

GUNNERY DIVISION



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Very seldom in INGHAM's history has her 5" /38 gun been used to do battle with an alien enemy. Our Fire Control personnel and Gunnerysmates worked many long hours to preserve the highest level of operability required of our major source of fire power.

We pounded the South Vietnamese beaches during both day and night from Da Nang to Cambodia with shells from our 16 foot barrel, gaining a wealth of practical experience and many commendations from Army spotter aircraft and offensive forces on the ground. Accuracy on our last 50 missions even produced many favorable comments, though the barrel was found to be 99% eroded from the 3,738 rounds fired on Market Time.

Gunnery personnel were responsible for maintaining all small arms which accompanied the MEDCAP teams ashore as well as preventative maintenance on ASW equipment and 81mm mortars.

