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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 July thru 31 July

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Commanding Officer	LtCol Gale HARLAN 1-28 July 1968
Executive Officer	Maj Edward J. DANY III 29-31 July 1968
Administrative Officer	Maj Edward J. DANY III 1-28 July 1968
Operations Officer	1stLt John R. CUSACK
Services Officer	Capt John C. WEARE
Comm-Elect Officer	Capt Andrew D. GLAD
OIC, Detachment 1	Maj Denis R. HORN
OIC, Detachment 2	LtCol Don L. YELEK
OIC, DASC Detachment 1	Maj Denis R. HORN
OIC, DASC Detachment 2	Capt Thomas L. JONES
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	Capt Michael S. SHIRLEY
OIC, ASRT Camp Carroll	1stLt Thomas J. ZENS
OIC, ASRT Phu Bai	1stLt Robert C. LISTER
	1stLt William R. MACBETH

2. LOCATION

a. <u>Marine Air Support Squadron 2 (-)</u>	<u>Da Nang RVN</u>
b. <u>Detachment 1</u>	Dong Ha/Camp Carroll, RVN
Direct Air Support Center	in direct support of the
Dong Ha Air Support Radar Team	3rd Marine Division
Camp Carroll Air Support Radar Team	
c. <u>Detachment 2</u>	Phu Bai RVN in direct
Direct Air Support Center	support of the 1st
Phu Bai Air Support Radar Team	Marine Division (FWD)

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

OFF	USMC	USN	OTHER
	EML	EML	TECH REP
35	193	2	1

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a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month of July showed a statistical decrease for the second consecutive month. The DASCs controlled 3824 missions of which 1625 were fixed wing and 2199 were helicopter missions with 411 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations.

b. Operations supported by MASS-2 were as follows: Detachment 1 - Operations Thor, Lancaster II, Kentucky, Napoleon/Saline II, Scotland II, and Lam Son 243; Detachment 2 - Operations Houston, Nevada Eagle, Jeb Stuart III and Eager Yankee.

c. Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT) conducted 1115 missions, controlled 1584 aircraft, delivered 7,006,986 pounds of bombs on 1286 targets.

d. As of 31 July MASS-2 AN/TPQ-10 system operation hours were as follows:

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>SINCE REHAB</u>	<u>Jul 68</u>
Dong Ha ASRT (A-7)	20639	11235	690
Phu Bai ASRT (A-3)	11587	11265	691
Camp Carroll ASRT (A-8)	6089	2224	718

2. Supply. During the month of July the Supply section processed a total of 162 incoming requisitions.

3. Motor Transport. MASS-2 motor vehicles logged a total of 10,202 miles during July. Of this total, 1,230 miles consisted of Rough Rides convoys transporting 34 tons of supplies to squadron detachments.

4. Utilities. The Utilities section completed 7 of 8 projects started during July. These projects included rewiring the Enlisted Club and Special Services hut and installing a cooler at the mess hall.

5. Civic Action. MASS-2 held 12 MEDCAPS during July treating a total of 986 people. This total reflects an increase of 465 people treated in comparison to the previous month. The squadron has furnished material to the village of Hoa Phat for construction of an

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elementary school, 85% of which has been completed. Personnel from the squadron continue to conduct English classes at the Phuoc Thanh Orphanage several evenings a week.

6. General. MACG-18 conducted the annual A&M Inspection of MASS-2 on 15 - 17 July 1968. The overall grade assigned was "Satisfactory with Discrepancies."

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- 1 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported fifteen (15) secondary explosions and two (2) fires at YD 234806
- 4 July Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 221824
- 5 July Dong Ha ASRT reported three (3) secondary explosions at YD 052862
Dong Ha DASC reported a visit by BGen HILL
Phu Bai ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YC 906936
- 6 July Dong Ha ASRT reported two (2) secondary explosions at XD 996854
Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 144739 - one (1) secondary fire at YD 246826 - two (2) secondary fires at YD 180855 - two (2) secondary fires at YD 077845 - and two (2) secondary fires at YD 081849
Phu Bai ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 823017
- 7 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 186864 and Yd 249835 - one secondary fire at YD 081821 and YD 227861
Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire and a large explosion at YD 212873 and one (1) secondary fire at YD 16168446
- 8 July Dong Ha ASRT reported secondary fires at XD 948871 and XD 995817 - one (1) secondary explosion at YD 214873
Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion YC 215864
- 10 July Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 165870
- 11 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire at YD 171857
Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 251807
- 12 July Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion and fire at YD 165883

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13 July Phu Bai ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YC 986943 and one (1) secondary explosion at YC 832956
Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire at XD 873367

14 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire at YD 004611

16 July Dong Ha ASRT reported two (2) secondary explosions at YD 152884 and one (1) secondary explosion at YD 165370
Camp Carroll ASRT reported two (2) secondary explosions at YD 098817

18 July Phu Bai ASRT reported three (3) secondary explosions at YD 919207

19 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported six (6) secondary explosions at YD 020663

20 July Phu Bai ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YC 941896

21 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 030690 and two (2) secondary fires at XD 976963

23 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YD 228829, one (1) secondary explosion and fire at XD 859382 and one (1) secondary explosion and three (3) secondary fires at XD 944474

27 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire at XD 864372
Phu Bai ASRT reported three (3) secondary explosions at YD 872034

28 July Camp Carroll ASRT reported two (2) secondary fires at YD 238829
Phu Bai ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at YC 44809635

29 July AN/TPQ-10 Radar Course Direction Central (System A-2) transported from Dong Ha and emplaced at Camp Carroll. It is anticipated that the system will be operational in early August

20-31 July Camp Carroll ASRT controlled forty three (43) IFR sorties and one hundred sixty nine (169) VFR sorties for a total of two hundred twelve (212) sorties

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Dong Ha ASRT controlled fifteen (15) IFR sorties and forty (40) VFR sorties for a total of fifty five (55) sorties

Phu Bai ASRT controlled forty five (45) IFR sorties and one hundred fifty five (155) VFR sorties for a total of two hundred (200) sorties.

Squadron total IFR sorties ASRT controlled 103
Squadron total VFR sorties ASRT controlled 364

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	Total missions												<u>Total</u>
	<u>Fixed-Wing</u>				<u>Helo</u>				<u>Med Evacs *</u>				
	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USA</u>	
DASC Dong Ha	629	177	Ø	269	965	Ø	Ø	1	238	Ø	Ø	Ø	2279
DASC Phu Bai	410	39	Ø	101	821	Ø	Ø	1	173	Ø	Ø	Ø	1545
TOTALS	1039	216	Ø	370	1786	Ø	Ø	2	411	Ø	Ø	Ø	3824

* MED EVAS Missions are NOT included in helicopter totals.

2. Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT)

	<u>No. of Missions</u>			<u>No. of Targets</u>			<u>No. A/C Controlled</u>			<u>Tons of Bombs Dropped</u>		
	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USN</u>
ASRT Dong Ha	224	28	24	217	26	23	271	72	92	636.800	110.408	136.980
ASRT Phu Bai	185	16	Ø	348	24	Ø	200	32	Ø	459.890	52.120	Ø
ASRT Camp Carroll	529	52	57	536	59	53	617	98	202	1535.720	202.500	369.075
TOTALS	938	96	81	1101	109	76	1088	202	294	2632.410	365.028	506.055

Target Coverage = $\frac{3503.493}{1286} = 2.724$ tons/targets.

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