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1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (d), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October through 31 October 1969

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. COMMAND AND STAFF

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>RANK/NAME</u>
Commanding Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	Maj Ronald G. RICHARDSON
Executive Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	Maj Jerry D. ODEN
Administration Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	1stLt John R. MURRAY
Operations Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	Maj Everett L. COWLEY
Services Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	Capt Raymond L. POLLARD
Comm-Elect Officer	1-31 Oct 1969	Capt James B. HICKOCK
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	1-29 Oct 1969	Maj Donald S. CREAL
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	29-31 Oct 1969	Maj Crawford P. SWANN
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha "A"	1-26 Oct 1969	1stLt Edward S. FORD
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha "B"	1-31 Oct 1969	Capt Jon G. JONZ
OIC, ASRT Birmingham	1-31 Oct 1969	1stLt Phillip M. MARRIE
OIC, ASRT Quang Tri	27-31 Oct 1969	1stLt Edward S. FORD

2. LOCATION

a. <u>Marine Air Support Squadron (-)</u>	<u>Dong Ha, RVN</u>
b. <u>Quang Tri (27-31 Oct)</u> Air Support Radar Team	<u>Quang Tri, RVN</u> in support of the 1st of the 5th (Mech) (U.S. Army) and 1st ARVN's
c. <u>Birmingham</u> Air Support Radar Team	<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</u>
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4. IMPORTANT VISITORS

- a. 21 October: Marine Air Control Group 18 Commanding Officer, Col. DUNWIDDIE, visited Birmingham ASRT.
- b. 29 October: Assistant Wing Commander BGon SPANJER visited Quang Tri ASRT.
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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY1. Operations

a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month indicated a decrease from September due to the planned retrograde of the 3rd Marine Division from the Republic of Viet Nam. The DASC controlled 1338 missions of which 828 were fixed wing missions and 510 were helicopter missions with 79 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations.

b. Air Support Radar Team (ASRT) operations for the month also indicated a decrease from September. The ASRT's controlled 370 missions, 510 aircraft and delivered ~~1,999,500~~ ^{2,317,000} pounds of bombs on 351 enemy targets.

c. Operations supported by MASS-2 were: Iroquois Grove, plus 2nd ARVN's, 101st Airborne Division, 3rd Marine Division, and 1st of the 5th (Mech) (U.S. Army).

d. AN/TPQ-10 system operations hours were as follows:

	<u>Oct 69</u>	<u>Since REHAB</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASRT Dong Ha "A"	544	12,343.5	16,208.5
ASRT Dong Ha "B"	705	7,981	24,085
ASRT Birmingham	495	23,420.5	23,785.5
ASRT Quang Tri	96	12,439.5	16,304.5

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- (a) Administration - None
- (b) Personnel - None
- (c) Command Relationships/Command and Control - 27 October 1969: Dong Ha "A" ASRT shut down operations and was moved to Quang Tri in support of the 1st of the 5th (Mech) (U.S. Army).
- (d) Air Control - MASS-2 ASRT's controlled 474 VFR sorties and 36 IFR sorties.
- (e) Special Operations - None
- (f) Civic Action - None
- (g) Ground Defense - None
- (h) Training - None
- (i) Logistics - None
- (j) Supply - The Supply Section processed a total of one hundred fifteen (115) incoming requisitions.
- (k) Engineering - None
- (l) Maintenance - None
- (m) Communications/Electronics - None
- (n) Construction - From 14-20 OCT. CBMU³⁰¹ LOCATED AT QUANG TRI CONSTRUCTED A 25'x25' CONCRETE PAD, AND A 25'x25'x10'H PLATFORM FOR TP4 EMPLOYMENT.
- (o) Motor Transport -
 - (1) From 1 October to 31 October, MASS-2 Motor Transport logged a total of 7883 miles. Of the total 2364 were "rough rider" convoys carrying approximately 112 tons of supplies to and from Da Nang to Dong Ha, and from Dong Ha to Birmingham.
 - (2) There are 2 vehicles on deadline.
- (p) Information Services - None
- (q) Casualties - None
- (r) Awards - None

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(s) Morale and Welfare - None

(t) Air Defense - None

(u) Base Development and Military Construction - None

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1. Direct Air Support Center (DASC)

	<u>FIXED WING</u>				<u>HELO</u>				<u>MED-EVAC*</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>	<u>TOTAL</u>
DASC Dong Ha	453	95	62	218	431	0	0	0	73	6	0	0	1338

* 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 "A"	156	5	39	167	5	38	187	10	86	522.500	24.000	96.250
ASRT Dong Ha "B"	20	0	7	23	0	7	20	0	11	56.000	0	10.250
ASRT Birmingham	98	0	28	71	0	23	114	0	64	203.750	0	62.250
ASRT Quang Tri	15	1	1	16	0	1	15	1	2	46.500	0	2.000
	289	6	75	277	5	69	336	11	163	828.750	24.000	170.750

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Target Coverage = $\frac{1023.500}{351} = 2.916$ tons/targets

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