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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 August through 31 August 1969

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<u>BILLET</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>RANK/NAME</u>
Commanding Officer	1-5 Aug 1969	LtCol Robert A. FULLER
Commanding Officer	6-15 Aug 1969	Maj Marvin L. CROWDIS
Commanding Officer	15-31 Aug 1969	Maj Ronald G. RICHARDSON
Executive Officer	1-5 Aug 1969	Maj Marvin L. CROWDIS
Executive Officer	6-15 Aug 1969	Maj Ronald G. RICHARDSON
Executive Officer	16-31 Aug 1969	Maj Everett L. COWLEY
Administration Officer	1-31 Aug 1969	1stLt Richard L. SCHUHLER
Operations Officer	1-31 Aug 1969	Capt John H. STERLING
Services Officer	1-31 Aug 1969	Capt Raymond L. POLLARD
Comm-Elect Officer	1-31 Aug 1969	Maj Frank MANN Jr.
OIC, Detachment 1	1-4 Aug 1969	1stLt Ronald L. HOFER
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	1-31 Aug 1969	Maj Herbert F. SAEGER
OIC, HDC Vandegrift	1-31 Aug 1969	Maj Richard B. SCIBECK
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	1-31 Aug 1969	1stLt Edward S. FORD
OIC, ASRT Vandegrift	1-31 Aug 1969	Capt Jon G. JONZ
OIC, ASRT Birmingham	1-31 Aug 1969	1stLt Phillip M. MARRIE

2. LOCATION

a. <u>Marine Air Support Squadron (-)</u>	<u>Dong Ha, RVN</u>
b. <u>Detachment 1</u> (1 - 4 Aug 1969) Motor Transport Supply	<u>Da Nang, RVN</u>
c. <u>Vandegrift</u> Helicopter Direction Center Air Support Radar Team	<u>Vandegrift Combat Base, RVN</u> in support of 3rd MAR DIV and 2nd ARVN's
d. <u>Birmingham Air Support Radar Team</u>	<u>FSB Birmingham, RVN</u> in support of the 101st Airborne Division (U.S. Army)

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>MAR OFF</u>	<u>MAR ENL</u>	<u>NAV OFF</u>	<u>NAV ENL</u>	<u>OTHER TECH REP</u>
42	178	0	2	0

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a. 3rd MAR DIV Commanding General, MGen JONES and 3rd MAR DIV Comm-Elect Officer Col LEMAY visited Vandegrift ASRT on 4 August 1969.

b. MACG-18 Commanding Officer, Col DUMWIDDIE, visited the MASS-2 Command Post on 15 Aug 1969

c. Deputy Commander, XXIV Corps, MGen WHEELER, visited Birmingham ASRT on 21 August 1969.

d. Assistant Wing Commander, BGen SPANIER, visited the MASS-2 Command Post on 26 August 1969.

e. MGen WRIGHT, USA, visited Birmingham ASRT on 29 August 1969.

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a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month of August indicated a slight decrease from last month. The DASC and HDC controlled 4430 missions of which 2327 were fixed wing missions and 2103 were helicopter missions with 401 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations.

b. Air Support Radar Team (ASRT) operations for the month of August also indicated a slight decrease from last month. The ASRT's controlled 599 missions, 732 aircraft, and delivered 3,610,000 pounds of bombs on 602 enemy targets.

c. Operations supported by MASS-2 during August were as follows: Idaho Canyon, Georgia Tar, Arlington Canyon, Iroquois Grove, 2nd ARVNs and the 101st Airborne Division.

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

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Since REHAB</u>	<u>August 69</u>
Dong Ha ASRT (A-8)	14,954	11,089	744
Vandegrift ASRT (A-2)	22,806.5	6,698.5	719
Birmingham ASRT (A-3)	22,570.5	22,205.5	744

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- (a) Administration - None
- (b) Personnel - None
- (c) Command Relationships/Command and Control - On 4 August 1969, Detachment 1 at Da Nang, consisting of the majority of the Supply and Motor Transport sections, moved to the squadron CP at Dong Ha Combat Base.
- (d) Air Control -
  - (1) During the month of August MASS-2 ASRT's controlled 576 VFR sorties and 13 IFR sorties.
  - (2) 2 August - Vandegrift ASRT reported three (3) secondary fires.
  - (3) 2 August - Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire.
  - (4) 11 August - Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire.
- (e) Special Operations - None
- (f) Civic Action - None
- (g) Ground Defense - None
- (h) Training - None
- (i) Logistics - None
- (j) Supply - The Supply section processed 342 incoming requisitions and moved the entire section to the squadron CP at Dong Ha Combat Base.
- (k) Engineering - None
- (l) Maintenance - None
- (m) Communications/Electronics - None
- (n) Construction - Construction of the Motor Transport complex was completed by MCB 62.
- (o) Motor Transport - The Motor Transport section logged a total of 7,000 miles during the month of August. Of this total, 2,000 miles were rough rider convoys carrying 77 tons of supplies to the squadron CP and detachments and relocating Detachment 1 from Da Nang to the squadron CP at Dong Ha Combat Base.

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(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 Utilities section, during the month of August, constructed a stage for floor shows, enlarged the armory, partitioned off the supply warehouse, and continued general repairs and improvements in the camp area.

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TAB A - STATISTICAL DATA FOR AUGUST 1969

1. Direct Air Support Center (DASC)

	<u>Fixed Wing</u>				<u>Helo</u>				<u>Med-Evac*</u>				<u>Total</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	1522	211	85	509	845	0	0	0	81	0	0	3	3256
EDC Vandegrift	0	0	0	0	855	0	0	2	308	1	1	7	1174
TOTALS	1522	211	85	509	1700	0	0	2	389	1	1	10	4430

\* 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	176	6	28	195	3	24	201	8	62	514.500	8.000	81.250
ASRT Vandegrift	123	4	19	123	4	19	144	5	41	410.750	10.750	64.250
ASRT Birmingham	206	3	24	209	2	23	213	6	52	639.500	6.000	64.000
TOTALS	505	13	71	527	9	66	558	19	155	1564.750	24.750	211.500

Target Coverage =  $\frac{1801.000}{602} = 2.992$  tons/targets

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