

HEADQUARTERS
Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing (Attn: G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1-31 July 1969

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.4

- Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One
- ✓(2) Command Chronology, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One
- ✓(3) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One
- ✓(4) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One
- ✓(5) Command Chronology, 11th Dental Company

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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 Jul 1969
Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jul 1969
Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jul 1969
Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jul 1969
11th Dental Company	Danang, RVN	1-31 Jul 1969

Part I. Organizational Data

1. Commander, Staff and Subordinate Unit Members

a. Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One

Commanding Officer	1-18 Jul 1969	Col John R. GILL
	19-31 Jul 1969	LtCol W. SHANKS Jr
Executive Officer	1-2 Jul 1969	Vacant
	3-18 Jul 1969	LtCol W. SHANKS Jr
Adjutant	19-31 Jul 1969	Vacant
	1-31 Jul 1969	CWO Ralph H. THIEMT
S-1	1-31 Jul 1969	1stLt Peter P. COCONIS
S-2/3	1-31 Jul 1969	Maj Howard W. MEISSNER
S-4	1-31 Jul 1969	Maj William W. FITTS

b. Subordinate Units

(1) Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Maj William R. SMITH
Executive Officer	1-25 Jul 1969	Maj Richard A. HUCKLE
	26-31 Jul 1969	Maj Hardy R. STENNIS
Admin Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	CWO Frank HINGSTON

(2) Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Maj Don J. OGDEN
Executive Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Capt Leo P. GAGNON
Admin Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	1stLt Wayne E. FAULKNER

(3) Marine Wing Facilities Squadron - One

Commanding Officer	1-25 Jul 1969	Maj Esta D. GRISSOM
	26-31 Jul 1969	Maj Richard A. HUCKLE
Executive Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Maj Donald E. ANDERSEN

(4) 11th Dental Company

Commanding Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Capt Van L. JOHNSON Jr
Executive Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Cmdr P. E. BARROW
Admin Officer	1-31 Jul 1969	Ltjg M. J. KERN

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

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

3. Average Monthly Strength of MWHG-1 for the period 1-31 July 1969

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>				<u>ENLISTED</u>	
	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
H&HS-1	NA 47	AG 116	NFO 12	9	624	23
MWCS-1	0	18	0	0	252	0
MWFS-1	3	3	0	0	152	0
11thDenCo	0	0	0	23	4	48
MWHG-1	50	137	12	32	1032	71

4. Important Visitors to this Command: MGien THRASH visited this command on 14 July 1969.

Part II. Narrative Summary

During the month of July 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 command administrative communications for the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters and air control communications for the Tactical Air Direction Center. Tango Sector Alpha was in defense condition #3 every night during the month of July 1969. No enemy rounds were received in the compound during this period.

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 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, the accompanying workload in the Wing Headquarters requires 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 July 1969.

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

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

4. Casualties. There was one (1) non hostile injury and one (1) non hostile death during the month of July 1969. There were no hostile injuries or hostile deaths.

5. Morale/Welfare Programs. Wing Special Services provided the Headquarters Group Compound with many and various off-duty activities; handball, volleyball, tennis, horseshoes, basketball, weightlifting and the Group as well as Wing offered entertaining floor shows and happy hours several times throughout the month. The China Beach and Golden Gate USO's supplemented the aforementioned activities. Although liberty remains secured in the Danang area, the China Beach recreation center continued operations for the enjoyment of all hands. Also, R&R seat allocations and RON flights enable personnel to relax out of country for several days.

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

7. Intelligence/Counter-Intelligence. The Intelligence Section performed routine administrative support during the month of July 1969, including an Intelligence Brief for the 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. Eleven (11) patrols were conducted in the villages surrounding the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters Compound during the month of July 1969. Nothing of importance was discovered.

9. Training. General Military Subjects Training for all enlisted personnel is held at Group level each Wednesday morning with the same subjects being presented again Thursday afternoon. A total of 302 personnel attended GMST during the month. A total of 93 officers and enlisted attended the Command Indoctrination Presentation which is held bi-monthly. A total of 42 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 8 enlisted personnel during the month of July 1969.

10. Maintenance. The Utilities Section commence road oiling in the compound; they also built a stone wall planter in the "O" Mess and rock monument at L2-11. They received 203 work orders of which 192 were completed and 9 were referred to Public Works for disposition. There were 187 trouble calls received of which 185 were completed and 2 were referred to Public Works.

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

12. Supply. The Supply Section conducted normal supply operations in support of the Group and the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. The Marine Corps Property Section processed 1577 requisitions and Navy Property processed 2891 requisitions with a net effectiveness of 83% and 97% respectively for July 1969.

13. Communications. See Part III paragraph 6 of Marine Wing Communications Squadron - One Command Chronology; enclosure (3).

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 Command Chronology of 5 Aug 1969

✓ Appendix (B) - Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One Chaplain's Chronology of 11 Aug 1969

CIVIC ACTION OFFICE
Marine Wing Headquarters Group - One
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5 August 1969

From: Civic Action Officer
To: S-3 Officer

Subj: Command Chronology for the month of August

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted:

PART III

2. Civic Action

a. Plans were drawn up and approved this month for a community center to be built in the Hamlet of PHUOC TUONG. Related accomplishments were:

(1) The center is to consist of a Civic Action Office, Hamlet office, and a school.

(2) Actual construction of the Civic Action Office was begun and progressed rapidly.

b. Scholarships sponsored by the MWHG-1 Chaplain's Office were discussed with the hamlet chief. The hamlet chief was asked to submit a list of twelve (12) nominees for the scholarships.

c. 1st. Lt. L.A. QUAVE was assigned as the Asst. MWHG-1 CAO to relieve 1st. Lt. C.M. SHOEMAKER as the MWHG-1 CAO upon his departure from RVN about 11 August 1969.

d. A young Vietnamese girl was taken to the NSA Hospital for a kidney stone operation. Close relatives have been taken to the hospital to visit her at regular intervals.



L. A. QUAVE

Appendix (A)

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 11 August 1969

From: MWHG-1 Chaplain
 To: Commanding Officer, MWHG-1 (Attn S-3)
 Subj: Group Command Chronology for July 1969
 Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1D of 21 December 1968

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following information is submitted for inclusion in the Group Command Chronology.

a. Divine Services Conducted in MWHG-1

	Sun	Att	Weekd	Att	TotSer	TotAtt
Protestant	6	362	-	-	6	362
Catholic	10	435	20	141	30	576
Episcopal	4	21	-	-	4	21
Lutheran	6	54	-	-	6	54
LDS	<u>5</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>16</u>
	28	888	20	141	51	1029

b. Other Religious Activities

(1) Protestant

(a)	45 Counselling Sessions	44 Attendance
(b)	Six (6) Bible Discussion Groups	55 Attendance
(c)	Six (6) LDS Studies	22 Attendance
(d)	Four (4) Choir Rehearsal	36 Attendance
(e)	Nine (9) Religious Films	32 Attendance
(f)	Four (4) AA Meetings	13 Attendance
(g)	One (1) Group Beach Retreat	68 Attendance
(h)	One Lay Leaders Meeting	4 Attendance

c. Presentations made by Chaplain in Training Program

(1) Protestant

(a)	Two Indoctrination Lectures	99 Attendance
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for Chaplain, MWHG-1

June 1969

Appendix (B)

d. Activities, Gifts, ect. in Vietnamese Communities

(1) Protestant

- (a) Five (5) visits to the China Beach Orphanage. 57 Attendance
- (b) At present seven (7) children are being sponsored @ \$10.00 per child per month.
- (c) Arranged for and held MED CAP at the China Beach Orphanage.
- (d) Donated 30 pounds of clothing and five (5) pounds of candy to the China Beach Orphanage.
- (e) Took Wing Sanitation Officer to appraise needs of the China Beach Orphanage.
- (f) Took two Seebees to the China Beach Orphanage to assist drainage problem and get water sample.
- (g) One meeting with Chief of local Vill to arrange for scholarships.
- (h) English Classes started in a local Roman Catholic School under GySgt. HILTON. Six classes have been taught involving 13 Marine teachers, and 347 students.
- (i) Admitted one child from Hoa Phat to the China Beach Orphanage at Grandmothers' request.

e. Meetings Attended

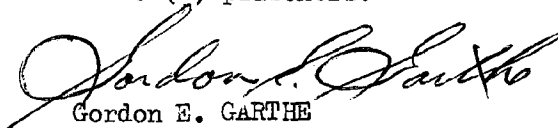
(1) Protestant

- (a) Four Commanding Officers' Conferences.
- (b) Attended Change of Command Ceremony and Party at MWHG-1.
- (c) Attended Protestant Rally Committee Meeting.
- (d) Three (3) Committee Meetings to plan Protestant/ Catholic Beach Retreat nine (9) Attendance.

f. Hospital and Brig Visits

(1) Protestant

- (a) Four (4) Hospital visits. Saw seven (7) patients.
- (b) One (1) Brig visit. Saw two (2) prisoners.


Gordon E. GARTHE

Copy to Wing Chaplain

Appendix (B)