UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS



HEADQUARTERS BATTALION
TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMAND
2006 HAWKINS AVENUE
QUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134

IN REPLY REFER TO: 1754

From: Rank First Name Last Name, Billet/Position To: Operations Officer, Headquarters Battalion

Subj: AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR EVENT CONDUCTED FROM DD MONTH TO DD MONTH YYYY.

Ref: (a) MCO 3504.1 Marine Corps Lessons Learned Program

1. IMPROVE

- a. Topic. M249 Light Machine Guns.
- (1) Observation. All four of the M249s utilized had catastrophic failures that resulted in unsafe firing and had to be pulled from the firing line. The Armorer present identified the weapons systems as "dead-lined" due to the pins on the transfer mechanism being too worn for proper operation.
- (2) Recommendation. Since the M249 is being phased out and replaced by the M27 Infantry Automatic Rifle (IAR), the M249 is now an obsolete weapons system that will no longer be used. Recommend we do not use the M249 fur future training events do to their unreliable nature, and irrelevance in the Marine Corps.
 - b. Topic. SL3.
- (1) $\underline{\text{Observation}}$. The OIC for this training evolution only requested two magazines per M9 and two per M16A4.
- (2) <u>Recommendation</u>. Recommend that three times the required magazines for one individual shooter to accomplish one string of fire are brought to the range. This will allow one stick to be on the firing line, one stick prepped with loaded magazines ready to fire, and one stick loading their magazines.
 - c. Topic. Classroom Instruction.
- (1) $\underline{\text{Observation}}$. There were many young Marines that had never fired the M9 service pistol. This was very apparent on the firing line. Additionally the range was static and very.
 - (2) Recommendation.

2. SUSTAIN

- a. <u>Topic</u>.
 - (1) Observation.
 - (2) Recommendation.
- b. Topic.
 - (1) Observation.

- (2) Recommendation.
- 3. Point of contact regarding this after-action report is Your Rank Last Name, at 703-XXX-XXXX.

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