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(c) COMCBLANT Prov OPORD 4-71 (C)

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1. In accordance with references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is forwarded.

  
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(c) COMBLANT Prov OPORD 4-71, Msg 262214Z JAN 71

TASK ORGANIZATION:

a. U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FORTY (Herein known as the Battalion).

(1) Detail of twenty-nine (29) enlisted men and one (1) officer (Herein known as the Detail) NMCB 40 Detail Alpha.

(a) Officer in Charge LT WILLIAM P. McTOMNEY, CEC, USN.

(b) Personnel assigned shall be as set forth in Annex A.

1. SITUATION. In accordance with references (a) thru (c), the Battalion will deploy a landing party of one (1) officer and twenty-nine (29) men to the designated deployment site in order to commence construction and site clearing prior to the arrival of the Battalion.

a. Enemy Forces. No overt enemy forces exist on the site, however vessels of foreign navies are known to be in the area and have the capability of initiating action against or otherwise interfering with U.S. Forces.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) All U.S. Armed Forces Personnel.

(2) U.S. civilians who may be assigned to the project.

(3) British Citizens.

(4) Personnel engaged in copra harvesting temporarily living at the site, but native to other areas.

c. Attachments:

(1) Nine Amphibious Construction Battalion 2 personnel.

(2) 16 Underwater Demolition Team 12 personnel.

(3) One Harbor Master/Beach Master.

(4) One COMNAVCOM Photo Representative.

2. MISSION. Detail Alpha is tasked with preparing the deployment site for receipt of designated shipping and supplies. This shall include clearing of both designated areas ashore and establishing beach lanes and landing zones.

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Specifically, to be accomplished is: (a) survey and establish beach landing zones, (b) mark and clear boat lanes to Beach Landing Zones (c) Construct a temporary LCM 8 ramp (d) Survey and clear staging areas (e) Survey and begin clearing sites to ATCU and tent camp (f) Offload the vessel in which embarked (g) Reassemble warping tug (h) Locate and install temporary surface navigation aids (i) Survey and establish in order to allow an advanced party of men, equipment and material to land on D-Day.

3. EXECUTION.

a. When directed by COMCBLANT, Detail Alpha will board aircraft at Quonset Point, R. I. and proceed to NAHA, Okinawa to embark personnel, materials and construction equipment on LST 1161 VERNON COUNTY, which will deliver them to the deployment site. The OIC of Detail Alpha, one (1) EO1 and one (1) EAL will proceed independantly and join the group at a later date in Singapore. The Assistant OIC of Detail Alpha will be in charge until that time.

b. Detail Alpha will be augmented aboard the LST VERNON COUNTY by attached personnel stated previously from PHIBCB TWO, UDT #12 Harbor Master and COMNAVCOM Photo Representative.

c. Upon arrival on site, Detail Alpha will execute its mission, as stated above, to be completed by D-Day.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Administrative, logistics, personnel and medical support will be provided by LST VERNON COUNTY (LST 1161) and as outlined in Annex C and D to this OPORD.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Command

(1) Upon arrival at site, the OIC of Detail Alpha will file a Movement Report to AIG TWENTY (20) and assume duty as Island Commander, OPCON to COMCBLANT, until D-Day at which time the OIC will CHOP to and be relieved by the Commanding Officer of NMCB FORTY. PHIBCB TWO, UDT 12 the Harbor Master and the COMNAVCOM Photo Representative will be OPCON to the OIC of Detail Alpha and ADCON to their parent commands.

b. Communications

(1) Communications Guard will be maintained by LST VERNON COUNTY until such time as communications ashore are set up or another ship in the area assumes Comm Guard for the Island Commander.

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(2) PRC 77 (4) will be utilized by the Detail at the Site as set forth in Annex E.



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ANNEXES

- A Task Organization
- B Concept of Operations
- C Administration and Personnel
- D Logistics
- E Communications
- F Medical and Dental
- C Ordnance