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From: Commanding Officer
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Subj: **FY04 BATTALION ANNUAL TRAINING PLAN: OCT 2003 TO SEP 2004**

Ref: (a) 5th Marine Regiment Long Range Training Plan
(b) Battalion Training SOP

Encl: (1) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines METL
(2) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Mission Matrix
(3) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines MEU(SOC) Mission Matrix
(4) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines TEEP 01
(5) Marine Corps Annual Training Requirements Guidelines
(6) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Maintenance Plan

1. **Purpose.** To define the annual training goals of the battalion and the progressive plan to meet those goals.
2. **Cancellation.** BnBul 1500 dtd 21 Sep 00.
3. **Annual Training Goal.** By 30 September 2004, the battalion will be certified on missions 1 - 5 of the Bn METL, Encl (1), and MEU(SOC) missions 1 - 7, Encl (2).
 - a. This training plan complies with the 5th Marine Regiment Long Range Training Plan, Ref (a).
 - b. **Commander's Intent.** My three highest priorities for training are (1) To develop the mental and physical toughness of the individual, (2) To develop proficiency in individual and crew-served weapons, and (3) To develop tactical proficiency at the small unit level. The endstate of training will be a Battalion capable of executing conventional and MEU (SOC) missions.
4. **Concept of Battalion Training.** Each Quarter will focus a specific echelon of the battalion on specific tasks. The Bn will train

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units, staff, logistics, and fire supporters concurrently.

Q1 FY04	Oct-Dec 03	Duty Battalion	Individual
Q2 FY04	Jan-Mar 04	Duty Battalion	Squad
Q3 FY04	Apr-Jun 04	Unit Training	Platoon
Q4 FY04	Jul-Sep 04	Unit Training	Company
Q1 FY05	Oct-Dec 04	Unit Training	Company MEU
Q2 FY05	Jan-Mar 05	31st MEU(SOC)	Battalion MEU
Q3 FY05	Apr-Jun 05	31st MEU(SOC)	Battalion MEU

- a. The Bn METL is Encl (1). Company missions are assigned in Encl (2). Company MEU(SOC) missions are assigned in Encl (3).
- b. The battalion training SOP, Ref (b), will be followed.
 - (1) Quarterly events: Bn Training certification exercise, Bn Maintenance / Admin / Medical stand-down, Bn social event, swim qualification, HMMWV Course, Key Volunteer Meeting
 - (2) Monthly events: Bn formation, Bn hike, Bn PT, Officer PME, SgtMaj SNCO PME, Staff planning exercise.
 - (3) Weekly events: Prime Training Time is Tuesday through Thursday. Mondays and Fridays are reserved for meetings, maintenance, classroom training, and administration.

5. Quarterly Outlines

- a. Q2 FY04: Jan-Mar 04. Duty Battalion. Squad Echelon.
 - (1) Goal: **By 31 Mar 04, 90% of squads will be CRP 50.**
 - (2) Units: Squad CTSS and supporting ITSS ISO Bn METL missions 1, 4 and 5.
 - (3) Staff: Update SOP and CPX with new personnel.
 - (4) Fires: Update SOP and CPX with new personnel.
 - (5) Logs: Raise equipment readiness to goals set by Encl (6).
 - (6) Schools: Maximum PME and leader schools.
 - (7) Events: Jan Change of Command. March Bn fill. Mar SquadEx.
- b. Q3 FY04: Apr-Jun 04. Unit Training. Platoon Echelon.
 - (1) Goal: **By 30 Jun 04, 75% of platoons will be CRP 50.**
90% of squads will be CRP 70.
 - (2) Units: Platoon CTSS and supporting CTSS and ITSS ISO Bn METL missions 1, 3, 4 and 5.
 - (3) Staff: MCPP. CPX and CASTEX.
 - (4) Fires: Standardized battle board and CAX packages.
 - (5) Logs: Equipment readiness goals as set by Encl (6).

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- (6) Schools. Scout snipers, scout swimmers, and assault climbers. Weapons Company Division Schools in Apr and May.
 - (7) Events: Rifle platoon competition.
- c. Q4 FY04: Jul-Sep 04. Unit Training. Company Echelon.
- (1) Goal: **By 31 Mar 04, 75% of companies will be CRP 60.** 75% of platoons will be CRP 70. 90% of squads will be CRP 90.
 - (2) Units: Company CTSS and supporting CTSS and ITSS ISO Bn METL missions 1, 3, 4 and 5.
 - (3) Staff: MEU(SOC) mission planning preparation.
 - (4) Fires: New FAC integration with Company FiSTs.
 - (5) Logs: Equipment readiness goals as set by Encl (6).
 - (6) Schools: Company SOTG raid courses.
 - (7) Events: BLT is formed. MCE evaluation in Sept at 29 Palms.
- d. Q1 FY06: Oct-Dec 05. Unit Training. Company MEU(SOC) Echelon.
- (1) Goal: **By 31 Dec 05, 100% of companies will be certified on MEU(SOC) missions during BLTEX II.** 75% of companies will be CRP 70. 75% of platoons will be CRP 80. 90% of squads will be CRP 90.
 - (2) Units: Company MEU(SOC). Company CTSS and supporting CTSS and ITSS ISO MEU(SOC) missions.
 - (3) Staff: Plan with 31st MEU(SOC) SOP. Confirm Bn MEU(SOC) SOP. Confirmation Brief exercised during BLTEX II.
 - (4) Fires: Support MEU(SOC) raid mission commanders. FiST leader training. Confirmation brief training.
 - (5) Logs: Equipment readiness goals as set by Encl (6). All RBE prepared.
 - (6) Schools: Minimum.
 - (7) Events: Oct Regimental BLTEX II. 31st MEU staff visit and planning exercise. Oct hike evaluation. Dec pre-deployment stand-down and leave.
- e. Q2 FY06: Jan-Mar 06. MEU(SOC) Deployment. Bn MEU(SOC) Echelon.
- (1) Goal. **By 31 Mar 05, BLT and MEU will pass SOCEX.** Bn will be CRP 50. 75% of companies will be CRP 50. 75% of platoons will be CRP 60. 90% of squads will be CRP 70.
 - (2) Units: Bn MEU(SOC). Bn CTSS and supporting CTSS and ITSS ISO MEU(SOC) missions.
 - (3) Staff: Integrate with 31st MEU(SOC) staff.
 - (4) Fires: Integrate with MEU FSO and NGLO.
 - (5) Logs: Raise equipment readiness goals as set by Encl (6).
 - (6) Events Planned: BLTEX I, TRUEX in Guam, a series of MEUEXs. Underway ARGEX and SOCEX in March. FSEx at W174 with the FiST teams, MEU air, and an 81mm mortars.
 - (7) Schools: NONE.

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- f. Q3 FY06: Apr-Jun 06. MEU(SOC) Deployment. Bn Echelon.
 - (1) Goal. **By 30 Jun 05 the battalion will be CRP 70.** 75% of companies will be CRP 60. 75% of platoons will be CRP 70. 90% of squads will be CRP 80.
 - (2) Units: Battalion CTSS and supporting CTSS and ITSS ISO Bn METL missions 1 - 5.
 - (3) Staff: Plan and supervise exercises.
 - (4) Fires: FSCEX Shoalwater Bay.
 - (5) Logs: Equipment readiness goals as set by Encl (6). Prepare equipment account turnover.
 - (6) Schools: Okinawa NCO course and Jungle Warfare Course. Unit schools week.
 - (7) Events: Tandem Thrust in Australia with live fire in Shoalwater Bay. Cobra Gold in Thailand. Redeploy to CONUS.

6. Company Training Guidance

- a. Company mission assignments are Encl (2) and (3).
- b. Companies will fire at night once per month. One third of training will be conducted at night.
- c. Companies will conduct long distance HF communications monthly.
- d. Annual Training Requirements are a company responsibility. Encl (5) contains completion goals for annual training requirements.
- e. Each company will implement a PME program.

7. Action

- a. Company Commanders
 - (1) Train your companies on assigned missions.
 - (2) Write QTPs. Brief QTPs to the CO before each quarter.
- b. S-1, S-2, S-6. Brief your section of the H&S QTP to the CO before each quarter.
- c. S-3
 - (1) Plan Bn QTPs that conform to this Annual Training Plan.
 - (2) Implement Bn PME program.
 - (3) Provide feedback on the effectiveness of training.
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- (1) Support training.
- (2) Maintain equipment readiness to goals set by Encl (6).
- (3) Commodity OICs. Brief your section of the H&S QTP to the CO before each quarter.

e. Sergeant Major

- (1) Implement the SNCO and NCO PME program.
- (2) Provide feedback on the effectiveness of training.

f. Chaplain

- (1) Supervise the Battalion family readiness program.
- (2) Publish The Quarterly Battalion Newsletter.

10. Coordinating Instructions

- a. Current TEEP is TEEP 01. Encl (4).
- b. The Annual Training Plan brief and the 2nd Quarter FY04 QTP Brief will be held Friday 20 November 2003 at 1300.

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