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(Construction), Period Ending 31 July 1970, RCS CSFOR-65
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m. ARVN Affiliation: The 61st ARVN Engineer Battalion (Const) continued to work on a 54 kilometer stretch of QL-1 between Tuy Phong and Ap Long Lam. Mineral product is being issued to the 61st Engineer Battalion from Vinh Hao quarry (B/589th). In addition, the S-4 of the 589th Engineer Battalion is helping the 61st solve logistical problems. The 203rd ARVN Engineer Battalion (Cbt) has been receiving asphalt from the 577th Engineer Battalion for use in filling potholes on QL-20. Training programs continued at a strong pace. The 864th Engineer Battalion trained ten ARVN Engineers from the 61st ARVN Engineer Battalion on paving operations. The 589th Engineer Battalion trained 12 ARVN engineers from the 61st ARVN Engineer Battalion on construction equipment and is presently training 27 more. The 577th Engineer Battalion trained 9 ARVN engineers from the 203rd ARVN Engineer Battalion.

n. During the first week of the next quarter, the 19th Engineer Battalion and all of its attached units located along QL-21 will be assigned to the 937th Engineer Group. The 687th Engineer Company (LC) and the 553rd Engineer Company (FB) will be assigned to Group Headquarters.

o. Personnel and Administration

(1) The 585th Engineer Company (DT) was assigned to 35th Engineer Group and attached to the 589th Engineer Battalion.

(2) The 553rd Engineer Company (FB) and 687th Engineer Company (LC) were relieved from attachment to the 19th Engineer Battalion and attached to Headquarters, 35th Engineer Group.

(3) The 19th Engineer Battalion (Cbt) was reassigned to the 937th Engineer Group (Cbt).

(4) The 815th Engineer Battalion (Const) was assigned to 35th Engineer Group from the 937th Engineer Group. This unit increased 35th Engineer Group strength to 5700 men. However, with the loss of the 19th Engineer Battalion and the 517th Engineer Company (Quarry Section), Company B, 864th Engineer Battalion, and 610th Engineer Company, the strength dropped to 4762 enlisted and officers.

(5) 35th Engineer Group gained the 542nd Engineer Detachment (Power Distribution) consisting of 12 enlisted men and one officer. This detachment was attached to the 815th Engineer Battalion.

(6) 35th Engineer Group has been averaging about 17 new personnel daily during the months of July through July, giving an overall strength percentage of 96% of the authorized manning level set by USARV for 31 July.

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