


HEADQUARTERS
Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing (Attn: G-3)
Subj: Command Chronology for period 1-31 January 1969
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Encl: ☒ (1) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One
☒ (2) Command Chronology, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One
☒ (3) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One
☒ (4) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One
☒ (5) Command Chronology, 11th Dental Company

1. As required by the provisions of reference (a), Command Chronologies for this Headquarters and each subordinate unit are submitted as enclosures (1) through (5).


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Period</u>
Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jan 1969
Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jan 1969
Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jan 1969
Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jan 1969
11th Dental Company	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jan 1969

Part I. Organizational Data

1. Commander, Staff and Subordinate Unit Members

a. Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Col Thomas H. NICHOLS JR
Executive Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	LtCol Rondell K. WOOD
Adjutant	1-31 Jan 1969	CWO Ralph H. THIEMT
S-1	1-31 Jan 1969	Capt Alfred J. ENGLISH
S-2/3	1-31 Jan 1969	Major Richard C. BAGLEY JR
S-4	1-31 Jan 1969	Major Frederick B. CRAIG

b. Subordinate Units

(1) Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	LtCol Prentice A. LINDSAY
Executive Officer	1-10 Jan 1969	Major Donald R. HUFFMAN
	11-28 Jan 1969	Major Philip L. NOGGLE
	29-31 Jan 1969	Major Richard A. HUCKLE
AdminO	1-31 Jan 1969	1stLt William F. ELLIS

(2) Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Major Esta D. GRISSOM
Executive Officer	1-28 Jan 1969	Major Richard C. HOFFMAN
	29-31 Jan 1969	Major Philip L. NOGGLE
AdminO	1-31 Jan 1969	Vacant

(3) Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Major Don J. OGDEN
Executive Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Capt Leo P. GAGNON
AdminO	1-31 Jan 1969	1stLt Wayne E. FAULKNER

(4) 11th Dental Company

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Capt Joseph G. CHUDZINSKI
Executive Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Capt Robert E. AUSTIN
AdminO	1-31 Jan 1969	Ltjg Dennis D. DAVID

2. Task Organization for the period 1-31 Jan 1969

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
MWHG-1	Danang, RVN
H&HS-1	Danang, RVN
MWFS-1	Danang, RVN
MWCS-1	Danang, RVN
11thDenCo	Danang, RVN

3. Average Monthly Strength of MWHG-1 for January 1969

	<u>OFFICERS</u>				<u>ENLISTED</u>	
<u>UNIT</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
H&HS-1	NA 69	AG 120	NFO 9	12	539	23
MWFS-1	2	4	0	0	136	0
MWCS-1	0	18	0	0	249	0
11thDenCo	0	0	0	23	3	50
MWHG-1	71	142	9	35	927	73

4. Important Visitors to this Command: The Commandant of the Marine Corps visited this compound on 11 Jan 1969 and gave a 30 minute talk to the Staff Non-Commissioned Officers.

Part II. Narrative Summary

During the month of January 1969, Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One and its subordinate units provided administrative and logistical support for the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters at Danang Air Base, Republic of Vietnam and provided communications support to the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1st Marine Division and the 3rd Marine Division at Danang, Monkey Mountain, Chu Lai, Phu Bai, Quang Tri, Dong Ha, An Hoa and Vandegrift Combat Base. Administrative support provided at Danang Air Base consisted of transportation, billeting, messing facilities, material, local area

defense and recreation area. Tango Sector Alpha (1st Marine Aircraft Wing Command Post) was in Defense Condition #3 or higher every night during the month except 12, 14, 18 and 21 January. Two enemy rounds were received within the compound during the period, both on the morning of 22 January 1969 which resulted in BOQ #302 being damaged and 6 WIA(minor).

Part III. Significant Events.

1. Personnel. The Group continues to be over the approved T/O but below the provisional T/O. Because of the size of the First Marine Aircraft Wing, the accompanying workload in the Wing Headquarters requires the additional Wing Staff personnel. The lack of the recommended number of personnel is not considered to have a deleterious effect on the ability of this Group to carry out all assigned missions and tasks.

2. Administration. Routine administrative work was performed during the month of January 1969.

3. Awards. The following awards were presented during the month of January 1969:

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
Distinguished Flying Cross	3	
Navy Commendation Medal		1
Navy Achievement Medal		5
Air Medal	4	2
Purple Heart	1	3

4. Casualties. There were six Hostile Injuries and eight Non-Hostile Injuries to personnel of this Group During the month of January 1969.

5. Morale/Welfare Programs. Special Services provided the Tango Sector Alpha Compound with many and various off-duty activities; handball, volleyball, tennis, horseshoes, basketball and weightlifting. Movies are shown almost nightly. Clubs offered entertaining floor shows and happy hours several times throughout the month. The Freedom Hill, China Beach and Golden Gate USO's supplemented the aforementioned activities. Although liberty remained secure in the Danang area, the China Beach recreation center continued operation for the enjoyment of all hands. Also, R&R seat allocations and RON flights enabled personnel to relax out of country for several days.

6. Civic Action. Details of the MWHG-1 Civic Action Program for the month of January 1969 are outlined in Appendix (A).

7. Intelligence/Counter-Intelligence. The Intelligence Section performed routine administrative support during January 1969, including an Intelligence Brief for the weekly Command Indoctrination Presentation, handling all matters pertaining to requesting security clearances and access for Group personnel and obtaining the daily G-2 Briefing on significant events in I Corps.

8. Ground Defense. Ten patrols were conducted in the villages surrounding the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters Compound. Nothing of significance was discovered.

9. Training. General Military Subjects Training for all enlisted Marines is held at the Group level each Friday morning. A total of 81 personnel attended GMST. A total of 70 officers and enlisted attended the Command Indoctrination Presentation which is held each Saturday morning. A total of 63 Marines of the Group FAM fired their T/O weapons. Technical Training was conducted by the squadrons at four hours per month per MOS. Formal schools were attended by eight enlisted personnel during the month of January 1969. 839 personnel attended the Gas Chamber Exercise.

10. Logistics. The Logistics Section carried out routine administrative support for the Group.

11. Supply. The Supply Section conducted normal supply operations in support of the Group and the First Marine Aircraft Wing. The Marine Corps Property Section processed 1181 requisitions and Navy Property processed 2525 requisitions with a net effectiveness of 59% and 95% respectively for January 1969.

12. Base Development/Military Construction. The new "E" club is 96% operational and the Wing Recreation Building is also 96% operational.

13. Communications. See Part III, paragraph 6 of Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One Command Chronology; enclosure (4).

14. Religious Services. See Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One Chaplain's Chronology; Appendix (B).

Part IV. Documentation

✓ Appendix (A) - Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One Civic Action Report of 9 Feb 1969

✓ Appendix (B) - Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One Chaplain's Chronology of 4 Feb 1969

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Part III

5. Civic Action

a. Coordination with village and Hamlet Officials increased significantly during January. Three formal, and five informal meetings established a good working understanding of our Civic Action goals, and the desires of the Village.

b. As requested, Civic Action delivered ninety (90) bags of cement to Mr. Huu, Hamlet Chief, Phuoc Thuong Hamlet. The cement was used by the local citizens to make well casings for five wells. The actual digging of the wells is scheduled for after the Tet Holidays. The wells are needed in several areas due to the increased number of refugees. Fifteen bags of cement were traded for ten (10) well casings to be used for a well at the Hoa Phat School.

c. A Med-Cap was established on Saturday afternoons at the request of Mr. Huu. Medical support for the project has been provided by the Group dispensary. An average of fifty Civilians are treated per Med-Cap. The Hamlet Chief has been present each Saturday to assure order. Security has been provided by volunteers from the compound.

d. Work on the Khue Trung school in the village of Hoa Cuong has been completed. The two class room project had been held up for several months due to lack of materials. Lumber, roofing, and cement were provided through Civic Action, and the labor provided by the Community.

e. Civic Action continued to evacuate children to the FLC Childrens Hospital when necessary. The 1MAG-1 Dispensary treated over fifteen hundred (1500) Civilians at their Med-Cap during the month of January.

Appendix (A)

f. Night english classes were discontinued at the 'Williams School of English' when the director of the School, Mr. Le Hoang Lam, unexpectedly left the Danang Area. Efforts to reestablish another school have failed to stimulate enough interest.

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Appendix (A)

HEADQUARTERS
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
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4 February 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Group Chaplain
To: Group S-3

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1. Religious Services Conducted:

Sunday Services

1MWG-1 Chapel
No. of Services - 2, Attendance: 80

Weekday Services

1MWG-1 chapel
No. of Services - 10, Attendance: 56

Other Religious Activities

Instruction Classes
No. of Classes - 3 Attendance: 10

Troop Indoctrination Lectures

No. of Lectures - 2 Attendance: 24

This report covers the period 22 Jan. through 31 Jan. The Chaplain was assigned to 1MWG-1 as of 22 Jan.

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