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1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
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14 November 1970

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

Subj: Command Chronology for the period of 1-31 October 1970

Ref: (a) WGO 5750.4

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One

1. In accordance with the provisions set forth in reference (a), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

  
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October 1970 To 31 October 1970

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Marine Wing Headquarters Group One

LtCol William R. SMITH  
1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 1970SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron One

Maj Fred J. CONE  
1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 1970

Marine Wing Communications Squadron One

Maj Andy J. SIBLEY  
1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 1970

Marine Wing Facilities Squadron One

Maj Billy G. PHILLIPS  
1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 1970

11th Dental Company

Capt Frank D. GROSSMAN  
1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 19702. LOCATION

1 Oct 1970 - 31 Oct 1970 Danang, Republic of Vietnam

3. STAFF OFFICERS

## a. Marine Wing Headquarters Group One

Executive Officer	1-31 Oct 1970	LtCol Gordon H. BUCKNER II
Adjutant	1-31 Oct 1970	1stLt Ronald Y. ISA
S-1	1-31 Oct 1970	1stLt John D. EVANS
S-2/3	1-31 Oct 1970	Capt Walter R. HAMPTON
S-4	1-31 Oct 1970	Capt Marvin L. CREEL

## b. Subordinate Units

## (1) Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron One

Executive Officer	1-31 Oct 1970	Maj James R. GRIFFIN
Admin Officer	1- 7 Oct 1970	CWO-2 Ronald A. GIROUARD
	8-31 Oct 1970	Capt Kenneth R. DIANA

## (2) Marine Wing Communications Squadron One

Executive Officer	1-31 Oct 1970	Vacant
Operations Officer	1- 9 Oct 1970	1stLt Gary L. LUMPKIN
	10-12 Oct 1970	Vacant
	13-31 Oct 1970	1stLt James E. DAVIS

## (3) Marine Wing Facilities Squadron One

Executive Officer 1-31 Oct 1970 Capt Gordon H. GUNNISS  
 Admin Officer 1-31 Oct 1970 Capt Roland L. LABARGE

## (4) 11th Dental Company

Executive Officer 1-31 Oct 1970 Cdr William P. ARMSTRONG  
 Admin Officer 1-31 Oct 1970 Lt Louis E. MCKINZIE

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
H&HS-1	154	596	8	26	0	0
MWCS-1	9	201	0	0	0	0
MWFS-1	9	140	0	0	0	0
11th DenCo	0	6	22	48	0	0
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MWHG-1	172	943	30	74	0	0

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of October 1970, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One and its subordinate units provided administrative and logistical support for the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters at Danang Airbase, 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 October 1970.

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. The Group continues to be over the approved T/O, but well below the provisional T/O. Because of the size of the 1st 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 October 1970.

3. Awards. The following awards were presented during the month of October 1970;

One Marine Officer was awarded the Combat Action Ribbon  
Two Marine Enlisted were awarded the Combat Action Ribbon  
One Marine Officer was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal  
One Marine Enlisted was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal  
Four Marine Officers were awarded the Aviation Safety Award  
Four Marine Officers were awarded the Strike/Flight Air Medal  
One Marine Enlisted was awarded the Strike/Flight Air Medal  
One Marine Officer was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal  
Two Marine Enlisted were awarded Meritorious Masts

4. Casualties. There were no hostile or non-hostile casualties during the month of October.

5. Morale and Welfare Programs. Wing Special Services provided the Headquarters Group Compound with many off-duty activities including handball, volleyball, tennis, horseshoes, basketball, football, and weightlifting. The Group as well as the Wing Special Services offered entertaining floor shows and happy hours several times throughout the month of October. The China Beach, Freedom Hill 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 enabled personnel to relax out of country for several days.

6. Intelligence and Counter-Intelligence. The Intelligence Section performed routine administrative support during the month of October 1970. There were 20 clearances and 4 accesses processed to Group personnel. The intelligence Section processed 5 war trophies and turned in 4 unauthorized war trophies to the Group Armory. The Intelligence Section also held Intelligence Briefs for the Command Indoctrination Presentation and obtained daily G-2 Briefing on significant events in I Corps.

7. Industrial Relations. Details of the MWHG-1 Industrial Relations Program are outlined in the Industrial Relations Command Chronology.

8. Ground Defense. On 7 October 1970 Ground Defense Reserve Company A/Zulu One was deployed in the role of securing the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Compound to insure no illegal entrance/exit during the exchange of the new series of MPC. On 8 October and on 14 October 1970, one reinforced squad from Ground Defense Reserve Company A/Zulu One was deployed in the role of security for a MEDCAP in the Liem Lac Area. Both MEDCAP's were successful with no contact with the enemy. Between the hours of 2330 on 30 October 1970 and 0530 on 31 October 1970, ten members of the Ground Defense Reserve Company A/Zulu One were employed in the Cau Cam Le Area on a disaster/relief mission. Approximately 12 Vietnamese personnel were rescued from the flood waters and various types of domestic livestock

were released or secured above high water table. Ground Defense Reserve Company A/Zulu One was again deployed on 28 October 1970, this time in support of the 1st MP Battalion in a sweep held in the Tan Thi Area. Results were 361 Vietnamese screened, 342 released and 19 detained for the following charges:

- 6 Vietnamese in illegal residence
- 4 Vietnamese for false ID Cards
- 3 Draft evaders
- 1 Vietnamese with no papers
- 5 VC Infrastructure (Suspects)

9. Training. General Military Subjects for all enlisted Marines is held at the Group level each Wednesday morning and Tuesday afternoon. A total of 200 personnel attended General Military Subjects Training during the month of October. A total of 56 officers and enlisted attended the Command Indoctrination Presentation and FAM-Fire Exercise. Drug Abuse Indoctrination was attended by 53 officers and enlisted during the month of October 1970.

10. Maintenance. During the month of October 1970, 275 Work Orders were received by the Utilities Section of which 248 were completed with 27 left pending. The Utilities Section also received 182 Trouble Calls of which 176 were completed with 6 being turned over to Public Works. In addition three book cases were constructed for the Motor Transport Office, thirteen scoop loads of gravel were delivered to the Enlisted Mess, and a new frame was constructed for the sign at Sick Bay.

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 1,343 requisitions and Navy Property processed 1,288 requisitions with a net effectiveness of 99% and 88.9% respectively for October 1970.

13. Communications. See Part III, Paragraph 5 of Marine Wing Communications Squadron One Command Chronology.

14. Religious Services. See Marine Wing Headquarters Group One Chaplain's Command Chronology.

15. Typhoon and Disaster Control. At 2025 23 October 1970, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One was ordered into Typhoon/Storm Condition III by XXIV Corps, due to the location of Typhoon Kate. At 0830 24 October, Typhoon/Storm Condition II went into effect in the Danang Area, and the Marine Wing Headquarters Group One Typhoon Defense Center was activated. Typhoon/Storm Condition I was set at 1500 24 October 1970, and Typhoon/

Storm Condition Zero was set at 0300, 25 October 1970. Between the hours of 0730 and 1200 25 October 1970, the Typhoon Defense Platoons were deployed throughout the Marine Wing Headquarters Group One Compound to render emergency services, such as removing fallen trees from electrical wires in the General's Compound Perimeter, securing loose roofing at the Enlisted Mess Hall, along with keeping all roads open and free of loose debris. Throughout the afternoon the Typhoon Defense Platoons were busy in such endeavors as repairing the roof's on the Club Warehouse and the PX Warehouse, as well as replacing a power pole. At 1505 25 October all storm conditions were removed and the Marine Wing Headquarters Group One Compound was back to a normal working condition.

#### PART IV

##### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Command Chronology for subordinate units and sections of this Command are attached hereto as indicated;

- ✓ Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron One
- ✓ Marine Wing Communications Squadron One
- ✓ Marine Wing Facilities Squadron One
- ✓ 11th Dental Company
- ✓ Chaplain
- ✓ Industrial Relations
- ✓ Group Supply

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From: Chaplain, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One  
 Subj: Group Command Chronology for October 1970  
 Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1 of 21 December 1969

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

(a) Divine Services Conducted At MEHC-1

	<u>Sun</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Chap</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>TotS</u>	<u>TotAtt</u>
Protestant	5	180	1	0	5	180
Catholic	7	290	25	119	32	409

(b) Other Activities

- (1) Counseled seventy-eight (78) Marines.
- (2) Ten (10) Bible Study hours with 120 in attendance.
- (3) Five (5) Song and Prayer Services with 50 in attendance.
- (4) Five (5) Choir rehearsals with an average of 10 in attendance.

(c) Lectures

- (1) One (1) Command Induction Lecture with 25 in attendance.
- (2) One (1) Drug Abuse Lecture with 20 in attendance.

(d) Activities In The Vietnamese Community

- (1) Donated 200 lbs. of clothing to 5th ARVN Admin Unit Social Welfare Office.
- (2) Organized English classes at Bo De School.
- (3) Arranged for the Seabees to assist in the construction of the chaplain's office and a warehouse at Dry Tan ARVN Hospital.



(3) Meetings Attended

- (1) One Drug Abuse Seminar at 1st Marine Division.
- (2) One Group Leadership Council.

2. Captain Cortney returned off emergency leave on 2 October 1970 and was relieved to the USS SUGTUAKI on 31 October 1970.

*E. J. Cortney*  
E. J. CORTNEY

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09 Nov 1970

From: Industrial Relations Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One (Attn:S-3)  
Subj: Command Chronology  
Ref: (a) GruO 5750;1D

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following Command Chronology is submitted for the period 1 - 31 October 1970:

- a. Total LNC Employees of MWHG-1
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|-----------------------------|-----|
| (1) Total Appropriated      | 149 |
| (2) Total Non-Appropriated  | 87* |
| (3) Total Personal Servants | 170 |
- b. Appointments (Appropriated) 1
- c. Terminations (Approp & NonApprop) 3
- d. Total Payroll (Appropriated) 1,612,337.\$VN
- (\*) Not included PX and any Contractors employees

  
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5750  
8 November 1970

From: Group Supply Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Headquarters Group One  
Subj: Command Chronology: information concerning  
Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1E

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the below listed significant events concerning Group Supply occurred during the month of October 1970.

a. Supply Effectiveness for October

(1) Marine Corps Supply, 1,343 requisitions processed, 99% net effectiveness.

(2) Navy Supply, 1,288 requisitions processed, 88.9% net effectiveness.

  
A. H. CAYLAR JR.

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*Oct 1970*