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(b) On 13 December, One (1) forward observer party was provided Team A, Special Forces Group 332 for operations in War Zone C. Operation terminated on 21 December 69.

(c) On 23 December, a platoon of 8" Howitzers, Battery C, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Phuoc Vinh to Thunder III (XT 738059). Battery Headquarters remained at Phuoc Vinh.

(d) On 27 December, a platoon of 8" Howitzers, Battery A, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Quan Loi to LZ "Marge" (XU 738063). Battery Headquarters remained at Quan Loi.

(e) On 5 January, the liaison party which departed on 14 October 69 to the 3rd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment returned. On 6 January, the liaison party to the 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, which also departed on 14 October, returned.

(f) On 12 January, a platoon of 175mm Guns Battery C, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Phuoc Vinh to LZ "Jake". Also, a platoon of 8" Howitzers, Battery C, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Thunder III to LZ "Jake". Battery C Administrative Headquarters remained at Phuoc Vinh.

(g) On 13 January, a platoon of 175mm Guns Battery B, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Phuoc Binh (Camp Martin) for an artillery raid in the vicinity of Grid YU 183115. The mission of the 175mm platoon was to engage hard targets in the vicinity of the Bu Gia Map airstrip. The platoon expended 148 rounds and returned to Camp Martin before nightfall the same day.

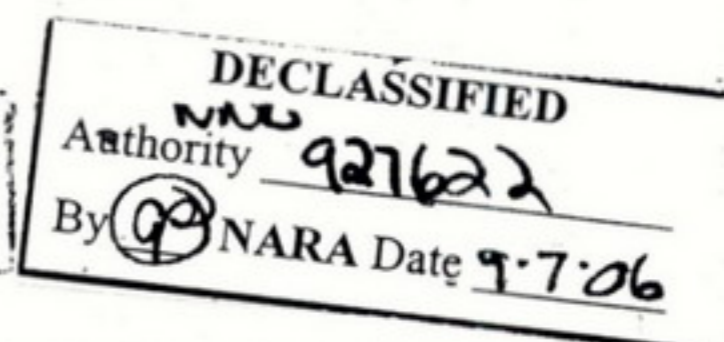
(h) On 17 January, a platoon of 175mm Guns Battery C, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from LZ "Jake" to Phuoc Vinh. Battery Headquarters remained at Phuoc Vinh.

(i) On 17 January, a platoon of 8" Howitzers, Battery A, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from LZ "Marge" to Quan Loi. Also, a platoon of 175mm Guns, Battery A, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Quan Loi to LZ "Jake". Battery Headquarters remained at Quan Loi.

(j) On 18 January, a platoon of 8" Howitzers, Battery B, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Phuoc Binh (Camp Martin) to LZ "Lee" (YU 427059). Battery Headquarters remained at Phuoc Binh (Camp Martin).

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(6) Awards and decorations presented to members of this command are as follows:

Two (2) Bronze Star Medals (Valor),

Eight (8) Bronze Star Medals (Achievement),

Sixteen (16) Bronze Star Medals (Service),

One (1) Meritorious Service Medal,

Thirty-seven (37) Army Commendation Medals (Achievement),

Sixty-eight (68) Army Commendation Medals (Service),

Four (4) Air Medals,

One (1) Purple Heart,

Two (2) Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry,

(7) Religious services were provided by chaplains from the 1st Cavalry Division (AM) for all units.

B. Operations

(1) At present the batteries of the battalion are located as shown in inclosure 1.

At the beginning of the period, the mission of each firing battery was:

Battery A, 6/27 Artillery, GS, II FFORCEV

Battery B, 6/27 Artillery, GS, II FFORCEV

Battery C, 6/27 Artillery, GS, II FFORCEV

(2) During this period the battalion participated in several operations and displaced units as indicated:

(a) On 28 November, a platoon of 175mm Guns, Battery A, 6/27 Artillery displaced by convoy from Quan Loi for an artillery raid in the vicinity of Grid XU 738063. The mission of the platoon was to engage hard targets in the "Flat Iron" area. The platoon expended 63 rounds of 175mm and returned to Quan Loi before nightfall the same day.

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