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MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 2
Marine Air Control Group 18
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FME, Pacific
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May through 31 May 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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1. COMMAND AND STAFF

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>RANK/NAME</u>
Commanding Officer	1-31 May 1969	LtCol Robert A. FULLER
Executive Officer	1-31 May 1969	Maj Eugene H. THROTT
Administrative Officer	1-31 May 1969	1stLt Richard L. SCHUELER
Operations Officer	1-31 May 1969	Capt John E. STERLING
Services Officer	1-14 May 1969	1stLt John F. DRIVICK
Services Officer	15-31 May 1969	Capt James E. BURT
Comm-Elect Officer	1-31 May 1969	Maj Frank MANN Jr.
OIC, Detachment 1	1-31 May 1969	Capt Orrin G. MONTGOMERY
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	1-18 May 1969	Capt Michael R. OSBORN
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	19-31 May 1969	Maj Herbert F. SAEGER
OIC, DASC Vandegrift	1-31 May 1969	Maj Richard B. SCIBBECK
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	1-10 May 1969	1stLt Carl T. HOVER
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	11-31 May 1969	Capt Jon G. JONZ
OIC, ASRT Vandegrift	1-31 May 1969	1stLt Joe P. WILLIAMS Jr.
OIC, ASRT Birmingham	1-10 May 1969	Capt Jon G. JONZ
OIC, ASRT Birmingham	11-31 May 1969	1stLt Phillip M. MARBLE

2. LOCATION

a. <u>Marine Air Support Squadron 2 (M)</u>	<u>Dong Ha, RVN</u>
b. <u>Detachment 1</u> <u>Motor Transport</u> <u>Supply</u>	<u>DaNang, RVN</u>
c. <u>Vandegrift</u> <u>Direct Air Support Center</u> <u>Air Support Radar Team</u>	<u>Vandegrift, RVN</u> in support of Task Force Hotel
d. <u>Birmingham Air Support Radar Team</u>	<u>FSB Birmingham, RVN</u> in support of the 101st Airborne Division

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>MAR OFF</u>	<u>MAR ENL</u>	<u>NAV OFF</u>	<u>NAV ENL</u>
46	170	0	3

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1. a. The Commanding General of Task Force Hotel, BGen CARNEY, visited Vandegrift ASRT on 1 May 1969.

3. b. On 6 May 1969, Bgen HILL, the Assistant Wing Commander, visited Birmingham ASRT.

5. c. BGen HILL, BGen SPANGLER and Col. EINLAYSON visited Dong Ha DASC on 12 May 1969.

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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1. Operations

a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month of May indicated a statistical decrease for this month after a **continual** increase over the past five months. The DASC's controlled 6538 missions of which 3728 were fixed wing missions and 2810 were helicopter missions with 669 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations.

b. Air Support Radar Team (ASRT) operations indicated a decrease for the third consecutive month. The ASRT's controlled 416 missions, 586 aircraft, and delivered 2,445,750 pounds of bombs on 397 enemy targets.

c. Operations supported during May by MASS-2 were as follows: Purple Martin, Maine Craig, Apache Snow, Virginia Ridge, Massachusetts Bay, Cameron Falls, Herkimer Mountain, 2nd ARVN's and the 101st Airborne Division.

d. As of 31 May 1969, MASS-2 AN/TPQ-10 system operations hours were as follows:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Since REHAB</u>	<u>May 69</u>
Dong Ha ASRT (A-8)	13371	9506	724
Vandegrift ASRT (A-2)	20718	5001	743
Birmingham ASRT (A-3)	20807	20442	670

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- (a) Administration - None.
- (b) Personnel - None.
- (c) Command Relationships/Command and Control - None.
- (d) Air Control -
 - (1) During the month of May MASS-2 ASRT's controlled 412 VNA sorties, and 14 IFR sorties.
 - (2) 3 May - Dong Ha ASRT reported four (4) secondary explosions.
 - (3) 7 May - Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion.
 - (4) 10 May - Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion.
 - (5) 15 May - Dong Ha ASRT reported three (3) secondary explosions. Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion.
 - (6) 22 May - Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion.
- (e) Special operations - None.
- (f) Civic Action - None.
- (g) Ground Defense - None.
- (h) Training - None.
- (i) Logistics - None.
- (j) Supply - The MASS-2 Supply Section processed 352 incoming requisitions while supplying the MASS-2 CP and Detachments by convoy from DaNang.
- (k) Engineering - None.
- (l) Maintenance - None.
- (m) Communications/Electronics - None.
- (n) Construction - None.

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- (o) Motor Transport - The MASS-2 Motor Transport Section logged in a total of 12,846 miles hauling a total of 15 tons of supplies. This total, 1,728 miles carrying 35 tons of supplies were rough rider convoys in support of the squadron CP and Detachments.
- (p) Informational services - None.
- (q) Casualties - None.
- (r) Awards - None.
- (s) Morale and welfare - None.
- (t) Air defense - None.
- (u) Base development and military construction - The MASS-2 Utilities Section spent the month of May repairing hatches and other general repairs in the Command Post.

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TAB A - STATISTICAL DATA FOR MAY 1969

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1. Direct Air Support Center (DASC)

	Total Missions												<u>Total</u>
	<u>Fixed Wing</u>				<u>Helc</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	1543	113	106	254	1051	0	0	33	300	0	0	2	3402
DASC Vandegrift	1263	297	27	125	996	1	0	54	369	0	0	4	3136
TOTALS	2806	410	133	379	2047	1	0	87	669	0	0	6	6538

* MED-EVAC Missions are NOT included in helicopter totals.

2. Air Support Radar Team (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	132	0	53	140	0	51	148	0	121	426.250	0	144.250
ASRT Vandegrift	107	4	41	100	2	36	112	5	89	312.750	6.000	120.000
ASRT Birmingham	61	2	16	53	1	12	74	4	33	162.875	15.000	35.750
TOTALS	300	6	110	293	3	101	334	9	243	901.875	21.000	300.000

Target Coverage = $\frac{1222.875}{397} = 3.080$ tons/targets

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