

# COMPLETION REPORT



**DANANG, R.V.N. DEPLOYMENT  
1966-1967**

**U.S. NAVAL MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BATTALION TEN**

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1. The following information is provided for the subject report in accordance with reference (a).

2. Employment Status. In accordance with reference (b), U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion TEN was deployed to Camp Hoover, Danang, Republic of Vietnam to provide construction support for U. S. Military Forces from May 1966 to February 1967.

3. Unit Movements

a. The first flight of MCB TEN's main body departed Port Hueneme, California on 11 May 1966 by MAC aircraft; the last main body flight arrived at Danang Air Base, Republic of Vietnam, on 18 May 1966. A total of six C-141 aircraft were used in the movement.

b. On 2 September 1966, Seabee Team 1007 departed Toy Kinh Province, Republic of Vietnam and was disestablished upon arrival at Camp Hoover on 9 September 1966.

- c. Seabee Team 1009 departed for 31 NCR on 27 September 1966 via VR-21 aircraft to commence training.
- d. Seabee Team 1010 departed for 31 NCR on 26 November 1966 via VR-21 aircraft to commence training.
- e. Seabee Team 1008 departed Dran, Republic of Vietnam on 5 December 1966 and was disestablished upon arrival at Camp Hoover, Danang, Republic of Vietnam.
- f. MCB TEN's Advance Party under LT J. T. PRATHER, CEC, USN, Officer in Charge, departed for 31 NCR via VR-21 aircraft on 17 December 1966.
- g. The first flight of MCB TEN's main body departed Danang on 27 January 1967 via MAC aircraft. The last flight arrived at Point Mugu Naval Air Station on 7 February 1967. A total of eight C-141 aircraft and C-130 aircraft were used in the movement.

#### 4. Significant Events

- 15 May 1966 - CO, MCB TEN assumed command of Camp Hoover.
- 17 May 1966 - Operational Control (OPCON) was chopped to the 30th NCR.
- 18 May 1966 - Last flight of MCB TEN's main body arrived at Danang.
- 17 Jun 1966 - Installation of a new 75 TPH rock crusher was completed and the unit placed in full-time operation in the Camp Hoover quarry.
- 25 Jun 1966 - III MAF Recreation Center Exchange Retail Store was completed and was opened by Brigadier General Jonas M. PLATT, USMC, Chief of Staff, III Marine Amphibious Force.
- 17 Jul 1966 - A reception was held at Camp Hoover for RADM A. C. HUSBAND, CEC, USN, Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command. RADM R. R. WOODING, CEC, USN, Commander, THIRD Naval Construction Brigade and CAPT P. E. SEUFER, CEC, USN, Officer in Charge of Construction, Republic of Vietnam, and other Civil Engineer Corps officers were present.
- 20 Jul 1966 - The 5,000 seat amphitheater at the III MAF Recreation Center Complex was completed.
- 1 Sep 1966 - III MAF Confinement Facility was completed.

- 11 Oct 1966 - The 3,900 foot runway at Khe Sanh was completed and opened to C-130 aircraft.
- 25 Oct 1966 - Completed lay down of asphaltic concrete to complete construction of the 30,000 square yard parking apron for the 1st MAW at Danang Air Base.
- 30 Oct 1966 - RADM W. H. HEAMAN, CEC, USN, COMCBPAC; RADM H. N. WALLIN, CEC, USN, NAVFACENCOM, and CAPT P. E. SEUFER, CEC, USN, OICC, RVN visited Camp Hoover.
- 16 Nov 1966 - Work on the upgrading of the An Hoa airfield to provide an all-weather 2,500 foot runway was completed.
- 7 Jan 1967 - MCB TEN and MCB FOUR commenced the first in-country Supply Overhaul Availability Program (SOAP).
- 22 Jan 1967 - SOAP was completed. Also, the 165 foot long, 60 ton capacity bridge spanning the Sang Tuy Loan River at its junction with Route #5 was completed.
- 22 Jan 1967 - The following officers were on board Camp Hoover for a reception: LTGEN L. W. WALT, USMC, CG, III MAF; MGEN H. NICKERSON, USMC, CG, 1ST MARDIV; RADM T. C. WESCHLER, USN, COMNSA DNG; RADM P. E. SEUFER, CEC, USN, COM3NCB; BGEN R. C. OWENS, USMC, Ass't Wing COMDR, 1ST MAW; BGEN J. E. HERBOLD, JR., USMC, CG, FLC.
- 24 Jan 1967 - The Battalion Equipment Evaluation Program (BEEP) on MCB TEN equipment was completed and the equipment turned over to the custody of MCB FOUR.
- 27 Jan 1967 - RADM A. C. HUSBAND, CEC, USN, Commander, NAVFACENCOM, visited Camp Hoover.
- 29 Jan 1967 - The Commanding Officer, MCB TEN turned over the command of Camp Hoover to Commanding Officer, MCB FOUR.
- 7 Feb 1967 - The last flight of MCB TEN's main body arrived at Point Mugu Naval Air Station.

5. Major Problems. As could be expected, numerous problems arose during the deployment which handicapped the operation of the battalion. Most of these problems such as shortage of construction workload, construction backlog and

shortages in critical construction materials were common to all battalions and are to be expected in an ever changing set of circumstances such as existed during the period in Vietnam. In some of these areas the battalion was able to take action which alleviated the problems and are worthy of dissemination to other commands. These are discussed in Appendix IX, Report of Items of Special Interest.

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