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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 11

Subj: Command Chronology for the month of March 1966; submission of (U)

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1A

Encl: (1) Organizational Data and Significant Events
 (2) Resume of Flight Operations

(U) 1. In accordance with reference (a), subject report is submitted.

(S) 2. During this reporting period VMCJ-1 EF-10B aircraft conducted electronic countermeasures against AAA and SA-2 fire control radars in North Viet Nam. Fifty-four (54) sorties were flown in support of 2nd Air Division and thirty-seven (37) in support of the 7th Fleet.

(S) 3. In addition to the above missions, two (2) "Iron Hand" ELINT sorties in North Viet Nam and fourteen (14) "Iron Hand" ELINT missions in South Viet Nam were conducted for the location and collection of AAA and SA-2 fire control radar emissions.

(U) 4. VMCJ-1 RF-8A aircraft flew one hundred and sixty (160) in-country photographic reconnaissance missions in support of III MAF.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

PART I - Organizational Data

- a. Unit Designation and Location - VMCIJ-1, Danang, Viet Nam
- b. Period Covered - 1-31 March 1966
- c. Name and Rank of Commanding Officer - F. C. OPEKA Lieutenant Colonel
- d. Average Strength - 36 Officers, 208 Enlisted

Part II - Significant Events

- a. Air Operations - During the period 2-7 March, VMCIJ-1 participated in Operation UTAH. On 18 March, an EF-10B, flying in support of the 2nd Air Division, was lost over North Viet Nam. The crew is still listed as missing. For further breakdown of Air Operations, see enclosure (2).
- b. Personnel - During this reporting period one pilot and one airborne ECM operator were lost in action and are still listed as missing. One new pilot was assigned.
- c. Maintenance - During this reporting period, four (4) of the squadron's RF-8A aircraft were transferred to CONUS for the RF-8G MOD Program. One RF-8A was accepted by the squadron from NAS Atsugi. One EF-10B was transferred to NAS Atsugi to PAR. Average aircraft availability for the month was 93%.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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RESUME OF FLIGHT OPERATIONSA. IN-COUNTRY

		MARCH 1966	
		<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
1. <u>PASSIVE EW</u>		14	30.2
2. <u>IN SUPPORT OF 1ST MAW/III MAF</u>			
a. RF-8A	160	305.3	
3. <u>OTHER (CROSS-COUNTRY, TEST, FAM)</u>			
a. EF-10B	6	17.5	
b. RF-8A	4	7.2	
B. <u>OUT OF COUNTRY</u>			
1. <u>ACTIVE EW</u>			
a. IN SUPPORT OF 2ND AIR DIVISION	54	139.6	
b. IN SUPPORT OF 7TH FLEET	37	96.6	
2. <u>PASSIVE EW</u>			
a. IN SUPPORT OF 2ND AIR DIVISION	2	4.2	
b. IN SUPPORT OF 7TH FLEET	0	0	
MONTHLY TOTALS	267	600.6	

ENCLOSURE (2)

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