263-69: 1969: Huskies' Honcho: Master Sergeant Robert Serpa (Reyle, Georgia), section chief of the Marginal Terrain Vehicle Platoon, 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, passes instructions to student drivers being checked out in the Marine Corps' newest amphibious cargo vehicle, the Huskie. Master Sergeant Serpa has been working with the Huskie since the first stages of its development (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
5. Photograph number 3M-6-0061-69: 1969: Rolling Marines: Marine Corps Commandant Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., examines equipment used by the Corps' 'rolling Leathernecks' at 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. The commandant's three day tour included visits with Marine infantry and supporting units throughout the northern five provinces of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
6. Photograph number 1D-1-40-69: 1969: A small Vietnamese girl happily accepts a package of new clothing given her by a village elder and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Gary D. Andresen, 25 (Seattle, Washington). Lieutenant Andresen and a Vietnamese coworker delivered the clothing to villagers of Khan Son hamlet after students of Meridian Elementary school in Seattle, Washington sent them to be used in the 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion civil affairs program. Andresen is the Civil Affairs officer for the unit. His wife is a teacher at the Meridian School (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Tour).

7. Photograph number 1-339-68: 1968: Not Forgotten: From left, Chaplain Matt J. Horvatt, 37 (Gardner, Kansas), Lieutenant Colonel John A. Kinniburgh, 39 (Alexandria, Virginia) and Sergeant Major William F. Roberts (Columbus, Ohio) read a Christmas card from 1,200 students of Clinton Junior High School, Columbus, Ohio. The card was sent to the 11<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion by the students and signed by Ohio Governor James Rhodes. Lieutenant Colonel Kinniburgh is the commanding officer of the battalion (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaff).

**Box 5 Folder 21.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/12]**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-5-232-69: 1969: Fire Mission: Private First Class Rober Chock (Minneapolis, Minnesota), gunner, on right, and Private First Class K. G. Blatti (Oronoco, Minnesota), assistant gunner, fire their 105 howitzer in support of the 3d Marine Regiment. Both are assigned to A Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/12] at Fire Support Base Fuller (official USMC photo Sergeant Bruce Smith).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-5-232-69: 1969: Preparing to Fire: High atop Dong Ha Mountain, at Fire Support Base Fuller, Private First Class Robert Chock (Minneapolis, Minnesota), on right, and Private First Class K. G. Blatti (Oronoco, Minnesota) ready their 105 howitzer for a fire mission. They are attached to A Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/12] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Smith).
3. Photograph number 3D-10-342-68: 1968: A Real Christmas Tree: Private First Class Steve H. Boggn (The Dalles, Oregon) and Corporal Ren G. Horton (Marion, Indiana), members of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [1/12], decorate a real Christmas tree at Con Thien. Many artificial trees have been sent to Marines in Vietnam, but Boggn was quite surprised when he received a real Christmas tree from his grandmother, Mrs. Marie Boggn (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).

**Box 5 Folder 22.      2d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/12]**

1. Photograph number 1-1442-67: August 1967: 100,000<sup>th</sup> Round: Crew members of E Battery, 2d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/12], fire the 100,000<sup>th</sup> round at Viet Cong troops in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant H. A. Mangness).
2. Photograph number 3D-0324-68: February 1968: Three-Star Visitor: Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak, commanding general, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, receives a briefing on artillery ordnance at Dong Ha combat base by a member of the 2d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/12] (official USMC photo by Corporal W. D. Robinson).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-8116-69: 1969: Number 400,000: Colonel Peter C. Mulroney (Mallard, Iowa), 12<sup>th</sup> Marines, commander, prepares to fire the 400,000<sup>th</sup> round from a 155mm howitzer of D Battery, 2d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/12] at an artillery outpost south of Con Thien, Vietnam. Looking on are Captain M. R. Ross (Lubbock, Texas),

battery commander, far right, and Lance Corporal S. M. Thompson (Baltimore, Maryland), section leader (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Leo Meidlinger).

**Box 5 Folder 23.      3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/12]**

1. Photograph number 7-14341-68: 1968: A Close Look: Powerful binoculars aid Marine artillerymen in spotting enemy targets miles away as they prepare for a fire mission from Fire Support Base Alpine. The fire support base, manned by 3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/12] cannoneers, provides artillery support for 3d Marine Division infantrymen operating in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. Nilo).
2. Photograph number 3D-10-3-260-69: 1969: Hot Chow: Marines of H Battery, 3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/12] gather round for hot chow on Fire Support Base Russell. The chow is flown up from mess halls at Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-16-232-69: 1969: Consultation: Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Michael C. Allison (Cameron, Texas), center, questions the mother of a young patient through an interpreter. The young boy was one of over 60 brought to Allison during a 'MEDCAP' sponsored by H Company, 3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [H/3/12] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Smith).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-3-260-69: 1969: Reload: Lance Corporal Don Toauell (Phoenix, Arizona), the gunner (left), gives instructions to the other members of his crew while reloading the 105mm Howitzer on Fire Support Base Russell. The gun crew are members of H Battery, 3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/12] (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).

**Box 5 Folder 24.      4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [4/12]**

1. Photograph number 3D-6-6-232-69: Fire for Effect: Two self-propelled 155mm howitzers of K Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [4/12] fire for effect during a fire mission at the Rockpile. The big guns were firing in support of the 3d Marine Regiment during search and clear operations in the area (official USMC photo Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).
2. Photograph number 3D-5-6-232-69: 1969: Reserved for Charlie: Private First Class George A. Martinez (El Centro, California), loader and ammo man with a self-propelled 155mm howitzer of K Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines, prepares to insert a round into the gun's chamber during a fire mission at the Rockpile (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).
3. Photograph number 3D-3-9-292-68: 1968: Ammunition: Lance Corporal Kenny R. Dean (Portland, Oregon) carries a 95-pound high explosive projectile to his gun position as a

muzzle of a 155mm self-propelled howitzer looms in the foreground. Dean is a member of L Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [4/12]. L Battery's big guns provide fire support for 3d Marine Division infantry units (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-3054-69: 1969: Unseen Ally: 'Iron Mike II,' one of the 155mm self-propelled howitzers of M Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/4/12] stands in readiness to deliver its devastating fire power against the enemy. The gun has a firing radius of 360 degrees making it unique among the Marine artillery arsenal in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe).
5. Photograph number N-563-69: 1969: Corporal William Shores (Compton, California), 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [4/12] is congratulated by his commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel Al Croft, after receiving the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat V. Shores was cited for his devotion to duty as a truck driver. During 20 months of combat he drove his vehicle along roads endangered by hostile mines and snipers in support of this battalion (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).
6. Photograph number N-563-69: 1969: Sergeant John San Miguel (Taylor, Texas) is congratulated by Lieutenant Colonel Al Croft, commanding officer, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [4/12], after receiving the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat V. San Miguel received the medal for participating in 20 major combat operations and showing extreme courage and composure under fire (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).

**Box 5 Folder 25.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/13]**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1585-68: 1968: 'Four Deuce Mortar:' Marines lessen the blast of their 4.2 inch mortar by shielding their ears. The men are members of 1/13 [1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal F. O. Robb).
2. Photograph number 6-1585-68: 1968: Adjusting: Marines of 1/13 [1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines] make final adjustments prior to firing a 4.2 mortar round (official USMC photo by Corporal F. O. Robb).
3. Photograph number 3-1585-68: 1968: Prepare to Fire: Marines of C Battery, 1/13 [1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines] load a round into their 155mm howitzer (official USMC photo by Corporal F. O. Robb).
4. Photograph number 8-1585-68: 1968: Hot Shell: A member of Alpha Battery, 1/13 [1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines] gun crew watches the shell eject from the 105mm howitzer (official USMC photo by Corporal F. O. Robb).
5. Photograph number 4-1585-68: 1968: Fire Mission: A crew member of a 155mm howitzer attached to C Battery, 1/13 [1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines] checks with his fire

direction center on an upcoming fire mission (official USMC photo by Corporal F. O. Robb).

**Box 5 Folder 26.      26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [26<sup>th</sup> Marines] (1 of 2)**

1. Photographer 0885: undated: Time to Ride: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines climb a road bed preparatory to boarding helicopters which will take them to a launching point for a multi-village operation. A gunner on board one of the aircraft, of Marine Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164], looks on (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
2. Photograph number 0878: undated: Moving Out: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines scramble from the rear ramp of a Sea Knight helicopter en route to taking up positions from which they'll launch a giant operation in search of Viet Cong. The transport aircraft of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] dropped the Marines and South Vietnamese Army units in eight landing zones within a two-hour period (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
3. Photograph number 3M-7-0150-68: 26 January 1968: Gets Two: Private First Class Charles S. Lopez, a rifleman with D Company, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, fell into a spider hole after chasing two NVA. He killed one and captured the other after wounding him near Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
4. Photograph number 3M-7-0095-69: 1969: Aiding Their People: Vietnamese Boy Scouts assumed the task of distributing food and water to villagers of the Batangan Peninsula who were relocated to temporary shelter centers. The villagers were moved from their permanent homes while Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines cleared the area uprooting and destroyed the Viet Cong infrastructure that preys on innocent villagers to extract 'taxes,' rice harvests, and conscripts (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
5. Photograph number 3M-10-0095-69: 1969: These Villagers are Safe: while Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines cordon and clear their villages on the Batangan Peninsula, South Vietnam, in an attempt to rout out and destroy the Viet Cong infrastructure. The Vietnamese were transported to the center to house them in safety during fighting with the stubborn VC infiltrators (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
6. Photograph number 3M-2-0095-69: 1969: Led By a Helping Hand: an unsure Vietnamese youngster and his mother proceed to a holding center while US Marines clear their villages of Viet Cong infiltrators on the Batangan Peninsula. Elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are sweeping the Quang Ngai province villages in an attempt to rout out the Viet Cong infrastructure and free the villagers of VC harassing and terror tactics (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).

**Box 5 Folder 27.      26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [26<sup>th</sup> Marines] (2 of 2)**



1. Photograph number 3M-13-0095-69: 1969: On Their Way to Safety: Villagers from the Batangan Peninsula move toward temporary relocation centers after being helilifted from their villages in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam. The Vietnamese were relocated as elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines cordoned the peninsula in search of the Viet Cong and its political infrastructure (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Robinson).
2. Photograph number 3M-9-0109-69: 1969: Let's Be Friends: Gunnery Sergeant Ernest L. Dolezilek (Canton, Mississippi) tries to brighten the face of this small Vietnamese boy and his young sister. After the children became separated from their mother, a Viet Cong soldier had tried to force them into claiming he was their father as he attempted to infiltrate the lines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines. The children refuted the VC's claim and the Leathernecks took them to friendly Vietnamese who would look after them until they can be reunited with their mother (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 0884: undated: Grunt: Weighted down with weapon, ammunition, pack and radio, a Leatherneck of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines trudges down a road south of Da Nang. The drudgery of walking was soon relieved, as infantrymen boarded a helicopter of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] and rode the remainder of the way to battle (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
4. Photograph number 3D-3-3-235-68: 1968: Reluctantly Arrival: A water buffalo is reluctant to accept his new surroundings at the Bru resettlement village in the Cau Valley. Sixteen water buffalo and cattle were purchased by the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines as a token of friendship to the same Bru people the regiment protected from communist aggressors at Khe Sanh last spring (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
5. Photograph number 1-238-68: 1968: Chow Time!: Hospitalman Chief Bill Ferree (Virginia Beach, Virginia) feeds 'Henrietta,' 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regimental Aid Station mascot (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Robert Sanville).

**Box 5 Folder 28.     1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/26]**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-0959-69: 1969: Early Warning System: Rebel, a Marine sentry dog, alerts on a North Vietnamese flag captured when the dog warned members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/26] of an enemy position in a treeline 350 yards away. Holding the dog at bay is his handler, Sergeant William J. Johnson (Highwood, Illinois). The dog has been saving Marine lives by averting enemy ambushes in Vietnam since December 1965 (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
2. Photograph number 1-1081-69: 1969: Time Out: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/26] take a break during the loading phase aboard the US Navy's assault ship, USS Cleveland. The Marines aboard are part of a Special Landing Force which is prepared to be either helilifted or taken ashore by ship in the event the force is needed in any area of I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Chuck Dinkins).

3. Photograph number 1D-2-221-68: 1968: Shaping Up: Private First Class Eric A. LaMontagne (Hampton, New Hampshire), 'battalion barber' of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> [1/26] puts the strap to his razor as he prepares to trim a Marine's hair. His 'barber shop' is located at the battalion command post south of Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-59-69: 1969: Change of Command: During a formal change of command ceremony, Lieutenant Colonels Charles H. Knowles (left) (Miami, Florida) and George C. Kliefoth (Kailua, Hawaii) stand at attention while troops from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division pass in review. Kliefoth assumed duties as commanding officer of the battalion replacing Knowles, who will become the assistant chief of staff of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Amphibious Brigade [9<sup>th</sup> MAB] on Okinawa. Major General Ormond R. Simpson (front row, glasses), commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, attended the ceremony at the battalion command post northwest of Da Nang (official photo by Sergeant W. A. Tour).

**Box 5 Folder 29.      Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/26]**

1. Photograph number 2-248-68: 4 September 1968: Deadly Team: Lance Corporal James M. Hendrickson, 20 (St. Louis, Missouri), artillery forward observer attached to B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/26] calls in an air strike on a nearby mountainside, as Corporal Patrick R. Velanzon, Jr., 21 (Brookside, Connecticut), (left) sniper, points out the strike to Corporal Rober Hamon, 20 (Bakersfield, California) forward air controller attached to the unit (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
2. Photograph number 1D-3-248-68: 8 September 1968: Always Time for Kids: Lance Corporal Jerry Lewis, 20 (Adairsville, Georgia), an infantryman with B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/26], on guard duty at a bridge on Route 1, 15 miles south of Phu Bai, entertains Vietnamese boys from a nearby village (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
3. Photograph number 3D-10-672-68: April 1968: Clean-Up Time: Leathernecks of B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [B/1/26] clean 60mm mortars during a lull in combat near the Khe Sanh combat base. Private David E. Ethridge, 18 (Carlisle, Pennsylvania), right, also welcomes the break from the seasonal overcast while cleaning (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Ed Brey).

**Box 5 Folder 30.      2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26]**

1. Photograph number 1D-15-65-67: 6 March 1967: On the Move: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, conduct a search and destroy mission during an operation along the Cu De River. A tank stands ready for support (official USMC photo by Sergeant G. D. Sullivan, Jr.).

2. Photograph number FLC-1-1517-69: 1969: Ye Olde Tonsorial Parlor: 1969: Personal luxuries are rarely found with Marine units operating in the Republic of Vietnam, but 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] discovering they had a genuine Vietnamese barber in their unit. The infantry unit is providing security for the Hai Van Pass, a major land supply route north of Da Nang. Their normally static positions enabled them to strike up friendships with Army of the Republic of Vietnam personnel assisting them in keeping the pass clear for supply convoys. When one of the Vietnamese indicated he had been in a barber before entering the service, the Marines immediately set up a field barber shop and business boomed (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-1310-68: 1968: Off Loading: A tank attached to the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26], Special Landing Force, goes ashore during an amphibious training problem at Cua Viet, Vietnam (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 1D-2-1310-68: 1968: Down the Nets: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26], Special Landing Force, depart the USS Princeton for an amphibious training problem near Cua Viet, Vietnam (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 8-1527-69: 1969: Pause that Refreshes: A stream-fed pond up in the mountains surrounding Hai Van pass, north of Da Nang, provide bathing facilities for a Marine escaping the Vietnamese summer heat. 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] are providing security for the vital land route to the north from Da Nang. To enhance their otherwise static positions, the Marines contained many of the fast-moving mountain streams by constructing small dams to provide their own 'tubs' (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
6. Photograph number 2-1797-68: 29 October 1968: 'Thank You:' Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, left, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, presents the Purple Heart to Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Bobby F. Cortez, 22 (Ballinger, Texas) at the Naval Support Activity Hospital in Da Nang. Cortez, a Navy corpsman, was attached to the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] when wounded during an operation south of Da Nang. General Walt awarded numerous decorations during his visit to the hospital, and paused to shake hands and personally thank the men for the 'fine job' they are doing in Vietnam. General Walt is visiting Marine and other Free World units in Vietnam, keeping abreast of the current situation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).

**Box 5 Folder 31.      Company G, 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/26]**

1. Photograph number SLF-9-22-68: 1968: Armored Support: Leathernecks of G Company, BLT 2/26 [Battalion Landing Team, 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines] are supported by a Marine tank platoon during a sweep of suspected Viet Cong rocket launching sites south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal R. S. Walden).

**Box 5 Folder 32.      3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26]**

1. Photograph number 1D-9-51-69: 1969: Standing By: Helicopters used by Battalion Landing Team (BLT) 3/26 [3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines] stand by aboard the USS Tripoli (LPH 10). The battalion is currently participating in Operation Taylor Common near the An Hoa Combat Base, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

**Box 5 Folder 33.      Company I, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26]**

1. Photograph number 1-305-68: 1968: Big Man for Big Gun: Marine Private First Class Hector R. Benson, 19 (Brush Prairie, Washington), resting easy with an M-60 machine gun over his shoulder, waits to move out with I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division on an operation near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number 4-76-69: 1969: Anybody Home? A Leatherneck from I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26] cautiously checks an enemy bunker for possible residents during a patrol south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Shaaf).
3. Photograph number 3-16-69: 1969: Sniper: Two Leathernecks from I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I3/26] dash for cover as an enemy sniper opens up on their patrol south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Shaaf).
4. Photograph number 1D-3-302-68: 1968: A Breather for Husky: Lance Corporal David D. Franklin, 20 (Denison, Texas), gives his scout dog, Husky, a rest and a scratch on the head during an operation with I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. B. Sanville).

**Box 5 Folder 34.      Company M, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/26]**

1. Photograph number 1D-73-94-69: 1969: King of the Mountain: Marine engineers of M Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/26] used C-4 explosive to make themselves 'kings of the mountain'. This photo shows how the Leathernecks utilized C-4 to expedite clearing of large trees from the hill as Lance Corporal R. Cox (right), of Franklin, Ohio, tapes a charge to a tree (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

**Box 5 Folder 35.      27<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [27<sup>th</sup> Marines]**

1. Photograph number 1D-21-252-68: 8 September 1968: Shoes for a Different Clime: Corporal George L. Goodman, 21 (Alexandria, Indiana) didn't waste any time getting his shoes spit-shined when the word was passed that the 27<sup>th</sup> Marines was going home. Goodman, a sniper with the regiment's scout/sniper platoon, returned to Vietnam for his second tour of duty when the 27<sup>th</sup> Marines were called on to help put down the communist's Tet offensive last February. He served with the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines

[3/3] in Vietnam from May 1966-June 1967, and never received so much as a scratch. On a combat patrol this summer, Goodman was hit with shrapnel from a booby trapped hand grenade. When he marches down the streets of San Diego, September 17, Goodman will be wearing his spit-shined shoes and proudly displaying his Purple Heart Medal (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 5 Folder 36.      1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/27]**

1. Photograph number 1D-2-110-68: 1968: Sniper's Eye View: A telescopic sight mounted on the Remington sniper rifle carried by Corporal Tommy Romo, 21 (San Antonio, Texas), permits crosshair accuracy on targets more than 1,000 meters away. Romo is assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/27] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Martinez).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-110-68: 1968: Slow Squeeze: Corporal Tommy Romo, 21 (San Antonio, Texas), aims in on a distant target while Private McConnell, 32 (Sparks, Nevada), watches to spot the results. Both Marines are assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines' [1/27] scout-sniper team (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Martinez).
3. Photograph number 1-196-68: 14 July 1968: The Past and the Present: Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Greenwood, 40 (Kailua, Oahu, Hawaii) stands beside the man who will have to fill his shoes. Major R. J. Skipper, 40 (Mobile, Alabama), took command of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment [1/27] during a ceremony in July. Greenwood is now with the III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Smith).

**Box 5 Folder 37.      2d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/27]**

1. Photograph number 1-3-240-68: September 1968: Road Guard: Corporal George R. East, 20 (Opelika, Alabama), watches for enemy activity on Route 1, eight miles south of here. East, a rifleman with G Company, 2d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/27], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, was part of a relief force sent out to beat back an estimated two-platoon force of Viet Cong which attacked a Marine company command post in the area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
2. Photograph number 1D-12-49-68: 18 February 1968: Learning the LAAW: A Marine of 2d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/27] fires a light antitank assault weapon (LAAW) during a familiarization firing session at the battalion range south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).

**Box 5 Folder 38.      3d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/27]**

1. Photograph number 23-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Cargo Load: A Marine Scout Dog watches as Marines of the 3d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment load a Sea Knight helicopter for a resupply mission. The helicopters, stationed aboard the USS Tripoli, are

a part of Special Landing Force Bravo, presently operating south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

2. Photograph number 1D-2-130-68: May 1968: Rocket Recovered: Marines of the 2d Squad, 2d Platoon of I Company, 3d Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/27], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division proudly display the seven enemy 122mm rockets they captured during a Viet Cong attack on Da Nang last week (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. F. Colton).

### **Series 6.3      Operations**

#### **Box 5 Folder 39.      Operation Adair**

1. Photograph number 8-175-67: 24 June 1967: Happy Birthday: 2d Lieutenant Joaquin C. Gracida of Lemon Grove, California, celebrated his 27<sup>th</sup> birthday June 14 on Operation Adair, a search and destroy action southwest of Da Nang. He is the commanding officer of K Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant N. J. Broussand).
2. Photograph number 2-174-67: 23 March 1967: All-Trenton Gun Team: Marine Private First Class Kevin P. Foley fires at a fleeing Viet Cong as Private First Class Dennis J. Taweel, assistant gunner, directs his fire. The action came during Operation Adair, a search and destroy operation 25 miles southwest of Da Nang. Foley and Taweel, both from Trenton, New Jersey, live within a few blocks of each other (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Bradford).
3. Photograph number 4-175-67: 24 June 1967: Boondock Bath: In the field, its catch as catch can when it comes to baths and showers. Corporal Catarino Marquez of Wilmington, California used a pottery water jug during Operation Adair, southwest of Da Nang. He is a member of K Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant N. J. Broussand).
4. Photograph number 5-175-67: 1967: 24 June 1967: Taking Ten: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] pause for a few moments' rest while crossing a rice paddy southwest of Da Nang. The Leathernecks were on Operation Adair, a search and destroy operation which killed 74 enemy troops (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant N. J. Broussand).

#### **Box 5 Folder 40.      Operation Allen Brook**

1. Photograph number 1D-16-133-68: May 1968: Combat Thirst: Lance Corporal Daniel W. Magner, 20 (Lansing, Michigan), a grenadier with the 2d Platoon of E Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/7] pauses to take a long drink during Operation Allen Brook, southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal A. V. Huffman).



2. Photograph number 1D-3-129-68: May 1968: On Line: Leathernecks of 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, G Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/7] move up to assault enemy positions on line during Operation Allen Brook near Da Nang. Sweeping through an area of thick underbrush, Golf Company battled a large number of uniformed North Vietnamese Army (NVA) regulars in reinforced bunkers and spider holes. More than ten M-48 medium tanks supported the operation (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
3. Photograph number 1D-15-133-68: May 1968: Armored Support: Medium tanks of B Company, 5<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion (attached to 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division) accompany Marines of E Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/7] on a sweep of Go Noi Island, southwest of Da Nang during Operation Allen Brook (official USMC photo by Corporal A. V. Huffman).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-2-146-68: May 1968: Sore Hand, Broken Camera: Corporal Robert J. Del Vecchio examines the camera he was using during Operation Allen Brook. During an assault on a treeline, a bullet went through Del Vecchio's hand and lodged in the camera (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant M. M. Upton).

#### **Box 5 Folder 41.      Operation Arizona**

1. Photograph number 5-171-67: 20 June 1967: Moving Up: Marines of E Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/7] move into position during Operation Arizona. The nine-day sweep and destroy operation (June 14-22) held 14 miles southwest of Da Nang netted 80 Viet Cong kills (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. McClory).
2. Photograph number 6-171-67: 20 June 1967: Land and Air: A Marine CH-46 helicopter approaches a landing zone as a tank from the 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, takes up a position to cover the landing zone during Operation Arizona, conducted south of Da Nang during June (official USMC photo)
3. Photograph number 10-171-67: June 1967: Flesh and Steel: With armor support in the background, Marines of E Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines advance against dug-in enemy automatic weapon positions during Operation Arizona 14 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 5 Folder 42.      Operation Auburn**

1. Photograph number 1D-6-362-67: 30 December 1967: Bunker Search: Lance Corporal Thomas M. Jorgenson, 19 (Lincoln, California), a rifleman with I Company, 3d Battalion 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5], emerges from an enemy bunker after a search. Leathernecks discovered the bunker during Operation Auburn, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).
2. Photograph number 1D-5-362-68: 30 December 1967: Deadly Aim: Lance Corporal George T. Wilhite, 19 (Louisville, Kentucky) aims a 7.62mm sniper rifle as his spotter,

Lance Corporal Alexander G. Levandowski, 20 (Milwaukee, Wisconsin) waits to observe the results. The Leathernecks were attached to I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/5] during Operation Auburn (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).

3. Photograph number 0002: 1 January 1968: Wet Arrival: Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/5] off-load from CHJ-46 Sea Knights of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] in the opening phase of Operation Auburn, south of Da Nang. The infantrymen had to move into waist-deep water before the assault against a North Vietnamese Army unit (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
4. Photograph number 0006: 3 January 1968: Lucky Gunner: Lance Corporal Stephen F. Parsons was hit by a .30 caliber round that passed through his mouth, only cutting a small hole in his cheek during Operation Auburn. He was also credited with 15 confirmed kills during his more than five hours of flying (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Del Vernon).

#### **Box 5 Folder 43.      Operation Badger Catch**

1. Photograph number 3M-8-210-68: February 1968: Prize Find: Lance Corporal Charles E. Thompson (Summerville, Georgia) looks over a Polish AK-47 automatic rifle he found during Operation Badger Catch while ashore for Special Landing Force Bravo with K Company, 3d Battalion 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [K/3/1]. The rifle is generally given as a presentation weapon to enemy unit commanders and political officers (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
2. Photograph number 3M-10-210-68: February 1968: Bunker Blast: A Marine from the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1] drops a grenade into an enemy bunker while a fellow Leatherneck provides protection (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-210-68: February 1968: Battle Field: Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1] use a battle-scarred Buddhist shrine as protection during a short pause on Operation Badger Catch near the Cua Viet River (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).

#### **Box 5 Folder 44.      Operation Badger Tooth**

1. Photograph number 3M-10-16-68: 17 December 1967: Take Five: Marines display tension during a short pause before assaulting a fortified village during Operation Badger Tooth (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-0016-68: 17 December 1967: Amtracs Advance: Leathernecks of K Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [K/3/1] were moved by amphibian tractors during Operation Badger Tooth before assault the fortified village of Tho Tham Khe in Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).

3. Photograph number 3M-4-0016: 17 December 1967: Move Out: Two Leathernecks with K Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [K/3/1] get set to move forward during Operation Badger Tooth in Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
4. Photograph number 3M-7-0016-68: 17 December 1967: Marines on Move: Members of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1] move past ruins of an enemy stronghold during Operation Badger Tooth in Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
5. Photograph number 3M-2-16-68: 17 December 1967: Prepare Defense: Leathernecks of the 60mm mortar section of K Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [K/3/1] get ready to set-in for the night during Operation Badger Tooth (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
6. Photograph number 3M-13-16-68: 17 December 1967: Ready Patrol: Two Marines of K Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [K/3/1] check a hut in Quang Tri province during Operation Badger Tooth (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
7. Photograph number 3M-9-16-68: 17 December 1967: Armored Might: A Marine M-48 tank sporting a 90mm gun waits to fire during Operation Badger Tooth in Quang Tri province. A battalion of North Vietnamese and Viet Cong had been reportedly dug in a fortified village (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
8. Photograph number 3M-11-0016-68: 17 December 1967: Bunker Search: A Leatherneck with L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [L/3/1] prepares to check a bunker found in a fortified village during Operation Badger Tooth (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
9. Photograph number 3M-6-0016-68: 17 December 1967: Blowing a Bunker: A Leatherneck of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [3/1] tosses a grenade into a bunker found in a fortified village during Operation Badger Tooth in Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).
10. Photograph number 3M-8-0016-68: 17 December 1967: Enemy Village: A lone Leatherneck of the 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine [3/1] advances through a fortified village during Operation Badger Tooth which harbored an estimated battalion of North Vietnamese troops and Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Corporal M. R. Wolfe).

**Box 5 Folder 45.      Operation Bah-room**

1. Photograph number 0295: 6 April 1968: Odd Shot: Army Captain G. R. McCahan administers a tranquilizer before takeoff. The gas mask was essential for close work during Operation Bah-room (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

2. Photograph number 0296: 7 April 1968: Hook Up: A Sea Stallion hovers over one of the elephants while a crew member hooks the external sling to the pallet (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
3. Photograph number 0296: 7 April 1968: Don't Look Down: The tranquilized elephant rides at 3,000 feet altitude below the Marine CH-53A (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
4. Photograph number 0300: 7 April 1968: Fasten Seat Belts: The finishing touches are put to straps holding the elephants on a pallet (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

**Box 5 Folder 46.      Operation Black Snake**

1. No photograph number: 1 November 1965: Operation Black Snake: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant William B. Wilson (Mobile, Alabama) helps Vietnamese refugees off a bombed out bridge (official USMC photo by Private First Class G. Durbin).

**Box 5 Folder 47.      Operation Blue Marlin**

1. Photograph number 24-838-65: 17 November 1965: Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [L/3/3] cross river to make a sweep on a Vietnamese village during the second phase of Operation Blue Marlin (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 4-849-65: 11 November 1965: Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/7] move toward incoming helicopters during Operation Blue Marlin (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 5-849-65: 11 November 1965: Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/7] move toward incoming helicopters during Operation Blue Marlin (official USMC photo).

**Box 5 Folder 48.      Operation Bold Mariner (1 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-0098-69: 1969: Secured Beach: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines wait for the word to 'move out' after coming ashore to begin Operation Bold Mariner. The Marines came ashore on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai Province, South Vietnam, in amphibian tractors from ships of the US 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet. The operation is aimed at digging out the Viet Cong infrastructure in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
2. Photograph number 3M-8-0155-69: 1969: New Farm Tools: Vietnamese farmers, residents of the Batangan Peninsula south of Chu Lai, uncrate new farm tools at the Combined Holding and Interrogation Center (CHIC) near Quang Ngai City where they are staying temporarily while US Marines flush the Viet Cong from the Peninsula during

Operation Bold Mariner. The farmers will take the new tools back to their villages upon completion of Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).

3. Photograph number 3M-1-0083-69: 1969: Sighting In: An 81mm mortar gunner with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, Private First Class James D. Cords (Perry, Michigan) sights in his tube to support Leathernecks sweeping the Batangan Peninsula on Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
4. Photograph number 3M-6-0098-69: 1969: C Rats Coming: Private First Class John Johnston (Atlanta, Georgia) of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines carries a box of C rations through a rain-soaked field to encamped Marines on Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
5. Photograph number 3M-5-0109-69: 1969: Heads Down!: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] get down as artillery and air strikes begin the job softening the enemy around the base of Mount Nui Lon. After the big guns and jets did their job, the Marines took the high ground with almost no opposition and continued to sweep down the Batangan Peninsula of South Vietnam as they conduct Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
6. Photograph number 3M-10-0098-69: Hot Landing Zone: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines splash through a wet field to load supplies on a waiting UH-34 Sea Horse helicopter. The chopper landed under enemy fire near the Marines during Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-0121-69: 1969: Communicating: A Vietnamese sound-recording technician employed by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) acted as interpreter for the US Marines at one point during Operation Bold Mariner near the Batangan Peninsula. The Marines were rooting out Viet Cong infiltrators in the area and they needed to talk innocent villagers into withdrawing temporarily to a place of safety while they searched for the enemy holed up in tunnels and other hiding places. But the regular Vietnamese interpreters working with the Marines were busy elsewhere. Tran Van Than, who was covering the operation with an NBC-TV news team, volunteered to broadcast instructions for getting to the safety of a temporary settlement over a public address system the Marines had set up. Than, a veteran of 14 years in Vietnamese Army motion picture service, succeeded in talking 140 villagers to safety (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

**Box 5 Folder 49.      Operation Bold Mariner (2 of 7)**

1. Photograph number #M-13-00980-69: 1969: The Search Begins: Marines of the 25<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment move through rocky terrain after coming ashore in Operation Bold Mariner. The Marines landed on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai province, South

Vietnam, and began a sweep of the area in search of the enemy and his supplies (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

2. Photograph number 3M-10-0155-69: 1969: 'Ouch' in Any Language: US Navy medical corpsmen administer shots to a Vietnamese woman at the Combined Holding and Interrogation Center (CHIC) near Quang Ngai during Operation Bold Mariner. Residents of the Batangan Peninsula south of Chu Lai were temporarily moved to the CHIC while US Marines searched the peninsula for the Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-0095-69: 1969: Safe From the Fighting: While elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment rout out and destroy the Viet Gong political underground on the Batangan Peninsula, these villagers are fed and cared for in safety at a temporary relocation center. Dubbed Bold Mariner, the multi-battalion cordon operation is being conducted in Quang Ngai Province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
4. Photograph number 3M-7-0109-69: 1969: Strongpoint 'Nui Lon:' Lance Corporal Joseph A. Gillette (St. Petersburg, Florida) takes a long look at the high ground known as Nui Lon. Entrenched enemy snipers harassed the men from the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] from this vantage point until young Marines like Gillette wrested it from Viet Cong control. The Leathernecks continue to assault the enemy on the Batangan Peninsula of South Vietnam on Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 3M-4-0095-69: 1969: New Identification Cards: Villagers of the Batangan Peninsula are issued new ID cards at temporary location center by members of the Vietnamese National Police. The local villagers were relocated while Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines cordoned off and cleared the area, uprooting and destroying Viet Cong infrastructure during Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
6. Photograph number 3M-5-0098-69: 1969: Beach Landing: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Regiment move along the beach of the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai, South Vietnam. The Marines are participating in Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage)
7. Photograph number 3M-11-0095-69: 1969: In Expectation: These Vietnamese youngsters listen to loudspeakers after being relocated to a holding center during Operation Bold Mariner, conducted by elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment. The villagers were moved to safety before the Leathernecks began hunting the Viet Cong infrastructure on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai province (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).

**Box 5 Folder 50.      Operation Bold Mariner (3 of 7)**



1. Photograph number 3M-3-0098-69: 1969: Free Time?: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment use their spare moments on Operation Bold Mariner to clean their rifles. The Marines landed earlier on the Batangan Peninsula, Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam, and took their positions in a cordon which soon began tightening around the enemy. Left to right are Private First Class Ray Houston (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), Bill Cook (Waco, Texas), and Frank Giammarino (Brooklyn, New York) (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Mike Detherage).
2. Photograph number 3M-10-0109-69: Across the Beach—Away from War: Vietnamese civilians from the Batangan Peninsula hurry across the beach toward a collection point. Marine helicopters carry them to a Combined Holding and Interrogation Center (CHIC). At the CHIC they are fed, cared for, identified, and requested to give information on Viet Cong activities in their area. They remain in safety at CHIC until the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, conducting Operation Bold Mariner, have swept this area of South Vietnam to root out the Viet Cong infrastructure (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 3M-9-0098-69: 1969: A Home for the Night: A member of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines digs in after coming ashore on the Batangan Peninsula in South Vietnam for Operation Bold Mariner. The hole will serve as protection against enemy mortar attacks during the night (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
4. Photograph number 3M-6-0095-69: 1969: Vietnamese Boy Scouts: These Vietnamese Boy Scouts aid US Marines in caring for local Vietnamese villagers of the Batangan Peninsula during Operation Bold Mariner. The villagers were taken to a temporary collection center while the Leathernecks rout Viet Cong infiltrators from the villages of Quang Ngai province in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
5. Photograph number 3M-11-0098-69: 1969: Bed of Straw: The patrol ended, Private First Class Billy Jackson, 21 (Asheville, North Carolina) of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines rests while action is quiet on Operation Bold Mariner, Quang Ngai Province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
6. Photograph number 3M-3-0133-69: 1969: Moving Up: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines prepare to form an assault line on Hill 37 during Operation Bold Mariner south of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
7. Photograph number 3M-2-0133-69: 1969: Enemy Supplies: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines uncovered this enemy rice cache during Operation Bold Mariner on the Batangan Peninsula south of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).

**Box 5 Folder 51.      Operation Bold Mariner (4 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-0133-69: 1969: Tunnel Entrance: Private First Class R. L. Johnson (Pittsburg, Pennsylvania) guards the entrance to a tunnel complex uncovered by Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] during Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-6-0133-69: 1969: Viet Cong Tunnel: Lance Corporal Robert A. Bishop (Cincinnati, Ohio) explores a Viet Cong tunnel complex found by Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] during Operation Bold Mariner. The Marines teamed up with Army of the Republic of Vietnam and American Division units in the multi-battalion cordon-and-sweep operation on the Batangan Peninsula near Quang Ngai City (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
3. Photograph number 3M-2-0121-69: 1969: Fire Direction Center: Lance Corporal Larry L. Town (Eureka, Kansas) has a big job of plotting fire for the 81mm mortar platoon he is serving with. Town is with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines on Operation Bold Mariner on the Batangan Peninsula in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-0121-69: 1969: Fire Power: Leathernecks from the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines return enemy fire with a 106mm recoilless rifle. Enemy riflemen on Nui Lon Mountain were blasted out of their entrenched positions by the Marines' superior firepower in Operation Bold Mariner on the Batangan Peninsula. The Marines landed by amphibian tractors and helicopters from ships of the US 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet to dig out the Viet Cong who had been infiltrating the peninsula for months (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 3M-3-0083-69: 1969: Pause Before the Next Move: Private First Class Donald L. Baldwin (San Diego, California) typifies the young Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, now sweeping Batangan Peninsula on Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
6. Photograph number SLF-1-0135-69: 1969: Moving to Safety: Carrying a small Vietnamese child, this Marine moves toward a collection area, where the child and its mother will be helilifted to a temporary relocation center, safe from fighting as Leathernecks sweep through villages and hamlets of the Batangan Peninsula to uproot and destroy the Viet Cong political underground. Elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are conducting the operation, dubbed Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
7. Photograph number SLF-2-0135-69: 1969: A Break in the Rain: Two battle weary Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines take a break, rain and all, during Operation Bold Mariner. The cordon operation, on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai province is aimed at uncovering and destroying the dreaded Viet Cong and his political infrastructure that preys on defenseless Vietnamese in remote villages and hamlets (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

8. Photograph number SLF-4-0135-69: 1969: Checking It Out: Sergeant T. M. Green (North Highlands, California) checks out a suspected Viet Cong booby-trap during Operation Bold Mariner. Elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are participating on the operation in the Batangan Peninsula, in Quang Ngai province, Vietnam, to rout out the Viet Cong who have been terrorizing the area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

**Box 5 Folder 52.      Operation Bold Mariner (5 of 7)**

1. Photograph number SLF-5-0135-69: 1969: Preparing a Charge: Sergeant R. L. Slemons, 24 (Lewiston, Pennsylvania) prepares a charge on the end of a pole that he'll blow an enemy tunnel complex with. Slemons, a combat engineer attached to the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, is participating in Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
2. Photograph number SLF-6-0135-69: 1969: Lowering Himself in the Tunnel: Marine Sergeant R. L. Slemons, 24 (Lewiston, Pennsylvania) places an explosive charge into a VC hideaway. Slemons is a combat engineer attached to the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines. The Leathernecks are participating in Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam, to dig out Viet Cong political underground and guerillas who terrorize remote villages and hamlets (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
3. Photograph number 3M-6-0083-69: 1969: G.I. Bath: This young Marine infantryman Private First Class Harold E. Belcher (Springfield, Missouri) takes time out from the fighting mud, blazing heat, and the Viet Cong, Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> are determined to drive the enemy from the Batangan Peninsula where they are conducting Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-0083-69: 1969: Ages of War: The face of a village elder from the Batangan Peninsula of South Vietnam reflects years of struggle and hardship in war. Marines conducting Operation Bold Mariner removed these Vietnamese to safety before they searched the area for Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 3M-7-0098-69: 1969: Words from Home: Private First Class Steve Atteway of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines finds a seat away from his mortar section to read a letter delivered in the field. Atteway's battalion is participating in Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
6. Photograph number 3M-11-0155-69: 1969: Thanks, Marine: This young Vietnamese girl offers a sincere 'thank you' to Marine Lance Corporal Ray R. Bosch (Alhambra, California) a truck driver attached to the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines. The Leathernecks transported the young girl, her family and friends to a safe holding center at Quang Ngai City, while elements of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines swept the Batangan Peninsula. The Marines were searching

for the Viet Cong political infrastructure Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).

7. Photograph number 3M-14-0098-69: 1969: Cautious Look: A Marine of the 26<sup>th</sup> marines looks about cautiously after landing on the shore of the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai province, Vietnam to begin Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
8. Photograph number 3M-12-0098-69: 1969: Move On Line: A cordon formed in Operation Bold Mariner draws tight as Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines move in for the inch-by-inch search of the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai. The Marines were in search of the enemy, his supplies, and underground hiding places (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

**Box 5 Folder 53.      Operation Bold Mariner (6 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3M-4-0109-69: 1969: Battle Strategy: Lieutenant Colonel William F. Sparks (right center, sitting) commanding officer of the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] Vice Admiral William F. Bringle (sitting, left), commander of the US 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet, and Brigadier General John E. Williams (center, sitting) commanding general. 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Amphibious Brigade, and staff officers of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, discuss the strategy they will use in clearing the Batangan Peninsula of Viet Cong control as they conduct Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
2. Photograph number 3M-3-0109-69: 1969: Command Visit: A gunner from the 81mm mortar section attached to see so much rank in the field. Vice Admiral William F. Bringle, commander of the US 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet, Lieutenant Colonel William F. Sparks, and Brigadier General John L. Williams, command general of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Amphibious Brigade, inspected the deployment of the Leathernecks conducting Operation Bold Mariner of the Batangan Peninsula in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 3M-12-0095-69: 1969: Waiting in Safety: These Vietnamese wait for transportation to temporary relocation centers after being helilifted from their villages on the Batangan Peninsula. While the villagers are cared for in the safety at the center, Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, conducting Operation Bold Mariner, are securing the villages and hamlets from control by Viet Cong terrorists (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. L. Moore).
4. Photograph number 3M-11-0109-69: 1969: Mixed Emotion: Concern for the future of her child and herself is mirrored in this Vietnamese mother's face. She has just left her village as requested by Marines conducting Operation Bold Mariner. Soon her doubts will be resolved as the Leathernecks fly her away from the danger of the battle zone to the haven of a relocation camp. After the battle passes, she and her neighbors will be

returned to their homes, free of the Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

5. Photograph number 3M-9-0095-69: 1969: Batangan Airlift: A Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter prepares to land and unload Vietnamese villagers during Operation Bold Mariner in Quang Ngai province. The villagers were removed from their homes on the Batangan Peninsula to relocation centers while Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines cordoned the area in a search for the Viet Cong who insinuated themselves into the area by intimidation and terrorizing tactics (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Robinson).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-0109-69: 1969: Mercy Mission: A dependable UH-34 Sea Horse helicopters takes off with a load of Vietnamese peasants being lifted out of the battle zone of Operation Bold Mariner. The helicopters are supporting the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines fighting on the Batangan Peninsula (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
7. Photograph number 3M-8-0109-69: 1969: Flight to Safety: Vietnamese civilians hurry to board Marine UH-34 Sea Horse helicopters that will lift them out of the battle area. Leathernecks from the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are conducting Operation Bold Mariner aimed at clearing the Batangan Peninsula of Viet Cong control. Before attacking, the Marines removed innocent civilians from the area of conflict (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
8. Photograph number 3M-4-0121-69: 1969: Letter Home: Private First Class Larry C. Marble (Mount Vernon, New York) takes a break from his duties as an 81mm mortar gunner to write a few lines home. Marble is with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines in Operation Bold Mariner on the Batangan Peninsula in South Vietnam. The Marines are digging out the Viet Cong infrastructure that infiltrates and terrorizes Vietnamese villages and hamlets (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

#### **Box 5 Folder 54.      Operation Bold Mariner (7 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3M-4-0133-69: 1969: Rough Going: Private First Class R. L. Sandy, a rifleman with the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] finds that going down a hill can be just as rough as climbing it during Operation Bold Mariner. The Leathernecks teamed up with infantrymen of the Americal Division and Army of the Republic of Vietnam's 2d Infantry Division in the multi-battalion cordon-and-sweep operation designed to reduce the Viet Cong's military and political grip on the Batangan Peninsula south of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-6-0109-69: 1969: Dirty Job: Marine Lance Corporal William G. Cox (Jackson, Mississippi) emerges from one of many Viet Cong tunnels found in the Batangan Peninsula. Cox mapped the tunnel and found it to be over 158 yards long and two levels deep. He is serving with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, now conducting Operation Bold

Mariner to root out the Viet Cong infrastructure (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

3. Photograph number 3M-4-0083-69: 1969: Looking for a Bone?: No, Corporal Jim J. Deese (Cocoa, Florida) and his scout dog Baron, attached to the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, are exploring one of many Viet Cong tunnel entrances found on the Batangan Peninsula where the Leathernecks are conducting Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
4. Photograph number 3M-2-0083-69: 1969: Hunt Viet Cong: Marines search a village on the Batangan Peninsula of Vietnam for signs of the Viet Cong (VC). The Leathernecks from the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are conducting Operation Bold Mariner, aimed at destroying the VC infrastructure in the area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0098-69: 1969: Ready to Move: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines wait for the word to begin a sweep after coming ashore on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai Province, South Vietnam. The Marines are taking part in Operation Bold Mariner, a multi battalion cordon operation to dig out the Viet Cong infrastructure (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
6. Photograph number 3M-8-0098-69: 1969: Landing Ashore: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines come ashore on the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai Province, South Vietnam, after a choppy ride from ship in an amphibian tractor. The Marines are taking part in Operation Bold Mariner, (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
7. Photograph number 3M-9-0155-69: 1969: Temporary Shelter: Vietnamese civilians, all residents of the Batangan peninsula, are being sheltered at the government of Vietnam's temporary relocation facility near Quang Ngai City while US Marines search for the Viet Cong on the peninsula during Operation Bold Mariner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).
8. Photograph number 3M-13-0155-69: 1969: Medical Aid in the Field: Navy Lieutenant Gilbert R. Rowan (Princeton, New Jersey) a surgeon with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines treats a Viet Cong suspected during Operation Bold Mariner. US Marines are sweeping the Batangan Peninsula in Quang Ngai Province in an attempt to uproot and destroy the Viet Cong political infrastructure (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).

#### **Box 5 Folder 55.      Operation Calhoun**

1. Photograph number 6-183-67: 1967: Viet Cong Ahead: Marines of 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division relay information by radio on enemy positions during Operation Calhoun. The operation took place 20 miles south of Da Nang (Defense Department photo).

#### **Box 5 Folder 56.      Operation Canyon**



1. Photograph number 6-99-67: 9 April 1967: Mine Probe: Marine Gunnery Sergeant Howard R. Van Winkle, 33 (Oceanside, California), 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, probes for mines in a punji stake infested area during Operation Canyon. The operation, a five-day search and destroy mission 14 miles southwest of Da Nang, netted 116 Viet Cong killed (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal J. L. McClory).
2. Photograph number 7-95-67: 5 April 1967: Tractor Wallow: An armored tractor armada maneuvers for position while carrying 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment Marines to Operation Canyon, April 5, 14 mikes southeast of Da Nang. The Marines hit the enemy from three directions employing Navy landing craft, 1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion vehicles and helicopters to surround the enemy. During the five day search and destroy operation, 116 Viet Cong were killed (official USMC photo by Sergeant John J. Williams).

**Box 5 Folder 57.      Operation Chinook II (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1-181-67: February 1967: Street Without Joy: Marines of C Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines cross a small bridge on the road made famous when the French fought the Viet Minh in 1953-1954. The 3d Marine Division unit is participating in Operation Chinook 12 northwest of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. F. Burch).
2. Photograph number 1-186-67: 21 February 1967: Corpsman treat wounded Marines under heavy fire while other Marines of Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] move to return fire during Operation Chinook (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. L. Shaw).
3. Photograph number 5-185-67: 21 February 1967: A machine gunner and his assistant fire at VC fleeing through a rice paddy. They were on the "Street Without Joy" during Operation Chinook (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
4. Photograph number 2-187-67: 21 February 1967: Lance Corporal Leeroy Duplessis, Los Angeles, California, AR man, Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/9], fires his M-14 with dipod during fire fight with enemy during Operation Chinook II near AP Trung Kieu Village, Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. L. Cole).
5. Photograph number 3-185-67: 21 February 1967: Two members of Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/9] 60mm mortar section fire into enemy held villa during a fierce firefight on Operation Chinook II (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
6. Photograph number 1-49-67: 10 February 1967: Support Fire: Marines of C Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/13], make sight adjustments as they load their 105mm howitzer. The battery is firing in support of 3d Marine Division Marines engaged in

Operation Chinook taking place about 12 miles north of Hue (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. L. Axelrod).

**Box 5 Folder 58.      Operation Chinook II (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 2-181-67: 27 February 1967: Knee Deep: Marines of Company C, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, move through swampland searching for Viet Cong near the 'street without joy' during Operation Chinook. The 3d Marine Division unit is operating in an area about 12 miles northwest of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. F. Burch).
2. Photograph number 2-185-67: 21 February 1967: 21 February 1967: A machine gunner and his assistant provide added firepower from their 'Otter' during a lengthy firefight on the 'street without joy' on Operation Chinook II (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
3. Photograph number 3-187-67: 21 February 1967: Lance Corporal Tony S. Santos, Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/9], San Antonio, Texas, is firing his M-79 grenade launcher on enemy positions during Operation Chinook II near AP Trung Kieu Village, Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. L. Cole) [2 copies].
4. Photograph number 1-187-67: 19 February 1967: Corporal James C. Wormington, Glendale, California (nearest camera), Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/9] is seen crossing a stream with his rifle ready while under fire of the VC on Operation Chinook II (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. L. Cole).
5. Photograph number 1-187-67: 19 February 1967: Corporal James C. Wormington, Glendale, California (nearest camera), Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/9] is seen crossing a stream with his rifle ready while under fire of the VC on Operation Chinook II (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. L. Cole) [duplicate photograph; 8 in. x 10 in.].

**Box 5 Folder 59.      Operation Citrus**

1. Photograph number 1M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Sea Knight Trio: A flight of CH-46s carry Leathernecks of M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7] into Operation Citrus southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).
2. Photograph number 2M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Landing Zone: Leathernecks of M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7] board CH-46s of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 465 [HMM-465] to be heli-lifted into an area south of Dai Loc to open Operation Citrus (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).

3. Photograph number 3M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Engineers Up!!!: Engineers will soon blow up a Viet Cong foot bridge during Operation Citrus, southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).
4. Photograph number 1D-6-359-67: 25 December 1967: Cat Nap: N. A. Carthens (Washington, DC) appears to defy gravity as he catches a quick nap atop a fighting hole during a break in the action on Operation Citrus, southwest of Da Nang. Carthens is a rifleman with the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brush).
5. Photograph number 4M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Citrus Fruit: Private First Class Louis Esposito, 20 (Lexington, Massachusetts), of M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7], supplements rations with a pineapple captured during Operation Citrus, southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).
6. Photograph number 4M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Passing the Word: Captain Karl S. Holdaway, 30 (Ferndale, California), commanding officer, M Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/7], communicates with lead elements of his unit during Operation Citrus southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).
7. Photograph number 6M-1552-67: 17 December 1967: Take Ten: Lieutenant Colonel Roger H. Barnard, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] commander, relaxes for a moment during Operation Citrus (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. C. Olson).

## **Box 6**

### **Box 6 Folder 1.      Operation Cleveland**

1. Photograph number 1D-4-26-67: 1967: Operation Cleveland: Lance Corporal Joseph S. Bokum (Keene, New Hampshire) moves down a heavily wooded mountain slope with other Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/4] on Operation Cleveland (Defense Department Photo).

### **Box 6 Folder 2.      Operation Colorado**

1. Photograph number 2-244-66: 1 September 1966: These South Vietnamese Marines have just emerged from a CH-46A 'Sea Knight' helicopter which landed safely despite numerous Viet Cong punji stakes obstructing the landing zone. The chopper, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164], carried the South Vietnamese into the Que Son area during Operation Colorado (official USMC photo by Corporal Johnson) [3 copies]

### **Box 6 Folder 3.      Operation County Fair I**

1. Photograph number A188489: 12 December 1966: Operation County Fair I: A corpsman treats a Vietnamese child for various cuts and infections (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Call).
2. Photograph number 6-353-66: 12 December 1966: Tractor Team: Braced against sand bags on top of their amphibious tractor, a four man team keeps an eye on a stretch of the Cau Do river boarding Da Nang to prevent the escape of fleeing Viet Cong across the stream. On shore Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines were sweeping the area to weed out Viet Cong masquerading as farmers. The 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division river guards are, left to right: Private First Class David A. Krista, 19 (Cincinnati, Ohio); Private First Class Robert L. Baily, 18 (Wadsworth, Ohio); Private First Class William W. Hamilton, 19 (Hutchinson, Kansas), and Lance Corporal Johnny M. Cantrell, 20 (Nashville, Tennessee). Action took place December 12-14 during Operation County Fair Tank-1 (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant G. E. Wilson).

#### **Box 6 Folder 4.      Operation Daring Rebel**

1. Photograph number 2-0802-69: 1969: On Guard: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment move into the brush during an amphibious Operation Daring Rebel to clear out Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army strongholds on an island named by US Forces as Barrier Island, 20 miles south-southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
2. Photograph number 1-0802-69: 1969: Helping Hands: Infantrymen from the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, help Vietnamese civilians to safety and transportation that will take them to the Quang Tin Province holding center, during Operation Daring Rebel. The 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are working with the Republic of Korea Marines and the Army of the Republic of Vietnam forces to rid this pie-shaped island, 20 miles south-southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam, of Viet Cong and agents of the VC infrastructure (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

#### **Box 6 Folder 5.      Operation Dawson River (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-3-0037-69: 1969: Up and Away: Marine Private First Class W. Thomas (West Palm Beach, Florida) and Private First Class A. B. Shaffer, III (Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania) dig a fox hole for night defensive perimeter. The two Leathernecks are members of the 3d Marine Division, participating in Operation Dawson River, west of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
2. Photograph number 3M-11-0037-69: 1969: Mortars Up: Lance Corporal Steven Hawkins (Rochester, New York) (front) and Private First Place Tim Doyle (Erie, Pennsylvania), members of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, find that elephant grass in Vietnam can grow pretty tall as they move along with a 60mm mortar. The Leathernecks are participating in Operation Dawson River near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

3. Photograph number 3M-4-0037-69: 1969: Clean-Up: Leatherneck Lance Corporal D. W. Griffin (Newberry, South Carolina) left, and Private First Class A. B. Shaffer, III (Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania) clean their mortar during Operation Dawson River. Units of the 3d Marine Division are participating in the operation near the Demilitarized Zone, west of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
4. Photograph number 3M-15-0037-69: 1969: Looking for Charlie: 2d Lieutenant L. P. O'Tool (New York, New York), an artillery forward observer attached to 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, uses a pair of binoculars to check for enemy movement south of the Demilitarized Zone. The 3d Marine Division Leathernecks are participating in Operation Dawson River (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
5. Photograph number 3M-13-0037-69: 1969: Natural Camouflage: Leathernecks of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division, find that six-foot-tall elephant grass provides almost natural camouflage on Operation Dawson River. The operation, concentrating on enemy weapons and supply caches, is being conducted near the Demilitarized Zone, west of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
6. Photograph number 3M-12-0037-69: 1969: Waiting: Corporal J. P. O'Neill (Denham Springs, Louisiana) takes a break in elephant grass as a Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter leaves the area during Operation Dawson River. O'Neill, a member of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, participated in the operation south of the Demilitarized Zone in the northernmost province of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
7. Photograph number 3M-7-0037-69: 1969: Strategy: Leatherneck Sergeant R. J. Thibault (Lewiston, Maine), holding map and compass, instructs one of his squad leaders, Corporal J. P. O'Neill (Dunham Springs, Louisiana), on the platoon's moves during Operation Dawson River. The Marines are conducting the operation west of the old Khe Sanh Combat Base, south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
8. Photograph number 3M-19-0037-69: 1969: Through the Jungle: Sergeant R. J. Thibault (Lewiston, Maine) (right) and Lance Corporal Steven Hawkins (Rochester, New York) move through a jungle canopy during Operation Dawson River (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

**Box 6 Folder 6.      Operation Dawson River (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-10-0037-69: 1969: Tall Elephant Grass makes it rough going for Leathernecks participating in the Operation Dawson River, south of the Demilitarized Zone. The search-and-clear operation was conducted by elements of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

2. Photograph number 3M-2-0037-69: 1969: Bottoms Up: Leatherneck Lance Corporal S. Hawkins (Rochester, New York) left, and Sergeant R. J. Thibault (Lewiston, Maine) prepare defensive positions west of Khe Sanh. Units of the 3d Marine Division are participating in Operation Dawson River, south of Demilitarized Zone. A Marine mortar is centered, foreground (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
3. Photograph number 3M-20-0037-69: 1969: Tall Troubles: Leathernecks participating in Operation Dawson River found six-foot-tall elephant grass could present problems—especially when moving through the thick foliage. The Marines, members of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment of the 3d Marine Division, conducted the sweep south of the Demilitarized Zone in search of enemy weapons and supply caches (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
4. Photograph number 3M-14-0037-69: 1969: Lending a Hand: An outstretched hand from a Marine buddy helps lift this Leatherneck from a deep stream south of the Demilitarized Zone. The 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leathernecks were participating in Operation Dawson River, west of Khe Sanh in the northernmost province of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
5. Photograph number 3M-6-0037-69: 1969: Elephant Grass: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division advance through sharp, thick elephant grass west of Khe Sanh. The Marines are participating in Operation Dawson River, south of the Demilitarizing Zone, searching for the enemy, his fighting bunkers and supply caches. Marines shown are part of a weapons platoon, the Leatherneck at the left carrying a mortar tube (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
6. Photograph number 3M-5-0037-69: 1969: Dawson River: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division participating in Operation Dawson River advance through thick, sharp elephant grass south of the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-0037-69: 1969: Forward Observer: Leatherneck forward observers use a radio to call Marine artillery on suspected enemy positions south of the Demilitarized Zone in Vietnam. The Leatherneck team is part of the 3d Marine Division participating in Operation Dawson River west of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

#### **Box 6 Folder 7.      Operation Deckhouse IV**

1. Photograph number 3-52-67: 1967: MEDEVAC: A Marine wounded during Operation Deckhouse IV, is medevaced by helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] (official USMC photo by Sergeant James Boyd).
2. Photograph number 9-52-67: 1967: Combined Efforts: The one-two punch of the Navy and Marine Corps team was executed against the Viet Cong February 16 as Marines of



the Special Landing Force, 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Amphibious Brigade landed in southern I Corps to begin Operation Deckhouse VI. Helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 363 [HMM-363] and ships of the Amphibious Ready Group landed the Marines (official USMC photo by Sergeant James Boyd).

3. Photograph number 2-6-67: 1967: Wet Going: Leathernecks from Marine Special Landing Force wade through waist high surf at 'Blue' Beach during the first day of Operation Deckhouse IV. In the background are ships of the 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet Amphibious Force which landed the Marines (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 2-1-67: 1967: Search: Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/4] search a Vietnamese junk in Sa Huynh harbor for VC weapons during the first day of Operation Deckhouse IV (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 2-22-67: 1967: Help From Above: Marines of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines carry a Marine to a helicopter for evacuation to the hospital aboard the USS Iwo Jima. The Marine was hit by sniper fire while on patrol. The Marines are fighting in the vicinity of Sa Huynh Vietnam as part of a Special Landing Force during Operation Deckhouse IV (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Thomas N. Bland, Jr.).

#### **Box 6 Folder 8.      Operation DeSoto**

1. Photograph number 6-61X-67: 6 March 1967: Operation DeSoto: Private First Class R. E. Searles hooks up telephone wires for service within the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marine perimeter during Operation DeSoto (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 7-61X-67: 6 March 1967: Operation DeSoto: Sergeant Small of the 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, F Company, 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, looks weary and leery while on Operation DeSoto with the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, south of Quang Ngai (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 42-27X-67: 27 January 1967: Moving Out Low and Fast: Marines from K Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/5], run for cover and safety as the Viet Cong opened up with heavy automatic fire during the opening day of Operation DeSoto (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 49-52X-67: 21 February 1967: Operation DeSoto: A Marine M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5], advances under fire toward the enemy during Operation DeSoto, south of Quang Ngai (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 10-56X-67: 25 February 1967: Operation Desoto: A sniper team get a work out using a .50 caliber machine gun with the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7] during Operation Desoto (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 6 Folder 9.      Operation Dewey Canyon (1 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-4028-69: 1969: Anywhere...Anytime: Marine UH-1E (Huey) helicopters touch down with their loads at Fire Support Base Cunningham. Artillerymen of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines at Cunningham are supporting elements of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines conducting search and clear operations (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-1029-69: 1969: Moment of Peace: Infantrymen of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines and artillerymen of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines take time to attend church services at Fire Support Base Razor. The Marines are engaged in a search and clear operation (official USMC photo by Private First Class C. E. Sickler).
3. Photograph number 2-0657-69: 1969: Museum Bound: A captured 122mm enemy field piece is prepared for shipment to the Marine Corps Museum, Quantico, Virginia, by Private First Class Ronald Duplantis (San Antonio, Texas), a member of Preservation, Packaging, and Packing Platoon, Force Logistic Command, near Da Nang. The artillery weapon was one of 12 captured by Marines of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, 3d Marine Division, during Operation Dewey Canyon in the northern Ashau Valley complex. The gun weighs 15,550 pounds and has a range of 14 to 16 miles (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-0366-69: 1969: Pipe Dream Popped: Captain Thomas F. Hinkle (Wilmington, Delaware) (upper left) examines a Russian made 122mm howitzer captured during Operation Dewey Canyon. The North Vietnamese soldiers blew the gun when their efforts to stop the Leathernecks, from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, from overrunning their mountain stronghold failed (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
5. Photograph number 3D-7-062-69: 1969: North Vietnamese Machine Gun: Leathernecks of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, look over an enemy 7162mm anti-aircraft machine gun, part of the huge cache they uncovered in the northern Ashau Valley complex, February 27. The cache containing over 350 tons of enemy arms and ammunition is believed to be the largest ever found in Vietnam. The Leathernecks are participating in Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-0366-69: 1969: Big Bang Busted: Captain Thomas F. Hinkle (Wilmington, Delaware) (upper left) points out a spiked gun barrel to fellow Leathernecks from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines. The Russian-made 122mm howitzers were destroyed by the enemy, as the Marines advanced on them. Leathernecks captured several of the big guns as the enemy retreated during Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
7. Photograph number 3M-4-0366-69: 1969: Looking Down the Ashau: A Navy hospital corpsman and a young Leatherneck from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines examine a captured 12mm howitzer. The field piece is the largest enemy gun captured in South Vietnam. The North Vietnamese soldiers had tried to swing the gun from its normal position facing down the Ashau Valley, but Marines participating in Operation Dewey Canyon attacked

them before the alternate position could be completed and the enemy spiked the gun as they retreated (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordon).

8. Photograph number 3D-1-4-059-69: 1969: Captured Enemy Artillery: Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, inspects one of the 12 North Vietnamese 122mm artillery pieces captured by the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, during Operation Dewey Canyon in the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal P. Schackmann).
9. Photograph number 3D-15-9060-69: 1969: Enemy 12.7mm Antiaircraft Gun: Lance Corporal Guy S. Spencer, 21 (San Diego, California), a radioman with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, inspects a North Vietnamese Army 12.7mm antiaircraft gun captured by Marines during Operation Dewey Canyon. A Marine company fought off an estimated company-size North Vietnamese Army force to capture a large enemy munitions cache in northern South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).

#### **Box 6 Folder 10.      Operation Dewey Canyon (2 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-060-69: 1969: Enemy Cache: These 82mm mortar shells were a small part of an over 350 ton enemy arms and munitions cache uncovered by the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment on Operation Dewey Canyon, February 27. The cache, uncovered in the northern Ashau Valley complex, is one of the largest enemy arms caches ever found. It has yielded 802 individual weapons and 145 crew-served weapons thus far (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 3D-10-9-060-69: News Break: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Wesley L. Fox, company commander with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9], takes a break to catch up on the latest news. Lieutenant Fox led his company during Operation Dewey Canyon against an enemy bunker complex where 82 reds were killed (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-062-69: 1969: Enemy Bunker: A Leatherneck from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment enters a North Vietnamese Army bunker during Operation Dewey Canyon. In bunkers such as this the enemy hid over 350 tons of arms and ammunition uncovered by the Marines on February 27 as they pushed through the enemy sanctuary in the northern Ashau Valley complex. Most of the enemy weapons and equipment found was new (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3D-4-9851-69: 1969: Captured Enemy Weapon: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee (left) and Sergeant Major Joseph W. Dailey, the senior enlisted man in the 3d Marine Division, examine an enemy weapon captured during Operation Dewey Canyon. Sergeant Major Dailey has been selected by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to be the sergeant major of the Marine Corps. Dailey will assume his new duties August 1 at Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, DC. He will relieve the

present senior enlisted man, Sergeant Major Herbert J. Sweet, who will retire after 32 years' service (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackmann).

5. Photograph number 3D-1-3056-69: 1969: Mortar Fire: Mortar men from 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines prepare to send another 60mm mortar round against the enemy during Operation Dewey Canyon. Left to right are Lance Corporal James Hudgens (Baldwin, Missouri), and Corporal Albert L. Brown (Ridgeville, South Carolina). The 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, since the start of the operation January 22, has accounted for more than 1,100 NVA dead (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).
6. Photograph number 3D-5-062-69: 1969: Antiaircraft Guns: North Vietnamese Army 12.7mm antiaircraft guns are stacked by a Leatherneck of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, after being discovered in the northern Ashau Valley complex during Operation Dewey Canyon, February 27. The 9<sup>th</sup> Marines uncovered over 350 tons of enemy arms and munitions in what is believed to be the largest cache of ever found in Vietnam (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 3D-6-062-68: 1969: Taking Inventory: Two members of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] count part of the huge arms cache uncovered by the company on February 27 during Operation Dewey Canyon. The cache, believed to be the largest ever uncovered in Vietnam, was found in the northern Ashau Valley (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 3D-2-4055-69: 1969: On the Move: Infantrymen of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment secure another battle scarred hilltop following an encounter with North Vietnamese Army forces during Operation Dewey Canyon. From the start of the operation January 22, through the end of February, the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines have accounted for more than a thousand enemy dead in the Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).
9. Photograph number 3D-1-12054-69: 1969: Prime Mover: A North Vietnamese Army tracked prime mover stands immobilized in the jungle of the Ashau Valley complex. The 5-ton vehicle was captured by Leatherneck infantrymen of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment during Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).
10. Photograph number 3D-1-4028-69: 1969: Four Deuce: Lance Corporal Billy G. Shelby (Houston, Texas), an artilleryman of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines, prepares to send a 4.2 inch mortar round on its way to an enemy target. The 'Four Deuce' mortars, the largest used by allied forces in Vietnam, are supporting the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines in Operation Dewey Canyon. Preparing for the deafening roar of the weapon are Lance Corporal Richard A. Roberts (Laporte, Texas), left, and Corporal Robert C. Effrig (Seattle, Washington) (official USMC photo by (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).

**Box 6 Folder 11.      Operation Dewey Canyon (3 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1-0836-69: 1969: Quick Eye Spots Problem: Corporal Nathaniel Prince (Louisville, Kentucky) spots a minor problem as he checks over a 60mm mortar tube at Vandegrift Combat Base. Price is a member of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's small arms repair team. The contact team was sent to Vandegrift to repair Leatherneck weapons after Operation Dewey Canyon. Marines of 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines spent more than 60 days in the Ashau Valley routing enemy forces and uncovering large food, weapons, and ammunition caches. Checking and repairing small arms is an important element in FLSG-B's task of support and supply for 3d Marine Division forces in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
2. Photograph number 3M-9-062-69: 1969: Enemy Cache: Part of the 802 individual and 145 crew-served weapons discovered by D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, in what is believed to be the largest enemy cache of the war discovered thus far. Over 350 tons of weapons and ammunition were found in the northern Ashau Valley complex, February 27, during Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo) [2 copies].
3. Photograph number 3D-3-8055-69: 1969: Moving Up: Marine infantrymen of the 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines move up a battle scarred slope during Operation Dewey Canyon in the northern Ashau Valley complex. Leathernecks advancing against the enemy held mountain top near the Laotian border dubbed the hill 'Tiger Mountain' (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-2046-69: 1969: Water Jugs: Leathernecks of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines prepare to pick up water after being resupplied during Operation Dewey Canyon in the mountainous jungles of the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-8055-69: 1969: Medevac Extraction: A wounded Leatherneck from the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines is hoisted aboard a helicopter for transport to a rear medical facility during Operation Dewey Canyon, just northwest of Ashau Valley. Helicopters from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW], flying in support of 3d Marine Division operations, often hazard unimproved landing zones to resupply men in the field and extract the wounded (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
6. Photograph number 0094: 1969: Race For Lift: Marine infantrymen rush a wounded comrade aboard a medical evacuation helicopter during Operation Dewey Canyon. Once on the Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] Sea Knight 'chopper' the casualty is only minutes away from complete medical facilities and care (official USMC photo by Corporal Stewart MacKenzie).
7. Photograph number 3D-4-9-060-69: 1969: Enemy Arty Rounds: Two 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment infantrymen carry crated enemy 122mm artillery rounds to a waiting helicopter after seizing a 288 ton enemy arms cache during Operation Dewey Canyon February 28 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).

8. Photograph number 3D-4-062-69: 1969: North Vietnamese Munitions: Marines of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/9] dig out part of the better than 350 tons of enemy munitions the company uncovered February 27 during Operation Dewey in the northern Ashau Valley Complex. The cache was one of the largest ever found in Vietnam (official USMC photo).

**Box 6 Folder 12.      Operation Dewey Canyon (4 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 3M-8-062-69: February 1969: Close Look: Three Marines of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/9] look over a captured North Vietnamese Army 7.62mm antiaircraft machine gun. The weapon was part of an arms cache believed to be the largest ever found in Vietnam. The Marines are (left to right) Private First Class Edward F. Culp, 20 (Dayton, Ohio), 2d Lieutenant John E. Trapp (Laconia, New Hampshire), and Lance Corporal Val Fisher, 20 (Holt, California) (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 3D-9-9060-69: 1969: Captured SKS: Captain Edward F. Riley, 32 (South Portland, Maine), a company commander with 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, examines one of over 600 North Vietnamese Army rifles captured by men of his company during Operation Dewey Canyon. Riley led his men on an assault of an enemy held hill to capture the weapons. His men accounted for 30 enemy dead in unearthing the largest enemy arms cache of the Vietnam war (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-9-060-69: 1969: Mortars: Marine 2d Lieutenant Vance L. Rutan (Oswego, New York) shields his ears while Marine mortars fire on enemy positions in the northern Ashau Valley complex during Operation Dewey Canyon. Lieutenant Vance is a member of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-5352-68: 1968: After the Battle: Men of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines move along a ridgeline following a battle with a well entrenched North Vietnamese force near the Demilitarized Zone. The Marines killed 31 of the enemy and unearthed large caches of enemy supplies and ammunition (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. C. Patterson).
5. Photograph number 3D-12-9-060-69: 1969: Stacks and Stacks of Rifles: Infantrymen of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines inspect some of the 606 enemy rifles captured near the Laotian border during Operation Dewey Canyon. The rifles were part of a 288 ton cache unearthed February 28 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
6. Photograph number 3D-2-3056-69: On the Move: Leathernecks of L Company, 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines move out during the assault of Tiger Mountain north of the Ashau Valley. The 9<sup>th</sup> Marines were participating in Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).



7. Photograph number 3D-3-062-69: 1969: Enemy Grenade: Captain Edward F. Riley (South Portland, Maine), commanding officer of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9], holds an enemy grenade as he makes a radio report on the North Vietnamese Army arms and munitions cache his men found on February 27 during Operation Dewey Canyon. The cache, totaling over 350 tons, was found in the northern Ashau Valley complex and is one of the biggest ever found in Vietnam (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 3M-2-0275-69: 1969: Doc on the Job: Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Mack H. Wilhelm (Maywood, New Jersey) treats a Marine wounded during an enemy attack on their positions in Operation Dewey Canyon. The Leathernecks killed 12 of the attackers in the half-hour battle (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
9. Photograph number 3M-2-075-69: 1969: Helping Hand: A Marine is helped to an evacuation point by two buddies after he was wounded during an enemy probe of his unit's position during Operation Dewey Canyon. Leathernecks killed 12 North Vietnamese in the fighting northwest of the Ashau Valley (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

**Box 6 Folder 13.      Operation Dewey Canyon (5 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-3056-69: 1969: Moving Up: Men of L Company, 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/9] move up a ridge line north of Ashau Valley during Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Corporal Robb Straub).
2. Photograph number: 3D-1-0855-69: 1969: Colonel James Moore (Denison, Texas) points out an enemy sniper position to Staff Sergeant Henry W. Taylor, Jr. (foreground) of Marshallville, Georgia. Both are members of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division and are participating in Operation Dewey Canyon in the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo by Corporal J. G. McCullough).
3. Photograph number 0095: 1969: Long Lift: Aircrewmembers assist a combat casualty aboard a Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] Sea Knight helicopter during an Operation Dewey Canyon medical evacuation flight. The helicopter crew used a winch and cable to hoist the wounded Marine, from an area too overgrown for landing, to the 'chopper' hovering above the trees. The Marine CH-46s, flying at more than 130 miles per hour, whisk casualties to expert medical help within minutes after pick-up (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
4. Photograph number 0206: 29 February 1969: Dusty Landing: A Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] drops into a zone on Highway 1 near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. L. Hale, Jr.).

5. Photograph number 3D-1-10-47-69: 1969: Medevac: A wounded infantryman from 9<sup>th</sup> Marines is hoisted aboard a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] supporting 3d Marine Division Leathernecks in Operation Dewey Canyon. The operation, centered in the Ashau Valley complex has resulted in the capture of more than 400 tons of communist arms and ammunition (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Sickler, Jr.).
6. Photograph number 3D-6-062-69: 1969: Taking Inventory: Two members of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/9] count part of the huge arms cache uncovered by the company on February 27 during Operation Dewey Canyon. The cache, believed to be the largest ever uncovered in Vietnam, was found in the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-2055-69: 1969: Tough Climb: Leathernecks of H Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, make their way up a mountain during Operation Dewey Canyon. Elements of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines captured the largest enemy arms cache of the Vietnam war during the operation conducted in the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Carroll).
8. Photograph number 0089: 1969: Supplies for the Troops: A 'Heavy Hauler' CH-53 helicopter from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 [HMH-462] hovers above the resupply depot at Camp Evans in northern I Corps, while members of the 3d Shore Party Battalion, hook up another of supplies. The huge cargo transport helicopter is supporting fire bases in Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Sergeant David Butler).
9. Photograph number 3D-8-9-060-69: 1969: Resupply: A Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] delivers supplies to the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment during Operation Dewey Canyon, in which Leathernecks captured over 500 tons of enemy arms and ammunition (official USMC photo).

**Box 6 Folder 14.      Operation Dewey Canyon (6 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1046-69: 1969: Splish, Splash: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] trudge across a mountain stream in search of the enemy during Operation Dewey Canyon in the northern Ashau Valley complex (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Carroll).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-0366-69: 1969: The Victor: Marine Private First Class Bernardo A. Blazek (Viroqua, Wisconsin) stands atop a prime mover for an enemy 122mm artillery piece captured by the 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment during Operation Dewey Canyon. The enemy destroyed two of the large artillery pieces and their prime movers while fleeing from the Leatherneck advance toward the Ashau Valley (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-116-67: 26 April 1967: High Resupply: Marines of 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, unload C rations 12 miles south of Da

Nang, April 21. They were establishing a combat base for their battalion and uncovered numerous enemy supply routes on their first large-scale operation since the battalion moved north from Chu Lai earlier in the month (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Preston Brown).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-18-045: 1967: On Target: A Marine sniper team with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] opens fire on the enemy while participating in Operation Dewey Canyon. The multi-battalion offensive thrust in the jungles just northwest of the Ashau Valley netted the Marines 436 enemy killed during the first 30 days of the operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. L. Randolph).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-6046-69: 1969: Proud Father: Lieutenant Miles Davis (Alexandria, Virginia) receives his promotion to 1<sup>st</sup> lieutenant from his father, Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, and Colonel Robert H. Barrow (left), commanding officer, 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, at Fire Support Base Cunningham during Operation Dewey Canyon. Lieutenant Davis, executive officer of K Company, 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/9], suffered minor wounds later in the operation and received his second Purple Heart since joining the unit last September (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe, Jr.).
6. Photograph number 0111: undated: Emergency Resupply: Members of Marine Refueler Transport Squadron 152 [VMGR-152] prepare to para-drop a crate containing a ton of water from a C-130 Hercules during a resupply mission in support of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines during Operation Dewey Canyon. After a 2,500 foot free fall, the parachute opens at 500 feet above the ground (official USMC photo by Corporal S. L. MacKenzie).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-2058-69: 1969: Purple Heart: First Sergeant Gene D. Mills, 43 (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma), field sergeant major of Headquarters Battalion, 3d Marine Division, presents his son Lance Corporal Michael L. Mills, 19, with the Purple Heart medal. Young Mills was wounded during Operation Dewey Canyon with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines. Lance Corporal Mills reported to Vietnam in January and his father, a 24 year Marine Corps veteran, arrived for his third tour in Vietnam in February (official USMC by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
8. Photograph number 0094: undated: Load Up: A Sea Stallion helicopter moves in to pick up cargo as a Sea Knight (right) waits its turn. These and other 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing choppers are flying missions in support of Operation Dewey Canyon (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant George Edwards).
9. Photograph number 0092: 1969: Mercy Bird: A Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 242 [HMM-242] Sea Knight briefly perches on the landing pad of the Hospital Ship Sanctuary off the coast of Vietnam to unload Marine casualties from Operation Dewey Canyon. Medical evacuation flights rush casualties to the ship's medical facilities within minutes after injury (official USMC photo by Corporal Stewart MacKenzie).

### **Box 6 Folder 15.      Operation Dodge City**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-263-68: September 1968: Take Five: Elements of L Company, 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [L/3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division takes a bread in the ruins near 'Dodge City' shortly after Marine artillery bombarded the enemy site. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks were on a routine sweep 10 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Private First Class B. R. Sanchez).
2. Photograph number 1D-7-300-68: 1968: Cast a Wary Glance: Lieutenant Colonel A. A. Laporte (New Rochelle, New York), commanding officer of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines, glances to his right while crossing open terrain during at two-day operation in the Dodge City area, some 13 miles south of Da Nang. More than a week of continuous rains had left the rice paddies flooded, but the Marines found more than 4,400 pounds of rice buried on high ground in the area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
3. Photograph number 1D-3-312-687: 1968: H & I: An 81mm mortar team fires a harassing and interdiction mission in support of Marines from 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines during a two day operation in the Dodge City area, 13 miles south of Da Nang. Private First Class Charles Dukes, 19 (Little Rock, Arkansas) is dropping the round into the tube (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 1D-10-300-68: 1968: Helicopter Landing: Marines of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [C/1/1] rush from a Sea Knight helicopter during the initial landing of troops in the Dodge City area, 13 miles south of Da Nang. The Marines unearthed numerous rice caches and weapons during the two day operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

### **Box 6 Folder 16.      Operation Double Eagle**

1. Photograph number 3-250-66: 19 February 1966: Operation Double Eagle, Phase II: Staff Sergeant Morton Goodeagle (Stillwater, Oklahoma), 2d Platoon Sergeant, F Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] holds a .45 caliber Thompson submachine gun, captured from a wounded Viet Cong (Defense Department photo).

### **Box 6 Folder 17.      Operation Dragon Palace**

1. Photograph number 3M-9-0562-69: 1969: It Loads Like This: Corporal John E. White (Victorville, California) shows a Popular Force soldier how to load and operate a BAR (Browning Automatic Rifle). Both are members of CAP 2-5-4, which operates in the Dic Loc hamlet (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-8-0562-69: 1969: Under Two Flags: Lance Corporal Charles A. Smith (Fort Wayne, Indiana) cleans his equipment as a fellow Marine keeps a lookout for enemy troops. Both are members of Mobile CAP 2-4-3 in Thanh Taxy hamlet near Hoi An (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

3. Photograph number 3M-3-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Resupply: An American Marine helicopter resupplies Korean Marines during Operation Dragon Palace (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
4. Photograph number 3M-10-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Operation Dragon Palace: Lieutenant Colonel Won Nam Kuy, 3d Battalion Commander, briefs his officers during the operation which netted 145 NVA dead and 23 enemy weapons (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number 3M-4-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Marines—Both: Brigadier General Kim Yun Sang, Commanding General, 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade, greets American Captain Kent Morsch, 27 (Detroit, Michigan) during Operation Dragon Palace. Captain Morsch is an Air-Naval Gunfire Liaison [ANGLICO] officer for the Korean marines (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
6. Photograph number 3M-12-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Armored Support: An amphibian tractor from the American Marine's 3d AmTrac Battalion supports the Korean Marines during Operation Dragon Palace. Three Koreans and an American Marine sit atop the vehicle which has a sandbagged recoilless rifle position mounted to it (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
7. Photograph number 3M-5-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Recoilless Crew: Korean Marines cover a 75mm recoilless rifle to protect it from the sand during Operation Dragon Palace (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

#### **Box 6 Folder 18.      Operation Georgia**

1. No photograph number: 7 May 1966: Operation Georgia: HN William Crosby (Alburnett, Iowa) cleans a shrapnel wound for a Vietnamese girl. Crosby is a 3d Platoon, I Company, 3d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment corpsman (Defense Department photo) [2 copies].
2. No photograph number: 1966: Operation Georgia: Lance Corporal George Cramer (Doylestown, Pennsylvania) a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Scout Dog Platoon, looks into the entrance of a tunnel system after his dog, Duke, detects movement inside (Defense Department photo).

#### **Box 6 Folder 19.      Operation Handclasp**

1. Photograph number 2-79-69: 1969: A Big Gift: Clutching for his new toy, a Vietnamese boy receives a gift almost as big as himself. The toys were distributed by Marines of the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, as part of their Operation Handclasp, during which they distributed over two tons of gifts to local villagers (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. Tour) [2 copies].

2. Photograph number 1-79-69: 1969: How About A Doll?: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Kenneth Aoyoma (Isleton, California), Civic Affairs Officer for the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, gives a little girl a doll during Operation Handclasp. The project, coordinated by Lieutenant Aoyoma, provided Marines with over two tons of gifts to distribute to the people as part of the Marines' program (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. Tour).

**Box 6 Folder 20.      Operation Hastings**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1167-66: July 1966: Taking the High Ground: Marines of G Company, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines move up a rugged slope as they attack North Vietnamese Regulars during Operation Hastings, two miles from the demilitarized zone. The 3d Division Marines are rushing the hill following a heavy artillery and mortar barrage that had cleared much of the jungle from the slope. These men made heavy contact with the well-fortified enemy who were armed with automatic weapons (Defense Department photo) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 3D-2-1168-66: 1966: Assault: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4] assault North Vietnamese positions following bombing, strafing and napalm runs by aircraft of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing during Operation Hastings. 3d Marine Division units taking part in the 10 day old operation have accounted for more than 630 dead from the 324<sup>th</sup> B North Vietnamese Division. The action is taking place within 6 miles of the demilitarized zone (Defense Department photo).
3. No photograph number: 1966: Operation Hastings: Men of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines wading up a stream (Defense Department photo).

**Box 6 Folder 21.      Operation Independence**

1. Photograph number 15-39-67: 8 February 1967: Present for Sniper: Leathernecks of E Company, 2d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/5] unleash a 3.5 inch rocket at a Viet Cong sniper during Operation Independence south of Da Nang. Companies from several units in the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division participated in the multi-battalion operation, which ended in February 9 (official USMC photo by Corporal W. E. McDonald).

**Box 6 Folder 22.      Operation Kingfisher**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1493-67: 29 July 1967: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] return down a trail and through the perimeter of the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/4] from two days of fierce fighting with North Vietnamese Army troops, taking place within the Demilitarized Zone on Operation Kingfisher (Defense Department photo).
2. Photograph number 3D-9-1493-67: 29 July 1967: Operation Kingfisher Within the DMZ: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] hump the last hill up a dusty road before



entering the 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marine [3/4] perimeter. Operation Kingfisher was held 2,500 meters northwest of Nui Con Thien (Defense Department photo).

3. Photograph number 3D-10-1493-67: 29 July 1967: Operation Kingfisher Within the DMZ: An unidentified weary, grim Marine shows expression of two days of heavy fighting with the North Vietnamese Army inside the Demilitarized Zone in the 'buffer' zone south of the Ben Hai River, 2500 meters northwest of Nui Con Thien. The Marine is a member of the 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/9] (Defense Department photo).

**Box 6 Folder 23.      Operation Lancaster II (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 2-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Sea Knights: A wave of Sea Knight helicopters ferry Marines to a landing zone near the Demilitarized Zone on Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
2. Photograph number 3M-24-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Paul Bunyan: Private First Class Ajax Williams (Cocoa Beach, Florida) uses a chain saw to clear trees and stumps from a hill near the DMZ in northernmost South Vietnam. The area was cleared for a helicopter landing zone during Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
3. Photograph number 3M-6-1158-68: 17 July 1968: In the Glass: Marines wait to move out during Operation Lancaster II near the Demilitarized Zone in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
4. Photograph number 3M-19-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Jungle Canopy: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines move up during Operation Lancaster II under a thick jungle canopy that leaves them almost in darkness. The operation was taking place near the DMZ (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
5. Photograph number 3M-4-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Security: 3d Marines Leathernecks provide security at the Landing Zone as helicopters bring in other Marines to the area south of the DMZ. The Marines were taking part in Operation Lancaster II in northernmost South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
6. Photograph number 3M-11-1158-68: 17 July 1968: On the Way: Lance Corporal L. V. Lowder, Jr. (Ithaca, New York) covers his ears against the blast after reloading his 81mm mortar during Operation Lancaster II near the Demilitarized Zone in northernmost South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
7. Photograph number 3M-13-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Silhouettes: Dawn silhouettes Marines of the 3d Marines as they move against North Vietnamese Army forces near the Demilitarized Zone in northernmost Vietnam. The Marines were taking part in Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).

8. Photograph number 3M-18-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Tough Going: Marines of the 3d Marines work their way up a steep jungle trails during Operation Lancaster II. The action is taking place just south of the DMZ (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).

**Box 6 Folder 24.      Operation Lancaster II (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-20-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Big Haul: A Leatherneck of the 3d Marines uploads supplies from a Sea Stallion Marine helicopter south of the DMZ during Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
2. Photograph number 3M-21-1158-68: Stock Up: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines uncrate 81mm mortar rounds in the densely jungled area near the DMZ. The Marines are taking part in Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
3. Photograph number 3M-16-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Inch-By-Inch: Marines of the 3d Marines work their way up a steep jungled hill trail. This was typical of the area near the Demilitarized Zone where the Leathernecks were conducting Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-1158-68: 17 July 1968: On the Run: Elements of the 3d Marines disembark from Marine Sea Knight helicopters and quickly move into defensive positions. The landing was made under fire during Operation Lancaster II near the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
5. Photograph number 3M-7-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Cautiously: Marines move cautiously through the heavy elephant grass south of the DMZ during Operation Lancaster II. The operation in the jungled area in northernmost South Vietnam was carried out by the elements of the 3d Marines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-1158-68: 17 July 1968: All Around: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines prepare to board Marine helicopters near the Rock Pile in the northernmost corner of Vietnam during Operation Lancaster II. The operation is taking place just south of the DMZ (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
7. Photograph number 3M-14-1158-68: 17 July 1968: Take Five: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines take advantage of craters left by Marine air support during an early morning break on Operation Lancaster II near the DMZ (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
8. No photograph number: July 1968: Company E, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [E/2/3] climbing up Mutters Ridge near the DMZ, north of Dong Ha, Operation Lancaster II (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Shearer).
9. Photograph number 3M-17-1158-68: 17 July 1968: King of the Hill: Marines reach the top of a hill during Operation Lancaster II near Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. Marine

helicopters immediately begin unloading supplies (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).

#### **Box 6 Folder 25.      Operation Linn River**

1. Photograph number 1-121-69: 1969: Appreciative Audience: Marines look on as a South Vietnamese Air Force 'Skyraider' roars low over a treeline to drop its ordnance on an enemy position during Operation Linn River, 12 miles southwest of Da Nang. The 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division troops had been receiving heavy sniper fire from the enemy position (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
2. Photograph number 1-124-69: 1969: 'Better'n Walkin'': As one Marine said, 'It's a bumpy ride, but its better'n walkin'.' Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines traveled by amphibian tractor to the Operation Linn River area. The multi-battalion 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division operation is currently taking place 12 miles southwest (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dick Licciardi).
3. Photograph number 1-129-69: 1969: Tank Ahoy: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division tankers on Operation Linn River push through swampy ground in search of enemy forces. The Operation Linn River is a multi-battalion sweep designed to clear the Da Hoa area 12 miles southwest of here (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
4. Photograph number 1-130-69: 1969: No 'Laugh-In' Matter: Tanks and men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division take up positions in Operation Linn River, 12 miles southwest of here. The multi-battalion operation, which commenced on January 28, has met with sporadic enemy resistance (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
5. Photograph number 0058: 1969: Hook-Up: A Marine on the helo-pad at Camp Muir, ten miles southwest of Da Nang, snaps a net full of supplies onto the external cargo hook of a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter. Leathernecks conducting Operation Linn River will receive the supplies (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).

#### **Box 6 Folder 26.      Operation Maine Crag**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-6-082-69: 1969: Well Traveled Road: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] move down an enemy road winding through the hills south of Khe Sanh. The Marine drive, dubbed Operation Maine Crag, has seen the Leathernecks destroy several enemy trucks and capture a large enemy rice cache (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-0900-69: 1969: Turning the Tables: US Marines and South Vietnam soldiers are turning the tables on the North Vietnamese Army by distributing captured rice to the Vietnamese people. Here, Regional Force soldiers load a 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion truck with the captured rice. A Civilian Organization for

Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS) spokesman said more than 300 tons of usable rice, hauled from Vandegrift Combat Base to Quang Tri City, will be handed over to the refugees. The rice is part of a huge cache uncovered by the 3d Marine Division during Operation Maine Crag (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).

3. Photograph number 3D-11-6082-69: 1969: Beaucoup Rice: Lance Corporal Ray Wolf (Hollywood, California), a 3d Marine Division Leatherneck, inspects part of the huge enemy rice cache uncovered by the 3d Marines southeast of Khe Sanh during Operation Maine Crag. The cache consisted of over 1,000 tons of rice (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
4. Photograph number 3D-5-6-082-69: 1969: Ex-Fighting Position: Master Sergeant Charles W. Denningham (left) (Hill, North Carolina), and Corporal James W. Ammon (Fredericktown, Missouri), dismantle one of the many portable fighting positions found by the 3d Marines along an enemy road south of Khe Sanh during Operation Maine Crag. The positions are made out of 55 gallon drum with woven rice straw wrapped around them for protection against shrapnel and small arms fire. The two small holes are used for observation and firing ports (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0482-69: 1969: Trojan Horse 1969 Style: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division adopted the ancient Grecian tactic of the Trojan Horse when they camouflaged their Ontos to resemble small bulldozers to fool the enemy. The tracked vehicles, armed with six 106mm recoilless rifles, were then heli-lifted from Vandegrift Combat Base to support the 3d Marines, conducting Operation Maine Crag southwest of Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
6. Photograph number 3D-4-6-082-69: 1969: Huggin' the Deck: With enemy rounds zinging overhead, a Leatherneck of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] hugs the ground after enemy soldiers opened up on the Marines from well concealed bunkers during Operation Maine Crag south of Khe Sanh. The Marines returned fire silencing the enemy (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-6-082-69: 1969: Rough Terrain: Infantrymen of the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] moved overland through the jungle south of Khe Sanh to open Operation Maine Crag. The Marines have interdicted an enemy supply road and seized an enemy storage area with a large rice cache near the Laotian border (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
8. Photograph number 3D-12-6-082-69: 1969: NVA Rice Cache: A 3d Marine Regiment Leatherneck examines the huge stockpile of North Vietnamese Army rice his unit captured south of Khe Sanh during Operation Maine Crag south of Khe Sanh. The Marines uncovered 1,240 tons of rice, the largest rice cache captured in the war. The rice was in bags marked 'China' (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).

9. Photograph number 3D-1-2088-69: 1969: Rice Convoy: A truck convoy from the 7<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion and 9<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion leaves Vandegrift Bombat Base with part of the 1,240 ton enemy rice cache the 3d Marines, captured south of Khe Sanh during Operation Maine Crag. The rice will be used to feed the South Vietnamese families in the resettlement villages established in Quang Tri Province for people left homeless by the war (official USMC photo by Corporal Scott Arnold).

**Box 6 Folder 27.      Operation Mameluke Thrust**

1. Photograph number 3M-15-0835-68: 21 May 1968: Bamboo Water Wheel: Private First Class Samuel H. Watters (Waynesboro, Pennsylvania) and Corporal Daniel Olgin (San Antonio, Texas) examine a Vietnamese water wheel discovered by elements of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines participating in Operation Mameluke Thrust south of Da Nang. Vietnamese farmers constructed the water wheel out of bamboo and used it to irrigate their rice paddies (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. A. Reid).
2. Photograph number 3-175-68: July 1968: Weapons Away: Members of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines load a cache of enemy weapons into giant baskets for transportation out of the combat zone, while their radioman calls for a helicopter. They captured the weapons on a combat sweep during Operation Mameluke Thrust (official USMC photo by Corporal W. L. Cummings).
3. Photograph number 3M-1-835-68: 22 May 1968: Leap Frog: A Sea Knight helicopter resupplies elements of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines during Operation Mameluke Thrust being conducted south of Da Nang. More than 200 North Vietnamese soldiers have been killed during the operation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Reid).

**Box 6 Folder 28.      Operation Maui Peak**

1. Photograph number 3449: October 1968: Mobile Artillery: Marine Armored Amphibian tractors fire their 105mm howitzers to support of Operation Maui Peak 30 miles southwest of here. Five of the 'tracs' fired 3,480 of the 33 pound projectiles at enemy positions during the period October 6-18 (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
2. Photograph number 3-282-68: 1968: Alert: Corporal Larry D. Lane, 22 (Columbus, Ohio), moves along a hedgerow with his scout dog 'Trooper' while under enemy fire. Lane was attached to the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division on Operation Maui Peak (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
3. Photograph number 0818: 1968: Infantry Support: A helicopter of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] carries an external load of supplies into a landing zone during Operation Maui Peak, as Marines on the ground move out. The ground unit was lifted into the area by the helicopters to combat enemy troop concentration (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).

4. Photograph number 0823: 1968: Trailer of Supplies: Infantrymen of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines strain to move a trailer full of supplies off a transport helicopter into deep saw grass during recent action in Operation Maui Peak near Thong Duc. The Leathernecks were airlifted and supplied by helicopters based at the Marble Mountain Air Facility (official USMC photo by M. E. Frank).
5. Photograph number 0821: 1968: Prepare to Move Out: Elements of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines prepare to move out during a recent troop assault, as transport helicopters line the runway at An Hoa. The infantrymen were supported in Operation Maui Peak by Marine helicopter (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. E. Frank).
6. Photograph number 3393: 1968: Slippery Scramble: Lance Corporal Robert Campbell, 20 (Monroe City, Indiana), is aided by a buddy as he scrambles up a slippery rice paddy dike during Operation Maui Peak near here. He is a radio operator with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
7. Photograph number 3394: 1968: Gear: Lance Corporal Robert Campbell, 20 (Monroe City, Indiana), a radio operator with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines collects captured enemy equipment after his unit assaulted and captured an enemy-held hill during Operation Maui Peak near here (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).

**Box 6 Folder 29.      Operation Meade River (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-5-2047-68: 1968: Dog Days: Private First Class Waldo Roame's scout dog, Hobo, sniffs out enemy troops encircled during Operation Meade River, a cordon operation 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. More than 5,000 Marines participated in the cordon, the largest heli-based operation in Marine Corps history (official USMC photo by Corporal B. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 1-327-68: 1968: Otter Resupply: An Otter makes its way through thick brush six miles south of here. The Otter, attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment, is used for travelling through swamplands in resupplying the troops taking part in Operation Meade River (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
3. Photograph number 1D-2-331-68: 1968: Time Out: A Marine with the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, Private First Class James C. Kahabka, 20 (Stockholm, Wisconsin), takes time out for a cigarette during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of here (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
4. Photograph number 2-342-68: 1968: Preparation: Lance Corporal Jerry Kanode, 20 (Streetsboro, Ohio), prepares to slide an explosive charge into an enemy bunker on Operation Meade River. A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, Marines provided the 'lasting effect' for Operation Meade River by demolishing all enemy field fortification (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).



5. Photograph number FLC-1-3005-68: 1968: Bring Her Down: A Marine signals a CH-46 transport helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing into position for a resupply hook-up at Hill 55, southwest of Da Nang, in support Operation Meade River, a multi-battalion operation south of Da Nang. Supplies from Hill 55 are processed through Marine Force Logistic Command's Logistical Support Unit (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
6. Photograph number 0935: undated: Hook Up: A Marine transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] hovers gently over a cargo of supplies as the cable is attached to the Sea Knight's hook. Once the load and aircraft are coupled, the helicopter will fly to a pre-determined landing zone in the Mead River operational area for delivery (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
7. Photograph number 1D-16-329-68: 1968: Grunt Support: A helicopter support team (HST) member with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines directs a helicopter into the landing zone on Operation Meade River southwest of Da Nang. An HST unit is assigned to all infantry companies on operations to insure supply support as needed (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
8. Photograph number 1D-3-335-68: 1968: Returning Fire: Private First Class Howard J. Oakly, 20 (Jerome, Pennsylvania), left, returns fire on an enemy position during Operation Meade River. The Leathernecks are members of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines. An ejected shell is caught in flight (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
9. Photograph number 1D-4-327-68: 1968: Towards an Understand: When Operation Meade River was initiated by the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division 13 miles southwest of Da Nang, one of the biggest jobs was the relocation of more than 2,500 civilians. Corporal David W. Crouch (Washington, Illinois) shares his radio (official USMC photo by Corporal John D. Gallo).
10. Photograph number 1D-7-331-68: 1968: Wet and Wild: Rugged Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines push their way across one of Vietnam's many rivers during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. After crossing the river they joined up with other units of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and began closing in on communist positions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Robert B. Sanville).

**Box 6 Folder 30.      Operation Meade River (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1D-9-329-68: 1968: Foreign Chow: Private First Class Guy M. Wells, 19 (Brevard, Rhode Island), gets a taste of Korean C-rations and instructions on using chop sticks from Kang Chang, Korean Marine on Operation Meade River. The Marines took time out to exchange C-rations and to explore culinary taste differences of the other's country (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Dickman).

2. Photograph number 1D-8-331-68: 1968: Keeping Dry: Framed by his 60mm mortar, Corporal Harry T. Bowling, 20 (Alexandria, Virginia), tired of being wet, erected a bed of empty ammunition crates during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. Bowling, with the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, is a squad leader for a mortar section (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Robert B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number 1-342-68: 1968: Destruction: Private First Class Floyd Marion, 21 (Sanford, North Carolina), rigs an explosive charge on the end of a role to push into an enemy bunker. Marine Engineers provided the 'lasting effect' on Operation Meade River as they blew all enemy bunkers found on the operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
4. Photograph number 3M-7-2047-68: 1968: Night Positions: Two members of the 5<sup>th</sup> marines prepare night defensive positions during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. The operation is the largest helicopter-borne assault in Marine Corps' history (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
5. Photograph number 6-2063-68: 1968: Humping, Again: The word is familiar; so is the image of the combat Marine. This time he was one of 5,000 Leathernecks participating in Operation Meade River, an allied stranglehold on North Vietnamese, Viet Cong and Viet Cong infrastructure south of Da Nang. More than 500 enemy have been killed (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
6. Photograph number 1D-2-328-68: 1968: At All Costs: A Marine will keep himself clean wherever he is and whenever he gets the opportunity. On Operation Meade River, Staff Sergeant Robert M. Rigdon, 29 (Jacksonville, Florida), takes time out to shower in the accepted 'field style' procedure. Rigdon is with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Dickman).
7. Photograph number 1D-5-327-68: Cautious: Two Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines probe for enemy mines buried in a rice paddy dike. The Leathernecks were participating in Operation Meade River, a multi-battalion search and clear operation 13 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal John D. Gallo).
8. Photograph number 12-2084-68: 1968: Tunnel Rat: Marine Lance Corporal John R. Gartrell (Fort Smith, Arkansas) crawls into a captured North Vietnamese bunker during Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang. He is a member of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
9. Photograph number 4-2102-68: 1968: Chieu Hoi: A Viet Cong lieutenant, center, turned himself over to the Leathernecks of the 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26] during Operation Meade River, south of Da Nang. The 19 day operation netted 1,025 enemy killed (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).

**Box 6 Folder 31.      Operation Meade River (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1-2047-68: 1968: Wet Feet: Marine Private First Class Edward Snibes (Washington, DC) rubs his feet during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. The multi-battalion operation consisted of 5,000 Marines in what is considered the largest heli-assault in Marine Corps' history. The Marines often waded knee deep in marsh, swamp, and rice paddy, requiring many foot rubs and changes of socks (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 7-2084-68: 1968: Digging Out: Marine Lance Corporal John R. Cantrell, left (Fort Smith, Arkansas), and Private First Class Ronald E. Jordan (Lancaster, South Carolina) dig out an enemy bunker during Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang. The multi-battalion operation consisted of Army of the Republic of Vietnam soldiers, Republic of Korea Marines, and 5,000 American Marines. It was the largest heli-assault in the history of the Marine Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
3. Photograph number 12-2084-68: 1968: Muscle Power: Marine jets bombed and strafed; Marine artillery pounded and US Navy ships offshore aimed their mighty guns at the enemy emplacements in the Meade River Operation, southwest of Da Nang, but it was the individual Marine and his buddies who had to finish the fighting and the tearing down of enemy positions. Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines strain to tear down a North Vietnamese bunker (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
4. Photograph number 7-2063-68: 1968: Biding the Time: A Leatherneck of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment takes advantage of a 'soft' Vietnamese road before his unit makes a sweep of the Dien Ban area during Operation Meade River. Seven Marine battalions joined with units of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam and Korean Marines in the operation south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
5. Photograph number 6-2084-68: 1968: Reminiscent: North Vietnamese bunkers built in the Meade River Operation, southwest of Da Nang, reminded many veteran Marines of Pacific Island fighting World War II. The bunkers were deep, reinforced and sturdy. The enemy was prepared to fight and die hard...and they did (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
6. Photograph number 1D-14-329-68: 1968: Time to Write: Private First Class Ezekiel Rivera, 19 (Denver, Colorado), with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines finds time to write a few words home during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
7. Photograph number 0896: 1968: Multi-Battalion Lift: Elements of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment stand by at the An Hoa Base waiting to board Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164]. More than 3,500 Leatherneck infantrymen were airlifted November 20 in a sector about eight miles southwest of Da Nang as they kicked off Operation Meade River. Approximately 75 helicopters from

three aircraft groups of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] took part in the operation (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Dan R. Morris).

8. Photograph number 1D-2-2001-68: 1968: Wiremen: Communications linemen from the 7<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, check out telephone lines alongside a flooded field six miles south of Da Nang. Lance Corporal J. A. Cogoman, left (Kimmel, Indiana), Lance corporal Kenneth D. Ellis (Gardena, California), center, and Private First Class Richard D. Wellnits (Las Vegas, Nevada) provided communications for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [1/1] during Operation Meade River (official USMC photo by Captain M. R. Arnold).
9. Photograph number 1D-15-329-68: 1968: Dual Role: Marine helicopters play a dual role on Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang. Besides delivering supplies to the 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26] they provided transportation out of the battle area for Vietnamese civilians (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).

#### **Box 6 Folder 32.      Operation Meade River (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number FLC-5-0391-69: 1969: "Praise the Lord and...": Two Force Logistic Command Marines help stack boxes of ammunition destined for Marines on combat operations throughout the northernmost tactical zone of South Vietnam. One day last December, a record of 155 tons of ammunition was shipped to Marines participating in Operation Meade River (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 1D-4-331-68: 1968: Break: Marines participating in Operation Meade River 13 miles south of here are doing a lot of traveling by foot. Private First Class George W. Barber, 19 (Columbus, Georgia) takes time out to tie his boot during a lull in the fighting (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number 1D-4-335-68: 1968: Break Time: Marine Staff Sergeant Clarence Brown (Mounds, Illinois) 'takes ten' during Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang. Brown is a platoon leader with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment (official USMC photo by R. B. Sanville).
4. Photograph number 3M-4-2047-68: 1968: Cordon: Marines of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment move forward on a sweep through elephant grass during Operation Meade River, the largest heli-borne operation in Marine Corps history. The cordon operation took place 13 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
5. Photograph number 3M-3-2047-68: 1968: "Smile": Private First Class J. Cleveeger (Birmingham, Alabama) (left) and Sergeant Eloyed Jiminez (Denver, Colorado) (sitting) of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment prepare to fire their 81mm mortar as a Marine Corps combat photographer films the action. The fire mission was in support of a patrol participating in Operation Meade River (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

6. Photograph number 1D-5-329-68: 1968: Searching: Corporal George D. Ellis, 19 (Willachooche, Georgia), platoon right guide with the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines on Operation Meade River searches through elephant grass looking for the enemy. Ellis started the operation as an assistant squad leader but was promoted to platoon guide within six days after the operation began (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
7. Photograph number 1D-5-331-68: 1968: Muddy Trek: Corporal Roland R. Tancrede, 19 (Manchester, New Hampshire), walks at the head of a column of Marines from the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
8. Photograph number 1D-1-329-68: 1968: After Charlie: Marines of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment cross a Vietnamese footbridge following an enemy trail during Operation Meade River southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
9. Photograph number 1-1987-68: 1968: Taking a Break: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines take a break before moving into rice paddies during Operation Meade River, south of Da Nang. Considered to be the largest helicopter assault in the history of the Marine Corps, the multi-battalion operation has cordoned a huge area, with the noose of troops tightening daily on Viet Cong infrastructure (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Robinson).
10. Photograph number 1D-13-329-68: 1968: Old Man: A Vietnamese farmer, evacuated during Operation Meade River southwest of Da Nang waits to return to his home. Nearly 2,700 civilians were evacuated from the battle area during the operation (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).

**Box 6 Folder 33.      Operation Meade River (5 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-4-2003-68: 1968: Maintenance: Men of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, clean their weapons prior to moving out during Operation Meade River, 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. The Marines, (left to right) Private First Class Ramon Trevino (San Antonio, Texas), Lance Corporal Samuel Davis (Warrenville Heights, Ohio), and Sergeant Bob Warner (Hanover, Pennsylvania), participated in the 5,000 Marine operation in Marine Corps history (official USMC photo by Sergeant John A. Reid).
2. Photograph number 1D-6-331-68: December 1968: Engineer at Work: Disposing of dud artillery rounds is a dangerous job, but one that must be done. Marine Private First Class Harold G. Rabun, 19 (Lilburn, Georgia) is a combat engineer attached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, presently on Operation Meade River, 13 miles southeast of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number FLC-3-3005-68: 1968: Hook Up: A Marine at the Hill 55 Landing Zone prepares an external lift of combat supplies for hook-up on a CH-46 transport

helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. The supplies furnished by Marine Force Logistic Command, are bound for marine infantry units battling enemy forces in Operation Meade River, south of Da Nang. External loads consist mainly of small arms ammunition, rations, fuel, and water (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).

4. Photograph number 4-2084: 1968: Otter Resupply: Leathernecks participating in Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang, were resupplied by Marine helicopters or Otters, tracked vehicles which take easily to the swampy terrain (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
5. Photograph number 1D-3-327-68: 1968: Search: Lance Corporal Robert J. Zysk, 20 (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), a forward air controller with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment carefully searches the ruins of an abandoned house six miles south of here. The Marine was participating in Operation Meade River (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Sanchez).
6. Photograph number 0894: 1968: First Wave: Leatherneck helicopter Squadron 164 and infantrymen of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, are the first elements into the zone, November 20, during Operation Meade River, about eight miles southwest of Da Nang. More than 75 helicopters of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing lifted 3,500 Leathernecks into pre-designated zones in approximately two hours (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
7. No photograph number: 1968: Mail Call: Mailmen for the 25<sup>th</sup> Marines unload mail for the Marines during Operation Meade River southwest of Da Nang. Mail was trucked or 'choppered' into Marines in the field whenever possible (Corporal J. D. Gallo).
8. Photograph number 10-329-68: 1968: Christmas Thoughts: Thoughts turn to Christmas, peace and home on Operation Meade River, southwest of Da Nang, when Private First Class Larry J. Gramer, 19 (Knoxville, Tennessee), 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, hung his Christmas stocking with care during early December (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
9. Photograph number 7-2102-68: 1968: Compassion: Navy corpsmen treat a Viet Cong guerilla's wounds during Operation Meade River, 10 miles south of Da Nang. The 19 day long operation netted 1,025 dead enemy killed. The VC was injured by Marine artillery and air strike (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).

#### **Box 6 Folder 34.      Operation Mistletoe**

1. Photograph number 3-3229-68: 1968: Never Too Much: A Marine serving with the Armed Forces Military Police in Da Nang makes sure a Vietnamese girl gets attention and goodies at the holiday season part for the children at the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Patrick Nixon).



2. Photograph number 3M-2-2179-68: 1968: Base Drummer: A Vietnamese boy admires the drum work of Sergeant Robert L. Williams (Chattanooga, Tennessee) during a concert at Da Nang's Boys' Town Orphanage, December 18, by the III Marine Amphibious Force Drum and Bugle Corps. The concert was one of several played at Da Nang schools, orphanages and children's hospitals during Operation Mistletoe (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
3. Photograph number FLC-3-3229-68: 1968: Happiness is a Warm Shoulder: Marine Sergeant Boodwell L. Simms (Valdosta, Georgia) provides a resting place for Vietnamese children during a holiday season party at the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Da Nang. Simms is a member of the Armed Forces Military Police, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Patrick Nixon).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-2179-68: 1968: Smokey Bear Hat: Colonel William K. White, commanding officer, Headquarters and Service Company, III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) and Captain Melvin L. Smith (Chicago, Illinois) admire the 'Smokey Bear' hat of one of the children at Da Nang's Boys' Town Orphanage. The Marines visit to the orphanage sponsored by III MAF Marines to provide Christmas parties and concerts to children's hospitals, orphanages, and schools in the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
5. Photograph number 3M-5-2179-68: 1968: Boy's Town: Spectators line up at Da Nang's Boy's Town Orphanage and School December 18 to hear the III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Drum and Bugle Corps. The concert and Christmas party was part of 'Operation Mistletoe' and sponsored by III MAF Marines that provided concerts and parties at many Da Nang schools, orphanages, and children's hospitals (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
6. Photograph number 3M-3-2160-68: 1968: Framed by a Drum: Marine Staff Sergeant Kenneth J. Swan (Washington, DC), drum major of the II Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Drum and Bugle Corps, directs the team during an 'Operation Mistletoe' Christmas concert December 16 at the US Overseas Mission Hospital in Da Nang. The concert, one of several by the team during the Christmas season, was held in the hospital's surgical ward section for more than 300 children (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-210-68: 1968: Take Five: Marines of the III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Drum and Bugle Corps pause between numbers during their 'Operation Mistletoe' Christmas concert December 16, at the US Overseas Mission Hospital in Da Nang. The concert was one of several the corps played at hospitals, schools, and orphanages during the Christmas season (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).

8. Photograph number 3M-2-2160-68: 1968: Christmas Candy: Marine Private First Class James D. Shelton, Jr. (Citronelle, Alabama), a member of the III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Drum and Bugle Corps, give candy to young Vietnamese patients at the US Overseas Mission Hospital in Da Nang, December 12: Playground swings and candy were given to more than 300 young patients following a concert by the Drum and Bugle Corps as part of Operation Mistletoe, a program sponsored by III MAF Marines to provide concerts and Christmas parties to numerous hospitals, schools, and orphanages in Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
9. Photograph number 3M-1-2179-68: 1968: Return Gesture: Boys from the China Beach Boys Town Orphanage near Da Nang, in an exchange of talent, perform the 'Dance of the Dragon' December 31 for members of the III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Drum and Bugle Corps. The corps performed at the orphanage as part of 'Operation Mistletoe,' a program sponsored by III MAF Marines to provide concerts and Christmas parties at numerous orphanages, schools, and children's hospitals (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
10. No photograph number: undated: Enjoyable But Loud: A Vietnamese boy, a patient at the US Overseas Mission Hospital in Da Nang, enjoyed the music, but couldn't help but hold his ears when he joined bass drummer Private First Class Joseph McCurry, 21 (Burlington, New Jersey). The music was provided by the III Marine Amphibious Force Drum and Bugle Corps as part of Operation Mistletoe, a program of concerts and Christmas parties for many hospitals, schools, and orphanages in Da Nang through contributions of III MAF Marines (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).

**Box 6 Folder 35.      Operation Morale**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-2221-68: 1968: Operation Morale: Navy Hospital Corpsman Chief Francis Billings holds a young Vietnamese while presenting the baby's mother with a part of the clothing and toys received as the result of Operation Morale from the people of Victor, New York. Notice the Vietnamese boy peering through Billings' legs (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-2221-68: 1968: Happiness is...: Hospital Corpsman Chief Francis Billings stands beside the Vietnamese village chief while distributing clothing and toys received through Operation Morale, from the people of Victor, New York (official USMC photo by Jerry Baker).

**Box 6 Folder 36.      Operation Napoleon Saline (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-0752-68: May 1968: Field Mass: Lieutenant Commander Paul J. Antos (Albany, New York), holds Catholic Mass in the field for Marines of 2/4 [2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines] during Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).

2. Photograph number SLF-222-68: May 1968: MEDEVAC: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] help their wounded buddies to a medevac helicopter near Dong Ha during the heavy fighting that took place during Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Teacher).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-5-164-68: 1968: The Winner: Corporal William W. Sessions smiles as he displays the holes in his helmet and 3.5 inch rocket launcher following an encounter with the North Vietnamese Army. Sessions and an enemy sniper had their duel during Operation Napoleon Saline northeast of Dong Ha. The corporal smile attests to his victory (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).
4. Photograph number 3M-4-0877-68: 30 May 1968: Coming In: A 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment patrol enters its command post after conducting an early morning patrol along the Cau Viet River during Operation Napoleon/Saline. The area, 11 miles south of the demilitarized zone has been the scene of several sharp battles with North Vietnamese forces during the past month (official USMC photo by Private First Class D. W. Barr).
5. Photograph number 3D-7-866-68: 5 May 1968: Landing Zone: 3d Marine Regiment Leathernecks provide machinegun cover fire for a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter resupply during Operation Napoleon-Saline, the recent fighting near Dong Ha where allied forces accounted for more than 1,00 NVA dead (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. E. Stetson).
6. Photograph number DLF-1-0219-68: May 1968: Moving In: Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] move into Dai Do village after three days of heavy fighting with NVA forces east of Dong Ha during Operation Napoleon Saline (official USMC photo by Private First Class Thurston Bechtel).

#### **Box 6 Folder 37.      Operation Napoleon Saline (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLS-0215-68: 1968: Hedgerow: Marines from 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] pick their way through a hedgerow on the edge of Dai Do village east of Dong Ha during Operation Napoleon/Saline. The Leathernecks beat back an NVA attempt to interdict the Cau Viet River supply route in three days of heavy fighting (official USMC photo by Private First Class Thurston Bechtel).
2. Photograph number FLS-0217-68: 1968: Waiting to Move Out: Leatherneck of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] waits for the word to move out during the fighting around Dai Do village east of Dong Ha during Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Private First Class Thurston Bechtel).
3. Photograph number 3D-5-166-68: 5 May 1968: On the Move: A mortarmen from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [1/3] moves through rubble while on a sweep through a village on Operation Napoleon-Saline. During the week long contract with the Communists in early

May, allied forces accounted for more than 1,000 confirmed enemies killed (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. E. Stetson).

4. Photograph number 3D-1-859-68: 4 May 1968: AmTracs: Tracked vehicles of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 3d Marine Division move in supplies and equipment for the Marines during Operation Napoleon-Saline. The Amtracs provided much of the logistical support for Marines fighting in an area just of north Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. R. Eschback).
5. Photograph number SLF-220-68: May 1968: Otter: A Marine Otter moves up to support Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] during the fighting around Dai Do Village east of Dong Ha. Allied forces accounted for over 1,000 confirmed NVA dead in the week-long battle that was part of Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Teacher).
6. Photograph number SLF-0216-68: 1968: Wounded Prisoner: Navy Medical Corpsman treats a wounded NVA soldier captured by the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines during the fighting around Dai Do village east of Dong Ha during Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Teacher).
7. Photograph number 3M-3-0752-68: 8 May 1968: Arms Cache: North Vietnamese Army weapons, many with Chinese or Russian markings are displayed after their capture by Leathernecks of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] during Operation Napoleon/Saline (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).

#### **Box 6 Folder 38.      Operation Nevada Eagle**

1. Photograph number 3M-7-0857-68: 27 May 1968: Safe...Now: A soldier of the 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, ignores the huge weapons cache captured by his buddies during Operation Nevada Eagle near Hue. Many of the weapons were brand new, and almost all were automatic (official USMC photo by Private First Class Don W. Barr).
2. Photograph number 3M-4-0857-68: 27 May 1968: Would You Believe?: A member of the 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, top left, inspects some of the captured North Vietnamese Army equipment found during Operation Nevada Eagle. Lieutenant Colonel 'Charging' Charlie Beckwith, a battalion commander, claimed that the enemy weapons cache was the largest he's seen in three tours of duty in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class Don Barr).
3. Photograph number 3M-1-0857-68: 27 May 1968: Gun Smoke: A recoilless rifle remains proudly erect during Operation Nevada Eagle southwest of Hue. The 'No Slack' unit of the 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division found a huge enemy arms cache during the operation (official USMC photo by Private First Class Don Barr).

4. Photograph number 3M-8-857-68: 27 May 1968: Charging Charlie: An Army Huey flies in support of the 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division near Hue during Operation Nevada Eagle. The men, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel 'Charging' Charlie Beckwith, captured a huge enemy weapons cache which included 29 mortars, 80 rockets, six machine guns, and over 10,000 rounds of small arms ammo...and the soldiers were still digging (official USMC photo by Private First Class Don Barr).
5. Photograph number 3M-2-0857-68: 27 March 1968: Neutralized: Army Sp/4 Joseph Bergen (Washington, DC) examines a North Vietnamese Army rocket launcher found by members of the 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division near Hue during Operation Nevada Eagle. Lieutenant Colonel Charlie Beckwith, a battalion commander, claimed that the weapons cache found by his men was 'the largest enemy cache I've seen three Vietnam tours' (official USMC photo by Private First Class Don Barr).

### **Box 6 Folder 39.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (1 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1-91-69: 1969: Snag-a-Bag: A CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter hovers while Private First Class William D. Jones, 19 (Burlington, North Carolina), a member of C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Short Party Battalion, hooks up a net filled with artillery ordnance to be delivered to one of the many fire support bases currently supporting Operation Oklahoma Hills. Lance Corporal H. V. Davidson, Jr., 21 (Gloucester, Rhode Island), another member of the helicopter support team at Camp Muir logistical support activity, passes signals on to a helicopter crewman (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
2. Photograph number 3-91-69: 1969: Still Standing: A lonely tree, showing the many signs of continued bombing and artillery barrages on her hill, lives on as Marines of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, prepare to move past her to the next and higher hill during Operation Oklahoma Hills 17 miles south-southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
3. Photograph number 9-93-69: 1969: A Temporary Home: Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment disembark from a Marine helicopter atop Hill 502, west-southwest of here, during Operation Oklahoma Hills, a multi-battalion operation directed at North Vietnamese Army units in and around Happy Valley (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
4. Photograph number 13-93-69: 1969: Ready for Charlie: Leatherneck mortarmen, Lance Corporal Allen Dawes (right), 22 (Bethany, Oklahoma), and Private First Class D. Morul, 19 (Rutland, Massachusetts), of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, set up their 81mm mortar tube atop Fire Support Base Buckskin during Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 14-93-69: 1969: A Big Thrust: Private First Class Joe Perez, 19 (Gonzalez, California) pauses to quench his thirst while building an ammunition bunker. The 7<sup>th</sup> Marines Leatherneck is taking part in Operation Oklahoma Hills, a multi-

battalion search and clear operation 18 miles west-northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).

6. Photograph number 6-94-69: 1969: That Added Protection: Private First Class Carlos Apodace, 20 (Sante Fe, New Mexico), a 7<sup>th</sup> Marines mortar platoon gunner, adds a little protection around his gun pit stop atop a fire support base during Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
7. Photograph number 6-94-69: 1969: Future Gun Fit: Leatherneck engineers on Hill 502 prepare shape charges which will blast out artillery gun pits for 105mm howitzers of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines supporting Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).

**Box 6 Folder 40.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (2 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 60-94-69: 1969: Lumberjacks Galore: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26] wasted no time in proving themselves 'Kings of the Mountain' on [a hill] overlooking Happy Valley, 20 miles west-southwest of Da Nang. Here the Leathernecks have temporarily traded their rifles for axes and are busy for a fire support base during Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
2. Photograph number 3-95-69: 1969: Leathernecks: Here 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leathernecks swarm over Hill 502, a fire support base, carrying ammo to their mortar positions for support of Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-96-69: 1969: Oklahoma Hills Marines, led by a Vietnamese Kit Carson Scout, skirt the hills of Oklahoma Hills, a multi-battalion operation west-southwest of here. These 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leathernecks kicked off the operation March 31, when they assaulted Charlie and Worth Ridges (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Sharp).
4. Photograph number 1D-2-96-69: 1969: Tough Going: Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division traverse through a stream around huge boulders and dense terrain typical of Operation Oklahoma Hills. The multi-battalion operation began March 31, when the Marines assaulted Charlie and Worth Ridges (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Sharp).
5. Photograph number 1D-3-96-69: 1969: Wet and Rough: Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> marine Division, work their way along a mountain stream during Operation Oklahoma Hills, southwest of here. The multi-battalion operation began March 31 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Sharp).
6. Photograph number 1D-4-96-69: 1969: Air-Ground Marine Power: Leatherneck infantrymen debark from a Marine chopper during Operation Oklahoma Hills, a multi-



battalion operation west-southwest of here. These 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Marines began the assault March 31, along Charlie and Worth Ridges (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Sharp).

7. Photograph number 1D-5-96-69: 1969: Oklahoma Easter: Navy Chaplain (Lieutenant Commander) R. W. Harper (Oceanside, California) conducts Easter services for the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leathernecks during Operation Oklahoma Hills, a multi-battalion operation west-southwest of Da Nang. This Easter was a short break between combat assaults upon Charlie and Worth Ridges, long known enemy supply routes (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Sharp).

#### **Box 6 Folder 41.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (3 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1D-9-96-69: 1969: Easter Dinner: Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines are served Easter dinner atop a fire support base during the multi-battalion search and clear Operation Oklahoma Hills 18 miles west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. Wright) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 1D-11-96-69: 1969: Time Out for Easter: Sergeant Lynn C. Tomlinson, 24 (Orlando, Florida), left, and Sergeant Kelly W. Dilday, 21 (Ahoski, North Carolina), of the 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, take time out from their regular jobs for Easter dinner at Hill 52, a fire support base for Operation Oklahoma Hills. The men, attached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, during the multi-battalion search and clear operation, had their dinner flown in by two CH-46 Sea Knight transport assault helicopters (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. Wright).
3. Photograph number 1D-15-96-69: 1969: The Work Goes On: Even amidst the remnants of a meal—canned C-rations and cartooned chocolate milk—the work goes on for the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines on Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of here as they receive and transmit tactical information (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. R. Wright).
4. Photograph number 1D-5-97-69: 1969: Heave Ho: A 105mm is moved into firing position on Fire Support Base Buckskin for its supporting role in Operation Oklahoma Hills by Marines of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines. A combination of these big guns and Marine air power were credited with 35 enemy kills during one phase of the multi-battalion search and clear operation (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 1D-9-97-69: 1969: Adjusting Sights: Leathernecks cannoneers Lance Corporals Gordon L. Pepper (foreground) (Lynfield, Massachusetts) and Toney E. Cole (Houston, Massachusetts) of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, set up a field of fire for their 105mm howitzer atop a fire support base for Operation Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of here (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
6. Photograph number 1D-16-97-69: 1969: From Air to Arty: A Marine resupply chopper drops artillery ammo to the ‘cannoneers’ atop a fire support base during Operation

Oklahoma Hills west-southwest of Da Nang. In turn, Marine artillerymen will send out the lethal ammo from their 105mm howitzers to support Leathernecks engages against North Vietnamese Army units in the jungle terrain (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).

**Box 6 Folder 42.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (4 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-98-69: 1969: An Oklahoma Hill: Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment wind The jungle terrain of Operation Oklahoma Hills is both thick and rough for the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leatherneck who hack their way through it looking for the North Vietnamese force (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant A. J. Sharp).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-98-69: 1969: Jungle Thick—Jungle Rough: The jungle terrain of Operation Oklahoma Hills is both thick and rough for the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment Leatherneck who hack their way through it looking for the North Vietnamese force (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant A. J. Sharp).
3. Photograph number 1D-4-98-69: 1969: Happiness is a Medevac Chopper: For this 7<sup>th</sup> Marines Leatherneck, happiness will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Battalion and quick treatment for his injuries. Marines on Operation Oklahoma Hills wait only minutes before medical evacuation choppers come into their mountain locations for extraction (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant A. J. Sharp).
4. Photograph number 1D-3-101-69: 1969: Dear Folks: There is always time to write a letter home, even on Operation Oklahoma Hills. Taking a break from clearing Fire Support Base Rattlesnake is Lance Corporal J. Laugheed, a member of the engineer platoon assigned to Battalion Landing Team 3/26 (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
5. Photograph number 1D-6-101-69: 1969: Shaving in the Rough: He doesn't have any place special to go, but Lance Corporal S. Robinson (Fleming, Ohio) figures it is time to spruce up anyway. Robinson is a member of the engineer platoon assigned to Battalion Landing Team 3/26 on Operation Oklahoma Hills southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
6. Photograph number 1-102-69: 1969: New LZ: A Sea Knight helicopter lands on a newly constructed LZ deep in Happy Valley, 20 miles west-southwest of Da Nang. It took the Marines less than a week to carve the LZ and fire support base out of the extremely thick jungle during Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
7. Photograph number 82-102-69: 1969: Hard Climb: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/26] participating in Operation Oklahoma Hills, find the going rough in deeply wooded 'Happy Valley'. Terrain like this provided a challenge to the marines who carved a fire support base and landing zone out of the dense jungle are 20 miles west-southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).

**Box 6 Folder 43.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (5 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 12-105-69: 1969: Take Five: Lance Corporal David Black, 19 (Detroit, Michigan) takes a break between fire missions in Vietnam to shave. His section of LVTAs is supporting Marines on Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Sergeant A.V. Huffman).
2. Photograph number 25-105-69: 1969: Sniper Rifle: Lance Corporal B. D. Young, 19 (Fredonia, Kansas) examines an enemy sniper rifle captured in an arms cache by the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division during Operation Oklahoma Hills. The operation is presently underway southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A.V. Huffman).
3. Photograph number 10-107-69: 1969: Sentimental Helmet: Marine Lance Corporal Henry F. Longchase, 21 (Las Vegas, New Mexico), a squad leader with the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines examines a helmet he had lost six months ago while on a search and clear mission. The helmet, with his name in the liner, was discovered after a fellow Marine killed the North Vietnamese soldier who was wearing it during a firefight in the mountains 25 miles southwest of Da Nang during Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
4. Photograph number 13-111-69: 1969: Take That: Spent cartridges fly from the rifle of Marine Lance Corporal Joseph L. Atkinson, 19 (Norwood, Pennsylvania) as he shows the superior firepower Marines have during Operation Oklahoma Hills, southwest of Da Nang. So far in the three-week old operation, Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division have killed numerous enemy soldiers in small unit clashes and uncovered many enemy base camps, several of which would house an entire enemy battalion (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 18-115-69: 1969: Search and Clear: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment search a field during Operation Oklahoma Hills, looking for enemy caches of food, weapons, and ammunition. During the two-month operation 596 enemy soldiers were killed and several base camps destroyed in the Charlie Ridge, Happy Valley, Worth Ridge areas, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).
6. Photograph number 31-118-69: 1969: Friend with a Rifle: Marine Corporal David Cook, 19 (Troy, New York) a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment gives a piece of gum to a small Vietnamese child as his unit passes through the village of Ban Tan, 17 miles southwest of Da Nang. The 7<sup>th</sup> Marines were taking part in Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. A. Mullins).
7. Photograph number 31-1120-69: 1969: Grateful Ceremony: During Operation Oklahoma Hills, Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, cleared Bon Ton Village of enemy terrorists and earned the thanks of the villagers. This ceremony held after the

Marines swept through the area is the villagers' way of saying thanks, through an ancient rite of friendship (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. R. Reynolds).

**Box 6 Folder 44.      Operation Oklahoma Hills (6 of 6)**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-099-69: 1969: Coming and Going: Ammunition is off-loaded from convoy vehicles by Marine Private Class David Molloy (Cospy, Missouri), a Force Logistic Command (FLC) forklift operator at Camp Muir, south of Da Nang, Vietnam. In the background, a Marine CH-46 helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] takes off with another load of supplies for 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks in Operation Oklahoma Hills. FLCs resupply activities support the combat Marines in the field (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-0815-69: 1969: Another Step Closer: Combat supplies furnished by Force Logistic Support Group Alpha, Force Logistic Command are another step closer to their final destination—Marines in the field—as they are unloaded at Camp Muir, 12 miles south of Da Nang. FLC trucks convoys carry supplies to the combat base daily in support of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks taking part in Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-1270-69: 1969: Just Like a Freeway: A midday rush of traffic on a well-traveled road south of Da Nang takes on the appearance of a military freeway. All vehicles, including the outbound convoy vehicles (left) of the Force Logistic Command, are supporting 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks in Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Walter Leetch).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-0815-69: 1969: Cool Head: What might appear to be ice being carried by Marine Lance Corporal Jerry Pattison (Salem, Oregon) is in reality one of the latest combat supply items from Marine Force Logistic Command. The five-gallon plastic water containers are being used by 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division infantrymen taking part in Operation Oklahoma Hills, southwest of Da Nang. The containers replace the World War II metal water cans, which are difficult to handle and transport (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
5. Photograph number 0142: undated: Helo Directions: A Leatherneck directs a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter into the landing zone at Hill 55 south of Da Nang. The Sea Knight is on a resupply mission in the Operation Oklahoma Hills area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).
6. Photograph number 13-69: 1969: Ammo: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 [HMM-165] lands ammunition to Special Landing Force Bravo Marines southwest of Da Nang. Members of SLF-B were heli-lifted into 'Happy Valley', 26 miles west-southwest of Da Nang, for Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. C. Nash).

7. Photograph number 27-69: 1969: Fire: Marines of C Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/13] fire their 105mm howitzer on enemy positions during Operation Oklahoma Hills. These Marines are part of the Special Landing Force Bravo, and are firing from Fire Support Base Rattlesnake (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. C. Nash).
8. Photograph number 1D-55-102-69: 1969: Woodsmen: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/26] turn woodsmen to fell trees and clear a fire support base in 'Happy Valley,' 20 miles west-southwest of Da Nang. The fire support base is being used in support of Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Corporal J. D. Gallo).
9. Photograph number 2-0999-69: 1969: LZ Maker: A Marine from 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion packs a gas-operated chainsaw into a cargo net of supplies and equipment to be delivered to Marines operating south of Da Nang. The saw will be used to clear heavy brush and timber in mountainous areas so Marine helicopters can land and make resupply runs during Operation Oklahoma Hills (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).

#### **Box 6 Folder 45.      Operation Paperback**

1. Photograph number 1-0807-69: 1969: From A to Z: Marines in Vietnam are getting the reading habit more and more thanks to Operation Paperback, which has been in progress for the past two years and has sent more than 300,000 paperbacks to combat Marines. Special services officers draw for their units from the Freedom Hill Library, near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Felix C. Gogo).
2. Photograph number 2-0807-69: 1969: In the Field: Navy Seaman Apprentice David E. Sohn (Salt Lake City, Nevada), librarian at the Freedom Hill Library near Da Nang, examines one of the 300,000 books sent to Vietnam in Operation Paperback. The operation has been in progress for two years, supplying reading material for fighting Marines in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Felix C. Gogo).

#### **Box 6 Folder 46.      Operation Pipestone Canyon (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 5-69: undated: Artillery: Artillery fired in support of Operation Pipestone Canyon is provided by a 105mm howitzer crew of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines. Marine artillery supported allied forces on Go Noi Island and the surrounding area during opening phases of the operation conducted by US Marines, Korean Marines, and Vietnamese Rangers (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
2. Photograph number 1W-3-165-69: 1969: The Waiting: 1<sup>st</sup> Division Leathernecks wait apprehensively as a helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] carries them to Go Noi Island, south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The Marines are part of a three-nation allied force conducting Operation Pipestone Canyon (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).

3. Photograph number 3M-2-1021-69: 1969: Plotting for Mortars: Marine Corporals S. L. Hinson (El Paso, Texas) and J. R. Buchanum (Tallahassee, Florida) are making calculations that will enable them to give exact grid coordinates to other Leathernecks in the 81mm mortar section of 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [2/1]. The Leathernecks of 81s are firing in support of allied forces on Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion operation 12 miles south of Da Nang aimed at opening the final portions of Route 4, while at the same time clearing enemy forces from the Dodge City-Go Noi Island areas. Both areas have been the scene of fierce fighting during operations in the past (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 28-148-69: 1969: Sleep in Marine Style: Marine Sergeant Robert P. Stewart, 28 (Fresno, California) and Lance Corporal William S. Carter, 21 (Great Falls, Montana), Leatherneck infantrymen with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment catch up on some sleep during a brief lull in Operation Pipestone Canyon. The operation is being conducted by allied forces on Go Noi Island in the heart of the 'Rice Triangle,' southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
5. Photograph number 1W-1-165-69: 1969: Rendezvous: CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] rendezvous with elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines in the 'Dodge City' area south of Da Nang. On Operation Pipestone Canyon, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines and 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, Korean Marine Brigade, and Army of the Republic of Vietnam joined forces to clear Go Noi Island of enemy control and reopen Route 4 to civilian traffic and control (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
6. Photograph number 1W-23-165-69: 1969: Flight Leaders: Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] string out towards the horizon as they begin an early morning airlift assault against the enemy on Go Noi Island, south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The CH-46 helicopters carried elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines conducting Operation Pipestone Canyon (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).

**Box 6 Folder 47.      Operation Pipestone Canyon (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 22-154-69: 1969: Old Fishing Hole: Corporal Julius Pelham, 19 (Arcadia, Florida), a member of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment, fishes in a flooded bomb crater for enemy weapons. During the early stages of Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion allied operation on Go Noi Island, 12 miles southwest of Da Nang, Marines found stores of enemy weapons and ammunition in many unlikely spots so now they leave no stone unturned in their search. The area, located in the heart of the 'Rice Triangle,' has been a long-time enemy stronghold (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
2. Photograph number 3M-5-1088-69: 1969: Rugged Country: Marine Private First Class W. Arrowwood (Riverside, California) scans the surrounding brush for signs of enemy movement during a sweep mission. Arrowwood, from I Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup>



Marines [I/3/5] was on patrol trying to net enemy troops fleeing from Operation Pipestone Canyon northward to his patrol area (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

3. Photograph number 4-69: 1969: Checking Bunker: Corporal Steve S. Skinner, 19 (Ypsilanti, Michigan) emerges from one of several enemy bunkers uncovered during the opening phases of Operation Pipestone Canyon. After thoroughly checking for hidden weapons, the bunkers were destroyed by Marines of Special Landing Force Alpha, under the control of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane) [ 2 copies].
4. Photograph number 1-157-69: 1969: Lonely Vigil: A 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks mans a lonely outpost in the Dodge City-Go Noi Island area in the heart of Quang Nam Provinces's 'Rice Triangle' during Operation Pipestone Canyon. The multi-battalion, three-nation operation is aimed at re-opening Route 4 from Dai Loc to Dien Ban, while at the same time driving enemy forces from the region by destroying their facilities and captured their supplies of weapons and food (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
5. Photograph number 4-164-69: 1969: Boom: A cloud of dust rises. Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment and tanks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, wait as an enemy bunker is destroyed. The action took place during Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion operation 14 miles south of Da Nang. The operation is clearing the area of enemy so that Route 4 from Dai Loc east to Dien Ban may be re-opened (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).

**Box 6 Folder 48.      Operation Pipestone Canyon (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 5-164-69: 1969: Here It Comes: Maneuvering into the landing zone with its load of supplies is a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter. Marine helicopters resupply 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks daily during Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion operation 14 miles south of Da Nang. Marines and other allied forces are clearing the area of enemy soldiers to reopen Route 4 from Dai Loc to Dien Ban (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
2. Photograph number 1W-5-165-69: 1969: Resupply: After elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment and the Korean Marines on Go Noi Island during Operation Pipestone Canyon south of Da Nang, Vietnam, CH-46 helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 [HMM-263] continue to support the assault by bringing in needed supplies and ammunition (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 1W-1-164-69: 1969: New Heavy Hauler: The Marine Corps' newest helicopter, the CH-53D Sea Stallion, resupplies 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks during Operation Pipestone Canyon on Go Noi Island south of Da Nang. The 'Heavy Haulers' of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 [HMH-463], Marine Aircraft Group 16

[MAG-16], took to the air in support of American, Vietnamese, and Korean troops within hours after its arrival in Vietnam early in June (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).

4. Photograph number 7-164-69: 1969: A Break?: Although his fellow Marines are taking a break, a Marine radio operator must remain constantly on the job to insure all incoming messages are received. He is one of many Marines participating in Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion allied operation 14 miles south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The operation is clearing the area of enemy troops so that Route 4 from Dai Loc eastward to Dien Ban may be reopened (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
5. Photograph number 8-148-69: 1969: No Picnic: These two Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment enjoy a hot meal in the field—but then that's where they eat almost every day. It's still a treat though, after eating C rations out of a can during the first few days of Operation Pipestone Canyon on Go Noi Island in the heart of Vietnam's 'Rice Triangle,' southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
6. Photograph number 8-155-69: 1969: Armored Sweep: Backed by tanks, Leatherneck infantrymen of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment sweep through 'Dodge City,' an area 12 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam, during Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion, allied operation to open Route 4 from Dien Ban to Dai Loc. At the same time Marines are destroyed enemy fortifications and facilities on Go Noi Island, and area often used by North Vietnamese Army soldiers and Viet Cong agents as a safe haven from which to launch attacks throughout the southern I Corps Tactical Zone (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant A. J. Sharp).

**Box 6 Folder 49.      Operation Pipestone Canyon (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 2-154-69: 1969: Lonely Vigil: Private First Class James Tyson, 19 (Jackson, Tennessee), a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment patrols a rugged section of Go Noi Island's hostile terrain in search of enemy caches and fortifications during Operation Pipestone Canyon. The operation pits US Marines, Vietnamese Army elements and Rangers, and Korean Marines against enemy forces in the Go Noi Island area, an enemy stronghold in the heart of the 'Rice Triangle,' 12 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-164-69: 1969: A Helping Handing: Marines help wounded comrades to a waiting helicopter to be taken to the rear for medical treatment. The Leathernecks were wounded during Operation Pipestone Canyon, a multi-battalion operation on Go Noi Island, 14 miles south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The operation is designed to open the final portions of Route 4, while at the same time crushing a longtime enemy stronghold (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).

3. Photograph number 14-153-69: 1969: Rough Going: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment find the going rough in 'Dodge City' as they attempt to maneuver a 'mechanical mule' bearing 106mm recoilless rifle across rugged terrain. The Marines are participating along the Vietnamese Army elements and Vietnamese rangers and Korean Marines in Operation Pipestone Canyon, in the Dodge City-Go Noi Island area 12 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
4. Photograph number 16-154-69: 1969: Dig Out: While on combat operations most Marines find it pays to dig in, but it's just the opposite for Private First Class Bill Staggs, 18 (left), of Salem, Oregon, and Staff Sergeant Lester Boone, 25, of New York City, members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment in Vietnam. The two Marines are members of the multi-battalion allied force participating in Operation Pipestone Canyon on Go Noi Island in the center of South Vietnam's 'Rice Triangle,' southwest of Da Nang. They're digging out enemy weapons caches and hiding places (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
5. Photograph number 6-155-69: 1969: Standing by to Fire: Tankers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division man .50 caliber machine guns and 90mm cannons, ready to render supporting fire to elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines as they sweep through the 'Dodge City' area in the heart of the 'Rice Triangle,' 12 miles southwest of Da Nang during the early stages of Operation Pipestone Canyon. Sweeps such as this uncovered enemy fortifications and caches. The allied operation once again finds US Marines working hand in hand with Army of the Republic of Vietnam soldiers and Rangers and with Korean Marines as well (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant A. J. Sharp).
6. Photograph number 13-154-69: 1969: Pipestone Fit: Private First Class Eugene Ottonello, 18 (Pacifica, California), a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines, pulls an enemy SKS rifle from one of the many enemy hiding spots the Marines encountered during allied operation which pits US Marines, Vietnamese Army elements, Vietnamese Rangers and Korean Marines against Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army troops in Go Noi Island area, an enemy stronghold 12 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).

**Box 6 Folder 50.      Operation Pipestone Canyon (5 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 32-1540-69: 1969: Cooling Off: Marine Lance Corporal Robert D. Williams, 21 (Boise, Idaho) cools off as Gunnery Sergeant Richard H. Marurer (Whitehall, Michigan) pours some cool water over him during a break on Operation Pipestone Canyon. The two Marines are members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment, which along with other Marine units, Republic of Vietnam forces, and Republic of Korea Marines, is clearing the area of Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army units on Go Noi Island, 12 miles south of Da Nang. The temperature in Quang Nam Province usually soars well above 100 degrees this time of the year (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).

2. Photograph number 20-148-69: 1969: Got a Smoke?: Marine Private First Class Bill T. Mehl, 19 (Pittsburg, Pennsylvania), inspects a Vietnamese shelter used for drying tobacco during the early stages of Operation Pipestone Canyon. The multi-battalion operation is being conducted on Go Noi Island in the heart of Vietnam's 'Rice Triangle,' southwest of Da Nang, and is aimed at clearing the area of enemy forces (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
3. Photograph number 13-148-69: 1969: Dustbowl Duster: Sitting in the middle of a virtual dustbowl on Go Noi Island, Marine Private First Class Carl Witherspoon, 20 (Washington, DC) pauses to clean his M-16 rifle. Under battle conditions of Operation Pipestone Canyon a clean rifle is a must as Da Nang, Vietnam, known as the 'Rice Triangle' (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
4. Photograph number 1W-3-164-69: 1969: Last Phase: Leathernecks from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division work their way across Go Noi Island, 14 miles south of Da Nang, Vietnam. Operation Pipestone Canyon will re-open Route 4, the east-west route to the 'Rice Triangle' of Quang Nam Province (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).
5. Photograph number 4-148-69: 1969: Hot Chow: Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment take time out for a hot meal in the field. After eating C-rations for a week during the initial stages of Operation Pipestone Canyon, a hot meal is a real treat (official USMC photo by Corporal G. W. Wright).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-1021-69: 1969: On the Move: Tanks from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, move out with the point element of E Company, 2d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [E/2/1] on Operation Pipestone Canyon. Pipestone Canyon is a multi-battalion operation designed at opening the final portions of Route 4, while at the same time clearing enemy forces from the Dodge City-Go Noi Island area 12 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

## **Box 7**

### **Box 7 Folder 1.      Operation Prairie (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-1644-66: 24 October 1966: Marines M Battery, 3d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/12] fire their 155mm howitzer at Viet Cong positions from the artillery plateau about eight miles northwest of Dong Ha. This operation took place during Operation Prairie near the demilitarized zone (Defense Department photo by Sergeant McVeigh).
2. Photograph number 3D-3-1567-66: 30 September 1966: Operation Prairie: A Marine of Company M, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/4] moves out on the double with a 3.5 inch round in his hands while two other Marines work with their radio and compass near the Demilitarized Zone (Defense Department photo by Private First Class Cole) [3 copies].

3. Photograph number 3D-7-1486-66: 18 September 1966: Operation Prairie: Marines of 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] pass by North Vietnamese foxholes prior to reaching 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 14<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] position (Defense Department photo by Corporal Mahony).
4. No photograph number: 2 November 1966: Operation Prairie: Viet Cong prisoners, captured in a village 300 meters south of the Demilitarized Zone (Defense Department photo).
5. Photograph number 3D-16-1567-66: 30 September 1966: Operation Prairie: Marines of M Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/4] come under grenade attack while taking Hill 484 near the demilitarized zone (Defense Department photo).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-1496-66: 27 September 1966: Close Call: PFCs David H. Higgins (Cleveland, OH), and Luz Arellano (Kansas City, MO) talk over their harrowing experience in an enemy controlled village just 500 yards from the demilitarized zone, during a break on Operation Prairie. The men, along with two other 3d Marine Division Marines from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/26], spend the night under the monses of North Vietnamese soldiers, and then crawled more than 1,000 yards back to their unit (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Armstrong).

**Box 7 Folder 2.      Operation Prairie (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1695-66: 11 November 1966: Operation Prairie: Marines of I Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [I/3/3] patrol a hill near the Rock Pile (which can be seen in the background) (Defense Department photo by Sergeant McVeigh).
2. Photograph number 3D-1695-66: 11 November 1966: Operation Prairie: Marines of I Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [I/3/3] patrol a hill near the Rock Pile (seen in the background) during Operation Prairie (Defense Department photo by Sergeant McVeigh).
3. Photograph number 3D-5-1567-66: 30 September 1966: Operation Prairie: Marines of Company M, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/4] move through the jungle en route to their objective during the operation near the Demilitarized Zone (Defense Department photo by Private First Class Cole).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-1763-66: December 1966: Ammo Galore: Sergeant Richard Taylor (Aberdeen, Maryland) of the 3d Marine Division intelligence section logs in more than 400 rounds of 12.7mm anti-aircraft ammunition captured on Operation Prairie last week. Several hundred thousand shells of all types have been confiscated since the operation near the Demilitarized Zone began (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant B. G. Highland).

5. No photograph number: September 1966: Captain James Joseph Carroll in combat during Operation Prairie (Defense Department photo) [3 copies].
6. No photograph number: September 1966: [Captain James J. Carroll and an unidentified Marine captain during Operation Prairie] (Defense Department photo).

**Box 7 Folder 3.            Operation Prairie II (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1-286-67: 12 March 1967: Night Mission: A Marine Corps Ontos of the 3d Antitank Battalion, 3d Marine Division, blasts away during a night firing mission near the Rock Pile in support of Operation Prairie II (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. L. Blick).
2. Photograph number 1-308-67: April 1967: Up and Over: Making their way up a steep jungle trail south of the demilitarized zone are Marines of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines on a search and destroy mission during Operation Prairie II (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal B. C. Torbush).
3. Photograph number 2-214-67: 28 February 1967: Combined Arms Action: Marines of F Company, 2d Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [F/2/9] move through a clearing north of Cam Lo during Operation Prairie II, backed by Marine tanks as a helicopter lands to medevac wounded (official USMC photo by Sergeant K. B. McVeigh).
4. Photograph number 5-222-67: 3 March 1967: Captured NVA Equipment: Private First Class James L. Rucker (Gary, Indiana) carries captured North Vietnamese equipment back to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] command post. The NVA abandoned cooking pot, rolls of communication wire, and a blanket roll are tied onto a Vietnamese don ganh (carry pole). The equipment was captured on the 3d Marine Division's Operation Prairie II, north of Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
5. Photograph number 4-222-67: 2 March 1967: Artillery Support: 2d Lieutenant Jerry E. Garney of Richmond Heights, Ohio, of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] observes an artillery barrage on North Vietnamese Army positions. 3d Marine Division artillery has been in constant support of Operation Prairie II and has accounted for a large percent of the 558 confirmed kills since the operation began on February 1 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
6. Photograph number 3-222-67: 3 March 1967: Platoon Leader: 2d Lieutenant J. E. Garney of Richmond Heights, Ohio, gives the men of 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] the word to move out during Operation Prairie II being conducted by the 3d Marine Division north of Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).

**Box 7 Folder 4.            Operation Prairie II (2 of 2)**



1. Photograph number 1-195-67: 22 February 1967: Captured Mortar: Major P. B. Friedrichs, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, points out features of an 82mm mortar captured from the Viet Cong to Brigadier General Michael P. Ryan, assistant 3d Marine Division commander. The mortars, still covered with grease, were found in a cave about eight miles south of Dong Ha during Operation Prairie II (official USMC photo by Sergeant K. B. McVeigh).
2. Photograph number 7-222-67: 3 March 1967: Big Game Hunter: Sergeant Howard J. Greene (Quarryville, Pennsylvania) is the NCO in charge of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] sniper team in Operation Prairie II south of the demilitarized zone. The snipers are making kills at ranges up to 1,200 yards with their scope-sighted rifles (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
3. Photograph number 11-218-67: 1 March 1967: Mortar Crew: Marine mortarmen of Weapons Platoon, M Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/4] fire on a North Vietnamese position. The 3d Division Marines are engaged in Operation Prairie II, north of Cam Lo, Republic of Vietnam. Since the beginning of the operation, on February 1, 558 NVA kills have been confirmed (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. L. Blick).
4. Photograph number 11-227-67: 2 March 1967: Newest Weapon: A Marine rifleman of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/9] uses the M-16 rifle to fire at North Vietnamese troops during Operation Prairie II. Behind him an artillery forward observer using binoculars spots targets for the rifleman. The M-16 is replacing the M-14 as the basic weapon in 3d Marine Division infantry units. The M-16 is lighter as uses smaller caliber ammunition, thus lightening the combat infantryman's load (official USMC photo by Sergeant H. L. Shaw).
5. Photograph number 2-222-67: 3 March 1967: Grenadier: Corporal D. E. Anno of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, grenadier with A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] fires his M-79 grenade launcher at fleeing North Vietnamese troops during action on Operation Prairie II north of Cam Lo. The M-79 can fire a 40mm grenade 300 yards and is an effective weapon against enemy snipers, bunkers, and groups of personnel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).
6. Photograph number 6-222-67: 3 March 1967: Surrender: A North Vietnamese soldier (with hands on head) walks in to surrender to a Marine of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/9] during the 3d Marine Division's Operation Prairie II, north of Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal S. M. Leighty).

#### **Box 7 Folder 5.      Operation Purple Martin**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-8082-69: 1969: Mortar Duel: Corporal Martin L. Barrie (Auburn, Washington) drops another mortar round into the tube as his 81mm mortar team fires on an active enemy mortar tube near Fire Support Base Argonne. The Leathernecks, members of D Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [D/1/4], were participating in

Operation Purple Martin in the northwesternmost corners of South Vietnam. Other members of the mortar team are (left to right): Private First Class John Parch (Bedford, Ohio); Private First Class Kenneth A. Silka (Yonkers, New York), and Private First Class Leon Robinson (Sumter, South Carolina) (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Randolph).

**Box 7 Folder 6.      Operation Rush (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-6-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
2. Photograph number 3D-7-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
3. No photograph number: August 1967: River Fight: Marines of the 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/4] take up positions in a river bed during a search and destroy operation south of Phu Bai against Viet Cong Forces (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
4. Photograph number 3D-10-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
5. Photograph number 3D-11-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
6. Photograph number 3D-12-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
7. Photograph number 3D-13-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
8. Photograph number 3D-14-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
9. Photograph number 3D-17-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).

10. Photograph number 3D-18-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).

**Box 7 Folder 7.      Operation Rush (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-19-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
2. Photograph number 3D-20-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
3. Photograph number 3D-21-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
4. Photograph number 3D-22-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
5. Photograph number 3D-23-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
6. Photograph number 3D-24-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
7. Photograph number 3D-25-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
8. Photograph number 3D-26-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).

**Box 7 Folder 8.      Operation Rush (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3D-27-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).

2. Photograph number 3D-28-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
3. Photograph number 3D-29-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
4. Photograph number 3D-31-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
5. Photograph number 3D-33-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
6. Photograph number 3D-34-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
7. Photograph number 3D-36-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).
8. Photograph number 3D-37-1560-67: 5-9 August 1967: Operation Rush: Marines of G Company, 2d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [G/2/4] in action near Hill 479 and 500, 4000 meters southwest of Phu Bai, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Porter).

#### **Box 7 Folder 9.      Operation Scotland II**

1. Photograph number 3D-27-3270-68: 1968: Bunker Rats: Lance Corporal John Keir (Columbus, Ohio) serving with the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines, checks a North Vietnamese bunker in the southern portion of the Demilitarized Zone during Operation Scotland II. He is an intelligence scout with the regiment (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
2. Photograph number 3D-4-3270-68: 1968: Moving Out: Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines move to board Sea Knight helicopters prior to being heli-lifted into the southern half of the Demilitarized Zone during Operation Scotland II. The 3d Marine Division units moved against the 320<sup>th</sup> North Vietnamese Army Division, killing over 500 enemy troops (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
3. Photograph number 3D-3-6006-69: 1969: Slippery Going: Men of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [1/4] find the going slippery as they pick their way among rocks crossing a stream during a search and clear operation. Leathernecks of 4<sup>th</sup> Marines continually

conduct extensive operations in the Scotland II area of operations in search of the enemy and their bases and supply camps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Padilla).

**Box 7 Folder 10.      Operation Shawnee**

1. Photograph number 3-116-67: April 1967: Loading Up: Corporal Richard C. Bradshaw, 21, of Decatur, Illinois, feeds 20mm ammunition into an F8-E Crusader prior to an air strike in support of Operation Shawnee, 23 April. Readyng another canister for the Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 235 [VMF(AW)-235] aircraft is Sergeant Jerry W Lemke, 21, of Minneapolis, Minnesota (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Jackson).

**Box 7 Folder 11.      Operation Starlite**

1. Photograph number 3-253-65: 18 August 1965: Gun Drop: Immediately after the troop lift, the helicopters began lifting six Howtars, a combination mortar and howitzer, into support positions on the battlefield. Ammunition was ferried in throughout the five-day operation, Operation Starlite. Aircraft area from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 361 [HMM-361], Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16]. The operation took place 10 miles south of Chu Lai (Defense Department photo by Staff Sergeant R. W. Savatt, Jr.).
2. Photograph number 2-253-65: 18 August 1965: Med Evacs: Throughout Operation Starlite, MAG-16 choppers dropped into fields to pick up wounded, even when fire fights were raging within 50 yards of the pick-up point. Every request from the fiercely engaged ground Marines was met (Defense Department photo by Staff Sergeant R. W. Savatt, Jr.).

**Box 7 Folder 12.      Operation Sussex Bay**

1. Photograph number 2-250-68: 1968: Welcome Supplies: Two Marine infantrymen of M Company, 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [M/3/5] dash to a helicopter landing zone to pick up supplies delivered by a CH-46 Sea Knight Helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] during Operation Sussex Bay near An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio). [MISSING]

**Box 7 Folder 13.      Operation Swift Play**

1. Photograph number 3M-25-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Scout Dogs: Special Landing Force Bravo receives additional help during their operation south of Da Nang from Corporal William Cumbie, 18 (Jacksonville, Florida), left, and his scout dog, Bruno, and Lance Corporal Thomas Ryan (Vergennes, Vermont), and his dog, Arko. The Marines and their dogs are members of the Force Logistic Command, assigned to the SLF during Operation Swift Play. They are waiting to be helicoptered to the operation area (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 7 Folder 14.      Operation Taylor Common (1 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3D-5-1362-68: 1968: Thick Jungle: 2d Lieutenant Danny G. Williams (Mitchell, Indiana) moves through thick jungle growth in search of the enemy during a multi-battalion search and clear operation southwest of Da Nang. Williams is a member of the 3d Marines, 3d Marine Division. His unit is participating in Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-13194-68: 1968: Shore to Ship: A Force Logistic Command (FLC) truck convoy moves onto pontoon rafts to cross the Thu Bon River, on its resupply run to An Hoa in support of Operation Taylor Common. The convoys, operated by FLC's Truck Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, haul thousands of tons of rations, ammunition and fuel to the An Hoa staging area on a regular resupply schedule in support of Marine infantry troops operating southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
3. Photograph number 5-365-68: 1968: Must Go: Engineers on Operation Taylor Common set charges of explosives to clear a landing zone for Marine units to operate from. Private First Class Roney L. Wood, 18 (left) (Edwards, New York) and Private First Class Robert W. Davis, 20 (Stafford, Connecticut), set charges against trees that must be blown to clear a helicopter landing zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
4. Photograph number 3D-7-1362-68: 1968: Rappelling: Corporal Phil Kratofil (Kansas City, Missouri) and Corporal R. L. Brumfield (Tucson, Arizona) rappel from a helicopter into a landing zone site being cleared by Leathernecks of the 3d Marines. They are participating in a multi-battalion search and clear operation, Taylor Common, southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
5. Photograph number FLC-5-3194-68: 1968: Landing Zone Activity: Marines at the An HOa Landing Zone get ready for an external hook up as a CH-46 transport helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing leaves with its supplies. The landing zone and staging area are operated by Marines of Force Logistic Command's (FLC) Logistic Support Unit and 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion, 1st Marine Division. Supplies are brought to the LZ by helicopters, transport aircraft and FLC truck convoys. Supplies are headed for Marines taking part in Operation Taylor Common, 22 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
6. Photograph number 3M-11-2204-68: 1968: Mail Break: 2d Lieutenant James Rigoulot (Fairfax, Virginia), a platoon commander with the 3d Marines, reads mail from home during Operation Taylor Common being conducted near An Hoa, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
7. Photograph number FLC-2-0328-69: 1969: Tank Surgery: Lance Corporal Earnest Castro (Edna, Texas), a maintenance man with the Marine Corps' Force Logistic Command,



performs a little ‘Open Tank Surgery.’ The tanks provide security for convoys from FLC headquarters north of Da Nang to the An Hoa combat base some 30 miles south of Da Nang and also support Marine infantry units participating in Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).

8. Photograph number 3D-3-10047-69: 1969: Comin’ In: A Marine Sea Stallion transport helicopter comes into the landing zone at Fire Support Base Tomahawk with a netload of supplies. Tomahawk is the base from which 105mm and 155mm howitzers of 12 Marines fire in support of elements of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and 3d Marine Division on Operation Taylor Common, 15 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
9. Photograph 1D-5-02-69: 1969: One of Many: Fire Support Base Cutlass is one of many FSBs set up to support Marines and ARVN forces on Operation Taylor Common. The fire bases are set in commanding locations so calls for artillery fire can cover areas of operation (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).
10. Photograph number 0001: undated: Busy Knights: A Leatherneck Sea Knight transport helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 (HMM-165) lifts from the An HOa helicopter supply pad southwest of Da Nang with an external load of supplies and ammunition. A second chopper moves in to pick-up another external load while resupplying US Marines engaged in Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).

#### **Box 7 Folder 15.      Operation Taylor Common (2 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 1D-2-02-69: 1969: On Top: Marine artillery perched on top of Fire Support Base Cutlass point out over the operational area of Operation Taylor Common. The guns fire in support of Marines of ARVN forces hunting the enemy in the dense surrounding jungle (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).
2. Photograph number 1D-4-02-69: 1969: Home: Marines on Hill 1050 gather around their home on Operation Taylor Common. This fire support base will be the Marines’ home for an indefinite period while they provide artillery support for Marines tracking down the elusive enemy in the dense surrounding jungle. An American flag flies near the ammo bunker (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).
3. Photograph number 1D-3-365-68: 1968: Only Way: 3d Marine Regiment Leathernecks on Operation Taylor Common strap a wounded North Vietnamese soldier on a stretcher to facilitate lifting him out for medical attention. Because of the dense jungle in which the Marines are operating, the only way to get the wounded out is to lift them out by helicopter hoist (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
4. Photograph number 3D-4-1362-68: 1968: On the Move: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines wade a small stream in search of the enemy, his base and supply camps during Operation

Taylor Common. The 3d Marine Division Leathernecks participated in the multi-battalion operation southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).

5. Photograph number 3M-2-2199-68: 1968: An Hoa: Captain Calvin A. Lloyd (New Berlin, New York) and 2d Lieutenant Courtney C. Schron (Chagrin Falls, Ohio) (atop the aircraft) check their OV-10 Bronco Observation Aircraft for possible damage from enemy fire. The Marine aviators had just landed at the An Hoa airstrip after flying in support of the Marines fighting on the ground in Operation Taylor Common, 22 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).
6. Photograph number 1D-1-114-69: 1969: Captured Weapons: Private First Class Frank Gregory, 18 (Waterbury, Connecticut), left, holds a captured Russian Light Machinegun while Captain Ronald L. Drez, 28 (New Orleans, Louisiana), center, looks over a captured AK-47 rifle presented by an unidentified Marine. The weapons were captured by men of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines during Operation Taylor Common southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
7. Photograph number 3D-5-361-68: 1968: Push Harder: Marines of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines move a 105mm howitzer into position high atop a fire support base near An Hoa. The Leathernecks and howitzer are supporting Operation Taylor Common, 22 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
8. Photograph number FLC-3-0328-69: 1969: Team Effort: After repairing a 105mm howitzer barrel at a fire support base, a Marine artillery repair team gets a helping hand in replacing it. The repair team from Force Logistic Command's Logistic Support Unit at the An Hoa Combat Base, south of Da Nang, frequently visits these remote fire support bases to repair artillery pieces being used in support of Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).
9. Photograph number 3D-4-10047-69: 1969: Look What I Found: Private First Class Gary W. Hartman (Glen Burnie, Maryland), a member of K Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [K/3/3] returns to Fire Support Base Halo with a communist rifle slung over his shoulder he captured while on a patrol. Hartman participated in Operation Taylor Common, 15 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
10. Photograph number FLC-117-69: 1969: Loving Touch: Marine Sergeant G. T. Dalton (Nashville, Tennessee), an optic repairman with the Force Logistic Command, adjusts the sights of an artillery piece. Dalton makes numerous trips to repair artillery pieces supporting Operation Taylor Common in the An Hoa area 30 miles south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Wolfe).

**Box 7 Folder 16.      Operation Taylor Common (3 of 7)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-3194-68: 1968: LTI Team: Sergeant F. J. Caudet (Nahant, Massachusetts) and Corporal E. 'Chief' Wheeler (Chinle, Arizona) conduct a technical inspection on 60mm mortars belonging to Marines taking part in Operation Taylor Common, west of An Hoa. All small arms and light infantry weapons are checked and repaired by a Force Logistic Command Technical Inspection Team before they are taken into the field (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-123-69: 1969: On the Way: Leathernecks of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, fire artillery support for Marine infantry units operating in the mountainous terrain west of An Hoa. The battery is one of many positioned atop mountain peak landing zones in support of Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-116-69: 1969: Machinegunner: Lance Corporal Robert E. Dasch, 19 (Baltimore, Maryland), fires his M-60 machinegun at suspected enemy position across a canyon while with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines on Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-115-69: 1969: On the Way: Corporal Jay D. Wells, 24 (Ogden, Utah), fires a 3.5 rocket launcher into an enemy bunker. Wells' unit of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines found a 75 bunker complex while searching the mountainous terrain near here on Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
5. Photograph number FLC-7-3194-68: 1968: Staging Point Departure: A CH-53 transport helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] leaves the An Hoa staging area with an external load of 105mm ammunition. Supplies arrive at An Hoa by helicopter, airplanes, and truck convoys provided by Force Logistic Command (FLC). Supplies are then turned over to FLC's Logistic Support Unit for further processing and staging for delivery to Marines currently engaged in Operation Taylor Common. An FLC truck convoy can be seen in the background as vital ammunition is unloaded (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal M. W. Myers).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-0391-69: 1969: Up, Up, and Away: A Marine CH-46 Stallion lifts off from the Force Logistic Command's landing zone at An Hoa, south of Da Nang. Dangling beneath it, in a combat sling, are crates of supplies destined for Leathernecks participating in Operation Taylor Common. Whether by land, sea, or air, FLC Marines take pride in the fact that needed supplies get to the troops who need them, by the fastest means possible (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 0029: 1969: Gun Run: A Marine UH-1E (Huey) gunship sweeps down to pound enemy positions as a CH-53 Sea Stallion moves out of a landing zone. The helicopters are working in support of Operation Taylor Common near the An Hoa Combat Base, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).

8. Photograph number 1D-11-51-69: 1969: From Dawn to Setting Sun: As the sun rises, Marines from 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26], board a CH-46 helicopter on the USS Tripoli, off the coast of South Vietnam. The battalion made a helicopter assault in the flatlands, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang, to join Operation Taylor Common. In its most recent action 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines killed 26 communists in one day of fighting (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
9. Photograph number 3D-2-361-68: 1968: Making the Big Job Easy: A Marine CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter places a 105mm howitzer of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines atop a fire base position southwest of An Hoa. The 12<sup>th</sup> Marines are supporting Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-0328-69: 1969: Marine Catering Service: A Marine CH-46 helicopter hovers over the Landing Zone at An Hoa Combat Base, south of Da Nang, as Force Logistic Command Leathernecks rig a combat sling filled with supplies for Marines participating in Operation Taylor Common. This helicopter 'catering service' is the only way that many Marines participating in the operation can be resupplied (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).

**Box 7 Folder 17.      Operation Taylor Common (4 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-352-68: 1968: Lift Off: Marine Sea Knight helicopters take off at An Hoa while heli-teams of the 3d Marines await their turn to load up during Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
2. Photograph number 1D-357-68: 1968: Set In: Marines of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines on top of Hill 575 where they cleared a fire support base for Operation Taylor Common. Supplies and temporary living quarters are dispersed around the clearing for the artillery pieces and the landing zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant John K. Mullins).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-10047-69: 1969: Planning Conference: Staff Sergeant Nathaniel Cotlage (center), of Oceanside, California, discusses a patrol route with his point squad leader, Lance Corporal William L. Baker (far right) of Huntsville, Alabama. Cotlage, a platoon leader with I Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [I/3/3], led his unit on a two day patrol during Operation Taylor Common, 15 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-2204-68: 1968: Just Waiting: Private First Class Ron Heller, 19 (Altoona, Pennsylvania), a radio operator with the 3d Marines, takes a rest during Operation Taylor Common south of Da Nang. His unit is participating in the operation in mountainous terrain, with a jungle canopy 80 feet in height in some areas (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

5. Photograph number 3M-13-2204-68: 1968: Steep Going: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines patrol a mountain near An Hoa, south of Da Nang, during Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-357-68: 1968: Fire in the Hole: Gunnery Sergeant William Wilson (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) warns Marine of the 3d Marines that blasting is to begin. Wilson and other Marines are constructing a fire support base west of An Hoa which will support Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
7. Photograph number 3M-8-2204-68: 1968: An Ounce of Prevention: Marine Lance Corporal Mike Siegal, 19 (Joliet, Illinois), a machine gunner with the 3d Marines, cleans his weapon during Operation Taylor Common near An Hoa, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
8. Photograph number 3M-14-22-4-68: 1968: Lunch: Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Ken Kraft munches a soda cracker in the mountainous terrain near An Hoa, south of Da Nang, during Operation Taylor Common. He serves with the 3d Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
9. Photograph number 3M-7-2204-68: 1968: Wind Blown: Leathernecks of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines shield themselves from a sand blast created by a Marine helicopter near An Hoa, south of Da Nang. The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division unit is participating in Operation Taylor Common. The vehicle is a mechanical mule, used for carrying supplies over many kinds of terrain (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
10. Photograph number 3M-9-2204-68: 1968: Landing Zone: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines await a helicopter resupply in the mountainous terrain near An Hoa, south of Da Nang during Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

**Box 7 Folder 18.      Operation Taylor Common (5 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 3M-15-2204-68: 1968: Combat Patrol: A Leatherneck patrol of the 3d Marines moves down a mountain slope during Operation Taylor Common near An Hoa, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
2. Photograph number 3D-9357-68: 1968: Moving Out: Leathernecks of the 3d Marines move out their perimeter to patrol rugged mountains southwest of An Hoa. The Leathernecks are participating in Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
3. Photograph number 3M-10-2204-68: 1968: Mortar Load: A Leatherneck of the 3d Marines carries a box of mortar rounds up a steep mountain near An Hoa, south of Da Nang, during Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).

4. Photograph number 3D-2-1362-68: 1968: Wet Going: 2d Lieutenant Ronald C. Thieves (Winona, Minnesota) wades a stream during Operation Taylor Common, southwest of An Hoa. Thieves is a member of the 3d Marines, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
5. Photograph number 1D-7-05-69: 1969: Ready: Leathernecks with 5<sup>th</sup> Marines on Operation Taylor Common prepare mortar rounds for firing. Fuzed and ready to go, the rounds are stored near the mortar tubes for instant response to calls for fire on enemy positions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
6. Photograph number 3D-10-07-69: 1969: Wet Cache: Leathernecks of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines near An Hoa inspect a cache of enemy ammunition and documents they found on a river crossing during Operation Taylor Common. The rain-swollen river washed away the protective covering of the cache and sharp-eyed Marines spotted the ammunition (official USMC photo by Private W. L. Cummings).
7. Photograph number 1D-4-365-68: 1968: Call for Help: Marines of the 3d Marines on Operation Taylor Common, southwest of Da Nang, stand near a smoke signal indicating their position for a medical evacuation helicopter (medevac). The Leathernecks called for the chopper to lift a wounded North Vietnamese soldier out of the dense jungle in which they are operating (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
8. Photograph number 1D-1-365-68: 1968: Out: A stretcher carrying a wounded North Vietnamese Army (NVA) soldier clears the trees on its way up to the Marine CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter during Operation Taylor Common. 3d Marine Regiment Leathernecks found him wounded in the dense jungle (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. W. Wright).
9. Photograph number 1D-1-122-69: 1969: Resupply: A resupply CH-46 Sea Knight transport helicopter hovers above a group of Leathernecks from B Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Shore Party Battalion to pick up an external load of ammunition for food and resupplying troops in the field. The helicopter is flying resupply mission from the An Hoa Combat Base in support of Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-0561-69: 1969: Nets of Splendor: Supplies from Force Logistic Command's Logistic Support Unit at the An Hoa Combat Base, south of Da Nang, are wrapped in cargo nets ready for delivery to Marines in the field. The LSU often works around the clock in support of Operation Taylor Common to keep the Marines supplied (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

**Box 7 Folder 19.      Operation Taylor Common (6 of 7)**



1. Photograph number 1D-4-51-69: 1969: Hidden Cache: Three Marines (left to right) Private First Class D. M. Robertson, 20 (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma); Lance Corporal W. L. Robertson, 21 (Houston, Texas); and Private First Class J. S. Lea, 18 (Billings, Montana), remove bags of rice from a buried enemy cache uncovered by I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26], participating in Operation Taylor Common near An Hoa Combat Base, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-3194-68: 1968: Masked Marine: Corporal L. J. Sanders (Comstock Park, Michigan) works on a 'mechanical mule' starter bracket at Force Logistic Command's Logistic Support unit at An Hoa, 22 miles southwest of Da Nang. Using his torch to rebuild a bolt hole, the FLC Marine wears a mask to protect his eyes from sparks and intense light. Sanders and other Marines of the LSU provide supplies and maintenance support to Marine infantry units operating in Operation Taylor Common in the An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
3. Photograph number FLC-6-3194-68: 1968: Breech Betterment: Staff Sergeant E. G. Kalleser (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) of Force Logistic Command's (FLC) Logistic Support Unit (LSU) at An Hoa, works on a broken lock key in the breech of a 105mm howitzer. The LSU maintenance facility is handling repairs on weapons supporting Operation Taylor Common, in progress west of An Hoa, 22 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-10047-69: 1969: Back to Bolo: Private First Class Philip L. Sirois (Madawaska, Maine), returns to Fire Support Base Bolo, carrying a communist rifle. Sirois, a member of K Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [K/3/3], picked up the weapon while patrolling with his unit in support of Operation Taylor Common, 15 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
5. Photograph number 1D-6-61-69: 1969: Checks Tunnel: Private First Class R. W. Blish, 18 (Clairmont, New Hampshire), prepares to check out an enemy tunnel and bunker while on a sweep I Company, 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [I/3/26] during Operation Taylor Common near the An Hoa Combat Base, 18 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-2004-68: 1968: Relaxin': A Leatherneck of the 3d Marines takes a break during Operation Taylor Common, south of Da Nang. A towel over his head protects him from the strong, Vietnam sun. A nine-day-old newspaper keeps him informed of the happenings at home (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
7. Photograph number 1D-7-51-69: 1969: Rocket Run: A Huey (UH1-E) gunship makes a rocket run on communist positions during Operation Taylor Common. The enemy position was holding up the advance of the 3d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26], who are operating near the An Hoa Combat Base 18 miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

8. Photograph number FLC-9-3194-68: 1968: Gyrene Generator: A PU-239 generator is brought in for minor repairs at the Force Logistic Command's (FLC) Logistic Support Unit (LSU) at An Hoa, by a CH-53 transport helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. The LSU's maintenance facility repairs various types of equipment being used by Marines participating in Operation Taylor Common, west of An Hoa. The 105mm howitzer shells in the foreground, supplied by FLC, are awaiting air delivery to fire support bases providing artillery fire support for the operation (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
9. Photograph number 3D-1-352-68: 1968: That's the Spirit: A Leatherneck of the 3d Marines carries a small US flag while waiting to board a transport helicopter heading for a fire support base in Operation Taylor Common west of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal E. E. Hildreth).
10. Photograph number 3-3194-68: 1968: Airborne Artillery: Marines at the An Hoa landing zone staging area for Operation Taylor Common, looks on as a 105mm howitzer is hoisted away by a CH-53 transport helicopter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing. This artillery piece, after being inspected and repaired by Force Logistic Command's Logistic Support Unit at An Hoa, is on its way to Landing Zone Lance, a fire support base in the mountains west of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).

**Box 7 Folder 20.      Operation Taylor Common (7 of 7)**

1. Photograph number 4-3194-68: 1968: Operation Bound: A 105mm howitzer, bound for a mountain-top fire support base, is hooked up to a Marine CH-46 helicopter at the An Hoa landing zone. Before each weapon leaves An Hoa it goes through a technical inspection by Force Logistic Command's artillery repair shop. Once inspected and repaired, the artillery piece is air-lifted to the sky-high bases where it is used for fire support of Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
2. Photograph number 5-0328-69: 1969: Going Afloat: Marine Corps trucks of Force Logistic Command convoy board a ferry to cross the Song Thu Bon river near An Hoa Combat Base south of Da Nang, as they haul vital resupplies to fellow Leathernecks participating in Operation Taylor Common south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-02-69: 1969: Regular Visitor: Brigadier General Ross T. Dwyer, commanding general of Task Force Yankee (center) receives a situation briefing from the staff of a battalion of the 3d Marines during Operation Taylor Common on one of his regular tours of units. From left, Captain J. M. McAdams, 27 (Athens, Texas), Lieutenant Colonel R. B. Twohey, battalion commander, and Major Bruce Pfiphel, battalion executive officer, confer with the general (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).

4. Photograph number 1D-12-45-69: 1969: New Commanding General: Brigadier General Samuel Jaskilka, 49 (McLean, Virginia), addresses units of Task Force Yankee before he officially takes command of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division sub-unit at the An Hoa Combat Base. Brigadier General Ross T. Dwyer, 49 (Arlington, Virginia), right, was relieved by Jaskilka during a change of command ceremony February 14. Task Force Yankee is the command element for Operation Taylor Common (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).
5. Photograph number 1-0236-69: 1969: Singing Sniper: To break the boredom and ease the loneliness that comes with the job of sniper scout Private First Class Walter A. McCarty (Hanford, Connecticut), composes and sings his own songs. 'Al,' as his buddies call him, hopes to sing professionally when his tour with the Marines is over. At present McCarty is participating in Operation Taylor Common with the 3d Marine Regiment in the mountains west of An Hoa (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Jordan).

**Box 7 Folder 21.      Operation Tippecanoe**

1. Photograph number 3-76x-67: 17 March 1967: Operation Tippecanoe: Corporal H. York, squad leader of the 1<sup>st</sup> squad, 3d Platoon, C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines [C/1/5] runs under Viet Cong fire, while advancing to a better position to control his squad during Operation Tippecanoe, 14-16 March 1967, about 10 miles northwest of Tam Ky (Defense Department photo by Private First Class Porter).

**Box 7 Folder 22.      Operation Union**

1. Photograph number 1-126-67: 6 May 1967: Marines of the 3d Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, cross the Song Klang River, 10 miles northwest of Tam Ky, Vietnam during Operation Union on 6 May 1967 (Defense Department photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Porter).

**Box 7 Folder 23.      Operation Valiant Hunt**

1. Photograph number SLF-3-12-68: 1968: Disappearing Act: A Leatherneck radioman of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines gets as close to the ground as possible while calling in Marine artillery on enemy automatic weapons positions, 22 miles south of Da Nang. The unit of the Special Landing Force made contact with the enemy during Operation Valiant Hunt (official USMC photo by Corporal Anthony Wolfe).
2. Photograph number SLF-1-12-68: 1968: Buddies: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines, Special Landing Force, help each other while wading through rice paddies 22 miles south of Da Nang. The Marines are searching for the enemy during Operation Valiant Hunt (official USMC photo by Corporal Anthony Wolfe).

**Box 7 Folder 24.      Operation Virginia Ridge**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-9851-69: 1969: Briefing: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee receives a briefing on Operation Virginia Ridge from Major General William K. Jones, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, at a command post atop Dong Ha, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackmann).

**Box 7 Folder 25.      Operation Weld**

1. Photograph number 3D-66-3237-65: 25 July 1965: Operation Weld: A Marine rifle squad holds its position on Beach Front 200 meters behind blocking position (BT468153). The South China Sea is in the background. The Marines are from A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [A/1/4], commanded by Captain Their (Defense Department photo by Sergeant L. D. Choate).

**Series 6.4      Subject Files**

**Box 7 Folder 26.      A-4 Skyhawk Operations**

1. No photograph number: 29 September 1968: [unidentified Marine aviator, possibly Major J. L. Clark, posing with an A-4 Phantom] (2 copies).
2. No photograph number: 29 September 1968: [two unidentified Marine aviators posing with an A-4 Phantom].
3. No photograph number: 29 September 1968: [unidentified Marine aviator posing with an A-4 Phantom].
4. Photograph number 0892: undated: Briefing: Briefing for another mission in their A-4 Skyhawk, Marine Captain Peter B. Wyrick, right, and Donald E. Love prepare to fly another combat mission using the same type of 500 pound bombs which they used when credited with killing 15 Viet Cong, three miles northeast of Quang Ngai City (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).

**Box 7 Folder 27.      A-6A Intruder Operations**

1. Photograph number 1W-5-146-69: 1969: Jet Check: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee examines the bombardier-navigator's position in an A-6A Intruder. The Marine A-6A performs pinpoint bombing in all weather conditions (official USMC photo by Corporal Randy Nelson).
2. Photograph number 0043: 20 January 1968: Look Out, Charlie: The A-6A Intruder carries an impressive load of bombs for its mission from Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. B. Williams).

**Box 7 Folder 28.      AH-1G Cobra Operations**

1. Photograph number 1W16-59-9-70 (A): 6 September 1970: AH-1G [Cobra] gunship circles for another gun run on enemy troops during an emergency extract (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
2. Photograph number 1W16-59-9-70 (Q): 6 September 1970: AH-1G [Cobra] gunship circles for another pass at an enemy position in Queson, 30 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).

**Box 7 Folder 29.      An Hoa Aid Station [Vietnam]**

1. Photograph number 2-261-68: 1968: Surgical Teamwork: German and Vietnamese medical personnel team up around an operating table as they perform surgery on an injured Vietnamese. The German aid station at An Hoa has a staff of 11 Germans and 12 Vietnamese (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
2. Photograph number 1-261-68: 1968: Maternal Care: A young Vietnamese mother and child receive care at the An Hoa aid station. The station is one of three hospitals manned by German medical personnel in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
3. Photograph number 3-261-68: 1968: Treating Vietnamese: German nurse Sabine Cudewill takes x-rays of an injured Vietnamese male at the An Hoa aid station (official USMC photo by Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).

**Box 7 Folder 30.      Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]**

1. Photograph number 1-364: undated: Captured Arms: Weapons captured by elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN) Ranger Group in the Arizona Territory are displayed at An Hoa, where the Rangers operate with American Marines as a part of Task Force Yankee. The display includes 82 individual weapons, 20 crew-served weapons, and a variety of communications equipment (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant M. F. Krueger).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-0260-68: 1968: Bridge Destroyed: An ARVN soldier guards a bridge north of Quang Tri which was partially destroyed by a Viet Cong attack (official USMC photo by Private First Class Michael Eshbach).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-0286-69: 1969: Aftermath: Army of the Republic of Vietnam troops (ARVN) raised the Vietnamese colors atop one of the gates in the imperial walled city after nearly a month of bitter house to house fighting. The flag now flies over the 'new' Hue with buildings, streets, and housing under construction. Extensive repair work has also been done on the imperial wall which encloses the 'inner city,' badly damaged during enemy rocket and mortar attacks (official USMC photo by Corporal D. M. Messenger).

4. Photograph number 3M-3-0286-68: 23 February 1968: Flag Raised: ARVN troops atop one of the gates to the Imperial walled city in Hue after raising their flag (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).
5. Photograph number 6-41-67: 10 February 1967: Hilltop Vantage Point: An Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN) soldier, perched atop a high rock, stands watch as Marines fortify a mountain at Nuy Loc San, 30 miles southwest of Da Nang. Elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, have set up a new base in the area, formerly occupied by ARVN troops (official USMC photo by Private First Class Clark D. Thomas).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-3113-69: 1969: Silver Star Winner: Colonel Vu Van Giai, commanding officer of the 2d Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division, Army of the Republic of Vietnam, is awarded the Silver Star medal by Lieutenant General Richard G. Stilwell, commanding general XXIV Corps, during ceremonies at Dong Ha, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).
7. Photograph number 2-325-68: 1968: All Aboard: Fully equipped with combat gear, soldiers of the newly-formed 116<sup>th</sup> Regional Forces Company climb aboard amphibian tractors. The 105 man company merged with a company of the 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, and less than 30 hours later, the Vietnamese volunteers had 20 communist kills their credit (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. A. Prentiss).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-550-69: 1969: Cookies for Children: Lieutenant Colonel Hap, commanding officer of the 62d Artillery Battalion, Army of the Republic of Vietnam, passes out cookies during a party sponsored by the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines and Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, two Marine units headquartered at Dong Ha. More than 150 children received gifts of clothing, toys, and food (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
9. Photograph number 3M-6-2172-68: 1968: Mixed Emotions: Refugees near the Happy Haven Leprosarium south of Da Nang sit in a large group while, at left, upper corner, a Hoi Chanh is accompanied by an Army of the Republic of Vietnam interpreter. The Hoi Chanh, a former Viet Cong soldier who used to operate in the area of the leper colony, returned to the side of the government of Vietnam. Masked to protect his identity, he pointed out four Viet Cong suspects from the group (official USMC photo by Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 7 Folder 31.      Artillery (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 6-46-67: 1967: Loaded and Locked: Missilemen load three Hawk missiles onto their launcher (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. C. Hathaway).
2. Photograph number 3-46-67: 1967: Natural Framing: Vietnamese foliage frames three Hawk missiles against the sky it defends (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. C. Hathaway).



3. Photograph number 3D-3-406-248-68: 1968: New Engine for Eight-Incher: Mechanics from the 1<sup>st</sup> 8-inch Howitzer Battery use a retriever crane to install a new engine in one of their howitzers. The engine runs the hydraulic system while the gun fires or enables the tracked howitzer to move into a new position (official USMC photo by Corporal R. I. Brumfield).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-406-248-68: 1968: Crater Analysis: Sergeant Donald G. Persons (Anaheim, California) checks the crater caused by enemy artillery round to determine the size of the enemy weapon. 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Michael McDonald (Gunnison, Colorado), commander of an 8 inch Howitzer Battery gun position, uses a compass to obtain a back azimuth on the round enabling his unit to fire on the enemy artillery position (official USMC photo by Corporal R. L. Brumfield).
5. Photograph number 0430-69: 1969: [Marine inspects machinery].
6. Photograph number 3D-5-406-248-68: 1968: Heavy Ordnance: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> 8 inch Howitzer Battery use a crane to unload the 200 pound projectiles for their howitzers. During the month of August, the battery's vehicles hauled 125 tons of powder and 600 tons of projectiles to three gun positions in the Northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal R. L. Brumfeld).
7. Photograph number 7-429-69: 1969: Men and Machines: US Marine muscle teams with US Army machines to steady and direct a 20-ton gondola car onto a truck for the long land and sea trip from Quang Ngai to Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

**Box 7 Folder 32.      Artillery (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1-252-69: 1969: Hello: The transmitter element of the ANPRC-88 radio is equipped with both voice and beeper broadcasts. Lance Corporal Larry Cronklin, 19 (Cleveland, Ohio) calls an artillery mission to assist elements of the 3d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/7], 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
2. Photograph number 2-375-69: 1969: Hooked Up: Framed by the hook on an amphibious tractor retriever, a powerful V-12 engine is lowered carefully by another retriever into the hull of an amphibious cargo and personnel carrier by Marines of Ordnance Maintenance Company, Maintenance Battalion (official USMC photo by Corporal Trygg Hansen).
3. Photograph number 5-375-69: 1969: All in a Row: Marines of Ordnance Maintenance Company, Maintenance Battalion form their own assembly line as they use an amphibious tractor retriever to hoist huge reconditioned power plants back into the amphibious cargo and personnel carriers. The ordnance Marines work on all types of tracked vehicles, infantry weapons, artillery, and optics used by Leatherneck forces in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Trygg Hansen).

4. Photograph number 6-429-69: 1969: Up, Up, and Away: Two huge US Army cranes provided a source of attraction for both participants and South Vietnamese who watched the railway car recovery operation at Quang Ngai (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
5. Photograph number 2-230-68: 17 August 1968: [Marines manning a howitzer].
6. Photograph number 3-922-68: 1968: [Marines performing maintenance on a howitzer].
7. No photograph number: undated: [Marines operating a howitzer].
8. No photograph number: undated: [Marines stacking ordnance].

**Box 7 Folder 33.      Artillery – 105mm Howitzer**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1505-69: 1969: 105: Members of a 105mm howitzer crew complete a fire mission at Fire Support Base Russell, northwest of the Rockpile. The fire mission was in support of the 2d Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Division Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN), who were participating in search and clear operations (official USMC photo by Corporal G. N. Zimmerman).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-2479-68: 1968: Instruction: Lance Corporal Steve Gattrell (Salt Lake City, Utah) an artillery repairman with Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion instructs Vietnamese soldiers on the proper maintenance of a 105mm howitzer. The Vietnamese are members of a special class assigned to the Maintenance Battalion Artillery Section to learn artillery repair (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).
3. Photograph number 11-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Fire Mission: The crew of a 105mm howitzer prepares to fire at the Korean Brigade Headquarters near Hoi An, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
4. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in the field with a 105mm howitzer].
5. Photograph number 3D-1-449-68: 1968: Fire!: A 105mm howitzer blasts away at the NVA surrounding Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal P. S. Wargo).
6. Photograph number 16-105-69: 1969: Recoil: Belching smoke and shock waves, a 105mm howitzer aboard a Marine LVTA recoils after firing. The turret-mounted howitzers have proved to be an effective weapon for direct and indirect artillery support in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
7. Photograph number 3M-6-133-68: 23 January 1968: Firepower Evidence: Marines stack mounds of expended 105mm casings after constant pounding of enemy forces at Khe

Sanh. Hill 950 is partially shrouded by clouds in the background (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. H. Nairns).

**Box 7 Folder 34.      Artillery – 106mm Recoilless Rifle**

1. Photograph number 0161: 16 February 1968: Valley Protector: Corporal Robert Sepulveda, 20 (Florence, Arizona), carefully cleans his 106mm recoilless rifle atop Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
2. Photograph number 0160: 16 February 1968: Bird's Eye View: The Song Cau Bien river as seen by Marines manning a 106mm recoilless rifle atop Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Corporal Bob Leak).
3. Photograph number 0163: 7 February 1968: Charlie Country: VC country as seen through the sight of a 106mm recoilless rifle atop Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
4. Photograph number 3D-19-0211-68: 1968: Rocket Attack: A 106mm recoilless rifle team become victims of a North Vietnamese rocket attack. The photographer of this scene, Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell, was also wounded during this action and medevaced to safety (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Atwell).

**Box 7 Folder 35.      Artillery – 155mm Howitzer**

1. Photograph number 9M-10-28-68: 1968: Preventative Maintenance: A self-propelled gun of the 5<sup>th</sup> 155mm Gun Battery is worked on by Marines during a lull in fire missions. The Leathernecks provide artillery support to other Marines on operations in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class A. F. Blalock).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-7060-69: 1969: Mobile Power: A US Army CH-47 Chinook helicopter prepares to lift a Marine 155mm howitzer from Vandegrift Combat Base to a fire support base south of the Demilitarized Zone. The helicopter is from the 159<sup>th</sup> Assault Helicopter Battalion, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Airmobile) and is flying in support of 3d Marine Division operations in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Morris).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-375-69: 1969: Fixin' Firepower: Two Leathernecks of the artillery repair section at Maintenance Battalion, Private First Class James E. Jessup, East Wenatchee, Washington and Gary L. McClatchie, Saranac, New York, install a firing jack on a towed 155mm howitzer. The artillery section has the capabilities of repairing all types of weapons at shops at Da Nang or making on-the-spot repairs in the field (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).

4. Photograph number 9M-10-27-68: 1968: River Crossing: A Marine 155mm gun from 5<sup>th</sup> 155mm Gun Battery crosses the Quang Tri River at Kaggio, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class A. F. Blaclock).
5. Photograph number 3D-4-6-232-69: 1969: Battery Adjust: Private First Class George A. Martinez (El Centro, California) has a firm hold on the lanyard as he waits for firing instructions from Corporal Walter McPherson (Medford, Oregon) during a fire mission at the Rockpile. The Marines are members of a self-propelled 155mm howitzer gun team stationed at the Rockpile (official USMC photo Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).

**Box 7 Folder 36.      Artillery – 175mm Howitzer**

1. Photograph number 1D-2-60-69: 1969: Moving Out: The new M-107 175mm self-propelled gun moves toward a new firing position. The M-107 weighs 62,100 pounds, is air transportable and can travel 374 miles at a top speed of 35 mph. This newest addition to Marine Corps artillery in Vietnam is now firing in support of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 1D-1-60-69: 1969: Ready to Go: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> 175mm Gun Battery stand by for a fire mission with the newest addition to the Marine Corps artillery family, the M-107 175mm self propelled gun. The huge guns are currently deployed in support of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal A. C. Prentiss).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-1473-67: 1967: 175mm Guns to Ashau: Brigadier General Louis Metzger, Assistant Division Commander, 3d Marine Division, pulls the lanyard sending the first 175mm projectile hurtling into the Ashau valley on 1 August 1967. A battery of 175m guns commanded by Captain Michael Clay (Milledgeville, Georgia) is operating from a forward artillery position in support of Marine operations into the Ashau valley, long a Viet Cong stronghold (Defense Department photo).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-6084-69: 1969: Georgia Fireball: Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, fires the ‘Georgia Fireball,’ one of four 175mm artillery pieces his command recently acquired. The big gun, named for the general’s home state, was fired for the first time during a ceremony held at the Rockpile March 24 (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).

**Box 7 Folder 37.      Aviation**

1. Photograph number 0714: 30 August 1968: Air Controllers: Army Specialist Richard Graves, 23 (Custer, Washington), points out aircraft preparing to take off to fellow air controller, Marine Corporal Richard G. Tarlow, 24 (Woodland, California). Both men coordinate and control the air traffic at Marble Mountain Air Facility under a joint service operation (official USMC photo by Corporal A. K. Mack) [2 copies].

2. Photograph number 0217: 4 March 1968: Waiting: Passengers wait with their baggage outside the terminal just before boarding a plane (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).
3. Photograph number 0350: 30 April 1968: [unidentified Marine performs maintenance on an aircraft].
4. Photograph number 0668: 7 August 1968: [front view of Marine aircraft].

**Box 7 Folder 38.      Booby Traps**

1. No photograph number: [Unidentified Marine searching for a booby trap in a fire pit] (official USMC photo).
2. No photograph number: [Booby trap consisting of sharpened stakes suspended between trees] (official USMC photo).
3. No photograph number: [Booby trap consisting of sharpened stakes] (official USMC photo).
4. No photograph number: [Marines investigating a mine or booby trap] (official USMC photo).
5. No photograph number: [Concealed booby trap] (official USMC photo).
6. No photograph number: undated: [Two Marines in the field, searching for booby traps].

**Box 7 Folder 39.      Buse, Henry W., Jr.**

1. Photograph number 0787: undated: Arrival: Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr., commanding general, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, arrives at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing helicopter landing pad September 22 for a visit at Wing Headquarters. Buse received a briefing on Wing activities in Vietnam and a tour of the facilities (official USMC photo by Corporal S. L. Mackenzie II).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-1053-69: 1969: At Can Lo: Escorted by Major General Raymond G. Davis (right), commanding general of the 3d Marine Division, Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr. (center), commanding general of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, visits Marine units located at Cam Lo in northern I Corps in Vietnam. General Buse visited Vietnam on a regular inspection tour (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
3. Photograph number 3M-2-0145-69: 1969: Allied Leaders: Lieutenant General Henry W. Buse, Jr. (left), commanding general of Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, and Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, commanding general of South Vietnam's I Corps, ascend

steps at I Corps headquarters prior to a briefing on the current situation in Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone. General Buse visited the I Corps commander during one of his regular visits to Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).

**Box 7 Folder 40. C-130/KC-130 Hercules**

1. Photograph 0572: 9 July 1968: Flare Drop: Two Marines of a Hercules flare crew load of a specially designed rack with flares before a drop. The flares are then shoved out with a pole when the pilot gives the signal (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant J. L. Penalosa).
2. Photograph number FLC-4-131-68: 1968: Resupply: A Marine KC-130 Hercules lands at the Khe Sanh, bringing in supplies for Leathernecks fighting in the northwestern corner of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).

**Box 7 Folder 41. Camp Carroll**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1707-66: 10 November 1966: Marines of K Company, 3d Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines [K/3/4] stand and sits with the company colors in front of the new sign designated Camp Carroll. Captain James J. Carroll, the former commanding officer, was killed on Hill 484 during Operation Prairie (Defense Department photo by Sergeant McVeigh) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 1-1600-68: 1968: Final Salute: Allied general officers render a final salute during ceremonies December 28 at Camp Carroll, Vietnam. Left to right: Major General C. B. Drake, Deputy Commander, XXIV Corps; Lieutenant General R. G. Stilwell, Commanding General, XXIV Corps; Major General R. G. Davis, 3d Marine Division Commander and Major General Ngo Quang-Truong, 1<sup>st</sup> ARVN Division Commander. Camp Carroll, a Marine Combat Base since November 1966 was deactivated today (official USMC photo) [2 copies].
3. Photograph number 2-1600-68: 1968: Final Formation: Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division from an Honor Guard prior to ceremonies deactivating Camp Carroll in north central Quang Tri province of South Vietnam. Camp Carroll had been a combat base since November 1966, when it was dedicated in memory of Navy Cross winner Captain J. J. Carroll who was killed near the site in October 1966 (official USMC photo) [4 copies].
4. Photograph number 0888: undated: Mr. Clean: When Marine Gunnery Sergeant Harvey E. Gunnels, 32 (Oceanside, California), of the 5<sup>th</sup> 155mm Gun Battery (Self Propelled), Camp Carroll, rolls out the barrel, it's really a barrel of fun. Gunnels uses a 55 gallon barrel to take daily baths (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. R. Martin).

**Box 7 Folder 42. Captured Weapons and Ordnance**



1. Photograph number 3D-12-299-67: March 1967: Big Bang: A Marine demolition team prepares to destroy 102mm rockets discovered north of Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. B. McVeigh).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-2108-69: 1969: Historical Arsenal: Captain Anthony J. Milavic (Miami, Florida) examines the first Hungarian AKM rifle to be captured in Vietnam. The weapon is the latest development in the AK-47 rifle used by the North Vietnamese Army. Also displayed are 20 different enemy weapons captured by Leathernecks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division. The long-barreled rifle (center) is an enemy sniper rifle that was manufactured in 1953, but it is of the Mosin Nagan design that dates back to the 1800s (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Randolph).
3. Photograph number 0764: undated: Through Enemy Eyes: Sight in on a Marine helicopter or fixed wing aircraft flying over the northwestern tactical zone. Use the altitude and target leader sights carefully, anticipating the flight pattern of the target. Before its capture by 3d Marine Division, this 12.7mm automatic antiaircraft gun was used by North Vietnamese. But no more (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Servais).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-12054-69: 1969: Captured Field Gun: A North Vietnamese Army (NVA) field gun stands mute after its capture by 3d Marine Division Leathernecks in the Ashau Valley complex. The enemy field gun, capable of firing its 122mm projectiles at the rate of six rounds per minute, has a range of 14 miles. The Russian-built cannon, the largest NVA artillery piece captured in Vietnam, was one of four captured near the Laotian border by men of the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal D. L. Randolph).

**Box 7 Folder 43. CH-46 Sea Knight Operations (1 of 2)**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Marines assist Vietnamese civilians in boarding a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter].
2. Photograph number 0094: 30 January 1968: 'Stacked' Aircraft: A CH-46 Sea Knight is brought back to Quang Tri for repairs. A maintenance recovery crew stripped the center copter of excess weight so it could be heli-lifted by the CH-53 Sea Stallion. In the foreground, a damaged Huey awaits repair while a C-130 Hercules prepares to take off in the background (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. Zielinski).
3. Photograph number 2-274-69: 1969: Supply Haulers: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter and a Marine forklift, dissimilar in most respects, have similar jobs at Vandegrift Combat Base just below Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. They resupply 3d Division Marines operating in this northernmost sector of Vietnam. All combat supplies flow through the Marine Logistic Support Unit at Vandegrift on their way to the Marine infantrymen (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).

4. Photograph number 0526: 20 June 1968: [Marines board a CH-46 helicopter].
5. Photograph number 0640: 2 August 1968: [Marines unload materiel from a CH-46 helicopter].
6. Photograph number 3M-28-1184-68: 27 July 1968: High Octane: Corporal Roger L. Smith, 20 (Crellin, Maryland), crew chief of a Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter stationed aboard the USS Tripoli, refuels his helicopter at the Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
7. Photograph number 0062: undated: Horn of Plenty: Like the horn of plenty, a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter provides a net of supplies to Marine ground unit at fire support bases atop the rugged mountains in northern I Corps. These 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing choppers are the means of delivering men and materials to areas inaccessible by foot (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
8. Photograph number 0961: undated: Airborne Assault: Leatherneck helicopters drop from the sky in a recent search and clear mission southwest of Da Nang as the Sea Knights inserted Marine infantrymen to a landing zone already softened by jet attack aircraft. The ground Marines quickly scrambled to defensive positions protecting the helicopters as further waves were brought to the scene (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).

**Box 7 Folder 44. CH-46 Sea Knight Operations (2 of 2)**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Six Marines cargo riding on a cargo net underneath a CH-46 helicopter].
2. Photograph number 1-352-66: December 1966: From Hueys With Love: Corporal Charles H. Patrum, 20, from Berkeley, California, views the action below from his crew chief's seat aboard a CH-46 Sea Knight of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW]. UH1-E Hueys of a Marine Observation Squadron are returning the Viet Cong fire after the VC caught in a helicopter in a cross fire on an insert (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Russ Cowen).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-133-68: 23 January 1968: Resupply: A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter swirls the dust at Khe Sanh as it descends with a sling-load of supplies January 23 at the northwest-most combat base in I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. H. Nairns).
4. Photograph number 2-68: October 1968: Resupply: A Marine Corps' Sea Knight helicopter resupplies the 2d Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/7] operating south of Da Nang. Under the belly of the large transport helicopter is a sling of food and water for the Marines who are searching for Viet Cong and North Vietnamese soldiers operating in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Oberg).

5. Photograph number 18-67-67: 1967: Round the Clock: A maintenance crew at the Marble Mountain Air Facility works under floodlights to ready a CH-46 Sea Knight for the next day (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. N. Groscost).
6. Photograph number 6-61-67: 1967: The Pay Off: Once enemy gunners have been suppressed by jet air strikes, the choppers land and Marine riflemen move out. This is what the hours of preparation were for. This is the pay off (official USMC photo by Corporal R. Cowen).
7. Photograph number 20-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Triple Threat: Ground Marines board a Marine Corps' Sea Knight helicopter off the coast of South Vietnam while preparing for an operation. The Marines are part of Special Landing Force Bravo operating off the USS Tripoli (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
8. No photograph number: undated: [Three CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters assisting Marines on the ground] (official USMC photo).
9. No photograph number: undated: [A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter lifts a Marine on a winch] (official USMC photo).
10. No photograph number: undated: [Seven CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters landing at on an airstrip] (official USMC photo).

**Box 7 Folder 45. CH-53 Sea Stallion Operations (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0064: undated: Lifting Power: A Marine CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter provides the needed lift for a bulldozer at a fire support base in northern I Corps. 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing choppers, the CH-53 being the biggest in the Marine inventory, make Vietnam's inaccessible mountain tops accessible to Leatherneck ground troops and deliver the supplies to sustain the post (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 0106: undated: Lift Off: Marine helicopter mechanics team up with a huge crane to lift the transmission and rotor head out of a giant Sea Stallion helicopter at Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] in Phu Bai. When in the air, the big, CH-53 helicopter is hauling tons of cargo to Marine positions throughout I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Robert Musolf).
3. Photograph number FLC-4-1315-69: 1969: Thirsty Bird: Leatherneck crewmen of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] refuel their CH-53 Sea Stallion transport helicopter at the Logistic Support Unit refueling area at Vandegrift Combat Base in the northwestern reaches of South Vietnam. The support units provides aviation fuel for all US Marine and Army helicopters supporting allied operations in that area (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).

4. Photograph number 3M-1-1150-68: July 1968: Busy, Busy, Busy: A CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter deposits a military vehicle on the heli-pad at Landing Zone Stud as Marines waiting for 'hops' to their units look on. A bulldozer (left) is being utilized to widen the strip for ever-increasing air traffic (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant I. L. Plumb).
5. Photograph number 0720: 2 September 1968: New Guys-New Birds: Lieutenant Colonel Herbert J. Blaha, left, executive officer, Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36], greets Lieutenant Colonel Ronald E. Nelson, commanding officer of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron [HMH-462] and Major James L. Givan, right, squadron maintenance officer, as the squadron's first CH-53A Sea Stallion transport helicopter to arrive in country is parked in the revetments at the Phu Bai Combat Air Base, August 24. LtCol Dennis W. [illegible], second right, MAG-36 project officer was assigned the responsibility of coordinating the squadron's move from the United States to Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
6. Photograph number 0631: 31 July 1968: Missouri Mules: Piloting a Marine Sea Stallion helicopter when a new Marine Corps lift record of 276,000 pounds was set were Missourians CWO Carroll G. Fain, 35, right, and 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Gary C. Jones (official USMC photo by Corporal A. K. Mack).
7. Photograph number 1-1150-68: 1968: Busy, Busy, Busy: A CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter deposits a military vehicle on the heli-pad at Landing Zone Stud as Marines waiting for 'hops' to their units look on. A bulldozer (left) is being utilized to widen the strip for ever-increasing air traffic (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant I. L. Plumb).

**Box 7 Folder 46. CH-53 Sea Stallion Operations (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0168: 18 February 1968: [A Marine helicopter transports a jet].
2. Photograph number 0170: 19 February 1968: [A Marine helicopter transports a jet].
3. Photograph number 0045: undated: Nothing New: The powerful Sea Stallion helicopters of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] and their sometime unusual cargos have become such a commonplace sight in I Corps that even one hauling another helicopter doesn't rate a second glance from this farmer near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
4. Photograph number 0649: 9 August 1968: [CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter in the field].
5. Photograph number 3D-2-13315-68: 1968: Air-Mobile Artillery: A Marine 'Sea Stallion' heavy transport helicopter delivers a 105mm howitzer to Fire Support Base Tun Tavern. The big guns of the 12<sup>th</sup> Marines, 3d Marine Division's artillery arm, are continuously

displaced from one position to another to support Marine ground operations in Quang Tri Province, South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class E. E. Hildreth).

6. Photograph number 445: 28 May 1968: Sea Stallions: As the sun sets over Da Nang, two giant Sea Stallions are hauled across the Da Nang bridge toward the Marble Mountain Air Facility n the first of several crossing for the helicopter haulers (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
7. Photograph number 0446: 28 May 1968: Parade for Onlookers: A parade of Sea Stallions passes by onlookers near China Beach. Guards straddle the load lifting helicopters which present quite a sight for Vietnamese villagers who catch occasional glimpses of the white, canvas-wrapped birds on their way to Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
8. No photograph number: undated: [Four airborne CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopters] (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 7 Folder 47. CH-54 Skycrane Operations**

1. Photograph number 1-0406-69: 1969: Pole-Longed Operation: A CH-54 Skycrane helicopter positions a 98 foot pole, part of a new antenna for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing's Military Affiliate Radio Station (MARS). The antenna, one of the largest of its types in Vietnam, will enable the MARS station to send and receive more calls for longer periods of time and improve reception quality (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-1348: undated: Flying Crane: A CH-54 helicopter lifts the platform for the newly erected traffic control tower at Vandegrift Combat Base. The new tower will facilitate more effective and safer air traffic control at Vandegrift, the jump-off point for 3d Marine Division's operations along the Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. A. Bribiesca).
3. Photograph number 1-274-69: 1969: Incoming...Outgoing: 105mm artillery piece is brought into Vandegrift Combat Base for repairs by a US Army CH-54 Flying Crane. The weapon will be sent to Maintenance Company, Marine Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, Dong Ha, to be repaired. Refurbished artillery pieces wait nearby for delivery to US Marine fire support bases in the northern reaches of I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).

#### **Box 7 Folder 48. Chapman, Leonard F. (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-19-1244-68: 7 August 1968: General Leonard F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, receives honors on his departure from the USS Princeton off the coast of Vietnam (official USMC photo).

2. Photograph number 3M-3-0061-69: January 1969: Fire!: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, gives the command to fire to an artillery battery at Fire Support Base Pike, south of Da Nang. The battery fired in support of Operation Taylor Common. The general stopped frequently at Marine artillery support bases during a three-day tour of Leatherneck units in Vietnam, his third visit to Southeast Asia as commandant (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
3. Photograph number 3D-2-6010-69: 1969: Four Star Visitor: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, inspects gun emplacements at Fire Support Base Smith, January 10. At left is Captain Harvey C. Barnum (Cheshire, Connecticut), Medal of Honor recipient and commanding officer of E Battery, 2d Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Marines [E/2/12] (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. J. Carroll).
4. Photograph number M-1-0048-68: January 1968: CMC Visit: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, talks with a Marine radioman during his January 9-13 tour of III Marine Amphibious Force units in I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Dan Moore).
5. Photograph number 3M-9-0048-68: January 1968: Scans Company Area: During his visit to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, checks the terrain from a lookout post of K Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. C. Moore).
6. Photograph number 3M-5-0061-69: January 1969: Comrades-in-Arms: Escorted by Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, left, Vietnamese commander of I Corps, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., US Marine Commandant, reviews a Vietnamese honor guard at I Corps headquarters. The commandant's three-day tour of Marine units was his third in one year (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
7. Photograph number 3M-3-0058-69: January 1969: Tough Climb: Marine Commandant, Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., visited Fire Support Base Fuller, a few miles south of the Demilitarized Zone, during his third trip to visit Marine units in the field. FSB Fuller provides artillery support and reconnaissance for 3d Marine Division troops on patrol (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
8. Photograph number 3D-4-6010-69: January 1969: MUC: The commandant of the Marine Corps, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., affixes the Meritorious Unit Citation streamer to the colors of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amphibian Tractor Battalion, January 10. The battalion was cited for its outstanding achievements in armed conflict against North Vietnamese Army forces (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Zane Wilson).
9. Photograph number 3M-1-0061-69: 1969: Gift from 'Charlie': General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, holds a North Vietnamese Army (NVA) field map presented to him by Major General Ormond R. Simpson, commanding



general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. The hand-drawn map was captured by Marines of Task Force Yankee during Operation Taylor Common south of Da Nang. General Chapman's three-day tour of Marine infantry and support units in Vietnam was his third as commandant (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).

**Box 7 Folder 49. Chapman, Leonard F. (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0020: 1969: Silver Star: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Paul W. Niesen receives the Silver Star from the Commandant of the Marine Corps General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., during the Commandant's January 10 visit to Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] at the Quang Tri Air Base. Niesen was awarded the medal for his actions last July when he braved heavy enemy fire to extract a seven man reconnaissance team, four of whom were wounded. Although his helicopter had been badly damaged from enemy, he returned to MAG-39 for another chopper and once again returned to the landing zone, leading a flight of assault helicopters, although the zone was still under enemy siege (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
2. Photograph number 18-1244-68: 7 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, looks over a North Vietnamese rifle presented him by officers and men of the 3d Marine Division during his tour of the I Corps area. Lieutenant General R. E. Cushman, commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force accompanied the Commandant (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph 1-1244-68: 5 August 1968: [Commandant of the Marine Corps Leonard F. Chapman and Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 21-1244-68: 8 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, visits with Marines of the Combat Information Bureau in Da Nang during a visit to I Corps (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 10-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, has the village church pointed out by a Vietnamese nun who is in charge of the orphanage at Thuong Thon village (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-010-69: January 1969: Greetings, Commandant: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, meets Vietnamese village elders during his visit to 3d Marine Division units January 10. General Chapman visited Quang Tri Combat Base, Fire Support Base Smith, and traveled to Dong Ha Mountain, just four miles south of the Demilitarized Zone. He also visited with Marines working with Combined Action Platoons and met Vietnamese village elders (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-0058-69: January 1969: Hearty Welcome: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., is greeted by Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general, II Marine Amphibious Force, upon his arrival in Da Nang for the start of his

third tour of Marine Forces in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).

8. Photograph number 17-1244-68: 7 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, presents a Bronze Star to Gunnery Sergeant Kenneth E. Davis, during a tour of the 3d Marine Division headquarters area at Dong Ha. The commandant had just presented a Silver Star to Lieutenant Colonel Billy R. Duncan (official USMC photo).

## **Box 8**

### **Box 8 Folder 1. China Beach Orphanage**

1. Photograph number 0004: 2 January 1968: Green Santa: Navy Hospital Corpman Roy D. Stegall pauses with two children at the China Beach orphanage near Da Nang. The Chief has spent almost all his off-duty time during the past 40 weeks helping more than 200 children (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Davis).
2. Photograph number 0211: 3 March 1968: Happiness: A young girl at the China Beach orphanage clutches a doll donated through the Catholic chapel at Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] (official USMC photo by Corporal Carl Erickson).
3. Photograph number 1W2307690025: undated: His Favorite Gal: Marine Corporal Richard L. Sullivan (Lancaster, Ohio) chats with his favorite gal, little Dan Thi Lan, whom he is sponsoring under a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] program to aid the children of the China Beach Orphanage near Da Nang. Each Wing Leatherneck participating in the program contributes ten dollars a month to support the child of his choice (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant W. F. Risher).
4. Photograph number 0107: undated: Happiness: Happiness is a cup of ice cream, a cookie, and a Marine to assist you. Lance Corporal Ronald E. Roman, 19 (Detroit, Michigan), helps a child from the China Beach Orphanage eat his ice cream and cookies during a party sponsored by Marine Observation Squadron 2. The Leathernecks donated 300 cups of ice cream and 1,500 cookies for the party (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. J. Tolarchyk).

### **Box 8 Folder 2. Civil Affairs (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 0084: undated: Doylestown Delivery: Marine Staff Sergeant Anthony J. Parsonese presents clothing to a small child at Phuoc Thuong hamlet, Vietnam. The clothing, part of a 600 pound shipment from the sergeant's hometown of Doylestown, Pennsylvania, was originally consigned to his younger brother, Donald, also a Marine, who was transferred before its arrival. When the clothing was received at the China Beach USO, Anthony took over the project (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Risher).

2. Photograph number 3M-12-2165-68: 1968: A Tisket, A Tasket, Two Kids in a Basket: A young Vietnamese boy guides his mother, who carries two boys in balanced bamboo baskets, while the grandmother, blind holds her hand, and another baby. The group is moving to the village 'super mart,' a gathering of small shops located in the middle of a small town near Hoi An, south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
3. Photograph number 2-566-69: 1969: Smiles of Accomplishment: Running through a hose exercise, these Vietnamese show their happiness at accomplishing the difficult training (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-0155-69: 1969: Combined Holding Centers: Temporarily relocated while US Marines swept through their villages and hamlets on the Batangan Peninsula, these South Vietnamese received instruction and medical care upon arriving at the combined holding centers at Quang Ngai City. The medical aid, food, and lodging were provided by the Government of Vietnam, with assistance from US forces (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).
5. Photograph number 3D-3-1058-69: 1969: Business Venture: Marine Sergeant Dan Kelley (Springfield, Pennsylvania), civil affairs advisors to the Bru resettlement village in Cua Valley, hands over the money received from the sale of crossbows made by the villagers. Kelley introduced the business venture to the Bru as a means of utilizing their handicraft ability as a source of income (official USMC photo by Corporal Richard Yaco).
6. Photograph number 6-566-69: 1969: Push-up Pushovers: FLC Leathernecks and Vietnamese civilians train together around the clock (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
7. Photograph number 3D-1-1058-69: 1969: Big Brother: Sergeant Dan Kelley (Springfield, Pennsylvania) creates excitement and curiosity among the Bru children in Cua Valley as he speaks to them in their native tongue. Keley has worked as a military and civic affairs advisor with the Bru for the past 18 months (official USMC photo by Corporal Richard Yace).
8. Photograph number 1-607-69: 1969: Children's Fete: This young Vietnamese boy walked off with one of the top prizes, a large bag of candy, at the 'Tet Trung Thu,' mid-autumn children's festival, held in the school yard of Phu Loc hamlet, near Force Logistic Command (FLC). The nationwide festival is held annually on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the lunar month. The children make their articles for display with prizes given to the best entries. FLC's Civil Affairs section, Headquarters Battalion, provided hundreds of pounds of cookies, candies, and gum for the two-day festival (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).

**Box 8 Folder 3.      Civil Affairs (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-1591-69: 1969: Which One First: A little girl has trouble making up her mind what to have first, her candy, cake, ice cream, or soft drink. She was one of a group of 50 children from the Da Nang Civilian Hospital hosted to a party at the Officer's Club at Camp Horn, home of the III Marine Amphibious Force Headquarters (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. G. Pavey).
2. Photograph number 0053: undated: [Marine Wing Support Group 17 (MWSG-17) Marines unloading aircraft].
3. Photograph number 1-1326-69: 1969: [Marine operating a forklift on a beach] (2 copies).
4. No photograph number: undated: [A group of Vietnamese sharing a meal around a table].
5. No photograph number: undated: Clothes from Minnesota: Nguyen Minh Huong and Marine Staff Sergeant J. E. Wettig show Vietnamese orphans one of more than 30 brightly colored tee-shirts sent to Vietnam by Mrs. Russell Campbell of Kasson, Minnesota. The orphanage, located less than eight miles from the Demilitarized Zone, was constructed and is being supported by contributions from Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, individuals, and business and civic organizations in the United States. It provides a home for more than 85 orphaned children. As materials and funds become available, Nguyen Than Hoan, the orphanage's founder and administrator, plans to expand in hopes it can accommodate more than 100 children (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-1066-69: 1969: Vietnamese Bakers: At the Cam Lo bakery men push a tray of dough into a large wood-fired oven. The bakery, owned and operated by a 100-member Buddhist cooperative, bakes enough bread each day to supply the increasing domestic needs of Vietnamese families in the Cam Lo area located eight miles west of Dong Ha, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).
7. Photograph number 1-71-69: 1969: Village Chief Registers New Residents: Hoa Hia village chief registers residents of the new hamlet within his village. These Vietnamese are on their way to improved living conditions (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).
8. Photograph number 3D-2-1058-69: 1969: Making Twine: Marine Sergeant Dan Kelley (Springfield, Pennsylvania), left, and Army Sergeant First Class James Perry (Lenoir, North Carolina) examine the twine Bru villagers in Cua Valley make. Kelley serves as an interpreter/advisor to the Bru village and Perry runs a hospital near the village. Both men have worked with the Bru for over 18 months (official USMC photo by Corporal Richard Yaco).
9. Photograph number 0660: 4 August 1968: From Sowing to Sewing: Reverend Lewis Meyers of the Southern Baptist Foreign Missions in Da Nang smiles his appreciation as

he is presented with five sewing machines by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joseph B. Adcock, 25 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), Civil Affairs officer of Marine Air Control Group 18 [MACG-18]. The machines, donated by several churches in Meridian, Kosciusko, and Philadelphia, Mississippi will be used by Vietnamese refugees force to flee their farms in the north (official USMC photo by Corporal Peter Bettig).

**Box 8 Folder 4. Civil Affairs (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 0968: undated: Repeat After Me: Marine Lance Corporal Steven R. Voyles, 20 (Wellington, Illinois) teaches conversational English to Vietnamese students at the Ky Lyn High School, near the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Voyles, an avionics technician at the marine Air Base Squadron 12 [MABS-12], Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12], volunteers his off duty hours to instruct the students (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
2. Photograph number 0663: 15 August 1968: [Two unidentified Marines and a Vietnamese boy examine a wooden chair].
3. Photograph number 0641: 5 August 1968: [Two unidentified Marines push two Vietnamese children on a swing set].
4. Photograph number 1-22-90-68: 1 September 1968: Rough Ride: A young boy slowly weaves his way through the first event at the Armed Forces Police Annual Bicycle Rodeo in Da Nang. This obstacle course measures as contestant's ability to maneuver through crowded traffic conditions (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul Oliver).
5. Photograph number 3-2290-68: 1968: Winner: An Armed Forces Police captain presents a happy winner with a shiny new bicycle. More than 20 were given to top participants. Sixty-four windbreaker jackets were distributed to runners-up (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul Oliver).
6. Photograph number 2-2290-68: 1968: Straight Ahead: The second event measures reaction time of each contestant. The third event, stressing safety, was rained out late in the afternoon (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul Oliver).
7. Photograph number 1-1194-68: May 1968: [Two unidentified Marines offloading supplies from a truck].
8. Photograph number FLC-1-2016-68: 1968: [Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Handelsman distributes shoes to Vietnamese youths].

**Box 8 Folder 5. Civil Affairs (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-132-68: 1968: [Unidentified Marine at the edge of a river].

2. Photograph number 1D-1-207-68: 1968: [Unidentified Marine distributes baseball caps to Vietnamese children].
3. Photograph number 0637: 5 August 1968: [A Taekwondo instructor spars with a student].
4. Photograph number 1-803-68: 20 April 1968: [An unidentified Marine and his jeep are overwhelmed by a group of playful Vietnamese children].
5. Photograph number 0351: 30 April 1968: [An unidentified Marine sergeant poses with three Vietnamese children].
6. Photograph number 1-960-68: 26 April 1968: [A young Vietnamese girl holds a doll].
7. Photograph number 0348: 29 April 1968: [An unidentified Marine poses with a young Vietnamese female].
8. Photograph number 1D-2-240-68: 1968: [A Vietnamese citizen produces identification for an unidentified Marine] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 8 Folder 6.          Civil Affairs (5 of 5)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-119-68: February 1968: Toys for Orphans: Nuns from the Phuoc Thanuh orphanage near Da Nang are all smiles as Father A. C. Volz (right), Jacksonville, North Carolina, Catholic chaplain for Force Logistic Command, and Lieutenant Howard E. Wesner (Tustin, California) present boxes of toys donated by students of C. C. Lambert school, Tustin, California (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. T. Westry).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-55-68: 1968: Popular Marine: Lance Corporal R. W. Graham (Yonkers, New York) carries a box of school supplies to Nam-O as students swarm after him (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant D. A. Moisan).
3. Photograph number FLC-2-55-68: 1968: New Book: Marine Lieutenant Thomas Loftis (Grand Rapids, Michigan) gives a student at Nam-O school a new notebook donated by Honolulu Jaycees (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant D. A. Moisan).
4. Photograph number 0311: 10 April 1968: Gifts Deliverer: Gunnery Sergeant James E. DeWitt hands clothing to children of the Catholic orphanage near Marble Mountain on one of his many visits (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
5. Photograph number 0056: 23 January 1968: Toys for Orphans: Dolls are few and far between in Vietnam. Marine Lieutenant Colonel Glen H. Barlow (right) enjoys the expression of wonderment on the face of a Vietnamese orphan at An Tan Protestant orphanage near Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).



6. Photograph number FLC-2-1165-69: 1969: Boy Scout Aid: Traditionally, Boy Scouts all over the world have always come to the aid of their country of community in time of need. Vietnamese Boy Scouts are like Scouts everywhere. Pausing for a moment with Marine Lance Corporal Gary Gunn (Albuquerque, New Mexico) are three Vietnamese Scouts who were helping clean up debris after a fire in a nearby hamlet (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

**Box 8 Folder 7.      Civil Affairs – Agriculture and Farming**

1. Photograph number 1D-7-27-69: 1969: Meaty Comparison: The offspring (right) of an American boar and a Vietnamese sow is compared to a ten-week-old American pig (center) and a young Vietnamese pig (left) of the same age. The new offspring is a result of the Swine Improvement Program being conducted by the civic action section of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number 1-1473-68: 1968: [A water buffalo is prepped for inoculation].
3. Photograph number 2-1473-68: 1968: Animal Shot Time: Soldiers of the 29<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Company conduct an animal MedCap near Da Nang. The Vietnamese water buffalo and cattle were inoculated against rinderpest, and tested for tuberculosis at the request of Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] and the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Reconnaissance Battalion (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 0004: 1969: Fresh Fish: The village chief of Lo Giang and members of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] civic action team join to release fish to stock a new hatchery at the village south of Da Nang. The fish were airlifted from a Vietnamese government fish hatchery near Pleiku (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant G. I. Edwards).

**Box 8 Folder 8.      Civil Affairs – Construction (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number MCB-7-69164-E: 1969: Teamwork: Builder 3d Class Robert C. Wyatt (Bayshore, Long Island, New York) assists Vietnamese carpenters in building a new school in Vinh Dai village near Cam Lo. Wyatt was assigned to supervise the Vietnamese workers and was able to overcome the language barrier through the use of drawing on various phases of construction (official USN photo).
2. Photograph number 63-126-69: 1969: Xuan Tra Becomes Reality: Once the wood, tin roofing, and concertina wire were supplied, the hamlet began to take shape. Xuan Tra will give the Vietnamese better protection from all the elements present in Vietnam today; the rain, the sun, dust, and communist terrorists (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number 74-126-69: 1969: Straining for a New Life: A Vietnamese laborer puts together Marine Corps supplied lumber to support tin roofing, supplied by the

Republic of Vietnam. A new life hamlet doesn't just happen; it takes much hard work (official USMC photo by Corporal H. Smith).

4. Photograph number 1-1529-69: 1969: All Hands Effort: A US Navy Seabee from Mobile Construction Battalion 53 clears rubble from a new housing project in Tiep Cu hamlet seven miles northwest of Da Nang. The new housing (background) was constructed through a joint project involving Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS), the Government of Vietnam, Seabees from MCB-53, and the civil affairs section of Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command. The hamlet is located in one of the fastest growing refugee areas in the I Corps tactical zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
5. Photograph number 66-126: 1969: Self Help in Action: The Vietnamese people in Xuan Tra have willingly joined in the building of their new hamlet. Each nail they drive or board they cut brings closer their dream of security (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
6. Photograph number 1D-4-232-68: 1968: Smooth It Out: A skilled worker takes off the rough edge of a window frame with hand-made wooden plane (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
7. Photograph number 8-1507-68: 1968: At the Dam's Edge: Before the formal ceremony naming the McClelland Dam, the general's pause to read the bronze plaque on the memorial spirit house, dedicating the dam to the honor of Corporal Marvin E. McClelland. Such a gesture by the Vietnamese government is believed to be the first of its kind (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
8. Photograph number 1-1316-68: 21 August 1968: By a Dam Site: A fisherman and his family pass through the Trieu Phuoc Dam in Trieu Phong Province, which is expected to be completed during early September. The dam will provide the fresh water of the Cua Viet River from the salt water of the Gulf of Tonkin. The water separation will provide fresh water to 30,000 people in the district. The dam was constructed by the Vietnamese with materials provided by the Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
9. Photograph number 3-1316-68: 21 August 1968: Fast Workers: Vietnamese women and men work in high temperatures in order to complete the water irrigation project for the refugee village of Cam Lo, Vietnam. Begun two months ago, the irrigation ditch will bring fresh water from the Cua Viet River into the Montagnard village, providing water to 13,000 refugees. The project was sponsored by funds provided by the Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 8 Folder 9. Civil Affairs – Construction (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 1D-8-229-68: 1968: Work is Fun: A youngster works at making a mole hill out of a mountain of mud while helping dig the foundation for an irrigation dam on the Phu Bai River (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Donlon).
2. Photograph number 1D-6-229-68: 1968: You Fill? I Haul: A villager takes a break as he waits for a youngster to finish the job of packing dirt into baskets before he carries them off. Villagers used makeshift baskets, wooden boxes, tin pans, and anything else they could improvise as they hauled tons of dirt from the irrigation dam site readying it for the concrete foundation (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Donlon).
3. Photograph number 1D-7-229-68: 1968: Organized Crowd: It's a little crowded, but villagers make all the spare elbow room count as they deepen the foundation site prior to pouring the cement (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Donlon).
4. Photograph number 1D-9-229-68: 1968: Mud Gives Way to Cement: Overall view of irrigation project shows several cement sections already set in place as villagers prepare another area for concrete (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Donlon).
5. Photograph number 232-68: 1968: Sun Baked Bricks: Blocks, made of hand-mixed rock and sand harden in the sun (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
6. Photograph number 1D-2-232-68: 1968: Finishing Touch: Two skilled workers from Hue apply smooth finish to blocks forming septic tanks (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
7. No photograph number: 1968: Helping Hand: Builder Heavy 3d Class Richard Monks (left) and Steel Worker 2d Class Michael Cibak (right) help two laborers with pillar forms (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
8. Photograph number 1D-5-232-68: 1968: Now? For Our Next Project: After six months of planning and gathering of materials, Father James F. Harris and Father Joseph Nguyen Van Trinh still come to hospital site every day 'making rounds' (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
9. Photograph number 3M-3-1143-68: 1968: Welcome: The minister of the Da Nang Church of Christ comes out to welcome his friends of the 29<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Company. The church was built by the company two years ago. The Vietnamese People are building a dormitory (left of church) for orphans adjacent to the church with the help of the company (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mick Danford).
10. Photograph number 1D-2-183-68: 1968: New Villages: After only a few weeks, 116 Vietnamese refugees families of the village of An Cu Tay and Hoi Dua were relocated in their new homes because of a massive Leatherneck sponsored civil affairs effort. Building material, equipment, and technical assistance were provided by Marines and

soldiers in the relocation project. The villagers provided the labor force (official USMC photo by Corporal Gustav Hasford).

11. Photograph number 1-1140-68: 24 July 1968: He Builds, Marines Provide: Vietnamese laborers construct a well with materials provided by the Marine Corps' Reserve Civic Action Fund. The work is done, primarily, by hand, and when the well is ready, the cement forms in foreground will be emplaced, pipes installed, and a water pump provided (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 8 Folder 10. Civil Affairs – Construction (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 2M-1-115-68: 21 July 1968: Dam: Vietnamese workers reinforce the foundation of the dam being build across the Phu Bai river. The dam is being built by people under the direct supervision of the 29<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Company, with the aid of the combined efforts of the 29<sup>th</sup> CA Co., CORDS, and the Vietnamese government (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-6347-68: 1968: Freedom Bridge: Villagers of Thuong Xa, a small village south of Quang Tri City, cross a bamboo bridge on their way to a local market place. The bamboo used to construct the bridge once grew around the village and shielded Viet Cong activities and movements in the area. A destroyed concrete bridge in the background stands as a grim reminder of former Viet Cong rule in the area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
3. Photograph number 1D-6-157-69: 1969: Testing His Ware: Marines watch as a Vietnamese worker tests a tile for durability. The Leathernecks visited the downtown Cong Minh tile factory during the day-long tour of many of Da Nang's cultural spots (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-324-68: 1968: Thanks: Sergeant Bobby S. Barlow receives a handshake and a translated 'thank you' from Tran-Ngoc Zao, an interpreter with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vietnamese Ranger Group. Barlow obtained more than \$8,000 worth of building materials and presented it to the group so it could build a church and school for the Ranger's children. The church can be seen taking form in the background. Barlow, 28 (Mobile, Alabama), administrative chief for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Chaplain, obtained the material from Navy Mobile Construction Battalion 3 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-6116-69: 1969: Vietnamese Workers: Staff Sergeant Herb Page (Oceanside, California), left, and Sergeant Vaun E. Kempton (Pocatello, Idaho) supervise the work of Vietnamese carpenters at Vandegrift Combat Base. A labor force of approximately 75 Vietnamese presently works at Vandegrift performing such jobs as improving facilities (official USMC photo by Corporal Dennis Randolph).

6. Photograph number 3D-1-22-68: 1968: Perfume Spanned: A 785-foot pontoon bridge was constructed in six days by 3d Marine Division Marines across the Perfume River (official USMC photo by Corporal Eddie Baggs).
7. Photograph number 5-0151-69: 1969: Enemy Deterrent Comes in Coils: Concertina wire is offloaded at Supply Company's field fortification Class IV open storage at Quang Tri Combat Base. The new 'razor-band' wire is used to protect field outposts against enemy ground actions. This particular shipment included more than 15,000 coils (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
8. Photograph number 1D-2-177-68: July 1968: Unloading Dirt: Staff Sergeant Boyd Christie, 30 (Valdosta, Georgia), platoon sergeant, A Company, 35<sup>th</sup> Engineers, US Army, directs the unloading of dirt as part of a relocation effort for refugees near the village of Loan Ky, south of Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Corporal Tom Donlon).
9. Photograph number 1D-3-38-68: 1968: Honorary SEABEE: Colonel James B. Ord (right), 5<sup>th</sup> Marines Regimental Commander, listens to pointers on driving the TS-24 Earthmover, from Equipment Operator 3d Class Paul E. Norton, a Seabee working in the colonel's command post. Norton and his fellow Seabees made Colonel Ord and honorary Seabee, after Ord drove the 50-ton vehicle for the first time (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. Wright).

**Box 8 Folder 11. Civil Affairs – Medical/Dental Treatment (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 0203: 29 February 1968: Friendly Greeting: Navy doctor Lieutenant Bruce A. Mallin, 29 (Phoenix, Arizona), extends a greeting to three Vietnamese men as he approaches the village of Long Phu, located west of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. R. Keene).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-115-68: 1968: Little Problem: Lieutenant Sean E. Fitzgerald examines a baby whose scalp and ears were infected by a quack remedy (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 4-167-68: 25 June 1968: Anguish: The face of 'Gwen,' the hospital's head nurse, is set with extreme anguish as Dr. Fitzgerald explains that this young accident victim will lose his leg (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
4. Photograph number 3-2515-68: 1968: A Change of Scene: Quite different from working in an air-conditioned dental clinic, Lieutenant (DC) J. R. Gassman (Pocatello, Idaho) set up shop in the hamlet of Huong Phuoc, located in the westernmost sector of the Marine Force Logistic Command's civil affairs sector northwest of Da Nang. Within three hours he had treated more than 45 children and two adults. Dental Technician (DT-2) C. M. Silverman (La Mesa, California) assists Gassman with their dental civic action programs—popularly called DENTCAPs (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).

5. Photograph number 1-1326-69: 1969: Ears the Problem: As part of a medical check-up, a US Navy hospital corpsman serving with Force Logistic Command sheds a little light on the subject, and receives an equally shining smile from a grateful Vietnamese youngster (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).
6. Photograph number 1-1719-69: 1969: Protection Against a Killer: Navy hospital corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Don Coons (Springville, New York) teams up with Tien Thi Huong, a Vietnamese nurse, in a plague inoculation effort by US Marines and Navy corpsmen in hamlets north of Da Nang. Coons is a member of Marine Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).
7. Photograph number 8-122-69: 1969: Mixed Emotions: This small Vietnamese youngster seems to have changed his mind about receiving dental treatment from Navy Lieutenant D. W. Syrek (Cheektowaga, New York), an oral surgeon with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's 1<sup>st</sup> Dental Company during a DENCAP visit to the village of Da Son. The DENTCAP team makes periodic visits to the villages surrounding the 1<sup>st</sup> Division headquarters and are usually met by smiles from children who eagerly await the oral examinations (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
8. Photograph number 0032: undated: Cleanliness: Navy Hospital Corpsman Stephen J. Chen (New York, New York), distributes soap to Vietnamese youngsters during Vietnamese sick call at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing dispensary in Da Nang. Approximately 80 local Vietnamese visit the dispensary daily to be treated with Navy corpsmen and doctors serving with the 1<sup>st</sup> MAW (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant G. T. Edwards).
9. Photograph number 1D-1-134-68: 1968: Useful Gift: Lieutenant J. M. Nossaman, DC, USNR, the only dentist assigned full time to the Civic Action Program in Vietnam, gives a young patient a toothbrush and instructions on its use printed in Vietnamese. Dr. Nossaman had just extracted a loose baby tooth from the girl, a student at Binh-Kome-Cam Primary School in Hoa-Ving District, during a visit to the school (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Martin F. Krueger).
10. Photograph number 1D-134-68: 1968: Open Wide: Lieutenant J. M. Nossaman, DC, USNR, checks the teeth of a young student at Binh-Kome-Cam Primary School in Hoa-Vang District. Dr. Nossaman, the only dentist assigned full time to the Civic Action Program in Vietnam, makes regular visits to elementary schools and rural villages in the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Martin F. Krueger).

**Box 8 Folder 12. Civil Affairs – Medical/Dental Treatment (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1D-11-109-68: May 1968: Dental Teamwork: Hua Thi Hien Dung ('Lily') uses her aspirator to keep the working area clear as Lieutenant Peter B. Hollis, DC, USNR, 26 (Weymouth, Massachusetts) cuts into a cavity. Dr. Hollis and Lily are



treating their patient, Lance Corporal Harlan C. Manteufel (Green Bay, Wisconsin) in the Service Company, Headquarters Battalion, Dental Clinic (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).

2. Photograph number 1-2037-68: 9 August 1968: Teamwork: Nurse Nguyen Thi Tri and Hospitalman 3d Class John A. Wells (Louisville, Kentucky) treat an infected cut on a child's head as the mother watches. Wells and nurse Tri treat residents in Nghi An Hamlet five days a week. Both serve in Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion Dispensary near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Izzy Sieve).
3. Photograph number FLC-3-1151-68: 10 May 1968: New Addition: A mother and child in the maternity ward of Dick Chapelle Memorial Hospital get plenty of attention from Dr. Phan Thi, two nurse's aides and Navy Hospital Corpsman Joseph P. Moran (official USMC photo by Levittown, New York).
4. Photograph number 3D-2-385-245: 1968: New Equipment: Navy Lieutenant Michael Upshur (Providence, Rhode Island) of D Medical Company, 3d Medical Battalion, checks a resuscitator donated to the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha by the Chicago Chapter of the Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association (official USMC photo by Corporal R. L. Brumfield).
5. Photograph number 2-1870-68: 16 July 1968: [Unidentified Marine and 3 Vietnamese administer first aid to a child].
6. Photograph number 1D-1-129-68: 1968: [Two Navy corpsmen performing surgery on a Vietnamese child].
7. Photograph number 1D-2-129-68: 1968: [A Navy corpsman distributing medicine to Vietnamese villagers].
8. Photograph number 0645: 6 August 1968: [A dentist performs dental work on a Vietnamese child].
9. Photograph number 0363: 4 May 1968: [Two Navy corpsmen, attached to the civil affairs group at Marine Aircraft Group 36 (MAG-36), examine an elderly Vietnamese male].
10. Photograph number 1D-4-219-68: 6 August 1968: [A Vietnamese boy on a stretcher is prepped for an intravenous drip by two Navy corpsmen] (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).

**Box 8 Folder 13. Civil Affairs – Medical/Dental Treatment (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1591-69: 1969: Party Time: Facial expressions vary, as children from the Da Nang Civilian Hospital enjoy cartoons, during a recent party at the Camp Horn Officer's Club (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. G. Pavey).

2. Photograph number 2-71-69: 1969: Medical Help Available: Medical help given by Navy corpsmen during their move will now be within easy access of the relocated villagers. Medical, agricultural, and social programs will become part of their everyday life since they have relocated to a secure area (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Vietnamese male using a microscope].
4. Photograph number FLC-2-0992-69: 1969: You Win Some, You Lose Some: A 15 year-old South Vietnamese dental technician, Bui Thi Thi, extracts a decayed tooth from a small Vietnamese girl. The girl was being treated during a medical civic action patrol conducted by Marines and US Navy hospital corpsmen from the Marine Force Logistic Command. The patrols are conducted daily in hamlets and villages surrounding the huge Marine support command. Thi, who works as a dental technician, was trained by Navy dentists from FLC. She has been working with the military dentists for eight months (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-0873-69: 1969: Patient Apprehension: A Vietnamese child being examined by Navy Hospital Corpsman Gary B. Ebbert (Lehigh, Pennsylvania) during a medical civic action patrol casts a somber glance of apprehension at the 'doc.' Ebbert treats more than 5,000 South Vietnamese refugee hamlets adjacent to the Marine Corps' huge Force Logistic Command, eight miles northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Steve Addington).
6. Photograph number FLC-2-115-68: 1968: Operation: Dr. Sean E. Fitzgerald operates on a little girl with muscular dystrophy. Helping him is Dr. Joseph Donaldson (Jackson, Mississippi) and a Vietnamese nurse, Nguyen Thi Khang. A refugee from Hanoi, she has adopted two of the hospital's children (official USMC photo).
7. No photograph number: undated: [A nurse treating two Vietnamese youths].
8. Photograph number FLC-0202-69: undated: A Shot in the Dark: Navy Corpsmen attached to the Force Logistic Command are dedicated men. In addition to their regular duties of administering medical aid to Marines, they spend many off duty hours participating in Medical Civic Action Programs (MEDCAPS) in local villages. This Vietnamese youngster is a bit apprehensive as he receives a cholera inoculation. MEDCAPs within FLCs area of responsibility are meeting with much success and play an important part of the overall pacification program (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
9. Photograph number 1-672-68: 1968: A Helping Hand: Dr. James Thomas, 26, (Ashland, Kentucky), administers a local anesthetic to a Vietnamese child at Medical Battalion A, Phu Bai (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Alan Gelb).

10. Photograph number 1D-4-354-68: 19 December 1968: Lab Check: Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Kenneth Eggenschweiler (Detroit, Michigan), a lab technician with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's Preventative Medicine Section, conducts tests using a Bunsen burner (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).

**Box 8 Folder 14. Civil Affairs – Medical/Dental Treatment (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1D-3-354-68: 19 December 1968: Looking for Fleas: A preventative medicine technician combs out a dead rat in search of plague-bearing fleas. Rats are a big problem in Vietnam. They are known carriers of rabies virus, as well as of fleas which carry the dreaded bubonic plague disease (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
2. Photograph number 1D-2-354-68: 1968: Pythias the Playful Python: Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class D. C. Clem shows off 'Pythias,' the pet python of the Preventative Medicine Section. Clem (North Little Rock, Arkansas) is a preventative medicine technician in the entomology section (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
3. Photograph number 1D-354-68: 1968: Mosquito Examination: Navy Lieutenant L. Lance Sholdt (Fort Collins, Colorado) examines a mosquito under a microscope. Sholdt is the medical entomologist in the Preventative Medicine Section (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 1W1-132-69: 1969: New Process: Chief Dental Technician Alfred E. Setty (right, Fresno, California), explains 11<sup>th</sup> Dental Company's new Tycomatic machine used in the Timonium partial plate casting process to Major General Charles J. Quilter, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] commander. The Tycomatic machine heats the metal and does the actual casting. It is the only Timonium laboratory in the war zone and will be utilized to do partial plate casting for all servicemen in Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone. Less expensive than gold, Timonium is a very hard cobalt-chromium alloy (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant W. F. Risher).
5. Photograph number FLC-2-1627-68: 25 June 1968: Amputation: Performing a digital amputation is Navy Doctor Ronald Biviano (Ontario, New York). Approximately 100 varied operations are performed at the hospital monthly. The doctor, who recently reported to FLC [Force Logistic Command] for duty, terms his new assignment as [illegible] (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. K. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number 0243: 19 March 1968: Sick Call: The old and young of Ky Hoa Island receive medical treatment when Navy Lieutenant John A. Emery and his team of Navy corpsmen visit the island (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
7. Photograph number 0242: 19 March 1968: House Call: Navy Lieutenant John A. Emery visits the home of a sick child of Ky Hoa Island (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).

**Box 8 Folder 15. Civil Affairs – Medical/Dental Treatment (5 of 5)**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Navy Corpsman puts eardrops into a Vietnamese child's ear] (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 1-471-69: 1969: Friendly Village Dentist: Navy Lieutenant Commander Robert W. Brazil, of Kansas City, Missouri, examines the teeth of a South Vietnamese woman during a dental civic action program (DENTCAP) visit in the refugee village of Phu Loc, north of Da Nang. Brazil, officer-in-charge of Marine Force Logistic Command's dental detachment, has examined nearly 2,000 patients since December during visits to villages. Looking on during the examination is an American-trained South Vietnamese dental technician. The village visits are a vital part of the Marine Corps' Civic Action Program in the Republic of Vietnam, also help instruct the Vietnamese in dental hygiene (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertow).
3. Photograph number 1-0993-69: 1969: Pain of Extraction: A South Vietnamese girl seeks the security and serenity of her mother's arms after having a tooth pulled during a dental civic action patrol (DENTCAP) conducted by Marine Force Logistic Command. The marine combat support command conducts weekly dental and medical civic action patrols in the villages to provide medical attention for the Vietnamese civilian populace (official USMC photo by Sergeant Steve Addington).
4. Photograph number 1-0992-69: 1969: Practical Progress: Nuyen Thi Xi, a 19-year-old practical nurse, prepares to apply a gauze bandage for an elderly woman. Xi was trained by US Navy medical personnel from the Marine Force Logistic Command during medical civic action patrols, conducted by the combat support unit. She accompanies the corpsmen and Marines during the medical patrols daily in hamlets and villages around the command's headquarters, eight miles northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
5. Photograph number 1-0959-69: 1969: Fizzled: A seven-year-old Vietnamese boy drinks a cup of seltzer water received from a US Navy hospital corpsman during a medical civic action patrol (MEDCAP). The youth lives in Phuoc Thuan hamlet, four miles southeast of Da Nang. Phuoc Thuan is visited weekly by a medical civic action team dispatched by the Marine Corps' 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistic Command (FLC), which provides the only medical attention available to the villagers (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill) [2 copies].
6. Photograph number 1-1686-69: 1969: Now Take a Deep Breath: US Navy Hospital Corpsmen 3d Class Tom Bouyea (Plattsburg, New York) uses a stethoscope to check the respiratory condition of a Vietnamese farmer during a medical civic action patrol (MEDCAP) in Nam-O village, 11 miles north of Da Nang. Bouyea is serving with Headquarters and Service Battalion, Force Logistic Command, which conducts

MEDCAPS and other civil affairs activities for Vietnamese citizens north of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).

**Box 8 Folder 16.      Combat and Patrols – 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 5-56-69: 1969: Keeping a Cool Head: Corporal Gary Mihalick, 22 (Carbondale, Pennsylvania), takes advantage of a natural shower while on patrol near Da Nang. Mihalick is part of a force dispatched to search the hills surrounding the city for any communist soldiers hiding in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number 4-300-68: 1968: [Two unidentified Marines in the field, inspecting a hidden cache of rice] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
3. Photograph number 7-277-68: 1968: 14 October 1968: Grenade Launcher: Sergeant Carl N. Adams, Camden, New Jersey, loads his M-79 grenade launcher while piloting the skimmer with his knee (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
4. Photograph number 4-277-68: 1968: Security?: Private First Class John E. Ward, 20 (Hartford, Connecticut), seeks the questionable security of skimmers walls when the Viet Cong open fire (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Bowen).
5. Photograph number 1-310-68: 1968: Election Returns: Corporal James E. Mull, 21 (Rushville, Indiana) listens intently as the Presidential election returns are broadcast over Armed Forces Radio, Vietnam. Mull, on perimeter guard near Da Nang, was one of thousands of Marines who kept their radios on throughout the day and night, awaiting news of their new commander-in-chief (official USMC photo by Corporal P. Kratofil).
6. Photograph number 1D-14-343-67: 9 December 1967: Sighting In: Lance Corporal R. E. Telford (Yuma, Arizona) sights in a 60mm mortar during an operation northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. J. Brusch).
7. Photograph number 28-202-69: 1969: Cleaning Rifle: Realizing the importance of having a clean weapon, Lance Corporal Stanly M. Winpigler, 19 (Brunswick, Maryland) applies some rust preventative to his M-16 rifle while participating in search and clear operations five miles southeast of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Gentry).
8. Photograph number 1D-1491-68: 1968: [Unidentified Marine emerging from a Viet Cong tunnel] (official USMC photo).

**Box 8 Folder 17.      Combat and Patrols – 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3-146-67: 26 May 1967: [Marines take shelter behind a berm] (official USMC photo).

2. Photograph number 4-146-67: 26 May 1967: [Marine mans M-60 machine gun while concealed by a berm] (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Axelrod).
3. Photograph number 6-146-67: 29 May 1967: [Marines in an amphibious vehicle] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 12-158-67: 7 June 1967: [Marine brandishes M-16 machine gun in the field] (official USMC photo) [2 copies].
5. Photograph number 23-158-67: 7 June 1967: [Marines in combat] (official USMC photo) [2 copies].
6. No photograph number: 7 June 1967: [Marines in combat; alternate of 23-158-67] (official USMC photo).
7. No photograph number: 7 June 1967: [Marine mortarmen operating mortar] (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 10-166-67: 15 June 1967: [Marines investigate the entrance to a tunnel] (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number 9-171-67: 20 June 1967: [Marine carries a wounded Marine on his back] (official USMC photo).
10. Photograph number 2-205-67: 24 June 1967: [Unidentified Marine unit poses for a group photograph while displaying captured Communist flags] (official USMC photo).
11. No photograph number: undated: [Marine assists another Marine to higher ground] (official USMC photo).
12. No photograph number: undated: [Marines pose atop an Abrams tank] (official USMC photo).
13. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in the field] (official USMC photo).
14. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in firing positions] (official USMC photo).
15. No photograph number: undated: [Marines move through the jungle] (official USMC photo).
16. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in the field] (official USMC photo).
17. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in combat] (official USMC photo).



**Box 8 Folder 18.      Combat and Patrols – 3d Marine Division**

1. Photograph number 2-1043-67: 1967: Exhausted: A Marine catches a few moments rest after fighting near the demilitarized zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Axelrod).
2. Photograph number 3D-7-6-082-69: 1969: The Marine column moves along the road which is closed in by the heavy jungle (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
3. Photograph number 3MAF-37-83-64: 25 May 1965: Crossing stream seemed to be the order of the day for the 3d Platoon as their route took them across the same stream many times (Defense Department photo by Staff Sergeant J. S. Brown).
4. Photograph number 3MAF-38-83-65: 25 May 1965: Every opportunity to obtain water on these two or more day patrols is taken. Here the 3d Platoon fills canteens while crossing a small river (Defense Department photo by Staff Sergeant J. S. Brown).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-21-66: 1966: Hill 41: View of the shelters built of sandbags, shelter halves, and ponchos. These shelters serve as fighting holes and living spaces for the men of the 2d Battalion (Defense Department photo by Corporal Jim Hallas).
6. Photograph number 3D-5-2045-69: 1969: Company Leaders: Captain Daniel A. Hitzelberger (right) and Gunnery Sergeant Charles A. Baker led the Marines of Golf Company off the mountain after being without food during heavy fog and rain (official USMC photo by Captain Rob Robinson).

**Box 8 Folder 19.      Combat and Patrols [1 of 3]**

1. Photograph number 3-264-66: 21 September 1966: Lonely Vigilance: A Marine sentinel's reflection shows in the water behind him as he searches the surrounding rice paddies for any sign of the Viet Cong (Defense Department photo by Corporal Halstead) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 3M-2-2107-68: 1968: Faces: Concentration, Determination; the superlatives flow like water. A Marine infantryman listen to a 'bush briefing' before his battalion began an assault on an enemy bunker south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Two Marines in the field].
4. Photograph number 6-1598-68: 4 October 1968: [Marine giving a haircut to another Marine in the field].
5. No photograph number: undated: [Marines on patrol].

6. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine rifleman reads a letter in the field].
7. Photograph number 3D-2-2045-69: 1969: Knoxville Marine: Private First Class David S. Whitman, 19 (Knoxville, Tennessee), is a member of a Leatherneck rifle company that fought its way atop a mountain near the Laos border. With wounded comrades, his unit made its way back to the valley below in heavy fog and rain (official USMC photo by Captain Robb Robinson).
8. Photograph number 3M-1-153-68: 30 January 1968: Enemy Calling Cards: North Vietnamese and Viet Cong slipped into a village near the Da Nang Air Base and I Corps Headquarters early January 30 to launch terrorist attacks. Military installations were fired upon and village homes satchel charged (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. W. Thompson).

**Box 8 Folder 20.      Combat and Patrols [2 of 3]**

**Box 8 Folder 21.      Combat and Patrols [3 of 3]**

**Box 8 Folder 22.      Combat Art**

**Box 8 Folder 23.      Combat Artists**

1. Photograph number 1D (BLT) 3-66-69: 1969: Published Art: Three Marine Corps combat artists resent a copy of 'Vietnam Combat Art' to Major General Carl A. Youngsdale, Commanding General, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. They are (left to right) Corporal Henry C. Casselli, Major E. M. Condra III, General Youngdale, and Lance Corporal Richard Yaco. The three artists all have work shown in the recently published collection of 50 art works (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 3M-1-2110-68: 1968: Collected Works: Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force, Vietnam, looks over a copy of 'Vietnam Combat Art' presented by three Marine combat artists: Corporal Henry C. Casselli, Major E. M. Condra III, and Lance Corporal Richard Yaco (left to right, standing). The three artists all have works published in the collection of combat art (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).

**Box 8 Folder 24.      Combat Correspondents**

1. Photograph number 0034: 10 February 1971: Larry Burrows, Life; Henri Huet, AP; Kent Potter, UPI; Keisaburo Shimamoto, Newsweek, before their crash in Laos (official USMC photo by Sergio Ortiz).

**Box 8 Folder 25.      Combined Action Platoons (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-0562-69: 1969: Mail Call: Corporal Gene A. Beck (Pryor, Oklahoma), holds mail call for his Marines in a hamlet in Hoa Da village. Members of Mobile Combined Action Platoon 2-5-3 [CAP 2-5-3] operate around the clock to deny the hamlets to the VC (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-3-0562-69: 1969: First There Were Eight: Private First Class John McClancy (Maspeth, New York) checks the progress of the rabbit project installed in the hamlet of Lo Gaung by Combined Action Platoon 2-5-3 (CAP 2-5-3) as a civic action project designed to bring a new food and income source to local Vietnamese (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
3. Photograph number 0017: undated: Chow Time: Marine Private First Class Bertrand Fletcher, 19 (Chicago, Illinois), of Marine Combined Action Group 1, enjoys his lunch, Vietnamese style, with the aid of chop sticks provided by Vietnamese youngsters. Fletcher, as a member of Combined Action Platoon 1-1-4, provides security to a village north of the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, and is always welcomed by the thankful villagers—even during lunch time. The CAP are made up of a squad of US Marines and Vietnamese Popular Forces (PFs) troops drawn from hamlets and villages in the area in which they provide security (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 3M-11-0562-69: 1969: Bridgework: Corporal David P. Shiflet (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma), Civic Action NCO for Mobile Combined Action Platoon 2-5-3 (CAP 2-5-3), helps local workers on a bridge near Tung Lam. This civic action project is designed to help the Vietnamese help themselves by providing the material and the know-how for projects they want and need (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
5. Photograph number 1-1870-68: 16 July 1968: Tools: Sergeant Johnnie Gillum, commander of Quebec-6, Combined Action Platoon (CAP) delivers a CARE self-help tool kit to a father of 12 in the village of Hoa Khanh. The kit, purchased through the Marine Corps Reserve Civic Action Fund, is distributed through CARE in South Vietnam. Obtaining materials and tools is a large part of the civic action program of Marine CAP units (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. K. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number 1-428-69: 1969: Chuck Wagon: Marine Corporal William F. Springer, from Charleston, Mississippi, distributes a midday meal from his chow truck to members of Combined Action Platoon (CAP) 2-8-4 in Nam O village north of Da Nang. Springer is a cook on the ‘chuck wagon’ operated by Force Logistic Command’s Food Services section. Springer prepares two hot meals daily for the six Marines and 34 South Vietnamese Popular Force troops of the platoon, which provides security for South Vietnamese in the Nam O area (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
7. Photograph number 3M-2-0562-69: 1969: A Man and his Dog: Corporal Thomas T. Archer (Mobile, Alabama) and his scout dog, King, point up a Mobile [Combined Action Platoon 2-4-3] CAP 2-4-3 patrol through the hamlet of Thanh Taxy near Hoi An. Archer

says King can smell out VC troops, their tunnels and caches, and even sense booby traps (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

8. Photograph number 1-2018-68: December 1968: Heave!: Leathernecks of the Combined Action Platoon (CAP) 'L' 1-3-6 of the 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Group at Chu Lai, pull a tarpaulin up to cover the roof of one of the buildings they use for their quarters. CAP 1.3.6 is one of many units composed of American Marines and Vietnamese troops participating in joint pacification programs while fighting the Viet Cong in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Detherage).
9. Photograph number 3M-1-0433-69: 1969: Rockets Uncovered: Marine Corporal Bill Young, 21 (Newport News, Virginia), and Mr. Huyen Ba Trinh, village chief of Hoa Hai village near the Marble Mountain complex, holds one of the 15 enemy 122mm rockets uncovered by Marines and People's Self Defense Force troops of Combined Action Platoon (CAP) 2-7-6 during a patrol six miles south of Da Nang. The rockets were found under just four inches of loosely packed earth, indicating the enemy had immediate plans for their use (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).
10. Photograph number 0131: 10 February 1968: Contact: Corporal Michael Giustin (right), in charge of the 13 Marines and one Navy corpsman at CAP G-6, reports from near Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).

#### **Box 8 Folder 26. Combined Action Platoons (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-0058-69: 1969: CAP Talk: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr. (center), commandant of the Marine Corps, talks with Marines of a Combined Action Platoon (CAP) near Dong Ha. On his third trip to Vietnam since he became commandant last year, Chapman is visiting Marine units in the field. The combined Marine and Vietnamese Popular Forces platoons provide security for local villages and hamlets. Behind General Chapman on the left is Lieutenant General Robert E. Chapman, Jr., commander of the III Marine Amphibious Force in Vietnam, and Colonel E. F. Danouitz (right), director of the Combined Action Program (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
2. Photograph number 3M-4-0562-69: 1969: CAP 2-8-2, near Hoi Vinh, is a Compound Cap. Unlike Mobile CAPs, the men of CAP 2-8-2 will return to their compound for the night. Small unit actions are part of their daily routine (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
3. Photograph number 3M-12-0562-69: 1969: Daily Conference: Marine Captain John D. Niotis, Chicago, Illinois, confers with Vietnamese Army Major Xuan Hau about Combined Action Platoons operating in Hoa Vang District. Major Hau is the district chief and Captain Niotis commands Combined Action Company 2-5 (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

4. Photograph number 3M-10-0562-69: 1969: Rice Harvest: Private Gary Hutchinson (Easton, Kansas) helps Vietnamese harvest their rice crop under the watchful eye of Corporal David P. Shiftlet (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma). CAP 2-5-3 Marines help protect the rice crops of Lo Gaung hamlet from capture by the Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
5. Photograph number 3M-7-0562-69: 1969: Next to Godliness: Corporal John E. White, Victorville, California, and Hospital Corpsman 2d Class James S. Hogerson, Grand Island, Nebraska, give some of the children of the hamlet of Dic Loc the pleasure of a shower. Both are members of CAP 2-5-4 (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
6. Photograph number 6-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, is accompanied on a tour of the Combined Action Platoon 2-1-6 area by Sergeant S. Blumenthal, the platoon sergeant. CAP 2-1-6 is located at Thuong Thon village (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 5-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, has a question answered by Marine Sergeant S. Blumenthal, platoon sergeant of Combined Action Platoon 2-1-6, located at the village of Thuong Thon (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 3M-2-0058-69: January 1969: Hand in Friendship: General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., on his third trip to Vietnam as commandant of the Marine Corps, greets Vietnamese village elders while visiting a Combined Action Platoon (CAP) in northernmost I Corps. The CAP units consist of a Marine squad and members of the Vietnamese Popular Forces, and provide security for local villages and hamlets (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).
9. Photograph number 13-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, is welcomed to the village of Thuong Thon by the village chief. The Commandant was visiting Marines of Combined Action Platoon 2-1-6 [CAP 2-1-6], located in the village (official USMC photo).
10. Photograph number 3M-1-0562-69: 1969: Chow Time: Private First Class Johnny McClancy (Maspeth, New York), right, and Private Gary Hutchinson (Easton, Kansas), stop for some food and gossip with a friendly Vietnamese in Lo Guang hamlet. Both are members of Mobile CAP 2-5-3. The Mobile CAP spends each night at a different location in the village of Hoa Doa (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

**Box 8 Folder 27. Combined Action Platoons (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-13-0562-69: 1969: Roadwork: Marines, Popular Forces, and civilians combined build a road from Hoa Vang to Tung Lam. Private Gary Hutchinson

(Easton, Kansas), Mobile CAP 2-5-3, helps water down the freshly poured concrete on a bridge near Tung Lam (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).

2. Photograph number 3D-1-6347-68: 1968: ID Check: Sergeant David M. Kidd (Portland, Oregon) checks identification cards of Vietnamese farmers tending their fields near Thuong Xa, south of Quang Tri City. Kidd and other members of Combined Action Platoon 4-2-1 along with local Popular Force soldiers patrol the area around Thuong Xa to keep Viet Cong guerillas from returning to the area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).
3. Photograph number FLC-2-390-69: 1969: Rainy Season Reaction: Combining the soothing posture of an oriental sage and the sheepish grin of an American Marine, Corporal William Biller of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, makes the best of a wet situation in Vietnam. Most of the time, when not battling the monsoons, typhoons, and accompanying puddles south of Hue, Biller works with Combined Action Company 3-3 as they coordinate joint South Vietnamese Popular Force-US Marine activity against the enemy (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
4. Photograph number 102: 3 February 1968: 'Dear Jerry': A letter from home can make a Marine's day complete. Corporal Jerome J. Wylie, 21 (12550 Dewsmore North, Seattle, Washington), of Combined Action Platoon L-5, concentrates on a letter at Phuoc Thien village, southeast of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
5. Photograph number 1W-2-146-69: 1969: Night Planning: Marine Corporal Shaun F. Casey (Chillum, Maryland), command of a US Marine-Vietnamese Combined Action Platoon, and Ngt-To, Vietnamese Popular Forces (PF) commander for a village near Chu Lai, plan their nightly defenses against possible Viet Cong infiltration and terrorist attacks. Corporal Casey and his platoon work as advisors in coordinating activities and operations with the Popular Forces in the area (official USMC Lance Corporal E. B. Willis).
6. Photograph number 0835: undated: Pass the Hat: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant William W. Murphy, 25 (Wilson, North Carolina) of Combined Action Group 1, assisted by village chief of Ky Khung village near the Marine Air Base at Chu Lai, presents small toys to eager hands. Toys and candy were presented to the children during the celebration of the annual children's festival, an event held each year, similar to American Christmas (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
7. Photograph number 0021: undated: Same Ideals: Marine Major Tommy I. Folks (Arnett, Oklahoma), executive officer of Combined Action Group 1, makes friends with a Vietnamese youth, who proudly wears the 4-T emblem on his cap. The 4-T is the Vietnamese version of 4-H Clubs in the United States. Major Folks, along with other Leathernecks of CAG-1, provided transportation for more than two hundred 4-T members to Tam Ky City, 30 miles north of the Marine Air Base at Chu Lai, where they attended an annual 4-T meeting (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).



8. Photograph number 0956: undated: School Time: Marine Private First Class Richard J. Taute (Tottenville, Staten Island, New York) teaches English to a Vietnamese Popular Force (PF) soldier in a village 10 miles north of the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Taute, attached to the Combined Action Group 1 [CAG-1], works closely with the PFs, training them to defend their villages against Viet Cong raiders (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
9. Photograph number 123: February 1968: Expeditionary Plumbing: Marine Private First Class Jerrold A. Switzer, 21 (Paris, Illinois), draws a cup of water from the lister bag (55 gallon water container) at Combined Action Platoon L-5s compound at Phuoc Thien, southeast of Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
10. Photograph number 3-226-69: 1969: America Cares: As the children of Vietnam prepare to return to school this fall, they go armed with brand new supplies. This young girl from a rice-growing hamlet west of Tam Ky received her notebooks and pencils from her village leaders. They got them from Marines of a Combined Action Platoon who live in her hamlet. The supplies were provided by the American Charitable Organization CARE (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).

**Box 8 Folder 28. Combined Action Platoons (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 2-1638-67: 29 December 1967: New Friends: Children are the first to make friends with Marines. A special friend of Corporal Richard Hassall (Webster Grove, St. Louis, Missouri) is nine-year-old 'Tom' who likes to practice English with Marines at H-9, the newest Combined Action Platoon (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Wilkinson).
2. Photograph number 5-219-68: 6 August 1968: Soap for a Baby: Lance Corporal James R. Smith, 21 (Tampa, Florida), of Combined Action Unit Quebec 2-8-1 gives a bar of soap to a Vietnamese child in the village of Hoa Thanh, northwest of Da Nang. This is just one of the duties performed by men of the Combined Action units positioned in villages throughout South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
3. Photograph number 6-219-68: 6 August 1968: 'Doc' at Work: Navy Hospitalman HM3 Charles R. Myers (Hummelstown, Pennsylvania) bandages a Vietnamese child's foot in the village of Hoa Thanh as one of his duties as corpsmen with Combined Action Unit Quebec 2-8-1 northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. J. Coates).
4. Photograph number 1-0342-69: 1969: Resting with his Friends: Marine Private First Class Joseph J. Roberts, a member of 2d Combined Action Group [2d CAG] near Da Nang, Vietnam, takes a break with Vietnamese youngsters after distributing more than 85 parcels containing gifts from his home town. Martins Ferry, Ohio, Roberts' home town, sent the gifts in response to a letter he wrote last November expressing his desire to do something for the local villagers (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

5. Photograph number 20-217-69: 1969: I've Got It: Two Marines attached to the 2d Combined Action Group [2d CAG] enjoy a game of volleyball with a group of children from one of the villages in the Nui Kim Son area about six miles south of Da Nang. The Combined Action Group can be found working with the villages, cementing relations between the Vietnamese people, US forces and the Government of the Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal R. O. Callies).
6. Photograph number 3M-3-1638-67: 1967: Raising the Flag: Marines and Vietnamese Popular Forces Troops stand at attention as the senior enlisted PF raises his country's flag at H-9, the newest Combined Action Platoon, which is located between Phu Bai and Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Wilkinson).
7. Photograph number 42-217-69: 1969: You're Another Babe: A member of 2d Combined Action Platoon [2d CAG] instructs a Vietnamese youth, from one of the villages in the area of Nui Kim Son, six miles south of Da Nang, on the proper way to swing a baseball bat. The 2d Combined Action Group works extensively with the villagers in the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Corporal R. R. Calliss).
8. Photograph number 3D-15-366-238-68: 1968: Enemy Gear: Lance Corporal Frank L. Hanczar, Jr. (Northlake, Illinois) of Combined Action Group 4 inspects a destroyed enemy AK-47 rifle magazine south of Quang Tri City. The magazine was destroyed when American Marines and Vietnamese Popular Forces troops ambushed a North Vietnamese Army (NVA) unit (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
9. Photograph number FLC-6-226-69: 1969: School Opening Celebration: The new school year begins in Dong Hge hamlet three miles west of Tam Ky and village officials sit down with local Marines who have helped bring peace to their hamlet. Enjoying the Vietnamese refreshments are (left to right) Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Jerry Keesling (St. Peters, Missouri); Captain Nick Grosz, Jr. (Arlington, Virginia); and Corporal E. J. Veech (St. Louis, Missouri). Grosz, commanding officer of the 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Group, was guest of honor at ceremonies coordinated by the Marine Corporal and Navy corpsman (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
10. Photograph number 0024: undated: In Appreciation: Marine Lieutenant Colonel Karl R. Hunter (right) of Deland, Florida, commanding officer of Combined Action Group 1, and 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant Robert A. Trumbo, Jr., of Penacook, New Hampshire, senior enlisted man of CAG-1, present a native drum to General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, during his recent visit to the Marine Air Base at Chu Lai, was presented by CAG-1 and the thankful people of Phuoc Thuan where CAG-1 Marines provide security (official USMC photo by Captain Joe Collins).

**Box 8 Folder 29. Combined Action Platoons (5 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3D-7-238-68: 1968: Weapons Instruction: Lance Corporal John Graham (Heath Springs, South Carolina), a member of Combined Action Group 4 (CAG-4) instructs a Popular Forces soldier in the use of a M-60 machine gun at the compound south of Quang Tri. The Marines of CAG 4 live with the PFs and instruct them in all aspects of military training. They are responsible for the security of the area near Quang Tri city (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. L. Shearer).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-1166-67: 1967: Arbiter: Sergeant Earl L. Ramey (left) helps settle a dispute arising from a minor traffic accident near the Quebec-4 compound (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant E. R. Lazarchak).
3. FLC-1-1039-69: 1969: Race Against Death: Marine Corporal Richard L. Gommel (Greensburg, Indiana) carries a suspected rabies victim on his back as he rushes to an ambulance to transport the 17 year-old Vietnamese youth to the Children's Hospital operated at the Force Logistic Command. Gommel, a platoon commander with Combined Action Platoon 2-703, is followed by members of his platoon. The CAP is located in Nam-O Village, ten miles northwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Steve Addington).
4. Photograph number 3D-11-238-68: September 1968: Medical Aid: Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Theodore W. Deukss (Frankford, New York) of Combined Action Platoon 4 (CAG-4) applies a bandage to the foot of Popular Forces (PF) soldier south of Quang Tri City. Marines and Corpsmen of CAG-4 live with the PF's and instruct them in all aspects of military training. They are responsible for the security of the area near Quang Tri City (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. M. Shearer).

#### **Box 8 Folder 30. Commendations and Awards**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1208-68: 30 July 1968: Distinguished Service Medal: Lieutenant General William B. Rosson is congratulated after receiving the Distinguished Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster) from General C. W. Abrams, Commanding General, Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. Rosson received the medal for outstanding leadership as Commanding General of I Field Force Vietnam and Commanding General, Provisional Corps Vietnam from June 1967 to July 1968. Under his leadership, those two commands accounted for 23,000 enemy dead and 7,000 captured (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
2. No photograph number: undated: [unidentified Marine Corporal receiving a citation].
3. Photograph number 1-2286-68: 1 September 1968: Highest Award: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant James Uhl (Flagstaff, Arizona) wears the Vietnamese Medal of Honor, first class, awarded for his civic action efforts in the Hue area and for leading former Viet Cong in combat during the enemy's Tet terror wave in Hue (official USMC photo).

4. Photograph number 1-122-68: 1968: [Unidentified Marine Major General receives a Vietnamese award] (official USMC photo by M. M. Upton).
5. Photograph number 1D-2-357-67: 23 December 1967: Silver Star: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Carl W. Fulford receives the Silver Star Medal from Major General Donn J. Robertson, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division commanding general (official USMC photo by W. F. Dickman).

**Box 8 Folder 31.      Communications (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-1141-67: 1967: Radio Talk: Staff Sergeant Al Langlois demonstrates the importance of checking connections on the AM MCR-87 radio. The Electronics Maintenance Instructor reduces the mystery of electronics to simple 'what-to-look-for' instructions (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. M. Chambers).
2. Photograph number 8-0900-68: 1968: [unidentified Marine radioman in the field].
3. Photograph number 0887: undated: Ham Operator: Corporal David L. Price, 21 (Denver, Colorado) of the Chu Lai military affiliate radio station talks to a HAM operator at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego California, as they prepare to connect a telephone call from a Chu Lai Marine to his wife. The Chu Lai MARS facility handles about 900 calls to the States each month (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant P. L. Stacy).
4. Photograph number 0104: 3 February 1968: [Two unidentified Marines using telephones].
5. Photograph number 3D-1-2072-69: 1969: All the Comforts: Equipment Operator 1<sup>st</sup> Class Gerald Homewood (Port Hueneme, California), places a call from the phone booth he convinced the Bell Telephone Company of New York to send to Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 301 in Dong Ha. It is believed to be the only legitimate phone booth in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackmann).
6. Photograph number 2-252-69: 1969: Come In: The receiver element of the ANPRC-88 radio is attached to the helmet and has a small ear plug for use at night. Here a Marine uses it while manning a 70 foot observation tower on Hill 10, seven miles southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Crane Davis).
7. Photograph number 1-0548-69: 1969: [Unidentified marine using a radio].
8. Photograph number 1-2001-68: 1968: Can You Hear Him?: Private First Class Richard J. Wellnitz (left) (Las Vegas, Nevada) checks out a telephone line as Lance Corporal Kenneth D. Ellis (Gardena, California) completes a patch into the line in the field. The Marines are wiremen with the 7<sup>th</sup> Communications Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Captain M. R. Arnold).

**Box 8 Folder 32.      Communications (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-1141-68: 1968: Wire Wall: Lance Corporal William D. Coble (Greensboro, North Carolina) checks one of the hundreds of telephone lines that passes through the 'frame.' All telephone wires pass through a frame before they are wired into a switchboard (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. E. Stetson).
2. Photograph number 0613: 24 July 1968: [Unidentified Marine using a radio].
3. Photograph number 1-5-240-68: 1968: [Marine Corps radioman in the field] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
4. Photograph number FLC-3-1206-69: 1969: Look at It Go: Gunnery Sergeant G. A. Hupp (Oceanside, California) monitors the new computer's programmer as it automatically prints out 1,100 lines of information each minute. Hupp is a fully qualified systems technician. From this console, ASC Marines control and monitor the IBM Model 360 50-I system as its 30 components perform nearly a dozen assignments simultaneously (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-1206-69: 1969: Stored Knowledge: All information obtained and used by the IBM 360 Model 50-I computer system is on magnetic tape. Checking one of the tape storage canisters is Leslie Smith (Lake Charles, Louisiana), the IBM field engineer assigned to the Force Logistic Command. The ease loading tape canisters, combined with the system's speed, enable ASC Marines to do four times the data processing work that could be performed by its predecessor, the Model 30 (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
6. Photograph number FLC-2-1206-69: 1969: Latest in Stereo?: Hardly, but if your favorite tuner were listed at the Force Logistic Command's new Automated Services Center (ASC), the new computer system would find it for you in less time than it takes to repeat the title. Installing one of the computer's memory tapes is Corporal John Brown (Moline, Illinois), computer programmer. The newly installed IBM 360 Model 50-I system can perform four times as much work as the former system, enabling ASC Marines to monitor the entire Leatherneck supply system in Vietnam closer, faster and more accurately (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-1277-69: 1969: 300,000 a Month: Marine Staff Sergeant Delmar M. Shiflet (Ridgefield, Washington) sorts a stack of IBM cards for the computer used by the Marine Force Logistic Command communications center. The center is the prime means of communications for FLC with other installations around the world (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Leetch).
8. Photograph number 3-2591-68: 1968: Eenie Meenie: Seemingly perplexed about which connection goes where, Marine Sergeant Chester G. Durda (Bloomington, Minnesota) splices the 50 wires in a cut communications cable. Durda is the communications chief

for the Force Logistic Command Logistical Support Unit (LSU) at Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).

**Box 8 Folder 33.      Corpsmen and Medical Treatment**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-519-69: 1969: Minor Medical Care: Marine Private Gerald L. French, Dandridge, Tennessee, takes it easy while a South Vietnamese nurse removes a wart on French's wrist under the supervision of US Naval Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Rusty Pollard, Leesburg, Florida. French is serving with Supply Company, Supply Battalion, Marine Force Logistic Command, Da Nang. The nurse, Tran Thi Kin Khung, better known to Force Logistic Command corpsmen as 'Barbie', is one of several young women who are receiving medical training from medical personnel serving with the huge Leatherneck supply and support organization (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-6333-68: 1968: Striking Contrast: Navy nurse Lieutenant Jean Hernick (Lackawanna, New York) leads the way as eight visiting nurses from USS Repose make their way through a jungle oath at Fire Support Base Dick in Quang Tri Province, Vietnam. The nurses in their clean starched uniforms made a striking contrast as they visited 3d Marine Division units in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant F. Lowe III).

**Box 8 Folder 34.      Crescent Beach Orphanage (1 of 4)**

[Undated black and white photographs of construction and recreation at Crescent Beach Orphanage]

**Box 8 Folder 35.      Crescent Beach Orphanage (2 of 4)**

[Undated black and white photographs of construction and recreation at Crescent Beach Orphanage]

**Box 8 Folder 36.      Crescent Beach Orphanage (3 of 4)**

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**Box 8 Folder 37.      Crescent Beach Orphanage (4 of 4)**

[Undated black and white photographs of construction and recreation at Crescent Beach Orphanage]

**Box 8 Folder 38.      Cushman, Robert E.**



1. Photograph number 3M-1-0499-69: 1969: Decorated: Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., former commanding general III Marine Amphibious Force and senior advisor to Republic of Vietnam forces in I Corps, receives the Gallantry Fourragere from Lieutenant General Hoang Xuam Lam, commanding general, I Corps. General Lam also awarded General Cushman with the Vietnamese Navy Distinguished Service Order 1<sup>st</sup> Class prior to his return to the United States (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3M-1-0517-69: 1969: Old and New Commanders: The old and new commanding generals of III Marine Amphibious Force listen while the change of command orders are read during ceremonies in Da Nang. Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman (left) had served as the Force commander since June 1, 1967. Lieutenant General Herman Nickerson, Jr., the new Force commander previously served in Vietnam in 1967 as commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and Deputy Commander of the III MAF (official USMC photo by Corporal D. M Messenger).
3. Photograph number 70636: 22 December 1967: Thank You Bob: Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general of the III Marine Amphibious Force, thanks Bob Hope for the Christmas show put on thousands of Marines at Freedom Hill near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal V. B. Rodriguez).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-0578-69: 1969: Five Star Ceremony: Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force, cuts the ribbon held by Rear Admiral John G. Dillon, commander, 3d Naval Construction Brigade, to officially open the new III MAF Transient Facility and Rest and Recuperation (R&R) Center at Freedom Hill in Da Nang. The new complex, operated by the Marine's Force Logistic Command, provides transient and R&R personnel arriving and leaving Vietnam with improved accommodations and services. The Facility was built by Seabees of the 3d Naval Construction Brigade (official USMC photo by Corporal K. E. Barth).

## **Box 9**

### **Box 9 Folder 1.      Dailey, Joseph W.**

1. Photograph number 3D-3-2153-69: 1969: New Senior Enlisted Marine: Sergeant Major Joseph W. Dailey (Salt Lake City, Utah) disembarks from a helicopter at a fire support base in northern I Corps during one of his frequent visits to Marines in the field. The 3d Marine Division sergeant major will assume duties as Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackmann) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 3D-1-408-69: 1969: Medal for Sergeant Major Dailey: Sergeant Major Joseph W. Dailey (Salt Lake City, Utah) is awarded the Vietnamese Armed Forces Honor Medal, 2d Class, by Major General Ngo Quang Truong, commanding general of the 1<sup>st</sup> ARVN Infantry Division. Standing next to Sergeant Major Dailey is Sergeant

Major Fernand Violette (Augusta, Maine) who assumed duties as sergeant major of the 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).

3. Photograph number 3D-4-2153-69: 1969: Advice to Young Marines: Sergeant Major Joseph W. Dailey (Salt Lake City, Utah), 3d Marine Division sergeant major, offers words of advice to young Marines serving at a fire support base in northern I Corps. A veteran of 25 years Marine Corps service, Dailey will assume the post of senior enlisted Marine in August (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman) [2 copies].
4. Photograph number 3D-2-2153-69: 1969: Atop Dong Ha Mountain: Sergeant Major Joseph W. Dailey (Salt Lake City, Utah) and another Marine scan the landscape at fire support base on Dong Ha Mountain during the 3d Marine Division sergeant major's almost daily visits to Marines in the field. Dailey will become the Marine Corps fifth sergeant major August 1 (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).

**Box 9 Folder 2.        Davis, Raymond G.**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-7045-69: 1969: Two-Star Visitor: Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, exchanges smiles with a young Vietnamese boy during one of his twice weekly visits to the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-8-076-69: 1969: Present: Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, presents recreational equipment to Vietnamese children in Vinh Dai village for use at their new school (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-360-68: 1968: Chief of Chaplains: Navy Lieutenant Frederick Burkle (left) (Hamden, Connecticut), a doctor at 3d Marine Division's Memorial Children's Hospital explains the treatment of a Vietnamese patient to Rear Admiral James Kelly (center), Chief of Navy Chaplain Corps, and Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division. Admiral Kelly visited the Dong Ha Hospital during his Christmas visit to 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal S. A. Tilson).
4. Photograph number 3D-1-1201-69: 1969: Distinguished Visitors: Major General Raymond G. Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, guides the senior Buddhist monk of Quang Tri Province, Thich Chanh Truc (left) and his deputy chief, Thich An Cau on a tour of the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha. Accompanying the Buddhists on their visit to the hospital is Captain David S. Sullivan (Austin, Texas), a staff officer in the 3d Division's civil affairs section (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Molleur).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-1347-68: 1968: Combat Art: Lance Corporal Richard L. Yace (Santa Barbara, California), a Marine combat artist, discusses the artwork appearing in

the newly published book 'Vietnam Combat Art' with Major General Raymond G. Davis (left), commanding general, 3d Marine Division. The book, a pictorial record of the Vietnam War, is a collection of drawings and paintings done by a score of Marine and civilian artists from their first hand observations in Vietnam. The book's publisher is making a donation of 10 percent of profits to the Marine Corps Reserve/CARE, Civic Action Fund for Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. Lowe III).

6. Photograph number 3D-1-4094-69: 1969: Cornerstone Laying: Dr. Tran Lu Y, Minister of Health, Social Welfare, and Relief, Republic of Vietnam, and Major General Raymond G. Davis, 3d Marine Division Commander, set in place the cornerstone of the new 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Quang Tri Combat Base. The 128 bed hospital is scheduled for completion by the end of the year (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pat Schackman).

### **Box 9 Folder 3.      Enemy Prisoners of War**

1. Photograph number 3D-4-2107-68: 1968: Faces of the Enemy: A Viet Cong, trapped in a bombed-out bunker by Marine units south of Da Nang is questioned by South Vietnamese Army Soldiers. He was one of 69 VC detained during a 20-day operation (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
2. Photograph number 3D-3-6-082-69: 1969: The enemy soldier, his hands raised, steps out of the jungle as the Marines, leery of a trick, rush toward him (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
3. Photograph number 3D-9-6-082-69: 1969: The North Vietnamese soldier, his hands still raised, is quickly searched by the Leathernecks (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
4. Photograph number 3D-10-6-082-69: 1969: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Russ J. Mazzola (with cigarette) of North Royalton, Ohio, and Corporal James W. Ammon of Nashville, Tennessee, question the enemy soldier before sending him to the rear (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ray Bribiesca).
5. No photograph number: undated: [Two unidentified Marines with a Viet Cong prisoner] (official USMC photo).
6. No photograph number: undated: [An unidentified Marine and a Vietnamese interpreter interrogate a Viet Cong] (official USMC photo).

### **Box 9 Folder 4.      F-4 Phantom Jets**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-107-68: 20 January 1968: Phantom Arsenal: A Marine F-4 Phantom jet retracts the landing gear after roaring off Da Nang air base en route to

blasting the enemy with a potent load of ordnance (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant J. O. Olsen).

2. Photograph number 1W-1-140-69: 1969: Air-Ground Teamwork: A Leatherneck with the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines crouches in some tall elephant grass to check the results of a close air support mission flown by a Marine F-4 Phantom jet attack aircraft. From their bases in Da Nang and Chu Lai, Vietnam, Marine F-4 pilots provide close air support for allied ground troops throughout the northernmost tactical zone of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).
3. Photograph number 0135: 10 February 1968: Disarming: Staff Sergeants Albert L. Larsen, left, 32 (Rock, Michigan) and William D. Penn disarm an F-4B Phantom's ordnance at Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal Carl Erickson).
4. Photograph number 0356: 30 April 1968: [Captain M. A. Guzman climbs into the cockpit of an F-4 Phantom] (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0356: 1 May 1968: [Captain M. A. Guzman seated in the cockpit of an F-4 Phantom] (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 9 Folder 5.      Firefighters (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1W1209690081: undated: Together: A pair of two-man firefighting crews work on the fire with mobile equipment. The two in the foreground can be moved on their cart to particular trouble spots, while the two Marines on the slope stand their ground (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Ian Macrae).
2. Photograph number 1W1209690082: undated: More Pressure: Drenched in foam and mud, Corporals Larry F. Mayle, left (Tunneltown, West Virginia), and Walter R. Thompson (Pittsburg, Pennsylvania) signal for more pressure in the hose as the fuel fire rages uncontrollably in the background. By creeping to the edge of the flames, the Marine firefighters were able to control the fire effectively and quickly (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Ian Macrae).
3. Photograph number 4-566-69: 1969: No Marshmallows at This Roast: Side by side, Vietnamese and Marine firemen assault a wall of flame. This time it's for practice: next time it might be for keeps (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
4. Photograph number 5-566-69: 1969: On the Run: Hustling in answer to a fire alarm, Marine firefighters and South Vietnamese trainees rapidly don their equipment and head out to their fire trucks (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
5. Photograph number 9-566-69: 1969: Telling It Like It Is: Nguyen Van Son, a Vietnamese instructor and qualified fireman, discusses the operation of a fire extinguisher with

countrymen attending the US Marine Corps firefighting course (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).

6. Photograph number 8-566-69: 1969: Serious Thoughts: The responsibility entrusted to this South Vietnamese shows on his face as he performs rigorous firefighting drills (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
7. Photograph number 7-566-69: 1969: The Hose Doesn't Run, It Flows: A Vietnamese fireman unrolls a section of hose during a firefighting exercise (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
8. Photograph number 1-566-69: 1969: A Life-Saving Gesture: Hand signals from Marines are part of a sign-language system used in training. In this instance, one finger means to move out with a 50-foot section of hose (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
9. Photograph number 4-1365-68: 20 August 1968: Save Half a Village: Marine, Navy, and Air Force firefighting equipment joined to combat the Hoa Vang Village fire. Two Marines providing security for the fire equipment and firemen were killed. Four others were wounded during the day-long fight for the village and Cam Le Bridge (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).
10. Photograph number 2-1365-68: 20 August 1968: Soaked: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] fire department are soaked, from the firefighting water spray and their own perspiration as they move their vehicle in the village of Hoa Vang. The Marines fought two fires at one time from a single truck while wearing flak jackets and helmets in temperatures soaring above 100 degrees, in addition to the heat of the fires (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).

#### **Box 9 Folder 6.      Firefighters (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3-1356-68: 20 August 1968: Move It!: Marines of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing fire department prepare to move down the street of Hoa Vang as the battle for the Cam Le Bridge continued a half a block away. Note that the firemen are wearing helmets and flak jackets while carrying their rifles. Enemy snipers and mortars sent the Marines for cover more than once during their day-long battle for the village (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).
2. Photograph number 5-1365-68: 20 August 1968: Many Dangers: Firemen of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing fire department faced many dangers...enemy bullets and mortars as well as flames and smoke in the village of Hoa Vang, two miles south of Da Nang. The gas pump in the left was riddled by enemy machine gun bullets and threatened to explode as gasoline leaked towards the flames in the house (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).

3. Photograph number 1-1365-68: 20 August 1968: Emergency Vehicles: The street of Hoa Vang is lined up with firefighting machinery. In the foreground is a Navy tanker used to resupply water for pumpers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing fire department. Behind is a six-by truck equipped with stretchers for wounded, and beyond, another water tanker. An ambulance winds its way down the road. Two Marines were killed and four others wounded while providing security for the Marine fire department in the village (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry M. Baker).
4. Photograph number 9-1365-68: 23 August 1968: Mission Accomplished: Marine firemen of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing disconnect fire hoses following and fire fighting in the village of Hoa Vang. Two security Marines were killed and two others wounded (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. Thompson).
5. Photograph number 6-1365-68: 23 August 1968: Smoke Filled: Marine firemen of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing fire department fight fires on both sides of the street in the village of Hoa Vang near the Cam Le Bridge. The Marines were credited with saving more than half the village (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. Thompson).
6. Photograph number 8-1365-68: 23 August 1968: Let's Move It: A member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing fire department calls to the fire truck to advance to another smoldering building in Hoa Vang, two miles south of Da Nang. Over 100 buildings were either burning or smoldering when the Marines answered the call. The smoke filled streets added to the discomfort of a hot day, while firefighters had to wear helmets and flak jackets. Marines on the right, members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, provided security for the firemen (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. Thompson).
7. Photograph number 7-1365-68: 23 August 1968: Security: A member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion providing security for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing fire department in the village of Hoa Vang, runs to check out enemy fire. Marine at right is hooking up fire hoses to a Marine pumper (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. Thompson).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-1211-68: 1968: Ready: Men of Force Logistic Command's fire station near Freedom Hill work on one of two fire engines that serve 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and surrounding area near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant D. A. Moisans).
9. Photograph number FLC-3-566-69: 1969: Appearance Counts, Too: FLC Fire Chief Gunnery Sergeant Joe Lopez conducts daily inspections of both Marine and Vietnamese firemen (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).

**Box 9 Folder 7.      Force Logistic Command [FLC] (1 of 6)**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-447-68: March 1968: Cooling It: Corporals Daniel V. Dotzler (Ocala, Florida) and Glynn A. Brazil (St. Petersburg, Florida) are keeping it cool while



cleaning and refilling fire extinguishers (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. T. Westby).

2. Photograph number FLC-1-417-69: 1969: Strangers in the Night: The night sky above Marine Force Logistic Command headquarters complex near Da Nang breaks loose in a fury of tracer bullets from Marine helicopter gunships firing on enemy activity near the compound. Force Logistic Command is the supply and service support unit for all US Marine forces operating in Vietnam's five northern provinces. The headquarters site houses computers, warehouses, maintenance shops and convoy staging areas (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
3. Photograph number 2-3036-68: 1968: Looks Easy: Lance Corporal Larry R. Biller (Duarte, California) works out with weightlifting equipment at the new Force Logistic Command gymnasium at Camp Books, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. The gym was established by FLC Special Services as a source of recreation and exercise for off-duty personnel. It is open to all branches of the armed Forces (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Jackson).
4. Photograph number FLC-3-131-68: February 1968: Future Barricade: A Marine Force Logistic Command forklift moves barbed wire at Khe Sanh as Leathernecks strengthened defenses at the northwestern combat base (official USMC photo by Corporal S. Barckhaus).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-1516-69: 1969: Hot Brass and Broiling Sun: Marine Private First Class R. W. McKeever (Nederland, Texas), left, and Private First Class C. W. Gray (Louisville, Kentucky) wash 105mm shell casings as part of the Marine Force Logistic Command's rehabilitation program of salvageable items used by Marines in Vietnam. The brass casings are shipped back to commercial firms in the United States where they are melted down and recast (official USMC photo by Captain D. G. Menely).
6. Photograph number FLC-4-429-69: 1969: Just a Little More: Marine Staff Sergeant Claude Cheek, section leader for Force Logistic Command truck drivers, directs a Marine and his 'rig' into place for its load (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
7. Photograph number FLC-2-429-69: 1969: Added Attraction Digs In: US Army engineers from the Americal Division's 27<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion use a forklift to pick up a set of wheels detached from a box car. The 20-ton lifting capacity of the forklift aided in lifting and maneuvering the heavy cars onto Force Logistic Command semi tractor-trailer rigs (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
8. Photograph number FLC-13-303-68: 1968: Chow Time: Members of a combined action platoon gather around the Force Logistic Command 'chuckwagon' to get a hot meal (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant E. R. Lazarchak).

9. Photograph number FLC-3-0391-69: 1969: Roll 'Em: Support and supply is the name of the game, and 'rough rider' convoys are just one way the game is played. During an average month, Force Logistic Command convoys log nearly 650,000 miles on the road carrying more than 85,000 tons of gear and supplies through I Corps. They also haul nearly 11 million gallons of fuel and more than 200,000 passengers during an average month (official USMC photo).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-0707-69: 1969: Local Hitchhikers: A group of Vietnamese travelers and several Force Logistic Command convoy vehicles crowd a ferry to cross the Song Thu Bon River, 20 miles south of Da Nang. The combat cargo trucks are part of the daily convoys making supply runs from Da Nang to the An Hoa Combat Base in support of 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division operations (official USMC photo by Private First Class Paul Hadley).
11. Photograph number FLC-3-429-69: 1969: Tight Squeeze: A Force Logistic Command trucker eases his trailer under a waiting boxcar temporarily suspended in mid-air by a 27<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion crane from the US Army's Americal Battalion. Fears of close-residing villagers were allayed by selecting routes of approach and exit carefully to avoid damaging homes (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

**Box 9 Folder 8. Force Logistic Command [FLC] (2 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1-1680-69: 1969: Battlefield Truck Stop: Marines from 7<sup>th</sup> Separate Bulk Fuel Company, Force Logistic Command, pump fuel into waiting tanks and amphibian vehicles at the An Hoa Combat Base. The three-man 'gas station' provides around-the-clock service from its large rubberized fuel tanks to vehicles supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division operations (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
2. Photograph number 3-0729-69: 1969: Work Until It's Finished: Two Force Logistic Command Marines, Lance Corporal Ernesto Castro (Edna, Texas), left, and Lance Corporal Larry J. Sanders (Comstock park, Michigan) put the finishing touches to a welding job on an amphibious tractor at the An Hoa Combat Base, south of Da Nang. The Marine Corps uses amphibious tractors to carry men and supplies not only on water-borne operations but on land (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
3. Photograph number 2-1032-69: 1969: A Moving Song: A 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leatherneck, Private Nicholas Thomas, relaxes with a guitar and a song while riding with a Marine Force Logistic Command truck convoy from Da Nang to An Hoa, Vietnam. The journey was an uneventful one (official USMC photo by Private First Class Paul Hadley).
4. Photograph number 1-0657-69: 1969: Easily Installed: This new safety plug for the M-16 rifle was designed by Gunnery Sergeant J. P. Bell of the Force Logistic Command to give Marines a visual means to check on whether their weapon is clear and safe (official USMC photo Corporal Bruce Chertkow).

5. Photograph number 2-0697-69: 1969: Inspection: Private First Class Charles D. Yetter (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) disassembles an 81mm mortar round to make sure it's in working order. Yetter is a member of Ammunition Company, Force Logistic Command in Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).
6. Photograph number 2-0729-69: 1969: Keeps 'Em Firing: The 175mm self-propelled guns of Marine artillery batteries located at an An Hoa Combat Base, south of Da Nang, are maintained by Corporal R. J. Hribar (Waukegan, Illinois), a member of Force Logistic Command. The 175mm guns were recently added to the Marine Corps arsenal in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
7. Photograph number 2-1270-69: 1969: Irreplaceable and Unstoppable: That is an apt description of Force Logistic Command truck convoys as they wind over the dusty, mountainous roads of the Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Leetch).
8. Photograph number 1-3127-68: 1968: Trip Talk: CWO-2 Gordon, officer-in-charge of FLC's [Force Logistic Command] Special Programs Customer and Supply Assistance/Analysis team goes over the agenda for a forthcoming inspection trip with team members Staff Sergeants G. R. Fabie (left) and J. V. Collins (right) (Arlington, Virginia). The team travelled more than 14,000 miles during 1968, assisting Marine commands throughout the northernmost tactical zone in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-563-68: 26 March 1968: Master Gunnery Sergeant Harold Lanter (Jacksonville, NC), civil affairs specialist for the Force Logistic Command, distributes a box of clothing donated by Operation Morale's Rochester group to the villagers of Nam-O (official USMC photo by Corporal Richard D. Ross).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-2315-68: 3 September 1968: New Look for Marines: Marine Lance Corporal Eddie D. Phipps (Roseville, Michigan) dons the first set of camouflage utilities, slated to be issued to Marines in the Republic of Vietnam. Assisting with the fitting is Staff Sergeant Kenneth M. Paar (Corsicana, Texas). The wind-resistant, tear-proof uniform, which will be issued to the Force Logistic Command, will replace the present solid green utility uniform (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. B. Nixon).

**Box 9 Folder 9.      Force Logistic Command [FLC] (3 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 6-2238-68: 1968: The Big Lift: Members of Force Logistic Command forklift class look on as an experienced operator demonstrates the three methods of steering a 6,000 lb. lift. The class is held at the Material Handling Equipment platoon's shop at Camp Books, near Da Nang. The forklift is one of the most vital machines in Marine support and supply missions (official USMC photo by Private First Class R. K. Nystrom).

2. Photograph number 1-3243-68: 1968: Christmas Reunion: Lance Corporal Jerry Bollman (2327 Pall Mall, Dallas, Texas) and seven-year-old Mai Ly admire a Christmas tree at Force Logistic Command headquarters near Da Nang following their reunion December 24 in the historic Vietnamese city of Hue (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Jackson).
3. Photograph number 2-3224-68: 1968: The Eyes Have It: Three Vietnamese youngsters appear entranced with a Force Logistic Command Marine from the 7<sup>th</sup> Separate Bulk Fuel Company during a Christmas party for Vietnamese orphans near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
4. Photograph number 2-3135-68: 1968: Christmas 'Presence': Marine Sergeant Robert Novak, serving with the Force Logistic Command (FLC) near Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam, exchanges Christmas greetings by shortwave radio and telephone with his wife, Lupe, and 10-year-old sons, Jeffrey, at their home in Fallbrook, California. The phone call was made possible by the MARS (Military Affiliate Radio System) station at FLC, which sent the call by shortwave to another MARS station in Southern California. The radio's transmitters and receivers are connected to telephones to complete the call (official USMC photo by Private First Class J. R. Doyle).
5. Photograph number 1-3223-68: 1968: Dedicated to the Fallen: Rear Admiral James W. Kelly, Chief of Chaplains, US Navy (left, foreground), greets enlisted Marine representatives from each of the nine subordinate units and battalions of Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC) during ceremonies dedicating the Memorial garden at the FLC headquarters compound eight miles northwest of Da Nang. The Memorial Garden is dedicated to the 124 Marine and Naval personnel of Force Logistic Command killed in action. Their names are inscribed on nine plaques representing each of the units (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
6. Photograph number 3-0896-69: 1969: Allies in Competition: US Marines from the Force Logistic Command compete against a Vietnamese volleyball team representing the I Corps headquarters military compound in Da Nang. The action took place at the Da Nang Stadium during at three-day Sports Festival which featured soccer, volleyball, and track competition between teams representing American, Vietnamese, and Korean Military units from throughout I Corps Area tactical zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers) [2 copies].
7. Photograph number 2-0798-69: 1969: Bundles of Joy: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Michael L. Evans (Louisville, Kentucky), a Marine civil affairs officer with Force Logistic Command, distributes clothing to a Vietnamese nun administering an orphanage near Da Nang. In the foreground, youngsters from the refugee orphanage witness the arrival of the clothing, donated by civic groups in the United States (official USMC photo by Corporal John Gentry).

8. Photograph 1-0789-69: 1969: Prospective Photographers: All eyes are attentive at a Vietnamese orphanage near Force Logistic Command headquarters as Marine Sergeant Steve Addington (Olympia, Washington) shows the children how to operate a 4 x 5 press camera. The FLC Marine visited the orphanage near Da Nang with a civil affairs team distributing clothing to needy youngsters (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
9. Photograph 1-0229-69: 1969: Vietnamese Girl Helps Build a Nation: A young Vietnamese engineer works with a transit preparing new roads for Vietnam's future. The woman engineer is part of a Vietnamese civilian construction crew working on a road near the perimeter of the Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC), eight miles northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Captain D. Menely).

**Box 9 Folder 10. Force Logistic Command [FLC] (4 of 6)**

1. Photograph number 1-684-69: 1969: Vietnam Lineman: Marine Corporal Roger Swartz of Claremont, California, repairs a damaged telephone line in a monsoon downpour near Da Nang. A wireman with Communications Company, Force Logistic Command (FLC), the 21-year-old Leatherneck has the job of assuring that around the clock service is maintained over FLC phone lines (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
2. Photograph number 2-684-69: 1969: Vietnam Monsoon Hookup: Marine Corporal Charles D. Stewart, 21, of Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Private First Class John E. Wickham, 19, Ashland, Ohio, hook a dolly to a 2 ½ ton truck prior to heading out into Vietnam's rainy season. Despite the inclement weather, these Force Logistic Command Marine truckers assure that their California tandem combination rigs continue to support Leathernecks on daily convoys southwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant J. F. Fraley).
3. Photograph number 3-0999-69: 1969: Marine Laundromat: Marine Private First Class James Stokes (left) (18456 West Master, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) and Dean Keown (Morgantown, Texas) operate Force Logistic Command's portable washer and drier at Camp Muir, south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The two Marines wash and dry up to 1,600 pounds of clothes each day for Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
4. Photograph number 6-0999-69: 1969: Easy Does It: No bombs or ammo in this one, men, just plenty of cold refreshments. The Styrofoam bomb containers are the latest thing being used by Force Logistic Command's Logistical Support Unit at Hill 55, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. These containers are used to supply infantry units in the field with cold drinks. The contents are packed in ice, then loaded aboard a convoy truck to elements of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines operating in the Hill 55 area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-1085-69: 1969: Hoist Away: Two cranes lift the first railroad car onto a 'low boy' trailer. The 30-mile trip into Da Nang from the An Hoa Combat

Base was made by Marines of the Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Etheridge).

6. Photograph number 3M-3-1085-69: 1969: Easy Now: Marines from FLC use a forklift to load railroad wheel sets onto a 5-ton truck. The Leathernecks then transported the wheels and railroad cars to Da Nang from the An Hoa Combat Base, saving the government of Vietnam \$300,000 in replacement costs (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. S. Detherage).
7. Photograph number 1-1110-69: 1969: No Sunday Drive: A Force Logistic Command (FLC) Leatherneck rides the 'shotgun' position on a truck convoy hauling vital combat supplies from FLC staging areas near Da Nang to 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division units to the southwest. The position of 'shotgun' rider dates back to the days of the stage coach in the United States, when armed guards rode alongside the driver to protect passengers and cargo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Gentry).
8. Photograph number 1-512-69: 1969: Family Assistance: Marine Major Robert E. Johnson, of Fallbrook, California, unpacks a box of lightweight blankets for Sister Marie de Saint Paul, mother superior of Saint Rosette Orphanage in Phu Thuong Thon hamlet near Da Nang. The blankets for the children at the orphanage were donated by the major's wife, Suzann, and her mother, Mrs. Mary O'Brien, Sun City, California. Johnson, civil affairs officer for Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC), Da Nang, coordinates self-help and civil assistance projects which FLC Leathernecks take part in to help the South Vietnamese. Johnson also distributed a case of hand soap during his visit. Phu Thuong Thon hamlet and the orphanage receive civil affairs assistance from troops of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
9. Photograph number 1-0697-69: 1969: Inventory: Corporal Edward G. McDaniel (Silsbee, Texas) takes inventory of 500 pound bombs stored at Ammunition Supply Point 1, operated by Ammunition Company, Force Logistic Command in Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).

**Box 9 Folder 11. Force Logistic Command [FLC] (5 of 6)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-2805-68: 1968: Rollin' the Dough: Lance Corporal David A. Morris (New Bedford, Massachusetts), a baker at Force Logistic Command, pans rolls of dough following a curling process (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-3255-68: 1968: Busy Machine: Up to six dozen donuts a minute are formed and deep fried on this fully automatic donut making machine operated by Corporal David A. Johnson (Donnellson, Iowa), a member of Rations Company, Force Logistic Command. The Rations Company donut shop has two of the machines operating 22 hours a day (official USMC photo by Corporal M. Teramoto).



3. Photograph number FLC-1-1478-69: 1969: Da Nang's Dairy: This milk-bottling machinery looks like it could just as well be located in the dairy lands of Wisconsin instead of Da Nang, Vietnam. One hundred-forty South Vietnamese employees and 10 US civilians staff the plant which produces 30,000 gallons of recombined milk daily for American fighting men in I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
4. Photograph number FLC-5-0331-69: 1969: It Takes a Lot of Dough: to keep fighting men in Vietnam supplied with bread. Working around the clock, the Force Logistic Command bakery staff maintains a continuous flow of fresh bread. A monthly average of 525,000 pounds is issued to 67 different commands, including US Army, Seabee and Korean units, as well as Marines in and around Da Nang (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 1D-2-157-69: 1969: Repairs an Engine: A Leatherneck picks up a point on engine repair from a student at Da Nang's junior-senior technical school, which was one of the stops made by Marines during a day-long tour of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
6. Photograph number 1-2892-69: 1969: Operations Boss: Major Edward M. Condra III (right foreground) (New Orleans, Louisiana), checks Marines and Seabees laying asphalt curbing near a bridge on the outskirts of Tam Ky. The major is operations officer for the battalion, as well as a professional engineer and former combat artist (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
7. Photograph number FLC-6-0391-69: 1969: Disk Jockey: A Marine attends 'Disk Drives', machines that store information on magnetic disks at the Force Logistic Command's Data Processing Platoon (DPP) #16. The brain of Marine support and supply, DPP #16 handles all supply requisitions in I Corps, processing approximately 880,000 per month. IN addition, personnel data cards are kept up to date on every Marine in Vietnam. This includes almost 125,000 cards are processed per month (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number FLC-2-0229-69: 1969: Carpenter Trains Carpenter: Private First Class J. R. Neff (Knoxville, Tennessee) assists a Vietnamese carpenter learning advanced skills of the trade. The two craftsmen work in the carpentry shop at Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC), Camp Jay K. Books, eight miles northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Captain D. Menely).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-1371-69: 1969: Light Lite: A multi-purpose illumination system, better known as a backpack bushwhack, is displayed by Private First Class Harry Klinefelter (Dunkirk, New York), battery technician with Material Handling Equipment Platoon, Force Logistic Command, Vietnam. Made of salvaged parts, the pack weighs less than 40 pounds and is carried in a standard haversack. Designed to aid small units operating at night, no more than a flick of a switch activates the system. It was designed by Master Sergeant A. W. Hargrove (Hershey, Pennsylvania), platoon operations chief (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Letch).

10. Photograph number FLC-1-184-68: 1968: Final Check: Lance Corporal R. C. Machin makes final checks to insure accurate measurements on the latest batch of mount-out containers made at the FLC's container fabrication shop. Machin designs the containers, which require about 20 minutes labor and \$40 worth of pre-cut material to construct (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).

**Box 9 Folder 12. Force Logistic Command [FLC] (6 of 6)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0748-69: 1969: In Every Clime and Place: A Force Logistic Command Leatherneck pauses at FLC headquarters complex for a look at the 24 sheet recruiting poster erected by FLC Sergeant Major Milton B. Gardner (Allentown, Pennsylvania). The veteran Marine put up a similar sign last fall, the first such recruiting sign in Vietnam, while serving as the senior enlisted Marine of Force Logistic Support Group Alpha at Phu Bai. The admiring Marine is Private First Class Paul Hadley of Headquarters and Service Battalion (official USMC photo by Private Dan Hall).
2. Photograph number FLC-3-1206-69: 1969: Working Now for the Future: Two Vietnamese women work right along with US Marines as key punch operators in the new Automated Services Center at Force Logistic Command. Information on incoming supply requisitions and other documents is transferred on to electronic accounting cards by key punch operators for use within the ASC's new 30-component data processing system. The Vietnamese women were trained for their jobs by the Industrial Relations Office, US Naval Support Activity, Da Nang, and received on-the-job training from ASC Marines of FLC (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
3. Photograph number 7-46-67: 1967: [USS Turner Joy (DD-951)] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 1D-4-263-69: 1969: No Terrain Too Tough: The two big 20 inch steel tracks on the Huskie allow it to travel virtually anywhere. It can pass over vertical obstacles 18 inches in height and can climb a 60 percent grade (official USMC photo by Sergeant Gary Clark).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-429-69: 1969: With a Little Help from Your Friends: Some 'gentle' shoving from an Army forklift eases a Marine trucker and his 20-ton boxcar load through a mire of mud and water. An overnight downpour of rain transformed the working area into a swamp and engineers hastily constructed a road which facilitated traffic without missing a day's work (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
6. Photograph number 3D-2-113-68: 1968: [Marine convoy] (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 4-922-68: 1968: [Two unidentified Marines loading a fuel truck] (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 0657: 14 August 1968: [Change of command ceremony] (official USMC photo).

9. Photograph number FLC-2-1965-68: 25 July 1968: [A group of Marines examines machinery] (official USMC photo).

**Box 9 Folder 13. Force Logistic Command—Aerial Delivery Platoon**

1. Photograph number 1-0566-69: 1969: Gettin' Ready: Two Marines at Da Nang Air Base prepare another pallet of essential combat supplies for parachute drop to infantry units. The Leathernecks, Corporal Reginaldo Edocld [sic] (Milford, Connecticut), left, and Lance Corporal Carl C. Keehan (Chamblee, Georgia) are members of the Air Delivery Platoon, Force Logistic Command. Aerial resupply from transport aircraft is used frequently when weather or inaccessibility prohibits convoy or helicopter missions (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
2. Photograph number 1-1228-69: 1969: Ready to Go: Marine Staff Sergeant H. O. Troop (Chillicothe, Illinois) looks over the drop zone just before making a practice parachute jump near Da Nang. Troops is a member of Force Logistic Command's Aerial Delivery Platoon. The platoon makes on-the-spot delivery of combat supplies by parachute to Marine ground forces in combat in remote jungle and mountainous areas. In many cases, air delivery personnel also jump with the resupply cargo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
3. Photograph number 3-1228-69: 1969: First Step is the Best: A Leatherneck from Marine Force Logistic Command's Aerial Delivery Platoon leaves a transport aircraft during a parachute jump near Da Nang. Air delivery personnel, who often jump during emergency resupply missions, are required to maintain top proficiency in all phases of parachuting. The platoon makes an on-the-spot delivery of supplies by parachute to Marine infantrymen in combat (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
4. Photograph number 2-1326-69: 1969: It's Not Always 'Pennies From Heaven': For Marine infantrymen in Vietnam, no sight is more appealing than that of supplies being air-dropped by FLCs Air Delivery Platoon (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0244: 19 March 1968: Half Open: Cargo parachutes open halfway allowing the A22 water-filled containers to drop faster from a higher altitude while providing an accurate drop (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
6. Photograph number 0246: 19 March 1968: Execute: On the command, execute, from the Marine radioman in the drop zone, the 1,500 pound container is shoved out of the aircraft over Red Beach (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy F. Nelson).
7. Photograph number 0245: 19 March 1968: Team Effort: Marine and Air Force crews team up to prepare dummy cargo for the air delivery tests (official USMC photo by Randy F. Nelson).

8. Photograph number 0069: 27 January 1968: Preparing Cargo: Marine Lance Corporals John Wagner, 20 (Riverside, California) and Dan Goodwin, 22 (Greenville, Ohio) prepare for an air delivery to Marines at Khe Sanh (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-811-67: 1967: Air Drop: Equipment settles to the ground to be used by Marines at Khe Sanh after being dropped from a C-130 by members of the Air Delivery Platoon (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. P. Beam).

**Box 9 Folder 14. Force Logistic Command [FLC] Headquarters and Service Battalion**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0753-69: 1969: Small World: Four Marines from Mt. Clemens, Michigan, takes time to get acquainted and talk about home. All are serving with Headquarters and Service Battalion, Force Logistic Command, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. From left are Sergeant Gerald D. Schwark, Lance Corporal Nathanael C. Yonka, Jr., Lance Corporal Vito Peraina, and Private First Class Robert J. Presley, Jr. (official USMC photo by Corporal Chertkow).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-3222-68: 1968: Promoted: Tran Phu, a 50 year old Vietnamese mechanic employed by the Marine Force Logistic Command, Da Nang, completes his final repair job on five ton trucks before moving up as a foreman. Tran Phu has worked at Truck Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, for two years and will supervise five other Vietnamese mechanics working there. Promotions for Vietnamese hired by Marine Industrial Relations Offices are based on skill and initiative (official USMC photo by Corporal John S. Krill).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-0197-69: 1969: King of the Road: A Force Logistic Command 'War Wagon', a converted five-ton cargo truck, is readied for one of the daily convoy security runs conducted by Marines of FLC's Truck Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion. Armor plating, radio equipment, and a .50 caliber machine gun make the 'War Wagons' a self-sustaining security vehicle for resupply convoys supporting 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division forces south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal N. W. Myers).
4. Photograph number 2-1580-69: 1969: No Rail Tracks Here: A nearly right angle turn is negotiated by a Marine Force Logistic Command trucker en route to Da Nang from the An Hoa Combat Base. The 18-ton railroad freight car was one of nine transported along the 30-mile convoy route. FLC's Truck Company, headquartered at Camp Books, northwest of Da Nang, furnished the vehicles and drivers for the III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] undertaking to provide Vietnam's National Railroad with freight cars abandoned in the hinterlands near An Hoa. Within five days, all nine cars were delivered to the main railway hub in Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).

**Box 9 Folder 15. Force Logistic Command – Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital (1 of 4)**

1. Photograph number 1-3277-68: 1968: Faces of Hope: An elderly Vietnamese man sits patiently with his ailing grandchild who is waiting for treatment at the outpatient clinic of the new Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at Marine Force Logistic Command headquarters, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. The new medical facility, dedicated January 19, is one of the biggest US civic action projects in South Vietnam. The 120-bed structure has nearly twice the capacity of the old tin and wood hospital it replaced. It will provide extensive medical treatment and care for children in one of Vietnam's fastest growing refugee areas (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-1215-67: 1967: Mule Ride: Giving patients of the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital a ride on a Marine 'mule' while parents watch is HN Michael T. Clifford, of Glasgow, Montana. Marines of Force Logistic Command, Headquartered near Da Nang, gave a party for the children with the ride as an added treat (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. T. Westby).
3. Photograph number 3-3224-68: 1968: Ummmmm: a Navy Hospital corpsman serving with Marine Force Logistic Command makes sure a young Vietnamese boy gets his share of ice cream during a Christmas party for patients at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at the unit's headquarters complex near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal M. Teramoto).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-3223-68: 1968: Hoa Khanh Visit: The US Navy's Chief of Chaplains, Rear Admiral James W. Kelly, greets two Vietnamese boys hospitalized at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, located at Marine Force Logistic Command headquarters, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. Admiral Kelly visited numerous Marine and Navy commands in Vietnam during the Christmas season. Accompanying the admiral are, from left: Navy Captain James T. McDonalds, a chaplain serving with 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, and Navy Lieutenants R. S. Biviano and M. H. Margolis, medical officers serving with Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Jackson).
5. Photograph number FLC 1-0886-69: 1969: A Three-Star Visitor: Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, returns the salutes of a young Vietnamese honor guard at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, northwest of Da Nang. Walt toured the hospital during his latest visit to US Marine forces operating throughout I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone. The Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, located at the headquarters site of Force Logistic Command, is one of the Marine Corps' largest civic action endeavors in Vietnam. It is supported by contributions from servicemen in Vietnam and individuals throughout the United States (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Jackson).
6. Photograph number 3M-4-0061-69: January 1969: Salute to 'Number One': Children at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, Camp Books, Force Logistic Command, form an 'honor guard' for General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, during the general's tour of the hospital facilities. The commandant spent three days visiting

Marine units throughout the northern five provinces of South Vietnam on his third Far Eastern tour in the past 12 months (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. Hoeynck).

7. Photograph number 1-1613-69: 1969: A General Visit: The commander of Marine Force Logistic Command, Brigadier General James A. Feeley, Jr., comforts a young patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang. The hospital is located at the headquarters site of Force Logistic Command, which has supported it on a voluntary basis for over three years. The hospital usually has a daily in-patient count of 120 children while up to 80 children are treated daily at sick call in the outpatient clinic (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-0083-69: January 1969: Happy Visit: Marine Corps Commandant, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., receives salutes from Vietnamese children as he leaves the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, following a short tour through the new medical facility during a visit to Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC) headquarters eight miles northwest of Da Nang, January 11. The new Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, administered by Marines and Navy personnel at FLC, was dedicated January 19. It is one of the largest US civic action projects in South Vietnam. Accompanying General Chapman is FLC command surgeon, Navy Lieutenant Commander Guido H. DiBenedetto (Brooklyn, New York) (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-1753-69: 1969: A Happy Patient: at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital is fitted with clothing by Marine Staff Sergeant Charles Dinkins, Jr. (Selma, Alabama) and Nguyen Thi Khang, head nurse at the hospital. Dinkins distributed clothing and toys sent to him by the congregation of the Lauder Avenue First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
10. Photograph number FLC-2-0616-69: 1969: Helping Hands: A young Vietnamese patient lies patiently and quietly as he is examined by Navy Lieutenant Marvin H. Margolis (Rockford, Illinois) at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital. The boy is one of nearly 130 young patients being treated at the hospital, one of the largest civic action endeavors in Vietnam. Supported by Marine and Navy personnel of Force Logistic Command, it is located in one of Vietnam's fastest growing refugee areas (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).

**Box 9 Folder 16. Force Logistic Command – Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital (2 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-1724-69: 1969: Howdy, Mister: This Vietnamese youngster seems to be enjoying his stay at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital north of Da Nang. The hospital, build and operated by the Marine Corps' Force Logistic Command and co-sponsored by the World Relief Commission, serves refugee children from throughout I Corps. The hospital can handle 120 in-patients and treats several thousand out-patients monthly (official USMC photo).



2. Photograph number FLC-1-1167-69: 1969: Ward Visit: The Military Assistance Command, Vietnam (MACV) surgeon general Army Brigadier General Sturgeon Neal visits with young patients at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC) Headquarters eight miles northwest of Da Nang. Accompanying the top US military medical officer in Vietnam are Navy Lieutenant Commander Guido H. DiBenedetto (center) (Brooklyn, New York), FLC command surgeon and Navy Lieutenant Marvin H. Margolis (Rockford, Illinois), command medical officer. FLC's Navy doctors and hospital corpsmen, working on a volunteer basis, treat hundreds of young Vietnamese each day at the modern facility (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
3. Photograph number FLC-9-1314-69: 1969: It Doesn't Hurt, Doc: A hospital bed can't keep this young Vietnamese boy down. A patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, he is recovering from wounds received in the hip during an enemy rocket attack on Da Nang. One of the largest hospitals of its kind in Southeast Asia, it furnishes extensive medical treatment to refugee children from throughout I Corps. The hospital is supported by contributions from American servicemen and the World Relief Commission (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-0386-69: 1969: Party Time: A young Vietnamese boy receives a present from Marine Private First Class Gary J. Stein (Wilmington, North Carolina), a member of Force Logistic Command (FLC) near Da Nang. Members of FLC held a party for 120 young patients at the Command's new Hoa Khan Children's Hospital, built and operated by Navymen and Marines as part of FLC's extensive Civic Action Program in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John A. Gentry).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-3246-68: 1968: Gift Time: A Vietnamese girl at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, located at Force Logistic Command's headquarters compound, digs into a bag of gifts at a holiday party by Marines for young patients. A new building, scheduled to open January 19, will nearly double the present 70-bed capacity of the hospital (official USMC photo by Corporal M. Teramoto).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-329-69: 1969: The Road to Recovery: Twelve year old Va Van Tai was near death in March, a burn victim in a tragic accident. Today he is slowly but steadily on the road to recovery at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-0648-69: 1969: The Pajama Game: A young Vietnamese patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang tries on one of the 160 sets of pajamas received by the hospital from citizens of Norfolk, Virginia. Assisting the child is Marine Captain Charles T. Hedrick (Norfolk, Virginia), Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command, whose wife was instrumental in collecting at the hospital. She contracted members of the Glengariff Baptist Church in Norfolk and friends and neighbors donated to the shipment. Aiding Hedrick is Nguyen Thi Khang, head nurse at the hospital who

fled Hanoi after the communist takeover (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

8. Photograph number 3D-3-0616-69: 1969: Back Room Boys: Three Vietnamese male patients at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, eight miles northwest of Da Nang, get together for a friendly hand of aces and spades. The hospital, supported by Marines and Navy personnel of Marine Force Logistic Command is one of the largest civic action projects in South Vietnam. It has an in-patient bed capacity of 120 and treats Vietnamese patients of all ages (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-580-69: 1969: Color Me Shy: Being shy is a virtue many Vietnamese children possess. This young miss is no exception, as Marine Captain C. T. Hedrick, Norfolk, Virginia, offers her a coloring book and crayons to help pass the time while she is a patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at Force Logistic Command headquarters near Da Nang. Sixty coloring books and 23 boxes of crayons were distributed to the young patients at the hospital by Hedrick on behalf of Edyth Ferguson and other members of the Ladies Auxiliary, Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #3, in Norfolk, Virginia. The children's hospital is supported primarily by contributions from Force Logistic Command Marines and donations from individuals, business, and civic groups in the United States (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-524-69: 1969: Tender is the Touch: 34 year-old Nguyen Thi Khang, head nurse at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, examines a young patient recovering from leg injuries. Gwen, as she is called, started working at the hospital when it first began in 1965 as little more than an aid station and has watched it grow from a small tent structure into one of the most modern facilities in Southeast Asia She considers this achievement a dream come true (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).

#### **Box 9 Folder 17. Force Logistic Command – Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital (3 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0966-69: 1969: Point of Interest: Navy Lieutenant Commander Guido H. Di Benedetto (Brooklyn, New York) and a young Vietnamese patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang apparently have common interests, even if they don't speak the same language. Di Benedetto, command surgeon at the Marine Force Logistic Command headquartered near Da Nang, is one of four Navy doctors and eight corpsmen who volunteer their time and services treating the young hospitalized patients. The hospital, located at the FLC headquarters complex, is one of the largest of its kind in Southeast Asia. It is supported primarily through contributions from servicemen in Vietnam and donations from civic and business groups in the United States (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number FLC-3-1203-69: 1969: Help for a Sick Child: Head nurse Nguyen Thi Khanh (Gwen) administers medication and comfort to a sick child at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at the huge Marine Force Logistic Command compound eight miles northwest of Da Nang, Vietnam. Gwen supervises 58 nurses and nurse's aides who treat

sick and injured refugee children from villages surrounding the Marine base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

3. Photograph number FLC-1-0946-69: 1969: Alive and Well: Phan Thi Lien, cradled in her mother's arms, receives a check-up at the family home by US Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Cox (Scott Air Force Base, Illinois), Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command (FLC). The two month old baby was dying of pneumonia before Cox arrived and talked the frightened family into taking her to the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at FLC's headquarters compound. Nguyen 'Sam' Van Thor, the child's cousin and an interpreter for Maintenance Battalion summoned Cox and they convinced the parents the girl would not live if she didn't receive proper medical treatment (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-1372-69: 1969: Looking Towards the Future: South Vietnamese children undergoing medical treatment at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang represent the future of the Republic of Vietnam. Insuring the modern medical center will continue to provide extensive treatment for Vietnamese children of all ages after American forces leave Vietnam, the World Relief Commission of Long Island City, New York, has begun to co-sponsorship of the hospital with US Marines (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
5. Photograph number FLC-2-0993-69: 1969: Shot in the Dark: Phan Thi Tai, a 14 year old South Vietnamese girl colors a picture while undergoing treatment at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital of Force Logistic Command. The girl is being treated for an injured foot. She was brought to the hospital by a patrol of US Marines passing through her village of Hoa Khanh, several miles north of Da Nang. The \$150,000 children's hospital was constructed primarily from funds donated to US Marines and Navy personnel from the huge Marine combat support command (official USMC photo by Sergeant Steve Addington).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-0148-69: 1969: International Goodwill: Representatives from two nations, the United States and the Republic of Vietnam, take part in ribbon cutting ceremonies at the dedication of the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. From left are Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, commanding general of Vietnam's I Corps tactical zone; Marine Brigadier General James A. Feeley, Jr., commander of Force Logistic Command; Major General Carl A. Youngsdale, deputy commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force; and the hospital's head nurse, Nguyen Thi Khang. The new hospital building at Camp Jay K. Books, headquarters complex of the III MAF Force Logistic Command, was built with contributions from thousands of servicemen in Vietnam and by donations of money and equipment from people around the world. It offers modern medical treatment for children in one of the fastest growing refugee areas in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).

7. Photograph number FLC-1-460-69: 1969: A Real Lift: Navy Lieutenant Commander James M. Heaster, a pediatrician now assigned to duty at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, gives a lift in spirits to a young South Vietnamese patient. Heaster is the first pediatrician to serve at the hospital since its modest beginning in December 1965. This boy is just one of thousands treated each year at the new, modern facility completed last January. Built and sponsored by Leathernecks of the Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC) and located at the command's headquarters site, the hospital has become one of the most ambitious US civil affairs programs in the Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-3200-68: 1968: Nearing Completion: The small wood and tin structure of the present Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital is dwarfed by a new all-brick and stone 120-bed facility scheduled to open in mid January. The new hospital, located at the headquarters complex of Marine Force Logistic Command near Da Nang will be one of the largest and most modern of its kind in Vietnam. Total value of the new medical facility, fully-equipped, will be about \$300,000. Funds and equipment are voluntarily contributed by FLC Marines and Navy personnel and other interested Vietnam based servicemen. Hoa Khanh started as an 11-bed clinic in late 1965. It recently admitted its 2,000 in-patient for 1968. It has an average of 110 in-patients on a daily basis (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Jackson).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-554-69: 1969: Friendship Spans an Ocean: A young Vietnamese patient at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Cecil R. Clark, Joplin, Missouri. The toy was one of many stuffed animals made by members of Girl Scout Troop 845 at the Tanglen Elementary School in Hopkins, Minnesota for distribution to young patients at the hospital. The modern medical facility, with an in-patient capacity of 120, treats Vietnamese children afflicted with all types of illnesses and injuries. It is supported primarily by donations from Marines of Force Logistic Command, Da Nang, and contributions from individuals, business and civic groups in the United States. The hospital is one of the largest of its kind in Southeast Asia and is located at the headquarters site of Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
10. Photograph number FLC-2-1372-69: 1969: Better This Way: A Vietnamese boy undergoing treatment for a fractured leg at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, near Da Nang, Vietnam, has a good time 'eating' his soft drink with a plastic spoon. He is one of 120 young in-patients receiving free medical care at this modern hospital. It is supported and administered by contributions from personnel of Marine Force Logistic Command. The hospital will soon come under the co-sponsorship of the World Relief Commission, Long Island City, New York, which will eventually assume complete control of the facility (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).

**Box 9 Folder 18. Force Logistic Command – Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital (4 of 4)**

1. Photograph number 1D-5-91-69: 1969: Color Me Happy: Corporal George N. Jerome (Griffith, Indiana), a Marine serving with the Communication Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, talks to a Vietnamese child at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital. Corporal Jerome has written home asking for assistance in collecting toys for Vietnamese children. His plea was answered with gifts gathered by several civic organizations including the Marine Corps League (official USMC photo by Corporal R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-387-69: 1969: Fits Just Right: Nguyen Thi Khang, head nurse at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, Da Nang, checks the fit of an American nurses cap worn by one of her fellow workers. The hospital nurses received the caps from Mrs. Judy Hill of Champaign, Illinois, sister of Navy Hospital Corpsman 2d Class Charles C. Spear, Canton, Massachusetts, who works at the facility on a volunteer basis. The hospital is located at the headquarters site of Marine Force Logistic Command, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
3. Photograph number FLC-3-0386-69: 1969: Happy Day: Lance Corporal David B. Taylor (Minneapolis, Minnesota), a member of the Marine Corps' Force Logistic Command (FLC) near Da Nang, gives presents to a young Vietnamese patient during a visit to the command's Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital. The new \$300,000 hospital provides facilities for 120 children, and is a vital part of FLC's extensive Civic Action Program in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal J. A. Gentry).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-583-68: 1968: Toys, Toys: Lieutenant T. E. Raines (Fort Worth, Texas) distributes toys donated by the Connell and Sagamore Hill Baptist Church of Fort Worth to a couple of anxious boys of the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at Force Logistic Command near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. T. Westby).
5. Photograph number 1-2210-68: 23 August 1968: Student dental technician Bui Thi Thi watches as Navy Lieutenant John A. Campo (Dansville, New York) fills a Marine's tooth at the Force Logistic Command (FLC) near Da Nang. The Vietnamese girl, a former nurse's aide at Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, is learning dental work so she can go back to the hospital and care for the children's teeth. The Children's Hospital is supported and administered by Marines and Navy men of FLC (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).
6. Photograph number 1-1651-68: 28 June 1968: Aids to Kids: Marine Sergeant Kris Harris (left), a radio and television correspondent with the Marines in Vietnam, helps distribute a box of clothing sent to the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital near Da Nang by the 4-H Club. He is helped by a Navy doctor and a Vietnamese nurse from the hospital (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-1091-69: 1969: The Right Cards: Miss Ginny Close (Eau Claire, Wisconsin), an American Red Cross volunteer, visits with Vietnamese patients and Navy Corpsman 3d Class Dan L. Miears (Tioga, North Dakota) at the Hoa Khanh

Children's Hospital, located at the headquarters site of the Marine Force Logistic Command, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. Miss Close made the hospital stop while making her weekly visit to Force Logistic Command Marines. Miears is one of eight Navy corpsmen who volunteer their time and service working at the hospital. It treats children from throughout I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone, and was built primarily through individual donations from servicemen in Vietnam and civic and business organizations in the United States (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).

8. Photograph number FLC-2-329-68: 1968: Ground Breaking: Symbolically opening construction of a new building for Hoa Khan Children's Hospital near Da Nang are, from left: Lieutenant Colonel Le Tri Tin, Quang Nam province chief; Brigadier General Harry C. Olson, commanding general of Marine Force Logistic Command; Rear Admiral J. V. Bartlett, 3d Naval Construction Brigade commander and Hoa Khanh village chief Nguyen Than (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. T. Westby).
9. Photograph number 12-1405-69: 1969: Symbol of Health, Happiness: Marine Brigadier General James A Feeley, Jr. (left), commanding general, Force Logistic Command, explains the history of a wood carving to Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee during the secretary's tour of FLC activities. The statue of two Vietnamese youngsters is located at the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital, voluntarily supported and administered by Marines and Navy personnel of FLC. The statue was donated to the hospital in appreciation of the voluntary work FLC personnel have contributed towards the health of thousands of Vietnamese children (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).

#### **Box 9 Folder 19. Force Logistic Command – Logistic Support Activity**

1. Photograph number 10831-69: 1969: Bomb Inspection: Warrant Officer J. J. Flowers (Orange, California), right, and Gunnery Sergeant J. J. Tyler (Cleveland, Ohio) inspect 2,000-pound bombs at the Force Logistic Command Ammunition Supply Point, Chu Lai. The two Leathernecks are members of Logistic Support Unit 3. The 34 Marines assigned to the ammunition section inspect and inventory all ordnance at the supply point (official USMC photo by Sergeant Kenneth Barth).
2. Photograph number 1-412-69: 1969: Grenade Inspection: Chief Warrant Officer Doyle D. Gracey, Jr., San Jose, California, and Sergeant Phil Burdett, Montgomery, Alabama, serving with Marine Force Logistic Command, inspect a box of hand grenades at Landing Zone Baldy, 30 miles south of Da Nang, before they are shipped to Leathernecks of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines. Gracey is officer in charge of Force Logistic Command's new logistic support unit at LZ Baldy, which supports the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines in operations against enemy forces in the Hiep Duc valley area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-131-68: February 1968: Quick Snack: Marine Lance Corporal E. Ahladun (Parma, Ohio), a forklift operator with the Logistic Support Unit at Khe Sanh,



grabs a fast meal between helicopter arrivals (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).

4. Photograph number 0941: undated: Traffic Controller: The Logistic Support Activity at Vandegrift Combat Base, major resupply center for Leathernecks, makes life busy for the Shore Party Marine who has to direct each helicopter over its external load, to motion it into a stationary hover, often only inches above the heads of Marines who couple the net of supplies to the chopper's belly (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Jim De Witt).
5. Photograph number FLC-2-89-68: 1968: Directing the Flow: Corporal Theodore M. Overly (Livonia, Michigan) checks the level of a 5,000 gallon refueler. The Logistic Support Activity at Quang Tri supplies fuel and ammo to units south of "Leatherneck Square" (official USMC photo by Corporal C. Barckhaus).

#### **Box 9 Folder 20. Force Logistic Command – Maintenance (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-375-69: 1969: Temperamental Teletype: Corporal James W. Bridges, from Rome, Georgia, reassembles a teletype machine at Electronics Maintenance Company, Maintenance Battalion. The company repairs all types of communications equipment, from sensitive radar equipment to small field radios, used by Marine forces in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).
2. Photograph number FLC-4-0331-69: 1969: Engine Repair: A mechanic with Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion, tightens the oil cooler bolts on a five ton truck engine. He knows his job well, and puts in long hours helping to keep the Marine Corps mobile. Top notch engine repair is an absolute necessity, for a driver's life may someday depend on this man's ability. A breakdown in enemy country could prove disastrous (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
3. Photograph number FLC-3-0050-69: 1969: Maintenance Marines: Lance Corporals Larry C. Fleck (left) (Indianapolis, Indiana) and James A. Thomas (Des Moines, Iowa) repair the yoke on the bipod mechanism of an 81mm mortar. The two Leathernecks are attached to the Infantry Weapons Section, Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command, near Da Nang. Maintenance Battalion has the capabilities of repairing nearly every piece of combat equipment used by Marines in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-2523-1968: 1968: Tank Tube: Sergeant Cliff Shelhammer (Harlem, Montana), an artillery repairman with Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion, measures the diameter of 90mm tube from inside a tank. Once the huge tubes have fired a certain number of rounds, they become worn and dangerous. Marines of Maintenance Battalion Artillery Section hold periodic checks, locating tanks scattered throughout the east Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).

5. Photograph number 1-670: undated: Keeping them Banging: Marine Corporal William K. Judge, 19, of Baltimore, Maryland, rebuilds a generator from an 8-inch artillery gun near Da Nang, Vietnam. The gun came in for repairs at Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Shop (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
6. Photograph number 1-610-69: 1969: Bringing it in for Repair: Marine Lance Corporal Lynn E. Johnson, 21 (left), of Mount Holly, New Jersey, unloads retrograde platform trucks at Force Logistic Command Maintenance Battalion near Da Nang. These damaged vehicles are slated for complete refurbishment at Motor Transport Maintenance Company prior to redeployment to the field (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
7. Photograph number 4-375-69: 1969: Baker's Dozen: Reconditioned M-38 jeeps are lined up at Maintenance Battalion near Da Nang after leaving Motor Transport Maintenance Company in like-new condition. A modification program underway at the battalion transforms reconditioned M-38s into radio jeeps (official USMC photo by Corporal Trygg Hansen).
8. Photograph number 1-0200-69: 1969: Night Work: Marine Lance Corporal Mike Hunter (Wilmington, Delaware) and Private First Class Clarence Hudson (Russel, Kentucky) repair the engine of a 'mechanical mule' at Force Logistic Command's Material Handling Equipment maintenance shop near Da Nang. The small flatbed vehicle is used primarily to transport rations and ammunition in forward combat areas (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
9. Photograph number 1-3143-68: 1968: Ready for Action: Lance Corporal John M. Rodenborn (Fort Dodge, Iowa), Small Arms Section, Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command, makes final adjustments on a 106mm recoilless rifle. The powerful weapon is but one of many Rodenborn is trained to repair, either in the Maintenance Battalion shop near Da Nang or in the field with a contact team. He attended eight weeks of school at Quantico, Virginia to learn how to repair all types of small arms, mortars, and recoilless rifles (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. G. Gunn).
10. Photograph number FLC-2-0050-69: 1969: Almost Ready: Marine Lance Corporal James E. Maunt (San Jose, California) adjusts the sights of a 40mm grenade launcher being repaired at Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command, near Da Nang. Maunt serves with the battalions Infantry Weapons Section, which has the facilities to repair nearly every type of combat weapons used by Leathernecks in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).

**Box 9 Folder 21. Force Logistic Command – Maintenance (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-519-69: 1969: Dirty Duds: Marine Private Larry L. Keller, Takoma Park, Maryland, hoists a large bundle of soiled Marine jungle uniforms to place them in a field laundry unit. Keller serves with Support Company, Headquarters and

Service Battalion, Force Logistic Command (FLC). His laundry unit handles washing chores for Leathernecks FLC's Maintenance Battalion and the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).

2. Photograph number FLC-3-2236-68: 26 August 1968: Big Lift: Loading a boxed vehicle engine on a truck is a crane at Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion. The battalion, base near Da Nang, repairs combat equipment for all units of the III Marine Amphibious Force (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-0112-69: 1969: A Trained Eye: Lance Corporal Maylon Bramlette (Brooklyn, New York) examines one of the typewriters brought to him for repair. Bramlette and five other Marines man two office machine repair vans from General Supply Maintenance Company, Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command. The six Marines have been keeping these machines in the office—and out of the shop—by traveling through the Da Nang cleaning and repairing office equipment (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
4. Photograph number FLC 2-1982-68: 29 July 1968: Busy Shop: Marines of Force Logistic Command's Motor Transport Maintenance Company work on trucks brought in by combat units for repair. The company, a unit of Maintenance Battalion, near Da Nang, repairs vehicles for all III Marine Amphibious Force units (official USMC photo by Sergeant Izzy Siev).
5. Photograph number FLC-4-69-68: 1968: Hot Work: Welder from Maintenance Company's welding shop works to repair a 'Butler' building (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
6. Photograph number FLC-2-565-68: March 1968: One Manpower: Corporal Paul Vissers (Green Bay, Wisconsin) checks out a possible power train for his go-cart, which he will run in the annual Da Nang '500' May 31, held by Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command. Paul's source of power is his brother, Leroy (official USMC photo by Sergeant Andrew M. Chambers).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-565-68: 1968: Ye Old Pool Hall: Marines of FLCs Maintenance Battalion relax while enjoying a game of billiards in the special services billiard room (official USMC photo by Sergeant Andrew M. Chambers).
8. Photograph number FLC-5-1141-67: 1967: Tent City: Preventative Maintenance Indicators demonstration by a five-man team from FLC's Maintenance Battalion draws an interested crowd of officers and NCOs. The 'five-ring circus' is slated for a tour throughout I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant Andrew M. Chambers).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-0102-69: 1969: Body and Fender Shop: Where there are fenders there are bound to be fender-benders. Vietnam is no exception. Marine Lance Corporal Gary Kay (Brooklyn, Michigan) a fender bender of sorts, bangs out his job at

Maintenance Company, Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command. The body and fender shop is just one of the busy shops in the Marine Maintenance Company (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).

10. Photograph number 6-0328-69: 1969: Tube Test: Marine Lance Corporal Don Whitaker (Buena Park, California), Maintenance Company, Force Logistic Command (FLC), at An Hoa, tests a 105mm howitzer tubes for worn parts. A member of a FLC artillery repair team, Whitaker often travels to remote artillery fire bases to make repairs and adjustment to the weapons (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).

**Box 9 Folder 22. Force Logistic Command – Maintenance (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 1-0050-69: 1969: Fixing Firepower: Marines of the Infantry Weapons Section, Maintenance Battalion, Marine Force Logistic Command, near Da Nang, work on a 105mm howitzer brought in from a fire support base for repair. The battalion's IWS can perform maintenance on nearly every type of combat weapons used by Marines in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
2. Photograph number 1-3155-68: 1968: Thank You: With an appreciative smile a sincere 'Thank You,' Nghi-An hamlet chief Nguyen Thu, presents Lance Corporal Thomas R. Wyble (Lebanon, Pennsylvania) a Vietnamese Certificate of Appreciation. Nine other Marines from the Industrial Relations Office (IRO), Maintenance Battalion, Force Logistic Command, were presented similar awards for their assistance in reconstructing 75 Vietnamese homes destroyed in a fire last summer near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. G. Gunn).
3. Photograph number 2-2568-68: 1968: Torch Scorch: Marine Corporal Robert Vaudereuil (Pawtucket, Rhode Island) uses his acetylene welder on a cracked pipe. Vaudereuil works at the Logistical Support Unit Welding Shop (LSU) located at An Hoa. The LSU is a sub-unit of the Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion and supports the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment. Much of the work accomplished by the shop is connected with repairing tanks and amphibious tractors. Numerous items which ordinarily would be ordered from rear area supply points are manufactured. Recently, telephone poles were constructed from discarded 155mm howitzer shell casings (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-1982-68: 29 July 1968: Made for Walking: Private First Class Gaetano E. Lisuzzo (Franklin Park, Illinois) repairs a pair of combat boots at the General Supply Maintenance Company's Shoe Repair Shop near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant I. Siev).
5. Photograph number 3D-1-165-68: 1968: Maintenance: A skimmer boat 'skipper' performs maintenance on his 35 hp power plant. Minor repairs are performed by boat crews themselves. For major repairs, outboard engines are sent to the Quang Tri Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant John McCullough).

### **Box 9 Folder 23. Force Logistic Command – NCO Leadership School**

1. Photograph number 2-1098-69: 1969: On Target: A Marine receives refresher training with the M-60 machine gun at the Force Logistic Command Noncommissioned Officers Leadership School near Da Nang. The school is set up for junior NCOs who are working as cooks, clerks, and supply personnel at the huge logistic support command. The school is unique within the Marine Corps because personnel conduct actual combat patrols, often finding surprise firing devices, bunker complexes, and the enemy (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertlow).
2. Photograph number FLC-6-347-69: 1969: Daily Happening: Staff Sergeant Fred Johnson, one of three instructors currently putting young NCOs through the rigorous leadership school, checks weapons and personal appearance daily (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
3. Photograph number FLC-2-347-69: 1969: Close Attention Will Pay Off: Surrounded by examples of North Vietnamese Army and Viet Cong equipment and weapons, students attending the FLC NCO School are thoroughly acquainted with as much information as possible to aid them in becoming better leaders of Marines (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
4. Photograph number FLC-4-347-69: 1969: Scouting the Route: An advance element for the school's daytime combat patrol checks out best possible routes and signs of enemy presence. Their training in map and compass reading proves invaluable at a time like this (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-347-69: 1969: Moving Out: Proceeding with their patrol after carefully checking out the area, three Leathernecks of the NCO School's combat patrol present a formidable threat to any enemy attempting to operate in the area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
6. Photograph number 1-2758-68: 1968: Tunnel Trouble: Marine Lance Corporal Ronald L. Calhoun (McAllister, Oklahoma) squeezes out a Vietnamese bunker complex during a patrol conducted by the Force Logistic Command's NCO Leadership School. During the day-long patrol, a village was cordoned off and thoroughly searched by the students (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
7. Photograph number FLC-4-1098-69: 1969: Which Way: A Marine attending the Force Logistic Command (FLC) Noncommissioned Officer Leadership school brushes up on his compass and map reading. The school trains Marines in all phases of small unit tactics and operations. Approximately 1,000 junior NCOs attended the school each year (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).

8. Photograph number FLC-3-1098-69: 1969: Inspections in Vietnam: Yes! Marines attending the Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School at Force Logistic Command near Da Nang receive periodic inspections to insure combat readiness. The NCO Leadership School, lasting 10 days, is part of the continuing training a Marine receives to increase his effectiveness in combat. Approximately 1,000 Marines attend the school yearly (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-1098-68: 1968: Love Those C-Rations: Marine Staff Sergeant William J. Shank (North Miami Beach, Florida), an instructor at the Force Logistic Command Noncommissioned Officers Leadership School, contemplates canned beef and noodles for lunch while on a break during a combat patrol. Students attending the school take part in actual combat patrols (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
10. Photograph number 3-2758-68: 1968: Mud Marauders: Students from the Force Logistic Command's NCO Leadership School wade thru rice paddy mud as the squad approaches a village. The combat patrol has been included in the school's curriculum. It is designed to give Leathernecks an opportunity to apply principles stressed during the 10-day leadership course (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).

**Box 9 Folder 24. Force Logistics Command – Provisional Rifle Company (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-2-261-69: 1969: Fill 'Er Up: Marine Staff Sergeant H. E. Strayer (Huntington, Pennsylvania) receives assistance from a Vietnamese boy as he fills his canteens at a water well northwest of Da Nang. The Pennsylvania Leatherneck is a member of Marine Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company, which provides security for the command's headquarters complex and surrounding hamlets (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
2. Photograph number FLC-3-0322-69: 1969: Howdy Ma'am: A Marine of Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company pauses during a recent cordon and search operation near Da Nang to strike up a friendship with a Vietnamese child. The unit was looking for Viet Cong suspects and possible enemy weapons caches (official USMC photo by Corporal M. Teramoto).
3. Photograph number FLC-4-0635-69: 1969: Cover Me: A Marine of Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company searches a house during a cordon and search operation in Xuan Thieu Hamlet 10 miles north of Da Nang. The Marines, captured two Viet Cong and a number of suspects were detained (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
4. Photograph number FLC-2-0635-69: 1969: Coming In: Looking for Viet Cong and enemy weapons, a Marine from the Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company enters a hut during a cordon and search operation of Xuan Thieu Hamlet 10 miles north of Da Nang. The Marines captured two Viet Cong and several suspects (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).



5. Photograph number FLC-1-0635-69: Up Tight: A Marine of Force Logistic Command Provisional Rifle Company probes for enemy weapons and spider holes during a cordon and search operation of Xuan Thieu hamlet 10 miles north of Da Nang. The company, composed of office clerks, mechanics, supply men, and other support personnel of FLC, found no weapons, but captured several Viet Cong (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
6. Photograph number FLC-3-0635-69: 1969: Easy Does It: Two Marines from the Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company take it slow and easy while looking for Viet Cong in Xuan Thieu hamlet 10 miles north of Da Nang. The two Marines were part of an early morning cordon and search operation conducted by the command's Provisional Rifle Company. The unit is composed of bakers, warehousemen, forklift drivers, and other support personnel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Nick Myers).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-1064-69: 1969: At the Ready: Marine Private First Class Walter M. Kozdranski (Niagara Falls, New York) cautiously searches a marshy area for suspected enemy activity while on a sweep with Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company. In two days of searching, the command's reaction-and-security force destroyed 25 enemy hiding places northwest of Camp Books, headquarters site of FLC's supply and support complex (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-0838-69: 1969: In the Haystack???: Marine Private W. O. Seigler (Garfield, New Jersey) a member of Marine Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company, searches for the proverbial 'needle in the haystack,' which in Vietnam usually means weapons and food caches. The rifle company, composed of bakers, warehouse, and supply men, see double duty as a reaction and security unit for the command (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
9. Photograph number FLC-1-0322-69: 1969: This Way: A Marine radio operator of the Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company gives directions to Vietnamese villagers during a search and clear operation near Da Nang. In order to effectively search to the area, all villagers were temporarily moved to collection points where the sick were treated and the people screened for possible enemy suspects (official USMC photo by Captain D. G. Menely).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-1067-69: 1969: Just Try It: Lance Corporal John Anderson (Cincinnati, Ohio) checks his fields of fire while providing security for Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company operating northwest of Da Nang. The unit was searching for enemy tunnel and bunker complexes. The results were some 20 enemy tunnel and bunker complexes (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Coder).

**Box 9 Folder 25. Force Logistics Command – Provisional Rifle Company (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-0663-69: 1969: It'll Fit: Marine Lance Corporal Kelly S. Smith (Matawan, New Jersey) passes out clothing to a Vietnamese woman and child during a patrol northwest of Da Nang. Smith, a radio operator with the Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company, received the clothing from home to distribute to the Vietnamese (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
2. Photograph number FLC-3-1064-69: 1969: Not Deep But Cool: A Vietnamese stream provides a welcome relief for hot feet of members of Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company during a sweep north of Da Nang. The Marine platoon uncovered about 25 enemy bunkers and tunnel complexes. The FLC unit serves as the command's reaction force and helps provide security for villages and hamlets near the FLC headquarters area (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
3. Photograph number FLC-2-1064-69: 1969: Looking for the Enemy: The point element of Marine Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company fords one of the many streams northwest of Da Nang, Vietnam, in search of suspected enemy activity. In two days of searching and probing, FLC's security force destroyed about 25 enemy bunker and spider hole complexes. The FLC unit serves as the command's reaction force and provides security throughout villages and hamlets around FLC headquarters complex at Camp Books, eight miles northwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Frank Fox).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-264-69: 1969: Sloggy Search: Three Leathernecks of Marine Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company push through a rice paddy in search of enemy activity northwest of Da Nang. The unit provides security for the command's massive headquarters complex and surrounding hamlets and refugee areas (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
5. Photograph number FLC-2-932-68: 1968: Patrol Action: Marine Corporal Dennis L. Kendrick (Memphis, Tennessee) rushes to a covering position while his platoon commander dictates a message to a radio operator. Members of the Provisional Rifle Platoon of Force Logistic Command's Maintenance Battalion were on a sweep near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Izzy Siev).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-932-68: April 1968: Patrol: Marines of Maintenance Battalion's Provisional Rifle Platoon carry out a sweep through a village near Da Nang. Regular duties of the maintenance Leathernecks is helping repair and maintain combat equipment used by the 80,000 Marines in the I Corps Tactical Zone. As an additional duty, many of the Marines serve in the Provisional Rifle Platoon, helping keep the area cleared of the enemy. Maintenance Battalion is a unit of Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Sergeant Izzy Siev).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-0663-69: 1969: All Clear: Marine Lance Corporal Edward Tuthill (Lynchburg, Virginia) emerges from a Viet Cong bunker after checking it for enemy weapons and supplies during a patrol northwest of Da Nang. Tuthill is a member

of the Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company, which serves as the command's security and reaction force (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).

**Box 9 Folder 26. Force Logistic Command – Supply Battalion**

1. Photograph number 1-3224-68: 1968: All Mine: A Vietnamese boy carefully opens a package of candy during a Christmas party for orphans from the Da Nang area, given by Marines of Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Corporal M. Teramoto).
2. Photograph number 1-3218-68: 1968: Christmas Buddies: A Marine from Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command, makes friends with a Vietnamese boy during a Christmas party for orphans near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Coder).
3. Photograph number 2-0233-69: 1969: Daily Check-up: Navy Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles Messengill (Arkansas City, Kansas), of Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command, checks a patient for respiratory ailments during his daily rounds at Phuoc Xuan village northeast of Da Nang. Respiratory diseases, such as tuberculosis, are a common ailment among refugee villagers. Daily check-ups are designed to catch these and other diseases before they become serious. As many as 900 patients are checked each week by Messengill (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).
4. Photograph number 1-52069: 1969: And They're Free: Marine Staff Sergeant Ross A. Riepman, Memphis, Tennessee, sets out a few of the 200 dozen donuts made daily at Force Logistic Command's donut shop at Camp Books, Da Nang. In addition to providing units in the field with fresh donuts, the shop, operated by Rations Company, Supply Battalion, has a serve-yourself section where US and allied servicemen can help themselves to donuts and a hot cup of coffee or a cold drink. Riepman said, 'The Marines that come in here from the field really appreciate the service. They like it so much that we use about 180 gallons of milk each day, along with 80 gallons of fruit drink and 30 gallons of iced tea.' Over 3,000 paper cups are used daily by patrons of the serve-yourself donut shop (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant C. B. Simmons).
5. Photograph number 1-691-68: 1968: California Aid: Two Vietnamese children try on clothing donated by the Overseas Officers Wives Club of Camp Pendleton, California. Helping the youngsters is Lance Corporal James E. Carney (Long Island City, New York), a member of the Civil Affairs team at Supply Battalion, Force Logistic Command. Included in the shipment were 200 pounds of soap (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. M. Chambers).
6. Photograph number 1-560-69: 1969: Fixing on a Forklift: Marine Lance Corporal David R. Summers of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, strings temporary electrical wire with the aid of a forklift drive. Summers works at Force Logistic Command (FLC) Supply Battalion where he boxes supplies for shipment in and out of Vietnam. Located near Da

Nang, Supply Battalion, FLC, stores, crates, and directs needed supplies to Marines throughout Vietnam's five northern provinces (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

7. Photograph number FLC-1-497-69: 1969: Radio 'Relay': Marine Sergeant Alejo A. Apodaca, Montebello, California, packs radio equipment into a shipping container for delivery from Force Logistic Command (FLC) to a Leatherneck communications unit operating somewhere in I Corps. The 32 year old sergeant is a member of Fleet Stock Account, a section of FLC's Supply Battalion, which distributes nearly all types of combat equipment, weapons, vehicles, and replacement parts to units of the III Marine Amphibious Force (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-0966-69: 1969: From the Halls of Montezuma to the Shores of Tripoli: Two Force Logistic Command Marines are serving together in Vietnam after living up to these words from the Marines Hymn. First Sergeant A. T. Oates (Marion, Indiana) (left) and Master Sergeant R. H. Miller (Fountain Valley, California) attended Marine Security Guard School together in Washington, DC, in 1966. Miller went to serve with the Marine Security Guard, American Embassy, Mexico City, where the Halls of Montezuma are located. Oates was assigned to the American Embassy at Tripoli, Libya. The two veteran Leathernecks are now assigned to FLC's Supply Battalion (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto) [2 copies].
9. Photograph number 1-0233-69: 1969: Sewing School: A young Vietnamese girl from Phuoc Xuan village near Da Nang alters a dress at her village sewing class. The school is sponsored by the Civil Affairs Office of Force Logistic Command's Supply Battalion, which distributed CARE sewing kits, clothing, and materials donated by United States civilian organizations (official USMC photo by Corporal John Krill).

**Box 9 Folder 27. Force Logistic Support Group A [FLSG-A] (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3-2156-68: 15 August 1968: Food for the Field: Marine Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Gerald O'Dell (Pottstown, Pennsylvania) a forklift driver with Force Logistic Support Group A (FLSG-A) Supply Company moves a crate of C rations to waiting vehicles for delivery to other units. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports allied forces operation in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).
2. Photograph number 4-2156-68: 15 August 1968: Bread Batch: Marine Lance Corporal Albert Jones (Levittown, Pennsylvania) mixes a batch of bread dough at the Force Logistic Support Group A bakery. Besides bread, the bakery platoon makes ice cream, pizzas, and doughnuts for delivery to the men in the field. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports allied forces operating in the northern I Corps area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).

3. Photograph number 6-2156-68: 15 August 1968: Dairy Delight: Marine Sergeant T. G. Brennan (Cudahy, Wisconsin) noncommissioned officer in charge of the Force Logistic Support Group A (FLSG-A) ice cream plant, fills a container with freshly made ice cream. The ice cream is delivered to units in the field. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports allied forces operating in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).
4. Photograph number FLC-1-0046-69: 1969: Repair-Rebuild: Marine Lance Corporal James Harrison (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) of Force Logistic Support Group Alpha reassembles and M-16 rifle at Camp Jay K. Books, near Da Nang. The rebuild section has refurbished over 50,000 weapons since going into full swing ten months ago. The weapons are repaired on an assembly line basis and the section is capable of turning out a reconditioned M-16 every 60 seconds (official USMC photo by Corporal W. A. Jackson).
5. Photograph number 1-2156-68: 15 August 1968: Sight Alignment: Private Thomas Myers (Minneapolis, Minnesota) aligns the sights of a panoramic telescope used on 105mm and 155mm howitzers. Myers is a member of Force Logistic Support Group A Optic Section which repairs and maintains sights and mounts on gunnery ranging from 20-pound 60mm mortars to 96,000 pound howitzers. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports allied forces in Northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).
6. Photograph number 2-2596-68: 1968: Eye Check: Corpsman (HM3) A. J. Mohr (Raymond, South Dakota) examines a young Vietnamese boy's eye. The child lives in the rural hamlet of Hoa Da Dong, located northwest of Phu Bai. Mohr is a member of the Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha's civil affairs team. Headquartered at Phu Bai, the team holds seven weekly Medical Civic Action Programs—popularly called MEDCAPs. During the past 11 months Mohr and other team members have treated more than 800 patients a week (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
7. Photograph number 4-2596-68: 1968: Global Journey: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant G. D. Rohlfson (Fairbault, Minnesota) traces Magellan's voyage around the globe for sisters of the Mai Khoi School. During his English classes he uses the globe as a visual teaching aid. Rohlfson, officer-in-charge of the Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha's civic action team, spends more than six hours a week teaching English. Headquartered at Phu Bai, Rohlfson's team travels to Hue City twice a week to the school located in the heart of the ancient imperial capital (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
8. Photograph number 1-2126-68: 12 August 1968: Water for Refugees: The minister of the Phu Luong Evangelical Church holds the bucket while Lt. Kenneth Kemp (Los Angeles, California), Protestant Chaplain for Force Logistic Support Group A, pumps the first water from a well dedicated to the church. The well was built by the FLSG-A Civic Action Team and will provide hundreds of refugees with fresh water. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports combat units in Northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. E. Lafferty).

9. Photograph number 1-1896-68: 1968: Reunion: Master Sergeant Jimmy Thrasher and his son Doran, a rifleman with the 3d Marine Regiment, present clothing to villagers of Phu Duong village near Phu Bai. Thrasher, serving with Force Logistic Support Group Alpha at Phu Bai, received the items from citizens and organizations in San Diego, and presented them during a Vietnam reunion with his son (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).
10. Photograph number 1-2248-68: 28 August 1968: Thanks: Accepting a \$1,000 donation to the Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital is a tiny patient held by HN2 Raymond G. Phillips, USN (Wildwood, Florida). The donation, from the men of the Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha based at Phu Bai, is presented by the group's chaplain, Lieutenant Richard D. Kemp (Los Angeles, California). The hospital near Da Nang is supported and administered by Marines and Navy men of the Force Logistic Command. Chaplain Kemp is the brother of professional football star Jack Kemp (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).

**Box 9 Folder 28. Force Logistic Support Group A [FLSG-A] (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-1145-69: 1969: Bright Breech: Marine Staff Sergeant S. S. Price (Carey, Idaho) uses a trouble light on an extension cord to make a routine check on the tube of one the Marine Corps' new 175mm self-propelled guns. The huge weapons are now being used by the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, south of Da Nang. Price is an artillery repairman with Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha and operates from the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Coder).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-0133-69: 1969: That's No Yarn: Actually it is. It's Marine Lance Corporal Jimmy D. Yard (Georgetown, Mississippi) checking a piece of canvas at the fabric shop, Force Logistic Support Group Alpha, Force Logistic Command, just north of Da Nang. Believe it or not, that's no Yarn, either (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
3. Photograph number FLC-5-21-68: 15 August 1968: Marine Mechanics: Marine Corporal Ezra Carter, left (St. Petersburg, Florida) and Lance Corporal Jerry Marks (Wichita, Kansas) work on an engine at Force Logistic Support Group A Organic Motor Transport Section. Contact teams are sent to the field to repair vehicles which can't be brought in. FLSG-A, a unit of Force Logistic Command, supplies and supports allied forces operating in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).
4. Photograph number FLC-5-1145-69: 1969: Lookin' Good: Marine Lance Corporals Don Whitaker (left) (Buena Park, California) and Ron Woodward (Kearns, Utah) repair the cradle mechanism on a 105mm howitzer at the An Hoa Combat Base south of Da Nang, Vietnam. The two Marines are attached to the ordnance maintenance section of Force Logistic Support Group Alpha, which is responsible for repair and maintenance of all



artillery pieces used by the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Coder).

5. Photograph number FLC-6-1145-69: 1969: Just Checkin': Marine Staff Sergeant W. W. Marcum (Carlsbad, California) inspects a field generator for damage following an enemy mortar attack against US Marine positions south of Da Nang, Vietnam. Marcum is a member of the electronics maintenance section of Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha operating out of the An Hoa Combat Base (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Coder).
6. Photograph number FLC-4-1145-69: 1969: Getting Sighted In: Sergeant G. A. Gonzales (Isleta, New Mexico) Marine Force Logistic Support Group Alpha (FLSG-A) makes sight adjustments on a 105mm howitzer of the 11<sup>th</sup> Marines south of Da Nang, Vietnam. Gonzales is a member of an artillery repair contact team which travels to fire support bases throughout the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division area of operations in Quang Nam for on-the-spot maintenance (official USMC photo by Sergeant Joe Coder).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-1584-68: 18 June 1968: Traveling Repairmen: A Marine contact from Ordnance Maintenance Platoon, Force Logistic Support Group Alpha in Phu Bai, makes on the spot repairs in the field on a Marine 105mm howitzer. Contact teams from all maintenance sections of the Marine unit are continually in the field servicing all types of equipment to maintain operational effectiveness (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-3144-68: 1968: Before and After: The first Project-10 reconditioned M-54 truck rolls past an unserviceable sister truck at Force Logistic Support Group Alpha (FLSG-A), Da Nang. Project-10 is an extensive rehabilitation program involving 135 unserviceable M-54's. Within 90 days, the motor transport section, Maintenance Company, FLSG-A is scheduled to have 85 of these in a completed rebuilt condition to be turned over to Republic of Korea forces. Repairs and rehabilitation include everything from replacing windshields to rebuilding engines. FLSG-A is a unit of Marine Force Logistic Command, which furnishes logistic and service support for Republic of Korea forces (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal G. G. Gunn).
9. Photograph number FLC-2-2156-68: 15 August 1968: Final Check: Staff Sergeant Richard Booth (Springfield, Massachusetts) an inspector for Force Logistic Support A, Small Arms Repair Section, gives an M-60 machine gun a final check. FLSG-A, a unit of the Force Logistic Command, supports combat units operating in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. M. Baker).
10. Photograph number FLC-3-69-68: 1968: Field Laundry: The combination washer and dryer machine at FLSG-A does 60 lbs. of clothing in 45 minutes. There are also laundry facilities at Khe Sanh and Camp Evans for outlying units (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).

11. Photograph number FLC-7-69-68: 1968: In the Dough: Bakers prepare 150,000 loaves of bread monthly at the FLSG-A bakery (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).

**Box 9 Folder 29. Force Logistic Support Group B [FLSG-B] (1 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-7-0151-69: 1969: Supply Never Stops: When the sun sets, Marines from Force Logistic Support Group Bravos Supply Company just turn on the lights. Workloads rarely change pace from day to night. Here a forklift loads artillery shells on a roughrider convoy truck that will leave the following morning for Vandegrift Combat Base, located in the northwestern corner of Vietnam's I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
2. Photograph number 1-0513-69: 1969: It's Not All That Bad!: Marine Captain R. W. Crum (1207 East Hurd, Edmond, Oklahoma) assures an apprehensive Vietnamese hamlet chief that 'American chow' served on paper plates is really quite delicious. Still looking doubtful, the chief accepts the plate of meat, rice, potatoes, peas, and gravy during a Marine sponsored dinner for village and hamlet officials. Crum is the civil affairs officer for Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, headquartered at the Dong Ha Combat Base in the northernmost section of Vietnam's I Corps. The dinner, attended by more than 50 Vietnamese, was held in the small rural hamlet of Thon Trung Chi (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
3. Photograph number 1-0984-69: 1969: Corpsman Battles Dreaded Disease: Navy Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles Zahn (San Bernardino, California) inoculates a young Vietnamese boy in Dong Ha, located just below South Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). A recent outbreak of plague among Vietnamese in the area prompted a large-scale inoculation program by American medical personnel. Zahn, a member of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, treated more than 100 orphans and village children. Like this boy, many were apprehensive of the 'bac si' (doctor) and his 'shots' (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
4. Photograph number 1-0484-69: 1969: Orphans Touch Marine's Heart: Staff Sergeant Jack E. Wettig (Lancaster, Pennsylvania) spends many hours with the children at a small orphanage near the Dong Ha Combat Base. Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's civil affairs section and concerned Leathernecks provide for the orphanage (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. R. Nystrom).
5. Photograph number 7-2591-68: 1968: Chow Time: Tet Nhi Dong or mid-autumn festival is feast time as Navy Chaplain Joseph R. Grosko (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) helps serve rice to children at Dong Ha. In addition to the Vietnamese staple, the feast, sponsored by Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, a unit of Marine Force Logistic Command, featured fried chicken, gravy, milk, and ice cream (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).

6. Photograph number 1-0512-69: 1969: Vietnamese-Marine Project Puts Fresh Water in Hamlet: Marines from Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (FLSG-B) assist Vietnamese as they install a hand pump, completing a two-month 'self-help' project. The water pump, being primed by Sergeant J. Frye (Salem, Oregon), left, and Staff Sergeant J. E. Wettig (Lancaster, Pennsylvania) was provided by the Leathernecks. Vietnamese of Luong An hamlet, less than eight miles from the DMZ, dug the well and made the well casings (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
7. Photograph number 1-1002-69: 1969: Review and Gong and Drum: Vietnamese Boy and Girl Scouts from Trung Chi village are reviewed by Thien Chanh Liem, a Buddhist Bonzeman, during rededication ceremonies at the village's new temple. The scouts were brought to attention with the sound of gong and drum roll from inside the temple. Located near Dong Ha Combat Base, in the northern South Vietnamese province, the temple was built with the help of the civil affairs section of Marine Force Logistic Support Group Bravo. Marines of the civil affairs team were honored guests at the ceremonies (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
8. Photograph number 1-0511-69: 1969: A Time For Celebration: Marine Captain R. W. Crum (Edmond, Oklahoma), eats with Vietnamese elder from the hamlets of Than Trung Chi, Than Phuong Gia and Tron Luong An. The meal was provided by Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, a Marine Corps supply and support unit near Vietnam's demilitarized zone. Crum is officer-in-charge of civil affairs for the group and works with these elders daily (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
9. Photograph number FLC-4-1151-68: 10 May 1968: Model Facility: Marine Corporal David Lawton (Central Park West, New York City, New York) examines a model of the 'Dickey Chapelle Memorial Hospital' at Chu Lai. The model includes a new proposed wing (right) and the separate kitchen (right, rear) built by Marines of Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
10. Photograph number FLC-2-115-68: 10 May 1968: Memorial: Dr. Phan Thi, head of the Dickey Chapelle Memorial Hospital in Chu Lai, talks with Marines and Navy men from Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, which helps support the hospital. With Dr. Thi are, from left, Hospitalman 2d Class Joseph P. Moran (Levittown, New York), Corporal David Lawton (Central Park West, New York City), and Hospitalman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Dan Brooks (Wichita Falls, Texas). The plaque at the flagpole's base dedicates the hospital to Miss Chapelle, a war correspondent who was killed near Chu Lai in 1965 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).

**Box 9 Folder 30. Force Logistic Support Group B [FLSG-B] (2 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-115-68: 10 May 1968: Chapelle Hospital: Dickey Chapelle Memorial Hospital in Chu Lai is supported by Marines and Navy men of Supply

Company, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo. The hospital serves Ly Tin district (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).

2. Photograph number FLC-5-115-68: 10 May 1968: Team Effort: Two Navy medical Corpsmen and a Vietnamese hospital attendant discuss a patient's broken leg at the Dickey Chapelle Memorial Hospital in Chu Lai. Hospitalman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Dan Brooks (Wichita Falls, Texas) and Hospitalman 2d Class Joseph P. Moran (Levittown, New York), serve with Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, which helps support the hospital (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. A. Jackson).
3. Photograph number 2-0484-69: 1969: A 'Different' Engagement: Marine Staff Sergeant Jack E. Wattig (Lancaster, Pennsylvania), makes final adjustments on a newly installed pump in the hamlet of Luong An, located less than eight miles from Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. Providing self-help to more than 1,000 Vietnamese is the responsibility of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's civil affairs section (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
4. Photograph number FLC-2-0984-69: 1969: Pocketful of Punch: In the Republic of Vietnam, almost anything can be found in a Marine's trouser pocket—chow, bandages, tools, paperback books, radios. But seldom is a member of the canine corps bouncing along, especially one with such a look of sheer contempt on his face. This pup's mother died shortly after her litter was born and a Marine from Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at the Dong Ha Combat Base raised him with an eye dropper, an alarm clock, and a heat lamp (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-3181-68: 1968: Sets Up Shop: An important member of any Medical Civic Action Program (MEDCAP) is the Vietnamese interpreter. He questions patients and explains the doctor's instructions. A young Vietnamese boy, who Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at Dong Ha Combat Base call 'Tommy,' does most of the translating for the unit's newly organized Civil Affairs Section. Here Tommy takes his place at the examining table as Navy Lieutenant R. J. Roning (Vermillion, South Dakota) and Hospitalman T. A. Smith (Bowling Green, Missouri) set up for a MEDCAP in the hamlet of Trung Chi near Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number FLC-1-0048-69: 1969: Dusty Roads: Clouds of billowing dust are created by a Marine truck convoy on its way to Vandegrift Combat Base in northwestern I Corps. The fuel tanker (left, foreground) belongs to the Refueler Platoon of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, based at Dong Ha. The platoon makes the dusty 23 mile trip daily in its mission of supplying fuel for nearly all vehicles and aircraft operating in northern I Corps (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary G. Gunn).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-1538-69: 1969: Foremost Providers: Private First Class Jim Bark (Racine, Wisconsin) unloads a case of one-pint milk cartons onto a roller ramp leading to cold storage reefers at Dong Ha Combat Base. Force Logistic Support Group

Bravo, Dong Ha, is the main distributor of milk to Marine units in the northern areas of I Corps. It is shipped from Da Nang to the northern area by US Navy vessels (official USMC photo by Corporal Trygg Hansen).

8. Photograph number FLC-3-1315-69: 1969: Always a Good Sight: Leatherneck infantrymen of the 3d Marine Division watch a Force Logistic Command's convoy truck loaded with artillery ammunition roll down Vietnam's Highway 9 towards Vandegrift Combat Base in the northwest reaches of South Vietnam. The convoys, operated by Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at the Dong Ha Combat Base, make the run nearly every day to provide food, ammunition, and combat supplies to 3d Marine Division units (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
9. Photograph number FLC-2-0837-69: 1969: Curiosity and the Colonel: A Vietnamese youngster seems intent on discovering everything there is about his new friend. Marine Colonel H. L. Parsons (Oceanside, California), commanding officer of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo was visiting the Dong Ha Orphanage when he found his curious new friend. FLSG-B is the major contributor of civic action supplies and clothing to the orphanage, located less than eight miles from Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
10. Photograph number FLC-3-0837-69: 1969: A Time for Thanks: Children and friends of the Dong Ha Orphanage listen attentively as Nguyen Minh Huong, orphanage administrator, and a local priest give speeches of appreciation to their opening day visitors. The two Vietnamese praised the Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, Dong Ha Combat Base, who donated time and equipment to help build the orphanage's new second story housing facility. The guests and children are assembled in the older Quonset building, to be converted to either a classroom or workshop area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).

**Box 9 Folder 31. Force Logistic Support Group B [FLSG-B] (3 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-3125-68: 1968: Only Thing Missing is Snow: Two Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo decided Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without a tree. They found a stand of pines near the Dong Ha Combat Base and cut one down. Taking their prize from the small grove is Private First Class D. L. Sickman (left) and Lance Corporal D. G. Linley (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-0150-69: 1969: Lay Leader at Work: Corporal Stanley F. Dvoskin (Silver Spring, Maryland) leads the first Jewish service to be held in the Force Logistic Support Group Bravo area at Dong Ha Combat Base. Dvoskin, now in the process of becoming a lay leader, works in Bravo's Motor Transport Maintenance section, Maintenance Company. The service was held recently in Bravo's newly dedicated chapel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bill Otte).

3. Photograph number FLC-2-1665-69: 1969: Change of Pace: Ammunition from Force Logistic Command (FLC) near Da Nang is off-loaded from a US Navy landing craft at the Dong Ha ramp after an eight mile trip up the Cua Viet River from the South China Sea. The ammunition is loaded directly onto waiting tractor trailer rigs for delivery to units supported by FLCs Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at the Dong Ha Combat Base (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).
4. Photograph number 2-0048-69: 1969: Fill 'Er Up: A CH-34 transport helicopter used by the Republic of Vietnam Air Force makes a refueling stop at Vandegrift Combat Base. The fuel is supplied by the Refueler Platoon of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, Dong Ha, which supplies fuel to nearly all vehicles and aircraft operating in the northern portion of I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).
5. Photograph number 1-2664-68: 1968: Fuel Lift: One of the most unlikely spots to find a heavy-duty convoy wrecker is in the midst of a fuel farm. Such a machine is used to off-load fuel drums at Vandegrift Combat Base, the westernmost area of Vietnam. Daily convoys from Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (FLSG-B) at Dong Ha supply joint needed materials for joint service operations (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger S. Nystrom).
6. Photograph number 2-1448-68: June 1968: Combat Supplies: Helicopters arrive at Landing Zone 'Stud' near Ca Lu. The LZ serves as a Logistic Support Unit operated by Marine Force Logistic Support Group B. Marines fighting near Khe Sanh are supplied by the Marine support unit. The Marine guiding in the helicopter wears a red vest, indicating that he is guiding the approaching helicopter for a landing (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
7. Photograph number FLC-4-0151-69: 1969: Supply Company Board of Directors: These are the Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo Supply Company who oversee the complex task of logistics in northern I Corps. From left are Lieutenant Colonel T. E. Dolan (Falls Church, Virginia), commanding officer; Gunnery Sergeant P. J. Hinds (Louisville, Kentucky), company first sergeant; Master Sergeant D. A. Knight (Alexandria, Virginia), operations chief; and Captain R. W. Sims (Hurley, Missouri), executive officer (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-0460-69: 1969: Electronic Troubleshooter: Marine Lance Corporal Phillip D. Hefty (Syracuse, Kansas) and Sergeant J. S. Petersen (Marquette, Michigan), standing, checks over a piece of radar equipment at the Marine Corps' Combat Base at Con Thien. The two Marines of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's Maintenance Platoon, are members of a contact team that goes into the field to make on-the-spot repairs to damaged military equipment. More than 15 teams are dispatched weekly in support of American forces in this northern region of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal B. Chertkow).



9. Photograph number FLC-2-1173-69: 1969: On Guard: Pump watch can be a lonely job, but for Marine Private First Class Lyle Chappell (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) it's a welcomed change of pace. Chappell is a member of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's Bulk Fuel Platoon and stands security watch as more than 250 gallons of water per minute are pumped into Vietnamese irrigation canals. Helping the Vietnamese of Lap Thack irrigate their fields was the first project of 'helping the people help themselves,' undertaken by Bravo civil affairs section in this hamlet. Lap Thack is less than 12 miles from Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
10. Photograph number FLC-1-722-68: April 1968: New Commander: Marine Colonel J. G. Bass (Alexandria, Virginia), left, looks over the fuel facilities at the Dong Ha boat ramp after taking command of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo. Navy Lieutenant James R. Riess (Bridgeville, Delaware), in charge of the ramp, points out the river route on which most of the Marine supplies are moved from Cua Viet (official USMC photo by Sergeant S. Addington).
11. Photograph number FLC-3-1665: undated: Do Not Enter?: A sign to direct road traffic appears to misdirect churchgoers at Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, Dong Ha Combat Base. While it does a good job of directing road traffic, the Chaplain reports it has not diverted Marines headed for the chapel. And, it does produce a lot of smiles on the faces of the Leathernecks who notice its 'inept' position (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).

**Box 9 Folder 32. Force Logistic Support Group B [FLSG-B] (4 of 4)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-1173-69: 1969: Adjustment: Marine Staff Sergeant R. M. Monroe (Fallbrook, California), a member of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo's Bulk Fuel Platoon, adjusts the valves on a large pump being used to pump river water for Vietnamese farmers of Lap Thack near the Dong Ha Combat Base in northern I Corps. More than 350,000 gallons were pumped to irrigate many acres of 'raumoung,' a leaf-like plan very similar to spinach (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
2. Photograph number FLC-6-0151-69: 1969: Brass Ranch Cultivates Bumper Crop: Shell casings are reusable and fall into retrograde category. Supply Company, Force Logistic Support Group Bravo, has the task of returning brass casings to the United States. Left to right are Private First Class D. R. Williams (Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina), Lance Corporal R. K. Dean (Marietta, Georgia), and Lance Corporal D. J. Smith (Vandergrift, Pennsylvania) (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger K. Nystrom).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-1665-69: 1969: Off and Waiting: A lone Marine waits for a ride up the Cua Viet River while a US Navy landing craft heavy with the ammunition is offloaded at the shipping and receiving ramp at Dong Ha. The ammunition is destined for Marine units supported by Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at nearby Dong Ha

Combat Base. American servicemen in the Dong Ha area often use military river traffic to travel to outlying units (official USMC photo by Corporal Gary Gunn).

4. Photograph number FLC-2-1315-69: 1969: Part of the Supply Chain: a US Navy forklift operator unloads pallets of supplies from the deck of an LST at Cua Viet, just below Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. The Navy utilizes several types of support ships to move vehicles, equipment, and supplies from the port city of Da Nang to the Force Logistic Support Group Bravo personnel supporting Leathernecks of the 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Leetch).
5. Photograph number 4-1315-69: 1969: Mobility is the Word: A US Marine helicopter returns to 105mm howitzer to its mountain-top fire support base in the northern reaches of Vietnam following its repair by Force Logistic Support Group Bravo at Dong Ha Combat Base. The fire support bases are located in strategic areas to give maximum support to US Marine infantry units. Because they are accessible only helicopters, artillery pieces, and large combat support equipment must be flown back to the rear areas for major repairs (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertow).
6. Photograph number FLC-2-3181-68: 1968: Language Gap Crossed: Captain R. W. Crum (Edmond, Oklahoma), Marine Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (FLSG-B) civil affairs officer, listens as young Tran Lam interprets for Le Phuc, hamlet chief of Trung Chi, located near the Dong Ha Combat Base, below the Demilitarized Zone. Last June, the ammunition supply point at Dong Ha was hit by enemy artillery fire. The resulting explosions and shrapnel damaged homes in Trung Chi. Providing materials to rebuild the homes is a major part of the FLSG-B civil affairs program (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-0837-69: 1969: A New Home: With the ribbon cut, a new home is opened for more than 80 orphans at Dong Ha. Father Nguyen Than Hoan, director of the Dong Ha Orphanage, and Marine Colonel H. L. Parsons (Oceanside, California), commanding officer of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (FLSG-B), presided at the opening day ceremonies. The new second story addition for the children was built with civic action supplies donated by FLSG-B Marines, based at the Dong Ha Combat Base. Vietnamese carpenters and the Leathernecks constructed the additional living space (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Trygg Hansen).
8. Photograph number 1-0982-69: 1969: Vietnamese Call Him Teacher: Marine Corporal Bill H. Anderson teaches fifth and seventh grade English classes in a small high school near the Dong Ha Combat Base, I Corps, in South Vietnam's northernmost province. Anderson attended the Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California, for three months before arriving in the Republic of Vietnam in January. He is a member of Force Logistic Support Bravo (FLSG-B), which furnishes supplies and combat support for the 3d Marine Division. The 19 year-old Leatherneck is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Anderson, Calumet City, Illinois (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).

9. Photograph number 3-0982-69: 1969: Read, Watch, Memorize, and Speak: It's all a part of learning the English language for these Vietnamese high school students in Dong Ha, less than eight miles from Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. Marine Corporal Bill H. Anderson teaches in the school three days a week. He spends as many hours talking informally with his students as he does during regular class periods. 'At times, I think they have ten times as many questions as I have answers for,' Anderson said. He is the 19 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Anderson, Calumet City, Illinois and is serving with Force Logistic Support Bravo (FLSG-B) (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
10. Photograph number 2-0982-69: 1969: Master of the Classroom: Marine Corporal Bill H. Anderson is an English teacher...for at least 12 hours weekly. He teaches at a small high school in Dong Ha less than eight miles from Vietnam's Demilitarized Zone. Having taught for more than two months, he said the biggest obstacle he faced was breaking the habit his students have of using the broken English and slang they've picked up. More than 100 students fill Anderson's classroom three days a week. He is the 19 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Andersons, Calumet City, Illinois (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
11. Photograph number 2-1152-69: 1969: Happiness from America: Two Vietnamese orphans try on new clothes sent to them by Mrs. Russell Campbell of Kasson, Minnesota. This is the third box of homemade clothing, soap, and other articles that Mrs. Campbell has sent in recent months. The children are shown in their new dormitory constructed by Marine of Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (FLSG-B), the supporting arm for all Leatherneck operations in Vietnam's northern sectors (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).

### **Box 9 Folder 33. Fortifications**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Fortified bunker seen through a tangle of barbed wire].
2. Photograph number 1-2878-68: 1968: Well constructed living bunkers have blast walls built across entrance ways for protection against shrapnel during mortar, rocket, or artillery attacks. The bunker is large enough to sleep six or eight people (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-2554-68: 1968: Razor Sharp: Lance Corporal F. W. Krugg, Jr. (Eugene, Oregon) and Corporal K. V. Laaksenen (Ashburn, Massachusetts) stretches a coil of concertina tape around a bunker fortification at Marine Force Logistic Command headquarters north of Da Nang. It is the newest addition to the list of Marine fortifications (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. K. Nystrom).

4. Photograph number 3M-14-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Sandbagged Wall: A wall of sandbags, containing bunkers and emplacements, rings the North Marine Brigade at Hoi An (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number FLC-2-2878-68: 1968: Sandbagged-lined open trench bunkers are used in heavily congested areas. They allow large numbers of men to get cover quickly (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).
6. Photograph number FLC-3-2878-68: 1968: Large bunkers are built with a combination of materials. Most common are empty fuel drums filled with sand or concrete, large timbers, and steel runway matting, plus thousands of sandbags (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant E. J. Moore).
7. Photograph number FLC-6-922-68: 1968: [Two unidentified Marines lift a 50 gallon drum on to a sandbag fortification] (official USMC photo).

**Box 9 Folder 34. Helicopter Operations [1 of 4]**

1. Photograph number 0169: 19 February 1968: Composite Flight: As a Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] CH-53A Sea Stallion helicopter swoops in for the pick-up, Marine Aircraft Group 12 [MAG-12] maintenance men prepare an A-4E Skyhawk for its ride to Da Nang. After the Marines have cleared the area, the taxi chopper lifts the attack jet and heads toward Da Nang. The aircraft will be shipped to Iwakuni, Japan, for repair and overhaul before returning to the Marine air base, Chu Lai, for many more missions over North and South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Mike Servais).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-1521-66: 26 September 1966: Rock Pile: A Marine H-34 helicopter makes a one-wheeled landing atop the 3d Marine Division outpost known as the Rock Pile four miles south of the demilitarized zone. The 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marine [1/4] manning the surveillance post control by sight a half-dozen trails used by North Vietnamese soldiers in the dense jungle (Defense Department photo).
3. Photograph number 0616: 28 July 1968: [Marines disembark from a helicopter in the field].
4. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Lieutenant General disembarks from a helicopter].
5. Photograph number 0299: 7 April 1968: Unique Kill: Captain Al Barr points to the painted image of a pink elephant he was credited with killing. He hit the ammunition-bearing pachyderm after it was confirmed to be a gun-bearing 'vehicle,' capable of carrying as much as a two and a half ton truck (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

6. Photograph number 0827: undated: Regimental Lift: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing helicopters lift off at Vandegrift Combat Base with troops of the 4<sup>th</sup> Marines to conduct operations west of Khe Sanh. Other troops line up out to the operation area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
7. Photograph number 2-2591-68: 1968: Supply and Resupply: A forklift operator moves critically needed supplies on a helicopter pad at the Vandegrift Combat Base. In the background a Marine Sea Knight CH-53 helicopter lifts an external load of supplies. The supplies are stockpiled at the forward supply base by the Force Logistic Command to provide immediate short-range logistical support and the rugged terrain along the western Demilitarized Zone (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
8. Photograph number FLC-1-0999-69: 1969: Vital Link: These Shore Party Marines at Camp Muir, south of Da Nang, Vietnam link-up a cargo net of water containers to a hovering helicopter for delivery to Marines supply giant, Force Logistic Command, and fighting Leathernecks operating throughout I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gary Gunn).

**Box 9 Folder 35. Helicopter Operations [2 of 4]**

1. Photograph number 0746: 14 September 1968: Rebuilding: Members of the Special Technique for Analysis and Repair of Aircraft Damaged (STRAAD) work around the clock to rebuild a tail section of a damaged helicopter. From left to right are metalsmiths: R. B. Ellis, W. A. Chesson, and R. H. Smith (Jacksonville, Florida) (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
2. Photograph number 0013: 9 January 1968: Chu Lai Beacon: With the help of an Army CH-47 helicopter and Navy Mobile Construction Battalion 6 electricians, a rotating signal beacon is installed atop a flight line hangar at Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
3. Photograph number 5-352-66: 1966: Guiding Hands: A Marine guides CH-37 'Deuce' to a mountain top landing zone for a food and water resupply. The Deuce brings the vital supplies to Marines engaged in operations at the Rock Pile, seven miles west of Dong ha (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Russ Cowen).
4. Photograph number 0340: 25 April 1968: [A Marine door gunner and crewman inside a helicopter].
5. Photograph number 1-87-67: 1969: Life-Line: A 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] helicopter lands at a mountain top helo pad with supplies for the Marine company occupying the lofty position. Steep slopes and no roads made the position inaccessible other than by air. Helicopters lift up to 30,000 lbs. of supplies daily (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal T. J. Mercurio).

6. Photograph number 0725: 5 September 1968: [Two Marine aviators].
7. Photograph number 0432: 25 May 1968: [Marine Major A. L. Munroe].
8. Photograph number 0630: 30 July 1968: [An aircraft fuselage is loaded into the cargo hold of a Marine helicopter].

**Box 9 Folder 36. Helicopter Operations [3 of 4]**

1. Photograph number 0617: 28 July 1968: [Unidentified Marine helicopter pilot in the cockpit].
2. Photograph number 0651: 10 August 1968: [Marine aviators].
3. Photograph number 0360: 30 April 1968: [Marine helicopter hauling a jeep].
4. Photograph number 0366: 4 May 1968: [Marines loading 50 gallon drums into a helicopter].
5. Photograph number 065: 30 July 1968: [Unidentified Marine helicopter pilot in the cockpit].
6. Photograph number 0895: undated: Bird's Eye View: Looking out of the window of a Sea Knight helicopter, Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines are seen boarding another chopper of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164]. The infantrymen, and their equipment, were lifted recently from a sandy staging area south of the Marble Mountain Air Facility to a suspected Viet Cong infested village (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Dan R. Morris).
7. Photograph number 0898: undated: Leave the Driving to Us: Leathernecks of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines scramble toward their objectives after being inserted into the zone by Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] during operations south of the Marble Mountain Air Facility (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. E. Kingry).
8. Photograph number 999: undated: Food for the Crows: Sergeant Major J. P. Whalen, 46 (San Diego, California), of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16], helps unload a UH-1E Huey helicopter carrying food and personal items to a group of men stationed atop Marble Mountain on a tiny plateau known as the 'Crow's Nest.' The isolated post plays an important part in the defense of the Marble Mountain Air Facility due to the view it commands of surrounding countryside (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Blake B. Barker).

**Box 9 Folder 37. Helicopter Operations [4 of 4]**



1. Photograph number 0900: undated: Men and Equipment: Leatherneck infantrymen of the 26<sup>th</sup> Marines and their equipment are lifted by Sea Knight helicopters of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164 [HMM-164] into landing zones south of the Marble Mountain Air Facility where they launched a search and clear mission through suspected Viet Cong villages (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Dan Morris).
2. Photograph number 0116: 5 February 1968: Heavy Load: Marine howitzer batteries await ammunition resupply via a CH-52A Sea Stallion assigned to Marble Mountain air facility (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).
3. Photograph number 0187: 24 February 1968: Safety First: Marine Corporal Dominick A. Miletta displays the gunner's belt which saved him when he fell out of his UH-34D Sea Horse helicopter while making a quick getaway from a mortar attack at Camp Carroll (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron Zielinski).
4. Photograph number 1-173-67: 27 June 1967: Windy Windshield: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Bruce L. Gillespie, 23 (Sunfield, Michigan), holds the bullet that crashed through the windshield while he was on a medical evacuation mission, June 16, flying at 2,400 feet. The round struck behind the copilot before rolling down through the deck and finally settling on one of the stretchers aboard the UH-34 helicopter (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Vincent Rodriguez).
5. Photograph number 0611: 24 July 1968: Close Call: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Byron J. Ruck, right, checks the burn on the back of Captain Joseph F. Scholle, caused by one of 14 enemy bullets that struck their Sea Horse transport helicopter during a July 4 medical evacuation flight. The bullet that injured Scholle brushed the collar of copilot Ruck's flight suit before striking the pilot (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).
6. Photograph number 0785: undated: Hangin' In: Corporal Jerry L. Earnest, right, explains to Captain James P. Citrano how the main landing gears of their helicopter looked when they set down at the Quang Tri hospital pad (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
7. Photograph number 0672: 19 August 1968: [Marine helicopter ground crew] (official USMC photo).
8. No photograph number: undated: [A wounded Marine is loaded aboard a UH-1E Huey helicopter] (official USMC photo).

## **Box 10**

### **Box 10 Folder 1. Hue [Vietnam] (1 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-6-229-68: 11 February 1968: Moving Up: Marines move toward Citadel battlefield past wreckage of an ARVN armored personnel carrier hit early in battle of Hue (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant P. T. Cummins).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-189-68: 3 February 1968: Dash For Cover: Supported by tanks, Marines move to clear buildings in street fighting near Hue university, February 2 (official USMC photo by WO W. A. Parks).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-189-68: 3 February 1968: Hue Fighting: A Marine crouches behind a concrete pole to elude sniper fire in Hue, February 3 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jack L. Harlan).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-189-68: 4 February 1968: Street Shield: Marines use an M-48 tank as cover as they advance during street fighting in Hue, February 3 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jack L. Harlan).
5. Photograph number 3D-11-0211-68: February 1968: On the Lookout: A Marine of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] crouches behind a church door checking for enemy near his position (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
6. Photograph number 3D-17-0211-68: February 1968: Returning Fire: Marines A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] fire from a house window during a search and clear mission in the battle of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
7. Photograph number 0184: 23 February 1968: Fresh Troops: A Marine Aircraft Group 36 [MAG-36] helicopter drops off a unit of Vietnamese Marines in the city of Hue to reinforce ground elements already engaged in the battle for control of the city. MAG-36 choppers have been flying emergency medical evacuations, resupply and troop lifts into Hue since late January (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
8. Photograph number 70084-67: 1967: Slow Going: Marines from the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3] slog through flooded rice paddies during an operation north of Hue after being landed by Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265 [HMM-265] (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. R. Jackson).
9. Photograph number 1D-1-173-68: July 1968: Lift That Beam: Marines of the 3d Bridge Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division fit a beam into place on a reinforced raft they built to float heavy construction equipment across a river north of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant William Dickman).
10. Photograph number 1D-2-137-68: 1968: Traditional Swim: 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant David Stowman, 25 (Moorhead, Minnesota), commanding officer, 3d Bridge Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, gets a helping hand as he emerges from the Perfume River in Hue. Tradition has it that the senior building a bridge gets tossed into the river following

completion of the passageway. Stowman, with an assist from other Marines in his unit, reluctantly took 'the plunge' (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).

**Box 10 Folder 2. Hue [Vietnam] (2 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-5-52-68: 21 February 1968: Working for Their Passage: Vietnamese refugees, fleeing during the battle for Hue, assist South Vietnamese soldiers working rapidly to complete a pontoon bridge which will relink the banks of the Perfume River. The main bridge was destroyed by an enemy frogman demolitions team (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Gustav Hasford).
2. Photograph number 1D-1-1-52-68: 21 February 1968: Helping Hand: 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks help evacuate civilian refugees from Hue to the safety of a government collection point (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Smith).
3. Photograph number 0085: undated: Vigil: Patrolling the hostile terrain from the sky over northern I Corps with another Sea Knight transport from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262], crew chief Corporal Arnold E. Duseberg, 21 (Toledo, Ohio), scans the ground for enemy fire or evidence of enemy movement (official USMC photo by Corporal Jim De Witt).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-139-68: 3 February 1968: Street Fighting: Marine scans Hue streets for enemy snipers with an M-48 ready for heavy firepower in the university area (official USMC photo by Warrant Officer W. A. Parks).
5. Photograph number 3D-5-0211-68: 3 February 1968: Under Fire: A Leatherneck of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] moves out under intense enemy .50 caliber machine gun fire during heavy street fighting taking place in the old imperial capital of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
6. Photograph number 3M-2-0286-68: 23 February 1968: Ammo Explodes: An enemy ammunition cache is demolished in Hue (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).
7. Photograph number 3D-4-0211-68: February 1968: After the Battle: A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1] leave church after successfully capturing it from North Vietnamese control during one of the bloody battles taking place in Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
8. Photograph number 3D-1-314-68: February 1968: Refugees: Vietnamese civilians flee Viet Cong terrorists during heavy street fighting in Hue (official USMC photo by Private First Class Bob Stetson).

9. Photograph number 3D-4-0286-68: 23 February 1968: Bushed Marine: A break in the fighting at Hue is enjoyed by a Marine Ontos crew member (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).

**Box 10 Folder 3. Hue [Vietnam] (3 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-6-0286-68: 23 February 1968: Captured Headgear: Private First Class Jimmy C. Mosley (Clarksdale, Mississippi) and Lance Corporal Mike Smith (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania) model NVA headgear found in Hue (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).
2. Photograph number 3D-17-0211-68: February 1968: Defensive Position: A Marine of A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [A/1/1], uses a tree for cover as he returns fire at a North Vietnamese position during street fighting in Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).
3. Photograph number 3M-1-0151-69: 1969: Market Day: River boats bring produce and fish to the Dong Ba Market in Hue. Looming over the market, heavily damaged during Tet, is the new market building. Construction of the building, halted during the offensive, is proceeding at a rapid pace (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3M-2-0151-69: 1969: Temporary Housing: While their parents work to rebuild their shattered home, these Hue youngsters, still bewildered by it all, take time out from lunch to watch the progress of the reconstruction (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
5. Photograph number 3M-3-0157-69: 1969: Duty Bound: Members of the Popular Self Defense Force, all volunteers, head for strategically located road blocks and inspection points to help detect the possible infiltration of Hue by Viet cong forces (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).
6. Photograph number 3M-3-0151-69: 1969: Ancient Barrier: Crumbling in places and shell-pocked the ancient and almost legendary inner wall still guards the Vietnamese citadel in Hue City, once reserved for South Vietnam's king and queen. The palace grounds saw some of the Hue battle's bitterest fighting (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
7. Photograph number 3M-4-0151-69: 1969: Street Repair: Vietnamese continue repair work on Trinh Ma, the main street that parallels the Citadel. Heavily damaged in the fighting, this is a main artery into the walled city (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
8. Photograph number 3M-5-0151-69: 1969: Historic Landmark: The Flag Tower of Vietnam, in foreground, is the highest spot in the Citadel. Scene of heavy fighting during Tet, its bullet-scarred base bears the motto of Hue: 'We must continue to fight

communism and to strengthen our democracy' (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).

9. Photograph number 3M-6-299-68: 1968: Mopping Up: Marines move cautiously through the streets of Hue as the mop up the remaining pockets of enemy resistance near the end of the 25 day battle to wrest the ancient city from the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong during last year's Tet fighting (official USMC photo by Captain T. Cummins).
10. Photograph number 3M-7-0151-69: 1969: Signs of Life: Military vehicles and thousands of motorcycles and bicycles clog Hue's wide avenues. One year ago this month, the streets were empty, save for Marines, South Vietnamese troops and enemy (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).

**Box 10 Folder 4. Hue [Vietnam] (4 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-8-0151-69: 1969: Constant Watch: You can always depend on the enemy to strike when least expected. Vietnamese guards keep an eye on the city from atop the Citadel walls as Hue girds itself for the celebration of Tet, 1969 (official USMC photo by Corporal M. V. Starn).
2. Photograph number 3M-9-0151-69: 1969: Back in the Groove: Almost a year after the Hue City battle which destroyed large sections of the ancient imperial capital, life has returned to normal. Cho Dong Ba market, hit hard by VC/NVA rocket attacks, again bustles with the sounds of buying and selling and the buzz of motorcycles (official USMC photo by Corporal M. W. Starn).
3. Photograph number 3M-10-0151-69: 1969: Perfume River Bridges: Heavy traffic rolls over the bridges spanning the Perfume River between the Citadel and the South Bank. The pontoon bridge, center, will be replaced by a four-lane bridge. During Tet, the other bridges were heavily damaged as the enemy tried to halt the advance of US and ARVN troops (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3M-11-0151-69: 1969: Dong Ba Market: Seen from the air, Hue's largest market is the scene of bustling activity. Following Tet, the market place, a prime factor in the reconstruction program, was rebuilt with the help of US ARVN troops (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 3M-12-0151-69: 1969: Pontoon Bridge: Helping relieve the congestion on the other bridges spanning the Perfume River, this pontoon bridge will soon be replaced by a four lane bridge. Meanwhile, Hue City commuters make good use of it (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 3M-1-0157-69: 1969: Bus Terminal: Buses now roll over the highways and byways of I Corps, bringing crowds of visitors, tradesmen, and businessmen to the ancient capital city of Hue. Transportation was a major factor in the

reconstruction of Hue following the Tet Offensive (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).

7. Photograph number 1D-1-1-53-68: 22 February 1968: Bloop!: A Marine grenadier fires an M-79 round into a sniper's position in Hue as 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Leathernecks advance toward the Citadel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Smith).

**Box 10 Folder 5. Hue [Vietnam] (5 of 5)**

1. Photograph number 3M-5-0286-68: 23 February 1968: Close Surveillance: A Marine observation plane makes a low level pass over Hue during recent action in the Imperial City (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).
2. Photograph number 3M-1-0189-68: 3 February 1968: Lull in Fighting: Marines in a park on the banks of the Huong River in Hue await word to move (official USMC photo by Warrant Officer W. A. Parks).
3. Photograph number 0617: 17 February 1968: Paratrooper Helilift: A Marine CH-46D Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] at the Hue-Phu Bai hospital landing pad prepares to lift paratroopers of the Republic of Vietnam Army who had just completed 10 days of bitter fighting in Hue (official USMC photo by Corporal P. Bettig).
4. Photograph number 1D-10-232-68: 1968: A Proud Son: Builder Third Class James Agnew (Government Housing, Annapolis, Maryland), son of the Republican vice presidential nominee, stands on a bridge looking over war damage in Hue. His unit, Mobile Construction Battalion 8, is rebuilding the bridge after it was destroyed by the Viet Cong during the Tet Offensive (official USMC photo by Corporal Dick Licciardi).
5. Photograph number 3D-8-0211-68: February 1968: Aiming In: A Marine Ontos aims in at buildings harboring North Vietnamese forces during the heavy fighting in the old Imperial capital of Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce A. Atwell).

**Box 10 Folder 6. Khe Sanh**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-358-68: February 1968: Sand Bags for Defense: Marine defenders of the 3d Marine Division toil at filling sand bags to reinforce their defense positions at the strategic Khe Sanh combat base (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. G. Behrens).
2. Photograph number 3M-8-0150-68: 26 January 1968: NVA Patrol: 2d Lieutenant Daniel L. McGravey led patrols that had contact with NVA troops two out of three days near Khe Sanh (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John A. Reid).



3. Photograph number 1-1038-68: 27 June 1968: From Russian with Love: A Russian-built, five-ton truck was found by Marines south of Khe Sanh. The truck has its own compressor system, its own distillation unit and an unusual electrical system. The van contained a brand new machine shop consisting of a large lathe, hydraulic drill press and numerous tuning systems (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Reid).
4. Photograph number 0098: 2 February 1968: Close Call: Captain Robert R. Ropelewski, 25 (Erie, Pennsylvania), left, and Robert J. Richards, center, inspect the shrapnel holes in Captain Steven Dickey's flak jacket after a close call from an enemy mortar (official USMC photo by Sergeant R. Zielinski).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0133-68: 23 January 1968: Comforting Sight: Marines at Khe Sanh watch the billowing smoke from a Leatherneck air strike on hills surrounding the northwesternmost combat base in I Corps (official USMC photo by Sergeant T. H. Nairns).
6. Photograph number 0200: 26 February 1968: Grounded Air Controllers: Working from a radio jeep after an enemy rocket knocked out the airfield control tower at Khe Sanh is Sergeant Robert J. Dale (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron Zielinski).

#### **Box 10 Folder 7.      Kit Carson Scouts**

1. Photograph number 3-217-69: 1969: Tells All: Marine Lance Corporal John Craddock, 20 (Baltimore, Maryland), a member of Combined Action Group 2, listens as a Kit Carson Scout shows him where the enemy came across the river at night Craddock's unit is responsible of the villages in the area (official USMC photo by Corporal R. E. Dillon).
2. Photograph number 3M-3-0999-69: 1969: Recruiter: Staff Sergeant Garner S. Bailey, (Beckley, West Virginia) interviews a rallier who has volunteered for the Kit Carson Scouts. Bailey, in addition to being the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's NCOIC of the Kit Carson Scout Training Camp, serves as KCS recruiter (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
3. Photograph number 3M-2-0999-69: 1969: Squeeze 'Em Off: At the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Training Camp, Private First Class James M. Brissel (Jacksonville, Florida) helps a newly-recruited Kit Carson Scout improve his marksmanship (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
4. Photograph number 3M-1-099-69: 1969: In the Field: A Kit Carson Scout, working with a 3d Marine Division patrol near Cam Lo, points out the site of a possible Viet Cong ambush. As a member of the Viet Cong, he had waged guerilla warfare in that same area prior to rallying to the government earlier this year (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).

5. Photograph number 1-172-69: 1969: With a Little Luck We Should Get Them: Two Kit Carson Scouts, former Viet Cong patrol leaders, help pinpoint suspected enemy activity for the executive officer of Force Logistic Command's Provisional Rifle Company, 2d Lieutenant Howard Lovingood (Murphy, North Carolina). The command reaction and security force employs the two Kit Carson Scouts, Smokey and Al, to assist in combating enemy activity in the villages, hamlets, and refugee areas northwest of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
6. Photograph number 0091: 31 January 1968: Plan of Attack: Kit Carson Scout, Tieu Viet Ba, points out area of the latest movement of Viet Cong, near Combined Action Platoon L-5's compound at Phuoc Thien to Marine Sergeant Donald E. Williams (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).

**Box 10 Folder 8. Korea Marines (1 of 2)**

1. No photograph number: undated: Member of the famed ROK Blue Dragon Brigade celebrate the fourth anniversary of their arrival in Vietnam, with a formation and award presentation ceremony (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. G. Pavey).
2. Photograph number 1-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Welcome to Vietnam: Brigadier General Kim Yun Sang, Commanding General, 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade, welcomes new arrivals to Hoi An (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
3. Photograph number 1W0809690075: undated: Coordination: Surrounded by maps, charts, and communications equipment, ANGLICO Marines, aided by a Korean Marine pilot (lower left), coordinate air and naval gunfire from their section of the Blue Dragon Brigade command bunker (official USMC photo by Corporal Randal F. Nelson).
4. Photograph number 20-1244-68: 6 August 1968: General L. F. Chapman, Commandant of the Marine Corps, visits with the 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade. During his visit to the Korean Marines area, the commandant was designated an honorary member of the famed 'Blue Dragon' Brigade (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-192-68: July 1968: Teaching the Teachers: marine Master Sergeant Paul Dudash, center, explains Marine sniper techniques to a Republic of Korea Marines as other Korean Staff practice what they've learned during a five-day sniper school taught by the 1<sup>st</sup> marine Division. The Korean students will take the skills they learned back to their battalions around Hoi An and teach other Korean Marines the art of a sniper. Dudash (Oceanside, California) was in charge of the school (official USMC photo by Sergeant Robert M. Bayer).
6. Photograph number 1D-4-62-69: 1969: Hittin' the Surf: Whenever the platoons of the 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Amphibian Tractor Company are rotated, and a new section heads for Hoi An to support the Korean Marines, it means a short voyage by water for the 46-ton LVTAs.

Here, one slams into the surf at Da Nang's Red Beach, on the start of its journey (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. A. Tour).

7. Photograph number 0057: 23 January 1968: Briefing: Captain S. K. Kwon, an O1-E 'Bird Dog' pilot with the aviation detachment of the 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade, briefs with US Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant B. J. Wright, 32 (Carlsbad, California), of the 1<sup>st</sup> Air-Naval Gunfire Liaison Company [1<sup>st</sup> ANGLICO]. Wright will be the back seat observer directing air strikes and artillery missions (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.)
8. No photograph number: undated: Change of Command: Brigadier General Lee Dong Ho (back to camera) accepts the Second Republic of Korea Marine Brigade colors from Brigadier General Kim Yun Sang, former commanding general, during a change of command ceremony held August 5 (official USMC photo by Corporal E. Kramer).

#### **Box 10 Folder 9. Korea Marines (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 120: 5 February 1968: Three-Way Resupply: A US Marine CH-46A Sea Knight helicopter (left), three amphibious tractors of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion and a CH-53A Sea Stallion helicopter bring supplies to Korean Marines on the beach near the Hoi An river (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
2. Photograph number FLC-6-0331-69: 1969: Teamwork: A Republic of Korea soldier assists a Marine Force Logistic Command (FLC) forklift operator as he loads a truck with supplies. Keeping supply convoys rolling, is an around the clock operation for the Marines at FLC. In addition to Marine and Korean units, the FLC logistically supports some units of the US Army operating in the northernmost tactical zone of South Vietnam (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 3M-2-1242-68: 5 August 1968: Streamer: Lieutenant General Chae, commanding general, Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam, attaches the US Presidential Unit Citation streamer to the guidon of the 11<sup>th</sup> Company (Rein), 3d Battalion, 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade. Observing the ceremony, held August 5, were Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force, Vietnam, and Brigadier General Kim Yun Sang, former commander of the 2d ROK Brigade (official USMC photo by Corporal E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 3M-1-0540-69: 1969: Inspection Time: Touring one of the sewing rooms at the newly built Hoi An Vocational Training School are Brigadier General Lee Dong Ho, commanding general 2d Republic of Korea Marine Brigade, left; Brigadier General Samuel Jaskilka, commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division's Task Force Yankee based at An Hoa, center; and Lieutenant Colonel Le Tri Tin, province chief of Quang Nam Province, right. School furnishings were bought with funds collected from Korean forces in the Hoi An and Da Nang areas (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).

5. Photograph number 5-1930-68: 1968: Heavy Stuff: Heavy bulldozers follow a unit of the 2d Korean Marine Brigade near Hoi An, Vietnam. The Koreans are moving onto suspected enemy positions which will be leveled by the bulldozers following air and Navy gunfire provided, controlled and coordinated by American Marines of the Brigade's Air-Naval Gunfire Platoon who are assigned to the Korean Brigade (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Donn Barr).
6. Photograph number 3M-13-1098-68: 10 July 1968: Watchtower: Korean Marine sentries in a sandbagged watchtower bunker have a clear view of the area surrounding the artillery battalion near Hoi An (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
7. Photograph 0022: 1969: Bird Dog: A Republic of Korea Marine Corps (ROCMC) O-1E light observation plane flies low over the countryside 15 miles south of Da Nang and its crew, ROKMC Captain B. I. Shin (Seoul, Korea), pilot, and US Marine Captain William H. Rath, 30 (Bolder City, Nevada) forward air controller for the 2d ROKMC Brigade Aviation Unit, scan the terrain for signs of the enemy (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).

#### **Box 10 Folder 10. Land Mine Warfare School**

1. Photograph number 1-01-69: 1969: Listen Carefully: Sergeant Frank E. Arndt, demonstrates the procedure for rigging detonation cord to a charge of TNT to Marines attending the Land Mine Warfare School at Camp Faulkner, north of the Marble Mountain area (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
2. Photograph number 4-01-69: 1969: This is the Way: Lance Corporal William Mican, 21 (El Camp, Texas), an instructor at the Land Mine Warfare School shows Private First Class Ernest Johnson how to tie detonation cord together (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
3. Photograph number 2-01-69: 1969: Get the Lumes Out: 2d Lieutenant Roland E. Carey, 25 (Arnold, Maryland), molds the lumps out of a charge of plastic explosive (C-4) before setting it for detonation. Carey, a platoon commander with C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines [C/1/1] recently completed a three-day course at the Land Mine Warfare School (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).

#### **Box 10 Folder 11. Logistics and Support**

1. Photograph number 5-429-69: 1969: Downtown Quang Ngai: The huge loads passing daily through the city on their way to Chu Lai differed somewhat from local traffic, but apparently didn't alarm the South Vietnamese (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teremoto).

2. Photograph number 3D-3-113-68: 1968: [A lengthy convoy of Marine supply trucks stopped at an unknown location].
3. Photograph number 2-2013-68: 31 July 1986: Afloat: Crossing the Song Thu Bon River eight miles east of An Hoa is a slow but precise process. The pontoon ferry is pulled from side to side by two trucks while the small craft on the down current side guides the ferry cargo against the current. An Hoa is the 'roughrider' convoy's destination (official USMC photo by Private First Class Roger Nystrom).
4. Photograph number 3M-3-0378-69: 1969: On the Move: A Marine Corps truck rolls down Route 1 toward Da Nang after landing at Red Beach 2, north of the city on March 8, 1965 (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0117: 5 February 1968: [Two unidentified Marines load materiel into the cargo hold of helicopter].
6. Photograph number 2-1081-69: 1969: Togetherness: Sailors and Marines work side by side as loading process swings into high gear aboard the USS Cleveland. The Leathernecks are aboard the ship with the Special Landing Force. The SLF is prepared as a 'strike force': ready to be moved by air or landing craft to any area in I Corps, at any time (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Chuck Dinkins).
7. Photograph number 3M-3-0255-68: 16 February 1968: Whiff of Gas: Troops don gas masks to unload LCU at Hue as CS gas dropped on Citadel drifts across Perfume River (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. W. Thompson).
8. Photograph number FLC-7-922-68: 1968: [Three Marines loading a jeep] (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number 3D-529-69: 1969: Team Work: Corporal Edward W. Szczpanick (Amsterdam, New York) maintains radio contact with the chopper pilot as his partner, Corporal Larry Johnson (Springboro, Minnesota), hooks up a load of sand bags to be lifted to one of the bunker complexes at Fire Support Base Cates (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bill Wood).
10. Photograph number 3D-2-1-165-68: 1968: River Resupply: A skimmer boat speeds men and equipment to Marines engaged with a North Vietnamese Army force north of the Cua Viet River (official USMC photo by Sergeant John McCullough).

#### **Box 10 Folder 12. M-60 Machine Gunners**

1. Photograph number 0162: 16 February 1968: Alert: Marine Corporal Charles R. McKay, 19 (Grand Junction, Colorado), mans an M-60 machine gun during an alert at the Da Nang air base (official USMC photo by Corporal C. E. Erickson).

### **Box 10 Folder 13. M-76 Otter**

1. Photograph number 22-150-68: 1968: Hitting the Beach: An M-76 Otter lands on the beach at Camp Big John, west of Cua Viet. Thanks to the Otters' daily supply runs, Leathernecks at the camp get cold soda, milk, and hot chow every evening (official USMC photo by Private First Class Phil DeFazio).
2. Photograph number 3D-2-2-210-68: 1968: Daily Grease Job: Corporal A. M. Carvella (Jamestown, New York) lubricates moving parts of the track on an M-76 Otter at Camp Big John outpost. Five Otters operate with elements of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regiment, providing medical evacuation and resupply missions to Marines conducting patrols in the area west of Cua Viet (official USMC photo by Private First Class Phil DeFazio).
3. Photograph number 3D-1-210-211-68: 1968: Medevac Vehicle: Marine infantrymen assist Otter crew members in placing a wounded Leatherneck into the tracked vehicle during a recent operation west of Cua Viet. Otters have been proven valuable in carrying wounded Marines from battle sites to rear areas, when no other vehicle can maneuver through the sand or mud (official USMC photo by Sergeant John G. McCullough).
4. Photograph number 0071: 27 January 1968: Otter Run: An M-76 Otter chews its way through Chu Lai airbase sand. The Otter is being used as a Marine crash crew vehicle (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).

### **Box 10 Folder 14. Marble Mountain**

1. Photograph number 0159: 16 February 1968: Precarious Trail: The path Marines take to check the area on top of Marble Mountain isn't an easy one (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bob Leak).

### **Box 10 Folder 15. Marine Corps Personnel (identified) (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-N-2-242-68: 1968: Little Chicago: Corporal John J. Gill displays hometown street signs and the flag of Chicago at Dong Ha Combat Base. He received them from Mayor Richard Daley (official USMC photo by Corporal W. D. Robinson).
2. Photograph number FLC-1-0761-69: 1969: Happy Time: Eight month-old Amy Linh radiates happiness as she and her father, Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant David J. Purvis, prepared to board the aircraft taking them back to the United States. Purvis and his wife adopted the child during the Leatherneck's 13 month tour in Vietnam. The child's parents were killed by Communist troops near Da Nang when she was only two months old (official USMC photo by Corporal W. E. Jackson).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-2819-68: 1968: Twilight Cruise: Marine Chief Warrant Officer Bingham A. McMaster, platoon commander, Force Logistic Command's Material Handling Equipment Platoon, is now on his second tour in Vietnam, and says 'it's a good



place to spend a twilight cruise.’ When McMaster returns to the States next year, he will have nearly 30 years service. He believes he is the only Marine officer on active duty to have served in Nicaragua in the late 1920s (official USMC photo by Sergeant P. B. Nixon).

4. Photograph number 0606: 24 July 1968: Ace in Vietnam: World War II flying ace, Navy Cross winner, and veteran of 26 years of Marine Aviation and three wars, Colonel William Farrell, 46 (Tustin, California), returns from a mission in support of Marines and Allied forces in the I Corps area of Vietnam (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
5. Photograph number 0748: 14 September 1968: Metal Work: R. H. Smith, a metalsmith checks the structural damage of a Huey gunship before beginning repair (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. Nelson).
6. Photograph number 2-1556-69: 1969: Sweat and Strain: In broiling sun or pouring rain, the youth of today carry the load in the Republic of Vietnam. At Marine Force Logistic Command this means he boy from down the block, like Private David Hanover (Fairmont, West Virginia), driving a truck, going on combat patrol, issuing supplies or putting in 15 hours a day behind a desk (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
7. Photograph number 2-1350-69: 1969: Youthful Yet Mature: A Japanese-American, Sergeant Momuru Teramoto (Los Angeles, California), has replaced the baseball cap with a helmet. The face is still youthful, but like thousands of others, displays maturity (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
8. Photograph number 1-1350-69: 1969: Concern: The eyes of the kid from down the block Private First Class Kevin J. Campbell (Detroit, Michigan) display concern in the Republic of Vietnam. Guarding, supplying, and fighting, Marines of Force Logistic Command represent the kid from down the block at his best (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
9. Photograph number 4-1350-69: 1969: Long Hours on a Slow Day: A kid from down the block is Private Joseph V. Cortez (Los Angeles, California), a Spanish-American. The kids from down the block put in long hours...only 16 if there’s some slack (official USMC photo by Corporal Bruce Chertkow).
10. Photograph number 3M-1-0760-68: 9 May 1968: Made in Japan: Sergeant Eric K. Wohllaib, left (Portland, Oregon) and Staff Sergeant Robert V. Force (Triangle, Virginia) hold a Japanese bomb with an instantaneous nose fuse. The two Marine Explosive Ordnance technicians were called to disarm a Viet Cong rocket uncovered by a Marine digging his bunker near Da Nang. The Japanese bomb was estimated to have been there for 30 years (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ernie Leblanc).

**Box 10 Folder 16. Marine Corps Personnel (identified) (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-8025-69: 1969: Tiger Trap: Gunnery Sergeant J. E. Lott (left) from Zephyr Hills, Florida, explains to Gunnery Sergeant Robert L. Greer (Phoenix, Arizona) how his tiger trap works. The trap is baited with a small animal protected by a smaller cage within the trap. Lott built the trap after tigers were sighted near Vandegrift Combat Base (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Dennis Randolph).
2. Photograph number 3M-1-0270-69: 1969: Brigadier General Carl W. Hoffman (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
3. No photograph number: 1 March 1967: Medal of Honor Winner: Captain Harvey C. Barnum, Jr., Medal of Honor winner for action in Vietnam during Operation Harvest Moon (Defense Department photo by Staff Sergeant Wilson).
4. No photograph number: December 1965: [Medal of Honor recipient Captain Harvey C. Barnum, Jr., and Commandant Wallace M. Greene, Jr.].
5. Photograph number 0636: August 1968: [Captain Taylor Sappenfield climbs into the cockpit of his aircraft].
6. No photograph number: undated: [Gunnery Sergeant School seated at a desk, interviewing unidentified Marine] (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 1D-3-262-68: 1968: Close Call: Marine Lance Corporal John W. Ruley, 25 (Marion, Indiana), points to two places where enemy small arms fire hit his truck when he was caught in the middle of an ambush. His truck was hit in both headlights; two rounds in the radiator, two in the front of the hood and one round tore a hole through the canvas top of the truck cab. His truck also received two flat tires during the engagement. Ruley was not injured (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Chuck Lane).
8. Photograph number FLC-6-323-68: 1968: Recollections: Marine 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant David Lewis discusses his experiences in Nepal as a member of the Peace Corps. Lewis is now executive officer of a mortar transport company in Force Logistic Command in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal S. R. Barckhaus).
9. Photograph number 0241: 19 March 1968: Linguist: Corporal Walter G. Scott studies Vietnamese language assignments—translating Vietnamese into English (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).

**Box 10 Folder 17. Marine Corps Personnel (unidentified) (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0549: 28 June 1968: [Colonel Armstrong and an unidentified Lieutenant Colonel pose with an M-1 rifle mounted on a plaque].

2. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine Colonel shakes hand with two unidentified aviators].
3. Photograph number 0399: 16 May 1968: [Unidentified Marine works on wiring] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 1-2238-68: 27 August 1968: [Unidentified Marine operating a motorized vehicle] (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 2-2238-68: 27 August 1968: [Unidentified Marine operating a motorized vehicle] (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 3-2238-68: 27 August 1968: [Unidentified Marine operating a motorized vehicle] (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 4-2238-68: 27 August 1968: [Unidentified Marine operating a motorized vehicle] (official USMC photo).
8. Photograph number 3M-4-1421-68: 4 September 1968: [Two unidentified Marines unloading] (official USMC photo).

**Box 10 Folder 18. Marine Corps Personnel (unidentified) (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-1-240-68: 1968: [Unidentified Marines displays pocket sized copies of the New Testament carried in ammunition belts] (official USMC photo).
2. Photograph number 0352: 30 April 1968: [Unidentified Marine pilot exhibiting his aircraft to four Vietnamese civilians] (official USMC photo).
3. Photograph number 0354: 30 April 1968: [Two unidentified Marine pilots shake hands with two Vietnamese citizens] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 0365: 4 May 1968: [Inspection of unidentified Marine Corps unit] (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0665: 15 August 1968: [Unidentified Marine Lieutenant Colonel] (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph number 0371: 5 May 1968: [Unidentified civilian displays a handwritten letter] (official USMC photo).
7. Photograph number 1D-5-131-68: 1968: [Unidentified group photograph of Marines] (official USMC photo).

8. No photograph number: undated: [Marine examining photographic equipment] (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number 0361: 1 May 1968: [Puppy wearing glasses].

#### **Box 10 Folder 19. Memorial Ceremonies**

1. No photograph number: undated: "Final Tribute to a Comrade"
2. No photograph number: undated: Mournful Tats.
3. No photograph number: undated: Tribute to a Comrade.
4. No photograph number: undated: Muffled Drum.
5. Photograph number 1D-02-39-69: 1969: In Memoriam: With the words, 'It is only fitting that we honor this important position with the name of such a fine Marine,' Major General Ormond R. Simpson, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division commanding general, dedicates Camp Muir (Hill 55), in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Joseph L. Muir. Muir was killed on Hill 55 when he stepped on a mine while leading troops for the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines [3/3], 3d Marine Division in September 1965. Presently the home of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, Camp Muir lies 13 miles southwest of Da Nang. Colonel Herbert Beckington, regimental commander, stands to the right of General Simpson (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).

#### **Box 10 Folder 20. Mobile Training Team 1**

1. Photograph number 3M-7-0578-68: 1968: Pay Day: Everybody gets paid and the scouts are no exception. They receive a basic pay along with the Marines on pay day (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. E. Duncan).
2. Photograph number 0618: 28 July 1968: A Barbed Tangle: A Vietnamese Popular Forces trainee is aided through a barbed wire entanglement on the infiltration course at Mobile Training Team 1 located just outside Tam Ky by Sergeant William C. Gandy, 26 (Santa Ana, California) (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
3. Photograph number 0628: 28 July 1968: On Patrol: Marine Corporal Tommy A. Okura, 21 (Auburn, Washington), a member of Mobile Training Team 1, accompanies Vietnamese Combat Youth members on a patrol outside the training compound. Okura and a squad of Marines from Chu Lai's 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Group headquartered at the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai, train the Vietnamese to protect their homes (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
4. Photograph number 0619: 28 July 1968: Waiting in Ambush: A Vietnamese Popular Forces soldiers and Marine Corporal Gilbert J. Davis practice ambush technique outside

the compound of Mobile Training Team 1 near Tam Ky. The Vietnamese receive two weeks of Marine training from members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Group headquartered at Chu Lai (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).

5. Photograph number 0659: 4 August 1968: Stars and Stripes: Marine Lance Corporal Coy L. Hester, Jr. (Oneonta, New York) raises the American flag, with the help of a Vietnamese soldier, at a small Marine outpost 36 miles north of the Marine Air Base, Chu Lai. Coy, attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Combined Action Group, is one of 14 Marines that help train home guards to defend their villages. The flag was donated by a woman's club in the states (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 3M-5-578-68: 1968: Keep It Clean: Rifle inspections are held almost daily to instruct the scouts in the proper cleaning procedures for their rifles (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. E. Duncan).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-0578-68: 13 April 1968: Familiarization Firing: All of the scouts Familiarization Fire various types of weapons they might encounter (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. E. Duncan).
8. Photograph number 3M-8-0578-68: 1968: Conditioning Run: Recruits are put through a rigorous physical training program during their two-week stay with the Kit Carson school (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. E. Duncan).
9. Photograph number 3M-1-0797-68: 15 May 1968: Former Viet Cong Sergeant Le Bon needs two hands to hold the 240,000 piaster award received from the Republic of Vietnam. Marine Staff Sergeant John D. Johnson of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Kit Carson Scouts congratulates him (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. M. Messenger).
10. Photograph number 0638: 5 August 1968: [An unidentified Marine awards a certificate to a Vietnamese youth] (official USMC photo)
11. Photograph number 3D-1-239-215-68: 1968: [An unidentified Marine officer awards a certificate to a Vietnamese Popular Forces soldier] (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 10 Folder 21. Mortars**

1. Photograph number 0339: 25 April 1968: On the Way: A 4.2 inch mortar round blurs in flight as a Marine mortar crew hits North Vietnamese Army positions (official USMC photo by Sergeant V. J. Hale, Jr.).
2. Photograph number 3M-3-1331-68: 23 August 1968: Another Kind of Music: Corporal James A. Newbold (Miami, Florida), doubles as a mortarman in the perimeter defense of Headquarters, III MAF in Da Nang. Ordinarily, he's a Scotch Drummer in the III MAF Drum and Bugle Corps (official USMC photo by Master Gunnery Sergeant C. F. X. Houts).

3. Photograph number 3D-3-2307-68: 1968: Mortar Shell in Flight: 3d Marine Division combat photographer Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III photographed a Marine mortar crew firing on enemy positions from atop a mountain near the Laotian border in South Vietnam. The blurred shell in flight can be seen in the upper right corner of the photograph (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
4. Photograph number 3D-4-14341-68: 1968: Mortar Crew: A Marine Sea Stallion helicopter bringing supplies sets the background for a Leatherneck mortar crew at Fire Support Base Alpine. Artillery support bases scattered throughout Quang Tri province provide support for 3d Marine Division infantrymen operating in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. Nilo).

#### **Box 10 Folder 22. O-1D Bird Dog Operations**

1. Photograph number 70649: 28 December 1967: Lesson to Remember: Army Captain Charles L. Deibert (left), O-1D Bird Dog reconnaissance pilot, demonstrates the function of the trim tab to Marine Captain Charles J. Ramsay. Deibert had talked non-pilot Ramsay safely to the ground after the aerial observer's pilot had been killed (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).

#### **Box 10 Folder 23. Official Visits (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0666-69: 1969: A Grand New Flag: Sergeant Major Milton B. Gardner, Force Logistic Command, proudly displays his own creation, a sergeant major's flag. Gardner believes the flag is the only one of its kind in the Marine Corps. He created it with the approval of FLCs commanding general, Brigadier General James A. Feeley, Jr., who declared, 'I believe every sergeant major should have one' (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Volpe).
2. Photograph number X3-137-68: 1968: Vietnamese Vice President Crosses Bridge: Nguyen Cao Ky (foreground), vice president of the Republic of Vietnam, crosses the 1,140 foot long floating bridge spanning the Perfume River in Hue (official USMC photo by Sergeant W. F. Dickman).
3. Photograph number 3M-4-0378-69: 1969: Studying the Terrain: Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak, then commanding general, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, and Brigadier General Frederick J. Karah, commanding general, 9<sup>th</sup> Marine Expeditionary Brigade, view the Marines area of responsibility from atop Hill 328 just west of Da Nang Air Base on March 8, 1965 (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 1D-11-34-69: 1969: Presidential Visit: Vietnam's President, Nguyen Van Thieu (left), receives honors during his visit to the An Hoa Combat Base. With President Thieu is Major General Ormond R. Simpson (center), commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, and Colonel Nguyen Van Hui, commanding officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Ranger Group,



Army of the Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Martin F. Krueger).

5. Photograph number N-550-69: 1969: Thumbs Up: Brigadier General Regan Fuller, Assistant Division Commander, 3d Marine Division, gives the 'thumbs up' to his 'old friends', the H-34 helicopter at Dong Ha's Landing Zone Owl. The H-34 had just flown its last mission for the 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Steve Moody).
6. Photograph number 70468: 28 December 1967: Leaders Meet: Republic of Vietnam's Vice President Nguyen Cao Ky is greeted at Chu Lai, December 24 by Major General S. W. Koster, US Army commander of the Americal Division, Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, commanding general, I Corps (left) and Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force (center) (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
7. Photograph number 3M-1-1196-68: 2 August 1968: Honors: The Honorable Paul K. Edmonds, New Zealand Ambassador to the Republic of Vietnam, receives military honors at the Headquarters of III Marine Amphibious Force in Da Nang. Marine Major General R. McC. Tompkins (right) and his staff participated in the ceremony (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant J. Reid).
8. Photograph number FLC-3-1410-68: 5 June 1968: FLC Visitor: Major General R. McC. Tompkins, III Marine Amphibious Force Deputy Commander is briefed by Warrant Officer Edward H. Bell (Spokane, Washington) on the M-16 rifle reconditioning process at Force Logistic Command, Da Nang, Vietnam. The rifles are taken apart and old parts are replaced in an assembly line operation. About 8,000 rifles are reconditioned monthly by the 33-man shop (official USMC photo).
9. Photograph number 3D-7-361-237-68: 1968: Guest: Major General Paul J. Fontana, deputy commanding general, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, speaks to Leathernecks, Navy doctors and corpsmen at B Medical Battalion, Quang Tri Combat Base. General Fontana visited Marine units in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal R. L. Brumfield).

#### **Box 10 Folder 24. Official Visits (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1D-12-136-68: 31 May 1968: A Welcoming Handshake: General William C. Westmoreland, commander, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, is greeted by Major General Donn J. Robertson, commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. General Westmoreland visited the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division on May 15. At right is Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant M. M. Upton).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-1525-67: 30 July 1967: General Harold K. Johnson, Army Chief of Staff, with General Bruno A. Hochmuth, Commanding General, 3d Marine

Division. General Johnson is on an inspection tour of the 3d Marine Division. Lieutenant General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force, also accompanied General Johnson on the tour (Defense Department photo).

3. Photograph number 3M-2-896-69: 1969: Landing Zone Wood: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee and Lieutenant General Herman Nickerson, Jr., walk into Headquarters of the III Marine Amphibious Force from Landing Zone Wood during the secretary's visit to Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant F. C. Gogo).
4. Photograph number 3M-1-898-69: 1969: Captured Gun: Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee and Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam, commanding general in the I Corps tactical zone, look over a captured 35mm antiaircraft gun at I Corps Headquarters, Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant F. C. Gogo).
5. Photograph number 3M-1-0417-69: 1969: Meets Marine: Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, chats with a Marine scout dog handler upon his arrival in Da Nang to visit Marine and allied units in I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
6. Photograph number 3M-6-0417-69: 1969: Meeting the Troops: Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird shakes hands with a member of a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division rifle squad upon his arrival at Da Nang to visit Marine and other allied units in I Corps (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
7. Photograph number 3M-4-0417-69: 1969: Greets Marine Squad: Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird greets a squad of Leathernecks from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division following is arrival at Da Nang during his initial visit to I Corps. Mr. Laird praised the Marines for their performance of duty in Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal D. Kramer).
8. Photograph number 3D-3-0857-69: 1969: On Tour: Secretary of State William P. Rogers (right) and US Ambassador to the Republic of Vietnam Elsworth Bunker (left rear) are given a brief tour of sprawling Marine Combat Base at Dong Ha, Vietnam, by Major General William K. Jones, commanding general, 3d Marine Division (official USMC photo by Sergeant Pack Schackman).

#### **Box 10 Folder 25. OV-10 Bronco Operations**

1. Photograph number 0600: 17 July 1968: New Bird: Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] Marines inspect the Marine Corps' newest visual observation and reconnaissance plane, the OV-10A Bronco, during the aircraft's first stop at the Quang Tri Air Base. The Bronco, assigned to MAG-16 at Da Nang, landed at Quang Tri to rearm with 2.75 inch target marking rockets (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).

2. Photograph number 0074: undated: Vietnam Snow: A Bronco (OV-10A) prepares for takeoff on a runway lined with what appears to be snow but in reality is the white sand so familiar to the Marines at the Marble Mountain Air Facility. The Bronco, the Marine Corps' new twin engine observation aircraft, is on the way to support Leathernecks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division in their efforts to locate and destroy the enemy and his supplies (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant George I. Edwards).
3. Photograph number 3-2172: undated: Nosey: An observation plane flies low over a vehicle of the 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division on the coast of the South China Sea near Marble Mountain, just outside the Da Nang (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
4. Photograph number 0709: 28 August 1968: Family Portrait: The Bronco (OV-10A), the newest addition to the Marine air arm, poses with 12 Leathernecks directly connected with its flight over South Vietnam. In addition to the pilot and aerial observer, standing next to the cockpit, the Bronco is supported and serviced by crash crewmen, factory technical representative, hydraulics men, mechanics, flight equipment personnel, metalsmiths, ordnancemen, avionics technicians, and air controllers. Based at the Marble Mountain Air Facility, near Da Nang, the new aircraft's primary mission is observation (official USMC photo by Private First Class W. C. Schobel).
5. Photograph number 1W16-59-9-70 (A): 28 September 1970: OV-10 Bronco lays down a smoke screen so a 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division reconnaissance team can be extracted from Queson, 30 miles southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
6. Photograph number 1W16-59-9-70 (R): 28 September 1970: OV-10 Bronco fires its rockets into the treeline in Quesons, 30 miles southwest of Da Nang in support of an emergency extract (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).

#### **Box 10 Folder 26. Parachute Training**

1. No photograph number: 9 September 1967: 'Standing in the Door:' BMCS (DV) Joe Smith checks Captain Russell's position in the mock door of a C-130. The 'door' is used as a training aid in helping the student gain the proper position for exiting the aircraft (official USMC photo by Sergeant M. G. Bush).
2. Photograph number 1-297-68: October 1968: Sergeant Allen D. Owen, the 'smallest Marine' in the history of the Corps, gets an assist from Lance Corporal Robert R. Owen, 21 (Youngstown, Ohio) during preparatory Jump School training. Sergeant Owen stands 4' 11" (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bob Brown).
3. Photograph number 9-116-68: 1968: Spill the Air: Having just landed in the drop zone, a Marine attempts to spill the air from his parachute before a gust of wind can catch it and

drag him along the ground. The maneuver must be accomplished as soon as possible, and is especially tricky in high wind (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Martinez).

**Box 10 Folder 27. Popular Force (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 0310: 10 April 1968: Two Gun PF: Popular Force Private Phan Xuan (right) uses his carbine to point out to Marine Private First Class Harvey L. Ames (left) and another PF his movements while he used the carbine and the rifle in his other hand to halt the VC attack while Ames assisted a wounded Marine to cover (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dan Grady).
2. Photograph number 0917: undated: Instruction Time: Lance Corporal Averill B. Williams, 20 (Georgetown, South Carolina), conducts a class on the M-60 machine gun for the benefit of members of the Vietnamese Popular Forces stationed with the Marines at CAP 2-5-3 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jim Mims).
3. Photograph number 0149: 13 February 1968: Cong Hunters: Tieu Viet Ba indicates the area of latest Viet Cong movement to a Popular Force soldier at the command bunker of a Marine combined action platoon near Chu Lai (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Golden Pase).
4. Photograph number 2-226-69: 1969: Information About Enemy: Navy Hospital Corpsman 3d Class Jerry Keesling (St. Peters, Missouri) (left) and Marine Corporal E. J. Veech (St. Louis, Missouri) receive information from a wounded South Vietnamese Popular Force (PF) militiaman, now a farmer in Dong Ha hamlet, three miles west of Tam Ky. Keesling and Veech are members of the 12-man Mobile Training Team near the hamlet which is responsible for training PFs and helping villagers with medical problems and civic organization (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
5. Photograph number 1-828-68: 16 April 1968: [A Vietnamese Popular Forces soldier consults a map with four unidentified Marines].
6. Photograph number 3D-3-2204-68: 1968: Water Vigil: A lone South Vietnamese Popular Forces soldier guards the Cam Lo Reservoir against North Vietnamese Army and Viet Cong saboteurs. The reservoir, opened July 22, serves 250,000 refugees at the Cam Lo resettlement village (official USMC photo by Private First Class Phil DeFazio).
7. Photograph number 3M-14-1422-69: 1969: Radio Check: PF Staff Sergeant Nguyen, Man, platoon commander, radios in his grid coordinates to an artillery battery. If the CAP is attacked by the enemy then immediate artillery support is readily available (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).

**Box 10 Folder 28. Popular Force (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-6-1422-69: 1969: Platoon Commander: Popular Force Staff Sergeant Nguyen Man, a professional soldier for more than ten years, calls in his units grid coordinates to a supporting artillery unit. In case of enemy attack, artillery and air support can be called in, in less time, giving aid to the CAP (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
2. Photograph number 3D-14-366-238-68: 1968: Checking Identification: American Marines and Vietnamese Popular Forces (PFs) troops of Combined Action Group 4 check Vietnamese citizens' identification cards in a village south of Quang Tri City. The village was in an area where recent enemy actions took place (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
3. Photograph number 3D-13-366-238-68: 1968: Watchful: A Popular Forces soldier of Combined Action Group 4 stands guard over three Viet Cong suspects detained south of Quang Tri City. American Marines and PFs conduct patrols daily searching for Viet Cong guerrillas and North Vietnamese soldiers (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Don Shearer).
4. Photograph number 3M-2-1422-69: 1969: Fording: A Popular Force soldier crosses a small river near Qua Giang keeping weapons and clothing dry by using an air mattress as a raft (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
5. Photograph number 3M-13-1422-69: 1969: A Walk in the Sun: PF soldier Duong-Ngo makes his way home during midmorning to see his family, and passes a suspected VC sympathizer's home. Such houses are kept under close surveillance by the PF troopers (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
6. Photograph number 3M-14-1422-69: 1969: Aim In: Marine Sergeant Steve Hancock instructs PF soldier Nguyen Thieu in proper sighting alignment of a Light Assault Weapon (LAW), a rocket-propelled explosive missile (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).
7. Photograph number 3M-15-1422-69: 1969: Recovered Ammo: A Vietnamese villager gives a day patrol from PF Platoon 58 an ammo pouch containing AK-47 ammunition. This pouch was believed lost during a recent enemy attack on the CAP (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).

#### **Box 10 Folder 29. Reconnaissance Unit Operations (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1W-2-150-69: 1969: Changing of the Guard: Marine Sergeant Robert W. Gwinn (Auburn, Washington) leads a Marine reconnaissance team from a CH-46D helicopter as another team boards the aircraft. Aviator from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] help the recon Leathernecks accomplish their mission, supporting them with air strikes, aerial observation, transportation and medevac mission (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).

2. Photograph number 1W-5-155-69: 1969: Workhorse: A CH-46D Sea Knight helicopter from Marine Medium Helicopter Marine Sergeant Robert W. Gwinn (Auburn, Washington) leads a Marine reconnaissance team from a CH-46D helicopter as another team boards the aircraft. Aviator from the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] help the recon Leathernecks accomplish their mission, supporting them with air strikes, aerial observation, transportation and medevac mission (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Bob Jordan).
3. Photograph number 0049: undated: Ladd'er Rip: A Marine reconnaissance team plucked from the center of an enemy force northwest of An Hoa, dangles below a Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 [HMM-364] Sea Knight. The new ladder technique allowed lifting the five-man team through a gap in the jungle canopy and quickly moved them high above the enemy to safety (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant George Edwards).
4. No photograph number: undated: [Group photograph of a platoon of Reconnaissance Marines].
5. Photograph number 1W16-53-9-70 (N): 28 September 1970: A small reconnaissance team of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division being hoisted upward by a spie rig attached to a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
6. Photograph number 1W16-53-9-70 (O): 28 September 1970: A small reconnaissance team of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division being hoisted upward by a spie rig attached to a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
7. Photograph number 1W16-47-9-70 (I): 28 September 1970: A small reconnaissance team of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division being hoisted upward by a spie rig attached to a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
8. Photograph number 1W16-47-9-70 (L): 28 September 1970: A small reconnaissance team of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division being hoisted upward by a spie rig attached to a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 [HMM-262] (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
9. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (A): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).



10. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (C): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
11. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (E): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
12. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (F): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
13. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (I): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
14. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (K): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
15. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (Q): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).
16. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (T): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-

46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).

17. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (U): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).

18. Photograph number 1W16-59-10-70 (W): 4 October 1970: All Aboard: Members of a Marine reconnaissance team climb aboard a ladder dropped to them from a hovering CH-46 helicopter. The team requested an emergency extract when they were pinned down by an enemy unit behind huge boulders in a stream high in the Queson Mountains, southwest of Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Dale L. Baird).

#### **Box 10 Folder 30. Reconnaissance Unit Operations (2 of 2)**

#### **Box 10 Folder 31. Recreation (1 of 3)**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-1147-68: 10 May 1968: Marine drivers of a Force Logistic Command convoy on a daily run from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh, take a break for a dip, as an envious buddy provides security (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
2. Photograph number 0593: 31 July 1968: Happy Holiday: Captain Richard K. Thompson, right, receives a birthday cake airmailed to him from California by his wife and delivered, unscathed by Marine postal clerks, left to right, Corporal Gary M. Remekis (Garden City, Michigan) and Lance Corporal Paul J. DeRosia (St. Paul, Minnesota) (official USMC photo by Corporal A. Mack).
3. Photograph number FLC-1-922-68: 24 April 1968: [An unidentified Marine shaves his face using the rearview mirror of a truck] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 3D-15-15-0203-68: undated: [An unidentified Marine sleeping] (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 1D-1-133-68: 1968: [Marines playing tug of war] (official USMC photo by M. M. Upton).
6. Photograph number 3D-1-5352-68: 1968: Surfer: DT2 Class Rex Crossley, US Navy (Valinda, California) rides a wave in the Gulf of Tonkin while surfing at Cua Viet, south of the Demilitarized Zone. Marines and Navy personnel serving at Cua Viet often spend

their off duty hours swimming and surfing (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Partain).

7. No photograph number: undated: [Three Marines performing in a variety show].
8. Photograph number 3M-1-1321-69: 1969: Sing Out: Marine Private First Class Marcus G. Barnes, Jr., sings and strums his guitar during a performance on Da Nang's entertainment circuit. A chaplain's assistant for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division chaplain, Barnes is reputed to have one of the best singing voices heard by troops in the area (official USMC photo by Sergeant D. M. Messenger).
9. Photograph number 1D-1-177-69: 1969: Skate Me to the War on Time: Marines are known for getting to their objectives via dozens of different transportation modes, whether by land, sea, or air. When Private First Class David L. Troester, 18 (Cruston, Minnesota), received a skateboard from home, however, even the military policeman manning the main gate at the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division command post did a double take before he waved him through (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dick Licciardi).

#### **Box 10 Folder 32. Recreation (2 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 1W0710690115: undated: Four Yards in a Cloud Burst: Proves slightly sloppy as the running back debates his choice on what appears to be an option pass play (official USMC photo by Corporal W. V. Wilson).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-387-69: 1969: 7 ½ Foot Letter: Marine Sergeant Richard K. Bostard, Jr. (Appollo, Pennsylvania) holds up a 7 ½ foot letter recently received from Miss Mary Teremi (Owosso, Michigan). It took Miss Terami several hours to complete the letter from newspaper and magazine clippings, as well as quite a bit of her own handwriting. Sergeant Bostard has never met Miss Teremi (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Smith).
3. Photograph number 1D-1-127-68: 27 January 1968: Smashing Show: A member of the Taekwondo Karate team from the 2d Republic of Korea Marines smashes through tiles in a demonstration for Vietnamese during a party hosted by the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines [2/3], January 27 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. J. Del Vecchio).
4. Photograph number 1D-1-248-68: 8 September 1968: Keeping in Shape: Even in the field, Marines of Headquarters Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [3/26] are keeping fit. Lance Corporal Gerald Trotter, 20 (Anderson, South Carolina), in charge of Special Services, exercises with weightlifting equipment (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Bob Sanville).
5. Photograph number 1D-10-165-69: 1969: True Hero: Helping a three month-old pup named 'Spooky' with a little physical therapy in Sergeant Kenneth L. Murphy (center), 21 (Wheeling, West Virginia). The pup suffered shrapnel wounds while chasing enemy

sappers down a slope near the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division command post. Advising Murphy, who claims ownership of the dog, is Hospitalman Neil B. ‘Scotty’ Kemp, left, 21 (East Canton, Ohio), and Chief Hospital Corpsman H. E. Campbell, 46 (Hagerstown, Maryland) (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).

**Box 10 Folder 33. Recreation (3 of 3)**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-0497-69: 1969: A Million Smiles: Sergeant Richard Jaramillo grins after finding out he has been selected to represent the Marine Corps as Vietnam’s one millionth Hawaii R & R participant. Jaramillo will meet his wife in Hawaii April 8, where they will enjoy free hotel accommodations compliments of a Hawaiian hotel (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal John Refsnyder) [2 copies].
2. Photograph number 0143: undated: Smashing Demonstration: Marine Major Richard Beason, 32 (Troy, New York), smashes a two-inch board held by Corporal Juan Milabe, 21 (Lakewood, New Jersey), and Sergeant Ernest Hinds, 22 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), during a recent demonstration at the opening of the newly-formed 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing Shodokan Karate Club. The demonstration was performed by three instructors who have earned their black belt in the ancient art (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Randy Nelson).
3. Photograph number 3M-1-1870-68: 7 November 1968: Toy rabbit given to 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Division, ‘Thank You,’ Easter, from infantryman, 1968 [wooden rabbit head lashed to a vehicle] (official USMC photo).
4. Photograph number 1D-7-157-69: 1969: Beauty of Buddha: A Marine and two monks share the beauty of a Buddhist statue. The multi-colored replica surprised many of the touring Leathernecks who had envisioned an all-bronze Buddha before entering the temple (official USMC photo by Corporal J. Volpe).
5. Photograph number: FLC-1-382-69: 1969: Follow the Bouncing Ball: Marine Major Charles J. Tyson, left, San Clemente, California, commander of Support Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Force Logistic Command (FLC), and 2d Lieutenant William R. Nicholson III, New York City, of FLC’s Force Logistic Support Group Alpha (FLSG-A), battle for a appoint in the FLC volleyball championship. Held at Camp Jay K. Books, Da Nang, the fiercely-waged contest ended with H&S Battalion winning the best three of the five-game contest: 15-0, 15-10, and 15-9. But, as true sportsmen say, ‘The game was closer than the score would indicate’ (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).
6. Photograph 3M-1-944-69: 1969: Allied Entertainment: Patients at the US Naval Support Activity Hospital sit back and enjoy song and dance entertainment provided by 25 high school students from the Da Nang, Vietnam, area. The project, promoted by the Major of Da Nang, provides student groups at US military hospitals in Da Nang area periodically

to entertain troops recovering from combat injuries (official USMC photo by Corporal C. E. Woodruff).

7. Photograph number 1W-071069-0114: undated: He Should Have Passed: As it turned out, he made more waves than he expected and was nailed by a water-treading linebacker (official USMC photo by Corporal W. V. Wilson).
8. No photograph number: undated: [Vietnamese women hand out programs to seated Marines].

#### **Box 10 Folder 34. Religious Ceremonies**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-921-68: 1968: Baptism in a Bunker: HM2 Larry G. Miller, USN, receives the sacrament of Baptism from Chaplain Evan J. Greco, USN, during a lull in the fighting at Con Thien, two miles south of the demilitarized zone. Witnessing the religious ceremony is Navy Corpsman Mike F. Pinckey (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. E. Stetson).
2. Photograph number 3M-1-0693-69: 1969: New Godfathers: New Marine Godfathers Private First Class Richard L. Costa (Riverside, New Jersey) (left) and Lance Corporal Herbert E. Graffer (Eau Gallie, Florida) look on as Father Edward L. Richardson (Brigantine, New Jersey), assistant III Marine Amphibious Force Chaplain, performs the christening ceremony. The baby, Therisa Pham Thi Mai-Lan, born April 16, is being held by her oldest sister as her mother Mary Le Thi Lua helps keep little Therisa still. Both Marines work with the baby's father Mr. Joseph Pham Cong Lap, who is an interpreter for the Chaplain's office (official USMC photo by Corporal D. M. Messenger).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Chaplain conducting religious service in the field].
4. Photograph number 1D-1-240-68: 1968: [Unidentified chaplain conducts Catholic mass in the field].
5. Photograph number 0986: undated: Special Visit: The Most Reverend Terrance J. Cooke, Archbishop of New York and military vicar for the US Armed Forces, distributes Holy Communion to Marines at Chu Lai Air Base. Archbishop Cooke celebrated Mass with American forces during the Christmas holidays and visited various military hospitals in Vietnam talking with the wounded (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 3M-2-2231: undated: Military Vicar: Archbishop Terrance J. Cooke, Catholic Military Vicar of the US Armed Forces, greets Marines in Da Nang, Vietnam, during his first Christmas-tide visit to servicemen overseas (official USMC photo by Corporal D. M. Messenger).

7. Photograph number 0984: undated: Holiday Gathering: During his first visit to servicemen overseas, Archbishop Terrance J. Cooke, second right, Catholic Military Vicar of US Armed Forces, is greeted at 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] headquarters by (left to right): Major General Charles J. Quilter, wing command, Bishop Peter Chi of Da Nang, and Lieutenant General Robert Cushman, Jr., commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] (official USMC photo by Corporal S. L. MacKenzie)
8. Photograph number 3M-1-2231-68: 1968: Archbishop: Catholic Military Vicar of the US Armed Forces, Archbishop Terence J. Cooke, greets American servicemen in Da Nang, Vietnam, after services at Freedom Hill. Army Specialist 4 David L. Daniels greets the Archbishop following services held Christmas Eve (official USMC photo by Corporal D. M. Messenger).

### **Box 10 Folder 35. Sacred Heart Orphanage**

1. Photograph number 0131: undated: Happiness: A Vietnamese girl from the Sacred Heart Orphanage near Da Nang experiments with a toy she received from the Leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16]. The Marines have delivered more than 1,300 pounds of medical supplies, books, toys, and candy to the Sacred Heart and China Beach Orphanages. The supplies were donated by the employees of the North American Rockwell Corporation, manufacturers of the OV-10A Bronco (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. C. Schobel).
2. Photograph number 1W-1-160-69: 1969: Sharing: Sergeant Oreste Santini (Somerville, Massachusetts) of Marine Aircraft Group 11 [MAG-11] shares his soda with an orphan from Da Nang's Sacred Heart Orphanage. The Sacred Heart children are invited to MAG-11 recreation area once a month. The occasion in June was a party sponsored by MAG-11's communications section (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant John Tolarchyk).
3. Photograph number 3-5-69: 1969: Party Time: More than 60 children at the Sacred Heart East Orphanage in Da Nang enjoy birthday cake and ice cream to help the adopted daughter of Staff Sergeant Charles Hoff celebrate her first birthday (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Hal Blake).
4. Photograph number 1-5-69: 1969: 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday: Staff Sergeant Charles Hoff and his newly adopted daughter, Anh Thu, celebrate her first birthday at the Sacred Heart East Orphanage in Da Nang, January 3 (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Hal Blake).
5. Photograph number 2-5-69: 1969: Hi Dad: Anh Thu, the adopted daughter of Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Charles Hoff, cuddles in the arms of her new father on one of his visits to the Sacred Heart East Orphanage in Da Nang where Hoff found her (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Hal Blake).



6. Photograph number 4-3229-68: 1968: International Favorite: A Marine serving with the Armed Forces Military Police, Da Nang, finds that a child and ice cream belong together, anywhere, anytime, during a holiday season party for children at the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Patrick Nixon).
7. Photograph number 1-3229-68: 1968: No 'Munster' is He: Marines serving with the Armed Forces Military Police, Da Nang, entertain children at the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Da Nang, during a holiday season party sponsored by the military police unit (official USMC photo by Sergeant Patrick Nixon).

#### **Box 10 Folder 36. Scout Dog Platoons (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 9-359-67: 25 December 1967: [Unidentified Marine and a puppy] (official USMC photo by D. J. Brush).
2. Photograph number 2-2962-68: 1968: Training for More Than Tricks: With silent hand signals, Marine Lance Corporal Donald A. Fardink (Mayville, New York) commands Prince, a Marine Scout dog, to 'sit on his tail.' The highly trained dogs are used by Marine infantry units to detect enemy troops and equipment (official USMC photo by Sergeant J. S. Addington).
3. Photograph number 0105: 3 February 1968: New Tooth: Rebel, a Navy, sentry dog, gets a new tooth with the help of Lieutenant John C. Epstein at the 11<sup>th</sup> Dental Company clinic, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing [1<sup>st</sup> MAW] headquarters, Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal Peter Bettig).
4. Photograph number FLC-4-1341-69: 1969: Important Team: US Marine scout dogs are silent weapons. Their keen sense of smell warns Leathernecks of enemy presence. Scout dog teams like Sergeant James T. Bolton (Front Royal, Virginia) and Husky have saved countless Marine infantry men by turning the tables on enemy ambushes (official USMC photo by Sergeant Bruce Chertkow).
5. Photograph number FLC-1-1032-69: 1969: Geronimo Rides Again: Geronimo, a Marine scout dog serving in Vietnam, is a highly trained, sophisticated weapon in the Allied arsenal. The scout dogs are used by Marines in Vietnam to detect the presence of enemy troops through their keen senses of smell and hearing. Pointing toward a suspected enemy position is the dog's handler, Marine Sergeant Herbert J. Simien (Houston, Texas) (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ken Barth).
6. Photograph number 0128: 9 February 1968: GRRR: King, one of the sentry dogs which guard Marine Aircraft Group 39 [MAG-39] at Phu Bai, alerts his handler, Lance Corporal Vincent Murante (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant W. F. Schrider).
7. Photograph number 1D-4-266-68: 1968: Time For Cards: Sergeant G. F. White, 20 (Minicello, Minnesota) and Lance Corporal T. F. Ryan, 19 (Vergennes, Vermont) use a

poncho for cover from the sun while playing a game of cards. White's scout dog, King, enjoys the coolness of the shelter. The Marines were taking their rest break south of Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal W. R. Schaaf).

8. Photograph number FLC-1-299-69: Scout Dog Patrol: Sergeant John A. Martino (Lexington, Kentucky) and Private First Class T. R. Sorci (West Seneca, New York) check a map during a search for enemy activity near Marine Force Logistic Command's headquarters complex, eight miles northwest of Da Nang. Marino is a squad leader with FLCs Provisional Rifle Company. Sorci and his dog, King, members of the Scout and Sentry Dog Platoon, 3d Military Police Battalion, were operating with the unit in search of booby traps, tunnel and bunker complexes, and other forms of enemy activity. Scout and sentry dogs serve with Marine units throughout I Corps, Vietnam's northernmost tactical zone (official USMC photo by Corporal Walter Leetch).
9. Photograph number 1D-2-62x-67: 3 March 1967: The mascot of the troops of CAC unit at Fort Page has the unique name of Tracer. Here he poses on an M-60 emplacement at the front of Fort Page (Defense Department photo).
10. No photograph number: undated: [Marines in the field with two scout sentry dogs].

#### **Box 10 Folder 37. Scout Dog Platoons (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 1-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Success: Sergeant Spano and Lobo show their joy after successfully making their first jump (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
2. Photograph number 2-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Saddle Ups: Sergeant Spano gets into his parachute harness as Lobo waits for the next move (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
3. Photograph number 3-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Lift: Lobo gets a lift onto the plane as the jump gets near (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
4. Photograph number 4-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Soaring High: With Lobo lowered for the touchdown the two just ride out the jump (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
5. Photograph number 5-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Away They Go: Spano and Lobo dive out of the plane for the long awaited jump (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).
6. Photograph number 6-2020-68: 1 August 1968: Water: Sergeant Spano shares a canteen of water with Lobo after the jump (official USMC photo by Corporal Paul G. Oliver).

7. No photograph number: undated: [An injured, muzzled Marine Corps scout dog receiving medical treatment] (official USMC photo).
8. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine and scout dog posing in front of a Hawk missile launcher] (official USMC photo).
9. No photograph number: undated: [Three unidentified Marines with a scout dog in the field] (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 10 Folder 38. Snipers**

1. Photograph number 1-213-68: 1968: Sniping With a .50: Lance Corporal Alfred Kogelman, observes possible enemy activity with binoculars as Lance Corporal Larry Bridges, stands ready to put his .50 caliber machine gun to use. The new sniping weapon has an effective range of 3,000 meters—twice the range of the Remington model 700 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Steve Wyatt).
2. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine sniper with rifle in the field] (official USMC photo).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine sniper sighting rifle] (official USMC photo).

#### **Box 11**

##### **Box 11 Folder 1. Tanks and Tracked Vehicles (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number FLC-3-689-69: 1969: Repairs in the Rain: As Vietnam's monsoon rains spill out of the clouds near Da Nang, Marine Lance Corporal Alejandro Gamboa, 21, of Whittier, California, makes repairs on a tank track. A tank retriever with Force Logistic Command, Gamboa has the job of bringing in damaged vehicles and performing repairs on them (official USMC photo by Corporal Nick Myers).
2. Photograph number 1D-3-74-69: 1969: Routing Out the Enemy: Firing at a camouflaged enemy bunker, a tank from the 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, supports Marines of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines (L/3/1). One Leatherneck guards a prisoner (right center) captured earlier in the day directed the Marines to the enemy bunker in an area near Marble Mountain south of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).
3. Photograph number 1D-74-69: 1969: Moving Up: A tank from 1<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, crosses a field while supporting Leathernecks of L Company, 3d Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marines (L/3/1) during a cordon and search operation near Marble Mountain (official USMC photo by Corporal J. E. Thornton).

4. Photograph number 1D-3-125-68: 1968: [A tracked crane is directed over a bridge by a Marine] (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 3D-6-0647-68: 1968: [A line of four tanks] (official USMC photo).
6. Photograph 3D-1-0735-68: 1968: [Rear view of a tank in the field] (official USMC photo).

**Box 11 Folder 2.      Tanks and Tracked Vehicles (2 of 2)**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Amphibious tractor in the field] (official USMC photo).
2. No photograph number: undated: [Amphibious tractor and Marines in the field] (official USMC photo).
3. No photograph number: undated: [Amphibious tractor and Marines in the field] (official USMC photo) [2 copies].
4. No photograph number: undated: [A flamethrower tank and an Ontos in the field with Marines] (official USMC photo) [2 copies].

**Box 11 Folder 3.      III Marine Amphibious Force (III MAF) Transient Facility**

1. Photograph number FLC-1-0693-69: 1969: Checking In: The day before they board planes for Hong Kong, Tokyo, Australia or Hawaii, Marines check at the new III MAF Transient Center to make sure their name is on the roster that will put them on a plane for seven days r and r (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
2. Photograph number FLC-2-0693-69: 1969: Newbies: New arrivals in Vietnam await transportation to their units. Each Marine arriving for duty in Vietnam is processing through the new III MAF Transient Center, operated by Force Logistic Command. Each man will see the facility again, when he goes on R & R, annual leave, special or emergency leave, and when he rotates to the United States (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
3. Photograph number FLC-5-0693-69: 1969: Finishing Touches: Workmen put the finishing touches on one of the transient barracks at the new III MAF Transient Center near Da Nang. The new facility has the capability of billeting 1,500 Marine personnel each night. The barracks are one of the many new facilities available to Marines entering or leaving Vietnam (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
4. Photograph number FLC-6-0693-69: 1969: Snack Bar: Operated by Marines of Force Logistic Command, this III MAF Transient Center snack bar serves over 15,000 service personnel going on R & R each month, 500-700 daily arrivals in Vietnam, and

approximately 600 Marines rotating to the United States each day (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).

5. Photograph number FLC-7-0693-69: 1969: Waiting: The new USO lounge at the III MAF Transient Center provides a place to drink coffee, play games, read magazines, or just relax while waiting for that flight home or to R & R. It is one of the many new facilities available to Marines entering or leaving Vietnam through the transient center (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
6. Photograph number FLC-8-0693-69: 1969: 3,000 Meals a Day: Over 1,000 Marines can be fed at one time in the new III MAF Transient Center mess hall. To prepare 3,000 meals a day, 13 cooks, 8 messmen, and 33 Vietnamese helpers work from early morning until late at night (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
7. Photograph number 3-0693-69: 1969: Would You Believe?: A dental assistant cleans and fluoridates a Marine's teeth before he leaves for R & R. This is one of the many new services for Marines at the huge III MAF Transient Center near Da Nang. The center, operated by Force Logistic Command, also provides a tailor shop, laundry, snack bar, storage for personal gear, and barracks facilities (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).
8. Photograph number FLC-3-0331-69: 1969: This Way, Marine: One of the first sights that greet newly arrived Leathernecks in Vietnam are personnel of the Force Logistic Command's transit facility either entering or departing Vietnam. Facility personnel are tasked with responsibility of providing transient Marines with temporary billeting, money conversion and the processing of orders (official USMC photo by Corporal Mike Teramoto).
9. Photograph number FLC-4-0693-69: 1969: Putting Them Away: A Marine storage clerk finds an empty cubbyhole for a Marine's baggage while he's on the R & R. Storage of a Marines personal gear is one of many services available for Leathernecks going on R & R, special leave or annual leave through the new III MAF Transient Center, operated by Force Logistic Command (official USMC photo by Captain Douglas Menely).

#### **Box 11 Folder 4.     III Marine Amphibious Force [III MAF] Vietnamese Language School**

1. Photograph number 2-1428-68: 1968: New Students: Lance Corporal John H. Clifford, Jr., center (Mt. Holly, North Carolina) and Private First Class David N. Harrow, right (Columbus, Ohio), receive instructions from Lance Corporal Robert D. McKay (St. Helens, Oregon) on where to report in for the Vietnamese Language School (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
2. Photograph number 3-1428-68: 1968: Vietnamese Instructor: Army of the Republic of Vietnam Staff Sergeant Huynh Bui Quang is one of the three ARVN staff

noncommissioned officers who instruct at the III Marine Amphibious Force Vietnamese Language School at Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

3. Photograph number 4-1428-68: 1968: Busy Schedule: Captain James R. O'Reilly (Carlsbad, California) explains a portion of the four-week Vietnamese Language School's schedule to the new school director, Captain George K. Eubanks (Oceanside, California), prior to O'Reilly's transfer to a Combined Action Company (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).
4. Photograph number 1-1428-68: 1968: Good Marks?: Army of the Republic of Vietnam 2d Lieutenant Ha Sau Hoa, assistant school director, and Marine Lance Corporal Robert D. McKay (St. Helens, Oregon), III Marine Amphibious Force Vietnamese Language School clerk, mark test papers of Marine students attending the four week course at Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Corporal D. E. Kramer).

#### **Box 11 Folder 5.      3d Marine Division Children's Hospital**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-5089-69: 1969: Happy Easter: Sergeant Hubert L. McKinely (Buena Park, California) and Lance Corporal Celestino Martinez (Detroit, Michigan), both cooks at the Headquarters Battalion, 3d Marine Division mess hall in Quang Tri, pass out Easter eggs they prepared and decorated for the children at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha. Navy doctors have been very successful in corrective surgery for harelip deformities in youngsters and the word has been passed all over the two northern provinces of South Vietnam. Rural parents who previously thought there was nothing that could be done for the deformity now have hope for a brighter future for their children. The hospital also is earning a reputation for performing 'miracles' in the treatment of skin diseases (official USMC photo by Corporal John G. McCullough).
2. Photograph number 3D-1-7045-69: 1969: Happy Tet: Navy Lieutenant Frederick Burkle (Hampden, Connecticut) presents a Tet (Vietnamese New Year) gift, a small puppy, to one of his former patients during his visit to a small village just north of Dong Ha. Receiving the gift is 14 year old Ho Thi Lai, who a year ago was injured by an exploding enemy artillery shell and paralyzed from the waist down. Thanks to doctor Burke and other staff members of the 3d Marine Division's Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha, Lai can now walk with the aid of crutches and leg braces and has a good chance for complete recovery (official USMC photo by Corporal P. L. Schackman) [2 copies].
3. Photograph number 3D-1-4070-69: 1969: New Wagon: Gunnery Sergeant Neil H. LeRud (Fargo, North Dakota), maintenance chief for the 3d Marine Division's Communications Company, puts together a new wagon for the young patients at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha. LeRud received 80 packages of gifts from the citizens of Huntington, Long Island, New York. Prior to coming to Vietnam, LeRud was a recruiter in Huntington (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).



4. Photograph number 3D-3-7045-69: 1969: Temperature Check: A young patient at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital awaits the results after having his temperature checked by a Vietnamese nurse. Hospital Corpsman 3d Class George P. Sanderson (Seneca Falls, New York), records the reading as he assists the young Vietnamese girl in learning the principles of nursing (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).
5. Photograph number 3D-2-414-69: 1969: Little Guy, Big Chair: A Vietnamese youngster looks almost lost in the chair as Navy dentist, Lieutenant Glenn H. Schultze (Forrest Hills, New York) and Dental Technician 3d Class John English (Chicago, Illinois), check his teeth. The dental clinic is part of the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
6. Photograph number 3D-3-414-69: 1969: Playtime: Vietnamese youngsters take the opportunity to play with balloons while awaiting treatment at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Hospital. The youngsters were brought to the Dong Ha hospital for medical care by their parents from all parts of Quang Tri province (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
7. Photograph number 3D-4-414-69: 1969: Progress Check: Chief Hospital Corpsman Billy Harber (Chapel, Tennessee) and Hospital Corpsman 3d Class George Sorenson (Jersey City, New Jersey) check on the progress of a young Vietnamese patient at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital at Dong Ha. The infant is one of the many children throughout Quang Tri province who are brought to the hospital for treatment (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant F. Lowe III).
8. Photograph number 3D-5-7045-69: 1969: New Dress: A Vietnamese nurse at the 3d Marine Division Memorial Children's Hospital helps one of her patients try on a new dress received from the United States. Gifts from Hawthorne, Nevada; Steamboat Rock, Iowa; and Unionville, Michigan were received in time for the Vietnamese Tet holiday, a season of presenting gifts to children (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackmann).
9. Photograph number 1-1403-68: 1 September 1968: Dedication: Major General Raymond G. Davis officially dedicates the Dong Ha Children's Hospital. General Davis, commanding general, 3d Marine Division, addressed high ranking military and civilian officials during ceremonies held September 1 (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

#### **Box 11 Folder 6.      Training and Instruction**

1. Photograph number 3M-8-1422-69: 1969: Light Assault Weapon (LAW): The 'LAW' is laid down as Marine Sergeant Steve G. Hancock gives instruction in the use of this rocket

propelled missile, near Qua Giang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant Dave Mendella).

2. Photograph number FLC-4-1141-67: 1967: Gun Talk: Warrant Officer Edward H. Bell explains how to avoid weapons failures. Display board illustrates what happened to infantry weapons not properly cared for (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. M. Chambers).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-578-68: 13 April 1968: Grenade Range: Scouts learn the proper way to throw grenades while at the waterfront grenade range (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant R. E. Duncan).
4. Photograph number FLC-5-347-69: 1969: Aiming While Assaulting: Effective employment of the M-60 machine gun, whether in a fixed or assault position, is covered with students firing the weapons in readiness for their upcoming combat patrol, all under the watchful eye of an experienced instructor (official USMC photo by Sergeant Mike Teramoto).

#### **Box 11 Folder 7.      Typhoon Bess**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1421-68: 5 September 1968: Side Walls: A temporary garage at the Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] motor pool collapsed under the strain of Typhoon Bess' 55 knot winds. The motor transport men at the Marble Mountain Air Facility used a wrecker and muscle power to get the wall back in place (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
2. Photograph number 3M-2-1421-68: 5 September 1968: Swamped: Marines move their beds because of flooding conditions at the Da Nang Air Base. Typhoon Bess dropped nearly 11 inches of rain during her romp of the Da Nang area (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).
3. Photograph number 3M-3-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Air Forced: Winds up to 55 knots tore the corner off the 15<sup>th</sup> Aerial Freight Terminal at the Da Nang Air Base, and nearly 11 inches of rain dampened some of the equipment stored outside (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
4. Photograph number 3M-5-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Splash in the Motor Pool: A Marine jeep at the Marble Mountain Air Facility braves the winds of Typhoon Bess in Da Nang. Nearly 11 inches of rain fell (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
5. Photograph number 3M-6-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Watered Down: Vietnamese electricians repair lines during Typhoon Bess near the Da Nang Air Base. Winds up to 55 knots made climbing telephone poles more than just a little 'unhealthy' (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).

6. Photograph number 3M-7-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Double Vested: A Marine of the Force Logistics Command, 1<sup>st</sup> Military Police Battalion, is doubly protected. He wears an armored vest to protect him from enemy bullets, and a life preserver to protect him against drowning should Typhoon Bess' wind gusts blast him over the side of the Da Nang Bridge. Bess provided 11 inches of rain and winds up to 55 knots during her recent visit to Vietnam (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
7. Photograph number 3M-8-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Grounded: A Marine fork lift has been placed in such a manner as to anchor a small building at the Marine Aircraft Group 16 [MAG-16] compound, Marble Mountain Air Facility near Da Nang (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal D. W. Barr).
8. Photograph number 3M-9-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Windswept: Tying down tents was a familiar chore during Typhoon Bess' sweep of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).
9. Photograph number 3M-10-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Inspecting for Damage: Marine officers check for any wind or rain damage in Da Nang. Typhoon Bess caused minimal damage during her jaunt last week (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).
10. Photograph number 3M-11-1421-68: 4 September 1968: Whet Appetites: Rotating Marines wait in line for chow at the III Marine Amphibious Force Transient Center in Da Nang. Flights were postponed on the day of the storm, but the short-timers flew out the following day for stateside assignments following a normal 13 month tour of duty (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).

#### **Box 11 Folder 8. United Service Organization [USO]**

1. Photograph number 3M-2-2222-68: 1968: Fore? No, Nineteen. Nineteen American girls accompanied ambassador par excellence Bob Hope during the entertainer's fifth Yuletide tour in Vietnam, and his 18<sup>th</sup> overseas jaunt to spread holiday cheer. The two-hour show, December 24, attended by thousands of American servicemen in the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Amphitheater, included Ann-Margret, singers Linda Bennett and 'Rosie' Greer, trampolinist Dick Albers and the 12 girl song and dance troupe, the Goldiggers (official USMC photo by Corporal Dave Messenger).
2. Photograph number 3M-4-222-68: 1968: Wild About Bob: Marine, Army, Navy, and Seabee personnel numbering in the thousands came and saw the United States' servicemen's favorite comedian, Bob Hope, and his talented troupe, December 24. Held in the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division amphitheater at Da Nang, the two-hour show featured Hope, singer-dancer Ann Margret, singers Linda Bennett and 'Rosie' Greer, and US televisions' 'Gold Diggers' (official USMC photo by Corporal Dave Messenger).

3. Photograph number 3M-1-2222-68: 1968: Small World: It's not a new act, but the name's the same. Private First Class Tommy Wright (Tustin, California), 2d Battalion, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines [2/26], had the pleasure of watching his sister, Mary K. Wright, a member of the song and dance troupe 'Golddiggers,' perform for thousands of American servicemen December 24, during Bob Hope's annual Yuletide visit to this northern I Corps city. Said Wright of the meeting, 'I've heard of brother meeting brother in Vietnam, but brother meeting sister is just too much' (official USMC photo by Corporal Dave Messenger).
4. Photograph number 3M-1-1423-69: 1969: Singing Up a Storm: Chanin Hale (center) and the 'Two Far Out', is a musical group currently on the ICTZ entertainment circuit. Sponsored by the USO Overseas Hollywood Committee and the Department of Defense, this well-received trio has visited more than 20 different bases since arriving in Vietnam (official USMC photo).
5. Photograph number 0988: 1968: Bevy of Beauties: Lance Corporal Paul Tallman, 19, left (Boston, Massachusetts), of 9<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, and Private First Class Cary A. Rutherford, 19 (Toledo, Ohio) of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 12 [H&MS-12], Marine Aircraft Group 12, patients at Chu Lai hospital, chat with the Honey Unlimited group, entertainers with the Bob Hope show, following the Chu Lai performance. More than 20,000 Marines, soldiers, sailors, and Seabees crammed the hillside amphitheater for Hope's 1968 show, his fifth in Vietnam. The girls, left to right, Laura Delkinhorne, Sandy Slinwin, and Marsha Tammer, all of Detroit, Michigan (official USMC photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Joe Collins).
6. Photograph number 0558: 4 July 1968: USO Show: Members of a Japanese USO troupe entertain officers and men of Quang Tri's Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 38 [MAG-39]. The show was one of the first to visit the northernmost air base in South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant R. B. Williams).
7. Photograph number 0082: 28 January 1968: Invitation: Private First Class Thomas 'Frenchy' Folsko, 19 (Kalamazoo, Michigan), a fireman assigned to Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17 [H&MS-17] was the first to line up when USO hostesses Phillis Johnson and Arlene Naschke began recruiting volunteers for a tour of Da Nang (official USMC photo by Sergeant Ron Zielinski).
8. Photograph number 2032-68: 1968: Evangelist Billy Graham greets servicemen of I Corps after speaking to more than 1,500 gathered at the Freedom Hill Amphitheater, December 23. Dr. Graham said he brought only one message for the men in Vietnam and that was to wish them a Merry Christmas from the people of the United States (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal R. B. Sanville).
9. Photograph number 3M-1-0017-69: 1969: Candy Wreath: Lucy Caldwell admires one of the 1,493 candy wreathes manufactured by and sent to the China Beach USO by the Peter

Kiewit Wives of Rapid City, South Dakota, and Rock River, Wyoming (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).

10. Photograph number 3M-3-0117-69: 1969: Tireless Lucy: In spite of an arduous workload, Lucy Caldwell can still muster a smile as she takes a stint at the snack counter at the China Beach USO (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
11. Photograph number 3M-1-0124-69: 1969: Farewell to I Corps: After more than two years in Vietnam, Lucy Caldwell, former associate director of the China Beach USO, Da Nang, and known to thousands of American fighting men, waves goodbye as she boards an airplane bound for Saigon, January 20. Major General Carl A. Youngdale, deputy commanding general, III Marine Amphibious Force, was on hand to say farewell and thank Lucy on behalf of III MAF (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Jerry Baker).
12. Photograph number 3M-2-0117-69: 1969: Christmas Present: Assisted by pretty Nguyen Thi Gai, Lucy Caldwell fills one of 225,000 Christmas gift bags that were given to US fighting men throughout I Corps. Articles for the gift bags were donated by people all over the United States (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Don Barr).
13. Photograph number 3M-4-1420-69: 1969: Ol' Lonesome George: Famed comedian George Gobel puts his own brand of dry humor into a Monopoly game. The two players, Private First Class Kenneth Peugh (Christen City, California), left, and Private Dannel Morgan (Jersey City, New Jersey), are hospitalized at the Army's 95<sup>th</sup> Medical Evacuation Hospital, Da Nang, Vietnam (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant D. G. Pavey).

#### **Box 11 Folder 9.      USS Galveston**

1. Photograph number 3M-1-1950-68: 1968: Support for Their Own: The Marine detachment aboard the USS Galveston wait for orders to man their gun, which will fire in support of Marines ashore. The light cruiser is on-station off the coast of South Vietnam, providing naval gunfire support to Free World Forces near Hoi An. The 39 Marines on the cruiser man one of the batteries. Navy crews man the ship's other guns (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

#### **Box 11 Folder 10.    USS Iwo Jima**

1. Photograph number 0233: 12 March 1968: Shipboard Maintenance: A maintenance crew works on one of the squadron's helicopters on the flight deck of the USS Iwo Jima (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
2. Photograph number 0234: 12 March 1968: Rotor Folders: Marines fold the rotor blades on a helicopter to move the aircraft to the hangar deck aboard the USS Iwo Jima (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

3. Photograph number 0232: 12 March 1968: Outgoing Medevac: A UH-34D Sea Horse helicopter leaves the USS Iwo Jima to pick up a wounded Marine ashore (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).
4. Photograph number 0236: 12 March 1968: Going Up: Two UH-34D Sea Horse helicopters are elevated from the hangar deck to the flight deck on the USS Iwo Jima (official USMC photo by Corporal Joe Brand).

**Box 11 Folder 11.    USS New Jersey**

1. Photograph number 3D-1-8-054-69: 1969: Big Guns: Corporal Harry A. Dierks (Blaine, Washington) looks down the barrel of one of the USS New Jersey's 16 inch guns. His brother (left), Boatswain Mate 3d Class Jerry W. Dierks, explains how the big guns work while showing his brother around the ship during a two-day reunion (official USMC photo by Corporal Pat Schackman).

**Box 11 Folder 12.    USS Tripoli (1 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-17-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Take-Off: A Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter takes off from the deck of the USS Tripoli off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
2. Photograph number 3M-12-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Framed: The USS Tripoli is framed in the cargo hold of a Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter off the coast of South Vietnam. The Tripoli is flagship for a Marine reinforced battalion landing team and squadron of Marine helicopters operating as Special Landing Force Bravo (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
3. Photograph number 3M-11-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Resting But Ready: a sailor from the USS Tripoli rests while waiting for a flight of Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopters to return from a resupply flight. Relaxed, he wears a set of headphones which will alert him to the communication system for the Marine squadron (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
4. Photograph number 3M-14-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Rarin' to Go: Marine Sea Knight helicopters prepare to take off from the deck of the USS Tripoli, operating off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number 3-1184-6: 27 July 1968: Hangar Deck: Eight Marine Sea Knight helicopters are stored in the USS Tripoli's hangar deck, where Marine mechanics work in three eight hour shifts to repair the aircraft (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).



6. Photograph number 3M-11-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Elevator Service: The elevator aboard the USS Tripoli lowers a Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter to the hangar deck for repair and maintenance (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
7. Photograph number 3M—13-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Veteran: The Marines Corps' oldest CH-46 Sea Knight takes off from the deck of the Tripoli off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
8. Photograph number 3M-7-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Caught!: Sailors aboard the USS Tripoli are frozen by the camera en route to a Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter. The two are members of the chock and chain crew which tie down the Marines choppers aboard the USS Tripoli, operating off the coast of South Vietnam with a Marine battalion landing team (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

**Box 11 Folder 13. USS Tripoli (2 of 2)**

1. Photograph number 3M-29-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Hose Crew: Sailors of the refueling crew aboard the USS Tripoli wash down the flight deck after refueling Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopters off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
2. Photograph number 3M-19-1184-68: 'Wind Er Up:' A USS Tripoli sailor signals a Marine pilot to start his Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter off the coast of South Vietnam, where a Marine battalion and squadrons form a Special Landing Force (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
3. Photograph number 3M-22-1184-68: 27 June 1968: Related: A Navy Sea Horse helicopter flies over a Marine Sea Knight helicopter from the deck of the USS Tripoli operating off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
4. Photograph number 3M-9-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Down...But Not Out: Navy crewmen aboard the USS Tripoli wait for the Marine Sea Knight helicopter squadron to return to the ship. The sailors grab rest whenever they can, but continue wearing communications headsets which alert them to the squadron's return (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
5. Photograph number 3M-2-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Nose Job: Helicopter crew chief Corporal Jim Keltner, 21 (Providence, Rhode Island), performs a maintenance check on his helicopter while Major Donald A. Caldwell (Tucson, Arizona) observes. The Marines are aboard the USS Tripoli off the coast of South Vietnam (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).
6. Photograph number 3M-24-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Waiting for the Choppers: Navy crewmen aboard the USS Tripoli, operating off the coast of South Vietnam, wait for the

return of the Marine Corps Sea Knight helicopter squadron (HMM-265) [Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 265] to return from resupplying a Marine battalion landing team (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

7. Photograph number 0646: 6 August 1968: The Old Pro: The Corps' oldest CH-46 Sea Knight, helicopter number 22, leaves the carrier deck of the USS Tripoli and heads inland to provide resupply and medevac missions in support of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment (official USMC photo by Master Sergeant Dan R. Morris).
8. Photograph number 3M-30-1184-68: 27 July 1968: Inside and Out: Marine helicopter mechanics aboard the USS Tripoli perform minor maintenance and repairs to Sea Knight helicopters off the coast of South Vietnam. Corporal Dan J. Harrigan, 22 (Oakland, California), outside is observed by Corporal Danny E. Myers, 23 (San Antonio, Texas) (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Tom Bartlett).

#### **Box 11 Folder 14. Viet Cong Fortifications/Tunnels**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine descends into a concealed tunnel].
2. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine, armed with a bayonet and a .45 caliber pistol, emerges from a Viet Cong tunnel].
3. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine inspects an opening in a hillside].
4. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine exposes a Viet Cong tunnel concealed under straw].
5. No photograph number: undated: [Abandoned Viet Cong hut].
6. No photograph number: undated: [A topside view of a Viet Cong tunnel].
7. No photograph number: undated: [A raised platform concealed by tree limbs].
8. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Marine with an M-70 grenade launcher inspects a Viet Cong tunnel].

#### **Box 11 Folder 15. Vietnamese Civilians**

1. Photograph number 3D-2-400-68: 1968: A Human Ribbon: Khe Sanh refugees form a human ribbon as they snake their way across hills leading to Cam Lo in Northern I Corps Area. More than 1,600 Montagnards arrived at the Vietnamese resettlement area at Cam Lo (official USMC photo by Gunnery Sergeant Ed Brey).
2. No photograph number: [Vietnamese boy] (official USMC photo).

3. Photograph number 4-1870-68: 16 July 1968: [Three Vietnamese youths].
4. Photograph number 4-1316-68: 21 August 1968: [Vietnamese youth crouched at the mouth of a tunnel].
5. Photograph number 2-1316-68: 18 August 1968: [Vietnamese woman holding fish].
6. Photograph number 5-1316-68: 21 August 1968: [Vietnamese fisherman].
7. Photograph number 1D-1-212-68: 1968: [Vietnamese children and their mothers].

**Box 11 Folder 16. Vietnamese Marines**

1. Photograph number 0237: 12 March 1968: Big Lift: Elements of Task Force Alpha of the Vietnamese Marine Corps head for cover after being heli-lifted into positions east of Hue (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Bill Graham).
2. No photograph number: undated: [Unidentified Vietnamese Marine officer examines a map].
3. No photograph number: 1968: Vietnamese Marine WIA during Tet Offensive (official USMC photo by Captain J. W. Ripley).
4. No photograph number: 1968: Scene during Tet Offensive, 1968. Vietnamese Marine carrying RPG (B-40 anti-tank rounds) passes dead NVA soldier in Cholon district, Saigon (official USMC photo by Captain J. W. Ripley).

**Box 11 Folder 17. Walt, Lewis W.**

1. Photograph number 3-1797-68: 29 October 1968: Organ to Orphans: Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, left, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, listens to an organ presented by the widow of the late Marine Captain Troy Oliver. Walt presented the organ to the Reverend and Mrs. Gordon Smith, at right, Directors of the China Beach Orphanage in Da Nang. Captain Oliver, who was killed in action during the bitter fighting in Hue during the Tet Offensive, often visited the orphanage bringing gifts. The Smiths arrived in Vietnam in 1929, and since that time have founded orphanages and leprosariums in Vietnam. General Walt is visiting Marine units in Vietnam, keeping abreast of the current situation (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant Lee Hoeynck).
2. No photograph number: October 1968: [Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt speaks to an unidentified Marine infantryman].
3. No photograph number: October 1968: [Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt addresses a group of Marine riflemen in the field].

4. No photograph number: October 1968: [Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt receives a status update in the field from an unidentified Marine].
5. Photograph number 1D-1-92-69: 1969: Leatherneck Honcho: Lieutenant General Lewis Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, tours Camp Joseph Muir, home of the 7<sup>th</sup> Marines during a recent visit to Vietnam. The general inspected enemy gear captured by soldiers of the 51<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Army of the Republic of the Republic of Vietnam (official USMC photo by Sergeant A. V. Huffman).
6. Photograph number FLC-2-0087-69: 1969: General Visits Combat Zone Orphanage: Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, is surrounded by Vietnamese children during a visit to the Dong Ha Orphanage. Their home is located in the northernmost reaches of Vietnam's I Corps below the Demilitarized Zone. Walt visited the orphanage is during his latest tour of Marine installations in Vietnam. The orphanage is assisted by the civil affairs section of Marine Force Logistic Support Group Bravo (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
7. Photograph number FLC-1-0887-69: 1969: Flowers for General Walt: Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, receives a bouquet of flowers from a young Vietnamese girl at the Dong Ha High School. Walt visited the small school, less than eight miles from the Demilitarized Zone, during his latest tour of I Corps. Nguyen Than Hoan, the school administrator, distributes General Walt Scholarships totaling \$8,500 monthly to exceptional and needy students of the Dong Ha area. Funds for the scholarships are provided by the Marine Corps Reserve Civic Action Program in the United States (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal Roger Nystrom).
8. Photograph number 3M-1-0569-69: 1969: China Beach Orphanage: Lieutenant General Lewis W. Walt, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, meets with some of the children at the China Beach Orphanage, near Da Nang. His April 2 visit was made on the second day of a five day tour of Marine units in Vietnam. General Walt commanded the III Marine Amphibious Force from June 1965 until May 1967 (official USMC photo by Lance Corporal C. E. Woodruff).

## **Series 6.5                      Miscellaneous Photographs**

**Box 11 Folder 18.      Photographs of Jonathan Abel, 1968-1970**

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**Box 11 Folder 21.      Colonel Ashurst surrenders the North China Marines, 1941**

- Box 11 Folder 22. 195<sup>th</sup> USMC Birthday, 1970**
- Box 11 Folder 23. Marine Corps Training (undated)**
- Box 11 Folder 24. Flood at Henderson Hall, June 1968**
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- Box 11 Folder 28. World War II: Aviation, circa 1942-1945**
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**Box 12**

**Box 12 Folder 1. Oversize Photographs: Vietnam: Aviation**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Marine F4-B Phantom drops a bomb].
2. No photograph number: undated: [Marine F4-B in flight].
3. No photograph number: undated: [F4-B Phantom of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] in flight; call sign on fuselage reads "Exterminator"] [3 copies].
4. No photograph number: undated: [Two F4-B Phantom of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115 [VMFA-115] in flight; call signs on fuselages read "Exterminator" and "Chevas Regal"].

**Box 12 Folder 2. Oversize Photographs: Vietnam: Combat Patrols**

1. Photograph number 3D-27B64-66: 1966: Operation Cormorant 1-3-2: Every step is a challenge to meet an ambush these Marines find as they advance through the razor sharp grass in search of the Viet Cong. The men are members of the 3d Platoon, Company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 3d Marines [C/1/3] (Defense Department photo).

2. No photograph number: undated: [Marine infantryman throws a hand grenade].
3. No photograph number: undated: [Three Marine infantrymen and a tank].
4. No photograph number: undated: [A line of Marine infantrymen take aim].
5. No photograph number: undated: [A Marine rifleman in the field].
6. No photograph number: undated: [A Marine prepares an explosive charge].
7. No photograph number: undated: [Marines observe a villager plowing a rice paddie].
8. No photograph number: undated: [Two Marines cross a bamboo bridge].

**Box 12 Folder 3.      Oversize Photographs: Vietnam: Helicopter Operations**

1. No photograph number: 6 November 1970: [Vietnamese villagers crowd around a helicopter] (official USMC photo by Staff Sergeant L. M. Slifer).
2. No photograph number: undated: [Six UH-34D Sea Horse helicopters in flight, and four Amphibious Tractors on a beach].

**Box 12 Folder 4.      Oversize Photographs: Vietnam: Tanks and Artillery**

1. No photograph number: undated: [Marines operate a howitzer].
2. No photograph number: undated: [Two Marine tank operators in turrets].
3. No photograph number: undated: [Two Marines emerging from an Amphibious Tractor].

**Box 12 Folder 5.      Oversize Photographs: Miscellaneous**

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