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

SEPTEMBER 1970 — AN HOA COMBAT BASE

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for September 1970

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	1–30 September 1970
Commander	Capt R. O. Tilley (1–30 September)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol T. M. Hamlin); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base, Baldy Combat Base (LZ Baldy), Liberty Bridge, An Tam (2)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

H&S Company’s entries for September 1970 place it most often at or near An Hoa Combat Base (15 of 21 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Baldy Combat Base (LZ Baldy), Liberty Bridge, An Tam (2).

H&S Company was commanded by Capt R. O. Tilley (1–30 September); the battalion by LtCol T. M. Hamlin (1–30 September).

For September 1970 this report lists 89 entries (80 organization, 3 movement, 2 logistics, 1 combat, 1 leadership, 1 civic, 1 medical): 0 naming H&S or one of its sections (the battalion command post, the 106mm section, S-2, S-5), and 89 battalion-level entries recorded by the battalion headquarters.

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short time later received two WIAs from a booby trap; Hotel's H1C found and destroyed an 81mm illumination canister filled with C-4 set as a booby trap; Operation Blackboard practiced at Liberty Bridge.

On 2 September 1970: Summary: Echo ambushed 4 VC/NVA, killing one and finding two blood trails; Hotel spotted one NVA/VC in camouflaged utilities running to the south and opened fire with negative results; MPs were led to an ammo cache vacated by Vietnamese Marines (mortar rounds, small arms and recoilless rifle rounds); Echo spotted 1 VC/NVA in green utilities talking to villagers; Hotel received about 5-10 rounds of AK fire while in an ambush site.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Operation Blackboard	Put into effect at 2006 on 29 March 1970; practiced on the night of 3 June 1970; mentioned again in September 1970. “Blackboard” was a code word, not a named offensive operation.	Summary: Hotel's H3 on a rover had several contacts through the morning; the first at 0630 involved 5 VC/NVA with packs and rifles; a fire mission was called and after the search some military gear was found; also found were 2 booby traps destroyed in place; both reported negative casualties; they again made contact at 1130 when they received about 70-80 AK rounds; after an 81mm artillery prep the area was checked with negative results; Hotel found a 50-lb box mine and a short time later received two WIAs from a booby trap; Hotel's H1C found and destroyed an 81mm illumination canister filled with C-4 set as a booby trap; Operation Blackboard practiced at Liberty Bridge

4. Chronology of H&S Company Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for September 1970 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 Sep 09:20	Road sweep detonated 1 booby trap — 1 E/E and 1 P/E [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 24]
1 Sep 15:05	H&S Company MPs were informed of an ammo cache [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 24]
1 Sep 24:00	Summary: Hotel's H3 on a rover had several contacts through the morning; the first at 0630 involved 5 VC/NVA with packs and rifles; a fire mission was called and after the search some military gear was found; also found were 2 booby traps destroyed in

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2 Sep 13:00	2/5 MPs found more ammo caches [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 26]
2 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo ambushed 4 VC/NVA, killing one and finding two blood trails; Hotel spotted one NVA/VC in camouflaged utilities running to the south and opened fire with negative results; MPs were led to an ammo cache vacated by Vietnamese Marines (mortar rounds, small arms and recoilless rifle rounds); Echo spotted 1 VC/NVA in green utilities talking to villagers; Hotel received about 5-10 rounds of AK fire while in an ambush site [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 26]
3 Sep 14:30	2/5 received 5 incoming rounds — No casualties or damage [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 28]
3 Sep 20:30	RF 116 received AK rounds and returned fire [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 28]
3 Sep 24:00	Summary: Hotel destroyed an 81mm booby trap; Foxtrot destroyed a booby trap with a pressure device; at 1100 a unit from Foxtrot spotted 2 VC/NVA and pursued them, finding blasting caps and rice; Hotel destroyed a 105mm booby trap; at 1430 An Hoa Combat Base received 5 incoming rounds (122mm rockets) with negative casualties and damage [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 28]
4 Sep 01:00	Message on Foxtrot assuming Regimental Reserve [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 30]
4 Sep 02:50	Message on the 7th Marines CUPP program [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 30]
4 Sep 12:15	Message on a man who fell from a watch tower [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 30]
4 Sep 24:00	Summary: no contact in the past 24 hours; at 0600 the high threat period ended and provisions were made to bring our squad home from Hill 119; Foxtrot is now the Regimental Reserve for the duration of the 3/5 operation; Golf was nominated to take over the CUPP within the 1/7 AO; at 1600 all Golf troops were on LZ Baldy [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 30]
5 Sep 03:16	Message on passing OPCON of Golf 2/5 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 31]
5 Sep 08:10	Message concerning the 51st ARVN moving to An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 31]
5 Sep 10:15	D Sector found and destroyed 1 booby trap [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 31]
5 Sep 20:15	D Sector spotted 2 VC/NVA and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 31]
5 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E2A detained 1 wounded VC/NVA and D Sector found and destroyed 1 booby trap; Golf 2/5 will pass OPCON to the 7th Marines for the CUPP program; D Sector spotted 2 VC/NVA and opened up with small-arms fire and M-79; Echo's E1 spotted 2-4 VC/NVA and fired M-79 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 31]
6 Sep 07:50	Message on first wave of operation landed [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 32]
6 Sep 16:00	2/5 detained 2 VC nurses and 1 male VCI [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 32]
6 Sep 24:00	Summary: a successful operation on Football Island involving Echo, Hotel and Duc Duc RFs netted about 4 tons of corn and rice, turned over to the Duc Duc RFs; at 0910 a Marine from Foxtrot's F1C tripped an M-26 booby trap while searching a

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	treeline near Football Island (AT 884520); later in the day Foxtrot suffered two heat casualties, both medevaced [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 32]
7 Sep 16:30	RF 116 found 1 dead VC/NVA from the air strike [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 33]
7 Sep 18:30	2/5 CP ran an air strike — received a secondary explosion [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 33]
7 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo ran an air strike on a suspected enemy position and received one secondary explosion; Echo CP received VIP ordnance from Vietnamese children, a new type of concussion grenade; the 2/5 CP ran an air strike on a suspected enemy position and received one secondary explosion [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 33]
8 Sep 12:00	Message on an operation with Duc Duc RFs [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 34]
8 Sep 20:30	Message on WIA reporting info [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 34]
8 Sep 24:00	Summary: extremely quiet; the battalion requested a recon insert due to intense ground fire against an air strike plus other intelligence; the battalion also requested an operation with the Duc Duc RFs for 11 September to cordon and search Phu Lac (2) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 34]
8 Sep	Battalion Order 3120.1 on investigating acts of violence in camp. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 16]
9 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E2CP suffered 2 casualties when hit by a command-detonated booby trap; at the time of the incident the unit received automatic weapons fire; it was believed 10-15 VC/NVA were involved; one M-16 rifle was lost, destroyed or captured by the VC/NVA [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 35]
10 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E2A spotted 1 male and 1 female and called for them to stop; the unit detained 1 and found blood trails; Echo was led to an M-33 booby trap by a Vietnamese boy and blew it in place; the MAF G-4 visited the An Hoa Combat Base; Echo CP observed a large enemy explosion and on searching found the body of a woman; Echo's E1B received small arms and 1 RPG; a reaction force and AO were used with negative results [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 36]
11 Sep 01:40	Change to the 3/5 Frag Order [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 37]
11 Sep 24:00	Summary: no contact in the AO notable to report (11th Marines take OPCON of four Hotel squads for Hills 119 and 425) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 37]
12 Sep 12:00	Message on the Bn(-)(Rein) operation [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 37]
12 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E3C detained one female suspected of carrying rice and salt to the VC; she was forwarded to ITT; later reports said she was an innocent civilian [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 38]
13 Sep 05:02	Message from 5th Marines on the dismantling of the An Hoa Combat Base [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 39]
13 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E2A detained 1 and found 500-600 lb of rice (given to the Buddhist Hospital and Orphanage); Echo's E3A found and destroyed a pressure booby trap [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 39]
14 Sep 08:15	Position report on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd wave landing [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Sep 11:00	CP(-) detained 23 Vietnamese [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 40]

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14 Sep 15:15	District Forces detained 16 Vietnamese [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Sep 17:30	Troop lift completed [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Sep 24:00	Summary: at 0705 the helilift taking 2/5(-)(Rein) on a cordon and search of the An Tam (2) area (AT 956507) began; the operation netted 4 detainees forwarded to ITT and 300 lb of rice, 5 lb of tobacco, 2 lb of tea, 1 NVA canteen, 1 NVA and 1 PRC-25; also found were 9 booby traps (3 M-26s, 2 ChiComs, 2 2.75 rockets, a 105mm round, a 155mm round), all destroyed; at 1055 a Marine from Foxtrot's F3A detonated a ChiCom set as a booby trap and the medevac was completed; the helilift returning 2/5(-)(Rein) to An Hoa was completed at 1725 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Sep	Foxtrot, Hotel moved from Not stated to An Tam (2) (AT 961 504) by helicopter. 14 Sep September: Foxtrot, Hotel and two Duc Duc RF platoons were lifted into An Tam (2) for a cordon and search: 87 Vietnamese questioned, a PRC-25 radio and 300 lb of rice captured, and 9–10 booby traps destroyed; a Foxtrot Marine was wounded by a booby-trapped grenade. (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 14]
15 Sep 12:05	Duc Duc District Forces made contact [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 42]
15 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E3B observed 25 VC/NVA moving into the Phu Nhuan area, which will be cordoned by Echo; Echo's E1C destroyed a 155mm powder canister on the side of the road (elements begin moving to LZ Baldy) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 42]
16 Sep 16:00	Duc Duc conducting an operation [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 43]
16 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo conducted a cordon and search at Phu Nhuan (4); an Echo unit moving into the cordon detonated an M-26 booby trap, 1 E/E; while sweeping, Echo received small-arms fire and called gunships on 3 VC/NVA; Echo received an injured woman with a bullet wound; Echo captured 1 NVA nurse and spotted 4 VC/NVA and fired small arms; Echo found and destroyed 6 RPG rounds and detained 2; Echo CP received an injured woman who said she was injured by ARVNs [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 43]
17 Sep 10:00	Duc Duc received small-arms fire — 1 ARVN WIA (M) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 44]
17 Sep 24:00	Summary: Foxtrot spotted 16-20 VC/NVA and fired small arms; later Foxtrot received 150-200 rounds of small-arms fire and called in gunships; Duc Duc on an operation had 1 man WIA (M) from small-arms fire [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 44]
18 Sep 18:30	Message on redeploying units [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 45]
18 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E1A found and destroyed an 81mm booby trap and a 60mm illumination booby trap; Echo's E2 had one WP 60mm round injure 3 Marines on Liberty Bridge; the round was a malfunction [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 45]
18–20 Sep	Mess hall opens at Baldy; An Hoa mess closes. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 1]
19 Sep 08:15	Cas rep sent to S-1 at LZ Baldy [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 46]

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19 Sep 24:00	Summary: contact was scarce with the exception of Foxtrot's F2 when approached by a Vietnamese with an M-16 rifle (equipment begins moving to LZ Baldy) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 46]
From 19 Sep	Post office moves from An Hoa to LZ Baldy. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 1]
20 Sep 05:55	Message on An Hoa security [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 47]
20 Sep 14:00	Message on a short round that hit outside of the Bridge [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 47]
20 Sep 16:00	Message on OPCON to the 1st Marines for 2/5 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 47]
20 Sep 24:00	Summary: enemy sightings slight; Foxtrot's F3C spotted 7 VC/NVA and fired small arms with negative results; Foxtrot left the An Hoa Combat Base for LZ Baldy; Echo's E2A found 1 female with shrapnel wounds from M-79 fire by ARVNs (defense of An Hoa passes to 1/51st ARVN) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 47]
20 Sep	On 20 September the defense of the An Hoa Combat Base passed to the 1st Battalion, 51st ARVN Regiment; the battalion (–) went under the 1st Marines to guard Liberty Road, Liberty Bridge and the engineers dismantling An Hoa, while the rear moved to Landing Zone Baldy (BT 131453). [C-Sep PDF 3; (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) The September chronology: “Battalion Supply was the first section to displace from An Hoa to Landing Zone Baldy”; the aid station moved there too; “Trucks from 11th Motors were used to move the Battalion’s equipment to Landing Zone Baldy from An Hoa Combat Base. Trucks from 1st Motors provided assistance” (PDF p. 9). The battalion command post stayed at An Hoa until 15 October. (Checked 18 Nov 2026.) Official history: “During the rest of September, all of the 5th Marines’ 3d Battalion and about half of the 2d Battalion redeployed a company or two at a time by helicopter into the 7th Marines’ TAOR”; the rest of 2/5 stayed to guard An Hoa until 15 October. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 3; 2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 9]
20 Sep	Battalion rear (supply, aid station, equipment) moved from An Hoa Combat Base (AT 874 474) to Baldy Combat Base (LZ Baldy) (BT 131 453) by truck. On 20 September the defense of the An Hoa Combat Base passed to the 1st Battalion, 51st ARVN Regiment; the battalion (–) went under the 1st Marines to guard Liberty Road, Liberty Bridge and the engineers dismantling An Hoa, while the rear moved to Landing Zone Baldy (BT 131453). [C-Sep PDF 3; (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) The September chronology: “Battalion Supply was the first section to displace from An Hoa to Landing Zone Baldy”; the aid station moved there too; “Trucks from 11th Motors were used to move the Battalion’s equipment to Landing Zone Baldy from An Hoa Combat Base. Trucks from 1st Motors provided assistance” (PDF p. 9). The battalion command post stayed at An Hoa until 15 October. (Checked 18 Nov 2026.) Official history: “During the rest of September, all of the 5th Marines’ 3d Battalion and about half of the 2d Battalion redeployed a company or two at a time by helicopter into the 7th Marines’ TAOR”; the rest of 2/5 stayed to guard An Hoa until 15 October. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 3; 2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 9]
21 Sep 00:05	Serious incident report [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 48]
21 Sep 00:30	1st Marines assume operational control of 2/5(-) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 48]

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21 Sep 15:30	Message concerning appointing order of investigation [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 48]
21 Sep 18:50	Message on 122mm rocket delayed fuzes [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 48]
21 Sep 24:00	Summary: the 1st Marine Division assumes control of 2/5(-) and a message was received on intelligence reports of 122mm rocket delayed fuzes; enemy sightings were slight [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 48]
22 Sep 08:00	Message on false ID cards [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
22 Sep 12:05	Message on a change of command ceremony [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
22 Sep 16:00	PF Company received heavy small-arms fire — 9 WIA and 1 KIA [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
22 Sep 16:20	OP5 observed 2 VC/NVA with packs and rifles [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
22 Sep 16:55	Message on Gen. McCutcheon to visit An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
22 Sep 24:00	Summary: OP5 observed 2 VC/NVA with packs and weapons and fired small arms; PF units received heavy small-arms fire resulting in 9 WIAs and 1 KIA [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 49]
23 Sep 15:45	S-2 message on payment of a Vietnamese [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 50]
23 Sep 22:05	Message concerning a corpsman with 2/5 at An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 50]
23 Sep 24:00	Summary: nothing significant to report [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 50]
24 Sep 03:50	Message on a deceased Vietnamese victim [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 51]
24 Sep 14:30	S-2 detained 1 boy age 10 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 51]
24 Sep 18:00	CG III MAF arrived and departed [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 51]
24 Sep 24:00	Summary: no significant events to report [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 51]
25 Sep 11:00	106s observed 2 VC/NVA and fired 7 rounds [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 52]
25 Sep 24:00	Summary: Hotel's H2A had one man kill a Vietnamese accidentally with an M-79, and the 106s spotted 2 VC/NVA and fired 7 rounds [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 52]
26 Sep 18:40	155s to arrive at An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 53]
26 Sep 24:00	Summary: Hotel's H3 moved on a cordon and search operation; Echo found and destroyed a 60mm HE round booby trap; Hotel's H3 received small-arms fire and

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	destroyed 100 lb of rice; Echo's E2C opened up on a suspected enemy ambush site with negative results (Foxtrot to FSB Ryder) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 53]
27 Sep 24:00	Summary: Echo's E2C detained 2 with no ID cards and found 1 dead body of a VC/NVA male; Echo's E3A found and destroyed 1 booby trap; Hotel medevaced one man with malaria [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 54]
28 Sep 16:15	Message on safety precautions in VIP ordnance [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 55]
28 Sep 24:00	Summary: Foxtrot's F3A found and destroyed 1 booby trap and Echo had 1 E/E and 1 P/E resulting from VIP ordnance; messages from the CG and Regiment on the handling of VIP ordnance and its importance among all units; enemy sightings negative [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 55]
29 Sep 02:00	Duc Duc received 6 122mm rockets — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 56]
29 Sep 09:20	Message on dismantling of the An Hoa Combat Base [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 56]
29 Sep 11:30	Accidental discharge of an M-79 at the AHCB power plant [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 56]
29 Sep 24:00	Summary: Duc Duc District Forces received 6 122mm rocket rounds and Hotel observed 3 VC/NVA and fired an 81mm mission [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 56]
30 Sep 24:00	Summary: Hotel's H1 spotted 8 VC/NVA and fired small arms and a fire mission; Echo was led to a booby trap which was blown in place and also spotted 4 VC/NVA and fired small arms with negative results [2/5 ComdC Sep 1970, PDF p. 57]

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 Sep 1970 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201049001); U.S. Marines in Vietnam · Vietnamization and Redeployment, 1970–1971.

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.

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