H&S COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

FEBRUARY 1967 — PHU NHUAN (8)

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for February 1967

1st Marine Division · III Marine Amphibious Force · I Corps, Republic of Vietnam

1. Unit Overview

Unit Designation	Headquarters and Service Company (H&S Co), 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division; including the battalion command post, the 106mm section and the S-2 and S-5 sections
Reporting Period	1–28 February 1967
Commander	Capt A. J. Boccuti (1 February); 1stLt W. G. Evans (2–28 February)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr.); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	Phu Nhuan (8), Mau Chanh (2) (CAP N-2), Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	Phu Nhuan (8)
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

H&S Company’s entries for February 1967 place it most often at or near Phu Nhuan (8) (2 of 4 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Mau Chanh (2) (CAP N-2), Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3).

H&S Company was commanded by Capt A. J. Boccuti (1 February); 1stLt W. G. Evans (2–28 February); the battalion by LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr. (1–28 February).

For February 1967 this report lists 10 entries (9 organization, 1 combat): 0 naming H&S or one of its sections (the battalion command post, the 106mm section, S-2, S-5), and 10 battalion-level entries recorded by the battalion headquarters.

On 20 February 1967: Units returned to base with 4 VC KIA (conf).

On 23 February 1967: An Ontos in a convoy at AT915511 set off a 10-15 lb command-detonated mine.

On 23 February 1967: An Ontos at AT916510 set off a mine — 1 USMC WIA.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Operation Independence	010000H – 090900H February 1967	2/5 (-) (command group, Echo and Foxtrot) under the 9th Marines for Operation Independence
Operation Lanoke	D-Day 26 February 1967, H-Hour 0700 (Frag Order 03-67 issued at An Hoa 241800H February 1967); previously listed as 25–28 February	Hotel, Golf and part of Echo continued in Operation Lanoke along Liberty Road

4. Chronology of H&S Company Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for February 1967 in the hotel25vv research database. Entries naming H&S or its sections and all battalion-level entries are listed; entries naming only a rifle company are left out. Times and grid references are as recorded; each entry ends with its source page.

Date	Activity / Events
1 Feb 06:00	2/5 (-) (command group, Echo and Foxtrot) under the 9th Marines for Operation Independence [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 15]
February by 28 February	The battalion's first Combined Action Company platoon formed, to join its PF unit at Ninh Dinh (3) on 1 March. [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 7]
16 Feb	During the night an enemy force blew up the railroad bridge at AT908481; a Hotel platoon covered the engineers building a bypass [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 17]
20 Feb	Units returned to base with 4 VC KIA (conf) [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 18]
23 Feb 15:00	An Ontos in a convoy at AT915511 set off a 10-15 lb command-detonated mine [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 19]
23 Feb 16:10	An Ontos at AT916510 set off a mine — 1 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 19]
25 Feb 23:10	The 2/5 CP and the air strip and Duc Duc District headquarters took 35-40 rounds of 81/82mm and 60mm mortar fire from near AT849479 — 11 USMC WIA (3 evac); Duc Duc district 3 PF KIA, 2 WIA; counter-mortar fire hit 1 VC mortar position [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 19]
26 Feb 09:30	2 60mm duds found 50 meters south-west of the CP perimeter [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 19]
27 Feb 07:35	A road-sweep security patrol tripped an M-26 booby trap — 1 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 19]

Date	Activity / Events
27 Feb	Hotel, Golf and part of Echo continued in Operation Lanoke along Liberty Road [2/5 ComdC Feb 1967, PDF p. 20]

5. Notes and Caveats

This file was built on 22 November 2026 in the same format as the Company H reports, directly from the checked, page-cited transcriptions of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines command chronologies. The notes below record its sources and where the record is thin.

1. SOURCE. The entries come from 2/5 Command Chronology Feb 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048079).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. H&S 2/5 is recorded in the chronology under several names: H&S, H&S (Bn CP), Bn CP, the 106mm section and the S-2 and S-5 sections. All are combined here. Because H&S was the battalion headquarters, every battalion-level entry not tied to a rifle company is included too. Entries are listed in date and time order, each with the page of the chronology it was read from; entries naming only Echo, Foxtrot, Golf or Hotel are left out.

3. COMMANDER. Company and battalion commanders are taken from the monthly organisation data (Section I of each chronology) as recorded in the battalion leadership ledger.

4. CASUALTIES. Casualty figures are not totalled here. Individual losses appear in the entries as recorded; for authoritative totals see the casualty tables in the original chronology.

5. ORIGINALS. National Archives and Records Administration, Record Group 127, Records of the United States Marine Corps. For full records contact National Archives II, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park MD 20740, or Marine Corps History Division, Quantico VA 22134.

6. Sources

This document was compiled from the following primary and secondary sources:

PRIMARY SOURCES

— 2/5 Command Chronology Feb 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048079)

— 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology for February 1967, as published on hotel25vv.com (Battalion Chronology page): https://hotel25vv.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/1967February-2-5CommandChronology.pdf

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— Telfer, Gary L., Lane Rogers and V. Keith Fleming Jr. U.S. Marines in Vietnam: Fighting the North Vietnamese, 1967. History and Museums Division, HQMC, 1984.

— “2/5 Battalion Chronology.” Hotel 2/5 Combat Marines. https://hotel25vv.com/vietnam-war-chronology/battalion-chronology

Document prepared for historical research purposes. For authoritative casualty figures, unit rosters, and engagement details, consult original 2/5 Command Chronology records at NARA RG 127. | H&S Company, 2/5 Marines, February 1967