

MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON 2  
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16  
1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FMF PACIFIC  
FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 96602

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Encl: (1) Marine Observation Squadron Two Command Chronology

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

2. Upon removal of enclosure (1) this letter is downgraded to unclassified.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 December to 31 December 1966

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## PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. Staff Listing

- |                                 |                                   |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| a. Commanding Officer           | LtCol. W. F. HARRELL (1-31 Dec)   |
| b. Executive Officer            | Major C. G. REDMAN (1-31 Dec)     |
| c. Operations Officer           | Major V. W. HAZELBAKER (1-31 Dec) |
| d. Material Officer             | Major W. D. ANDREWS (1-31 Dec)    |
| e. Administrative Officer       | Capt. R. J. THRASH (1-31 Dec)     |
| f. Aircraft Maintenance Officer | Capt. R. E. BROWN (1-31 Dec)      |
| g. Intelligence Officer         | 1stLt. T. G. HYNES (1-31 Dec)     |

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MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16  
FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, III MAF  
MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, RVN

3. Average monthly strength: 46 Officers, 201 Enlisted
4. There were no visitors to the squadron during the reporting period.

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARYUNCLASSIFIED  
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- 1 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 2 December - The squadron flew General ENGLISH, General KYLE and parties of correspondents through the Phu Bai and Dong Ha areas.
- 3 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 4 December - Normal flight operations were conducted. Flight operations in the Dong Ha area were significantly hindered by weather conditions.
- 5 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 6 December - From 060805 to 1552 a flight of two UH-1E's escorted HMM-163 on a total of five recon inserts and extractions. "A" was an insert of Surf at ZD005015; "B", an insert of Phantom at YD715614; "C", an extract of Sidewinder at YD722111; "D", an insert of Tarzan at YD801071; and "E", an extract of Cobra at YD809109.
- 7 December - The squadron flew Senator THURMOND of South Carolina and Major General NICKERSON to witness a County Fair conducted by the Third Battalion, First Marines. Operations were generally hindered in the Dong Ha area by weather conditions.
- 8 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 9 December - At 091550, two UH-1E's escorted an HMM-163 medevac aircraft to extract one VC captured by recon team Sidewinder. Both the medevac plane and the escorting Hueys received small arms fire around the landing zone at YD750148. The Hueys returned fire and suppressed the enemy fire. Between 091715 and 1820, two UH-1E's first conducted TAC(A) for a TFQ, working with Devastate "C", then continued on to a priority recon team extraction. They removed the recon team and two prisoners from a landing zone at YD903081.
- 10 December - The squadron III MAF liaison aircraft flew a reconnaissance of the An Hoa area for Senator HOLLINGS of South Carolina and visited Combined Action Company 3-A-2 at AT922720.
- 11 December - The squadron III MAF aircraft carried Lieutenant General CHAPMAN on visits throughout the Danang Area. At 110730, two UH-1E's began escorting HMM-163 aircraft on two recon inserts. The second team, Habu, was inserted at YD052642 and contacted the enemy soon afterward. HMM-164 was called for the emergency extraction of Habu. The CH-46 received heavy automatic weapons fire coming into the landing zone. The two UH-1E's delivered suppressive fire but began to receive heavy automatic weapons fire also, from at least six guns.

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Fixed wing support was flying overhead, but was not used because of the low cloud cover in the area. The UH-1E TAC(A) then called artillery support and suppressed the enemy automatic weapons fire.

12 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

13 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

14 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

15 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

16 December - The squadron participated in Operation Homerun.

17 December - The squadron participated in Operation Homerun.

18 December - The squadron carried author John STEINBECK around the Dong Ha, Camp Carroll area.

19 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

20 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

21 December - Two Hueys escorted two CH-46 aircraft to AT9654 in an attempt to extract a downed UH-34. The zone was too hot to allow the extraction of the aircraft to be made. The lead UH-1E then brought in and controlled Oxwood 15. One hundred percent of the fixed wings' ordnance was delivered on target. The squadron carried Rear Admiral WAESCHLER around the Phu Bai area.

22 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

23 December - The squadron participated in Operation Chinook. Weather conditions hindered flight operations significantly in the Dong Ha area.

24 December - The squadrons VIP missions were flown. The Christmas Truce went into effect at 0600.

25 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

26 December - Normal flight operations were conducted to the extent that weather conditions would allow. Weather significantly hindered operations in the Phu Bai and Dong Ha areas.

27 December - Normal flight operations, to the extent that weather would allow, were conducted.

28 December - The squadron carried General JOHNSON, United States Army, in the Hue - Phu Bai area. The squadron also flew Bob HOPE and members

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of his USO Show for their performance in Danang.

29 December - Normal flight operations were conducted.

30 December - The squadron flew Lieutenant General KRULAK around the Danang area.

31 December - The squadron flew Lieutenant General KRULAK around the Dong Ha area.

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## PART III

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

## 1. Personnel

- a. 1 Officer and 21 Enlisted were promoted.
- b. 36 personnel were joined; 7 transferred.

## 2. Administration

- a. No outstanding administrative problems.

## 3. Casualties; No casualties were sustained during the reporting period.

## 4. Awards: 1 DFC, 150 Air Medals

## 9. Air Operations:

- a. Total hours flown: 890.9
- b. Number of sorties: 2249
- c. Amount of cargo: None
- d. Number of medical evacuations: 20
- e. Number of passengers carried: 1787

## 11. Special Operations: "Homerun", "Chinook", and "Prairie".

## 17. Ordnance expended:

- a. 7.62mm 115,860 rounds
- b. 2.75" rockets 1518
- c. 40mm CTG (M-79) 92

## 18. Motor Transport:

- a. Ten (10) hours of instruction and maintenance of vehicles was scheduled each week.
- b. No vehicles were on deadline at the end of period.
- c. Total mileage was 4861 miles. 73.4 gallons of gasoline and 633.83 gallons of diesel fuel were consumed.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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VMG-2 SITRIP FOR 1 DEC 1966

VMG-2 PROVIDED 4 SLICKS FOR VIP AND C&C IN THE DANANG TAOR FOR LT GEN WALT, MAJ GEN NICKERSON, B GEN HURBALD AND B GEN LANG. ONE MED EVAC ESCORT WAS DEPLOYED TO KHE SANH AND 4 ARMED ESCORT WERE PROVIDED FOR RECON TEAM INSERTION AND RETRACTION AND 2 SLICKS WERE PROVIDED FOR C&C AND VIP IN THE BINH BINH D. NG HA TAOR. 2 ARMED ESCORT AND 1 SLICK FOR MED EVAC, COND INTI STAND BY. RECON TEAM INSERTION AND RETRACTION FOR VIP AND C&C WERE PROVIDED IN THE PHU BAI TAOR

VMG-2 DIDN'T FLY ANY MED EVACS THIS DATE

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 2 DEC 66

0650-0750 AERIAL RECON OF AT 9864 AND VICINITY, SPOTTING A MOVEMENT OF VIL  
MOVING EAST. NO FIRE WAS ENCOUNTERED WITH POOR WEATHER ADVERSE INCIDENT. MSN NO 7A

0900-1445 COMMAND AND CONTROL FOR GLN NICKERSON AND PARTY IN THE DA NANG AREA  
MSN NO (B,C,D).

0700 COMMAND AND CONTROL FOR GEN H-1 AND PARTY IN THE BINH DA NANG AREA,  
MSN NO H-1.2

ALL OTHER SCHEDULED MISSIONS WERE HELD DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER AND FINALLY CANCELLED  
WHEN THE WEATHER REMAINS THE SAME

LANE ENTRY

1 DEC 66

1144-1445 COMMAND CONTROL BEEN CARRIED PERSONEL AND MED SUPPLIS TO AN HCA AND  
BILL 55 WHEN PROCEEDED INTO THE OPERATION MISSISSIPPI AREA FOR RECON MSN NO H-35

VMC-2 SITREP FOR 3 DEC 66

0700 VMC-2 SUPPORTED THE IIIMAF WITH TWO UH-1E ON NORMAL III MAF LAISON  
MISSION MSN NO H-1

ABX

1430-1610 VMC-2 SEND UH-1E ON ADMIN TO DIA LOC NO MSN NO GIVEN

VMC-2 DIDN'T FLY ANY MED EVAC'S THIS DATE

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 4 DEC. 1966

04 1245H: ONE GUNSHIP FLEW VIP HOPE FOR GEN. NICHERSON, FROM BUNKER  
PAD TO THE BEACH HOUSE. (NISS. 7A & 7B)

04 0700H: NORMAL VIP COMMITMENT FOR GEN. WALT WITH TWO SLICKS. (NISS.  
E-1 & E-2)

VMO-2 MET IT'S COMMITMENT AT DONG HA, PHU BAI AND KHE SAHN, WITH TEN A/C.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 5 DECEMBER 1966

1 DECEMBER 1966

01 0730H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED TWO H-34'S TO AT 989015 TO INSERT A RECON TEAM FROM 3rd RECON BN., NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1201-9)

01 1630H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW ESCORT ON ONE H-34 FROM HMM-163 TO EXTRACT A RECON TEAM FROM AT 995935, NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1201-15)

2 DECEMBER 1966

02 0700H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW ESCORT ON AN H-34 FROM HMM-163 ON AN INSERT OF ONE RECON TEAM AT YD 989034, AN EXTRACTION AT YD 602236, AND AN INSERT OF TWO RECON TEAMS AT YD 978996. RETURNED TO PHU BAI AND PICKED UP ONE MORE RECON TEAM FOR INSERTION AT YD 607236, NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED DURING ENTIRE OPERATION. (MISS. H-1202-10 & 11)

3 DECEMBER 1966

03 1445H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW ARMED ESCORT ON AN H-34 FROM HMM-163 FROM PHU BAI TO BT 059019. DETACHED TO STAND BY FOR A POSSIBLE TAG(A) WHICH WAS NOT FOREGOING, NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1203-15B)

4 DECEMBER 1966

04 0800H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW ESCORT ON AN H-34 FROM HMM-163, FROM PHU BAI TO BT 002934 AND RETURN TO PHU BAI, NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1204-9)

04 0710H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E'S FLEW AN ARIEL RECON OF THE BRIDGES ALONG HIGHWAY (1) FROM PHU BAI TO QUANG TRI, NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1204-10)

5 DECEMBER 1966

05 1025H: ONE OF OUR UH-1E'S FLEW AN ARIEL RECON OF ZC 0433. HE THEN TOOK GEN. NICKERSON FROM THE WING PAD TO THE HILLTOP PAD AND BACK TO THE III MAF PAD. LATER HE TOOK GEN. NICKERSON TO AN HOA AND AT 8138 AND BACK TO THE HILLTOP PAD, NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. (MISS. H-1205-7A, B & C)

NORMAL SCHEDULED VIP HOPS WERE FLOWN IN SUPPORT OF THE III MAF, WITH NO ENEMY CONTACT.

VMO-2 HAS (6) UH-1E'S AT DONG HA, (3) AT PHU BAI AND (2) AT KHE SANH.

MISSION FOR 6 HHC 66 VMO-2

0725-1400 CARRIED 5 VIP'S TO DONG HA FROM MAJ PAD MISSION ABORTED AT PHU BAI  
DUE TO WEATHER

1030-1710 TOOK CG 1st MAR DIV TO LZ RAILRID, FRIED CHICKEN, BLUEBIRD AND  
AIR FORCE OPS ALSO CARRIED COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 7 DEC 66

~~XXXXXXXX~~ 5 DEC 66

0930, AIRCRAFT FROM MARBLE MT TO KHE SANH TO HUE PHU BAI FOR AIRCRAFT CHANGE AND CREW RELIEF MSN NO H-1205-37

1615, 1 ARMED UH-1E IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHINING GRASS. NO ENEMY EE FIRE RECEIVED MSN NO H-1205-37

~~XXXXXXXX~~ 6 DEC 66

0700, 1 UH-1E FLEW VIP AND LIASON FOR CG III MAF MSN NO H-1

0710, 1 UH-1E FLEW VIP ESCORT FOR CG III MAF MSN NO H-2

1520, 1 UH-1E FLEW FROM MNAF TO DONG HA TO MNAF AIRCRAFT AND CREW RELIEF NO MISSION NO GIVEN

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1645 2 UH-1E FLEW FROM PHU BAI TO KHE SANH TO PHU BAI MSN NO H-1205-37

1920, 1 UH-1E FLEW FROM PHU BAI TO MNAF AND CONDUCTED INSTRUMENT CHECK IN ROUTE

~~XXXX~~ 7 DEC 66

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1 UH-1E AT 0945 WITH A H-34 CHASE FLEW A VIP CODE 6 AND 2 PAX FROM DAUH NANG BASH OPS TO CHU LIE VIP PAD AND RETURN MSN NO H-1207-49

1300, 1 UH-1E FROM MNAF TO PHU BAI AND RETURN FOR AIRCRAFT CHANGE

1507 1 UH-1E SLICK TOOK CG 1st MAR DIV FROM HILLTOP TO III MAF THEN TO AIR FORCE CODE 7 AND PHOTOGRAPHER TO COUNTY FAIR OPS AT BT 0685 THEN TO DIE LOC AND RETURN TO III MAF PAD. THEN TOOK CG 1st MAR DIV BACK TO HILLTOP PAD MSN H-1207-48

THROUGH NOT EVEN SIMILAR FRAG ORDER RECEIVED.

VMO-2 SITRIP FOR 8 DEC 66

5 DEC 66

0806 TWO OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW ARMED ESCORT FOR H-34 FROM HMM-163 ON A SERIES OF INSERTS AND RETRACTION OF RECON TEAMS FOR 3rd REDSON BN. (1) EXTRACT FROM (YC 981998) (2) INSERTION AT (YC 966995) (3) EXTRACTION FROM (YD 885027 ) (4) EXTRACTION FROM (YD 604235) NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. MSN NO H-1205-15A-D

1045 TWO OF OUR UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMM-163 ON A RECON TEAM INSERT AT (YD 623230 NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED. MSN N. H-1205-13

1230 TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS FROM VMO-2 FLEW ARMED ESCORT FOR H-34s FROM HMM-163 ON A COMBINATION MED EVAC AND RECON TEAM EXTRACTION FROM (YC 966995) NO ENEMY FIRE MSN NO H-1205-16

6 DEC 66

0805 TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS FROM VMO-2 FLEW ARMED ESCORT ON H-34s FROM HMM-163 ON A SERIES OF RECON TEAM INSERTION AND EXTRACTION (1) RECON TEAM INSERTION AT (ZF 005015) (2) RECON INSERTION AT (XD 715164) (3) RECON TEAM EXTRACTION FROM (XA 722111) THERE THEN OCCURED A DELAY DUE TO WEATHER. AFTER THE DELAY (4) INSERTED A RECON TEAM AT (XD 801071) AND (5) EXTRACTED RECON TEAM FROM (YD 809109) NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED. MSN H-1205-15A-B

8 DEC 66

0640 ONE OF OUR UH-1E SLICKS DEPARTED TO PICKUP GEN WICKERSON FROM HILL TOP PAD. THE GEN AL DID NOT ARRIVE AND THEY WERE DIVERTED TO ANOTHER MISSION TO TAKE 4 PEOPLE FROM 1st MAR REGT ON AN AERIAL RECON OF THEIR TAOR NO ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED MSN NO h-1208-7A

NORMAL SCHEDULE VIP HOPS WERE FLOWN BY VMO-2 IN SUPPORT OF III MAF

VMO-2 DIDN'T FLY ANY MED EVACS THIS DATE

VMO-2 SITRIP FOR 9 DEC 66

MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON 2 FLEW THE USUAL VIP LANCES IN THE  
NA HANG SAOR WITHOUT INCIDENT. TODAY

ONE MISSION HOWEVER DID PROVIDE A BREAK FROM THE ROUTINE. ONE OF OUR  
AIRCRAFT ON A/L MISSION TO DONG NA WAS DEVIATED ENROUTE AT OR ABOUT 0930  
HIS NEW MISSION WAS TO PICK UP THE TWO SURVIVORS OF A DOWNED C-119 A/C AT  
(AT 9595) WHICH HE COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY.

VMO-2 CARRIED 2 MED EVAC'S THIS DATE THEY WERE BOTH PRIOR



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VMO-2 SITREP FOR 11 DEC 66

18 DEC 66

0640, TWO SLICKS UH-1H'S WERE USED FOR THE III MAF VIP MSN'S NO H-142

0737 TWO ARMED UH-1H'S PROVIDED ARMED ESCORT FOR HMM-265 TO (ZC 194542).  
ON RETURN CONTROLLED AIR STRIKE OF F-8'S ON (ZC 1832) EXPENDED ORDNANCE  
ON ABOVE COORD. MSN H-1210-37

21 DEC 66

0745 TWO SLICK UH-1H'S USED FOR III MAF VIP.

0810 TWO ARMED UH-1H'S USED FOR ARMED SUPPORT OF HMM-164 TO ZC189337  
NO ENEMY FIRE.. MSN NO H-1211-43A 43A

VMO-2 DIDNOT CARRYER ANY MED EVAC'S TODAY

WFO-2 BITREP FOR 12 DEC 68

WFO SQUADRON FLEW ONLY ROUTINE VIP HOPS IN THE DA NANG AREA ON  
THIS DATE RECEIVING NO FIRE.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 13 DEC 68

VMO-2 FLEW NORMAL VIF MISSION FOR CG III MAF AN CONVEYANCE MSN NO H-1

VMO-2 ALSO SUPPORTED THE III MAF IN FLYING HOMERUN TO MSN NO  
H-1213-361AB

VMO-2 DIDN'T CARRIE ANY MED EVAC'S THIS DATE.

WMO-2 SITH P 14 DEC 66

LAST 1545 TWO OF THE UNITS ARME UH-1E'S WERE LAUNCHED ON OPERATION IN  
BORDERIN MSN NO H-1214-38

APPROX 1700 TWO SLICK UH-1E'S USED FOR N HVAL VIP AT THE III MAP MSN NO  
H-1214-38

WMO-2 DIDN'T FLY ANY MED EVAC'S THIS DATE.

VNO-2 SITREP FOR 15 DEC 66

0700-2000 NORMAL VFP FOR III MAF MSN NO H-1,2 TWO UH-1E WERE USED

0800 TWO ARMED UH-1E'S LAUNCHED ON OPERATION HOMERUN MSN NO H-1215-38

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0835 TWO ARMED UH-1E'S USED FOR RECON OF STRIKE LZ AT (20 209557 FOR 3/7  
MSN NO H-1215-108

1510 TWO ARMED UH-1E LAUNCHED ON HOMERUN H-1215-38A

VNO-2 DIDN'T CARRIED ANY MED EVACS THIS DATE.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 16 DEC 66

VMO-2 PROVIDED FIVE (5) GUNSHIPS FOR THE DONG HA MED EVAC ESCORT, SPARROW HAWK ESCORT, THE SAME MED EVAC ESCORT AND VMO-2 OUT FOR THE ENGLISH, THREE (3) GUNSHIPS AND ONE ONE (1) AT PHU BAI FOR MED EVAC SPARROW HAWK ESCORT RECON TEAM INSERT AND EXTRACT ESCORT, AND ONE (1) SLICK FOR MAJ GEN KYLE. TWO (2) GUNSHIPS FOR HOMERUN AND ONE (1) SLICK STAND BY FOR NICKERSON

WVC-2 SITREP FOR 14 DEC 68

1000 TWO OF THE WVC-2 ARMED UH-1E'S WERE LAUNCHED TO PROVIDE ARMED ESCORT FOR HMM-265 TO ZC 18788. NO ENEMY FIRE MSG NO H-1218-48

~~0600-0700 NORMAL FLIGHTS AT PHU BAI~~

0700 TWO OF ARE SLICK UH-1E'S WERE USED FOR NORMAL III MAP VIB MSG NO'S ~~XXXXXX~~ U-1, U-2

1255 ONE OF THE UNIT'S SLICK'S WAS USED TO CHASE CG 1st MAR DIV. NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED MSG NO H-1217-7A

16 DEC 68

1800-1700 TODAY, NORMAL FLIGHTS AT PHU BAI

17 DE 66

0700 ONE HELI FLEW LOCAL VIP LAISON HOP FOR CG III MAP MEN NO EN

E-3

0700

0955 TWO HELI ESCORTED TWO H-34 FOR ONE INSERTION AND ONE EXTRACTION  
OF A RECON TEAM IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 79215) NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED  
MEN NO H-12,17,15AB

1200 THREE GUNSHIPS ESCORTED SPARROW HAWK TO (YD 78012) THE LEAD  
AIRCRAFT FIRE TWO ROCKETS TO MARK THE BOMB FOR OXWOOD FLIGHT WHICH  
EXPANDED 30 MM INTO THE AREA THE HELIS ALSO PROVIDED TAC (A) FOR THE JET  
NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED MEN NO H-1217-21

1530 TWO GUNSHIP'S ESCORTED THE EXTRACTION OF A RECON TEAM AT (YD 78012)  
THEN THEY COVER A LANDING MED EVAC AT YD 78012 AND ESCORTED THE H-34  
BACK TO A MED NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED H-17-17,2

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18 DEC 66  
0047 TWO HELI GUNSHIPS ESCORTED TWO H-34'S FROM (HDL-265) ON AN EXTRA  
EXTRACTION AND INSERTION OF RECON TEAM'S AT (AT 83722) AND VICINITY  
NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED (MEN NO H-1218-22)

0745 TWO GUNSHIPS ON-12'S ESCORTED 3 H-34'S FROM HDL-265 ON A RECON E  
EXTRACTION OF BEACON LIGHT FROM (AT 81822) NO ENEMY FIRE MEN NO H-1218-  
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100-B SITREP FOR 18 DEC 68

18 DEC 68

0945 ONE HUEY MADE A VIP RECON AT THE PHU BAI AREA CORDE YD 9656 NO  
FIRE AS RECEIVED FIVE US AND ROK MEN WERE ABOARD MSN NO H-15,16

1050 TWO HUEYS ESCORTED TWO HMM-163 H'34'S TO XC 970084 FOR AN INSERTION ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
AND ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ EXTRACTION OF RECON TEAMS NO ENEMY FIRE MSN H-15-10

1836 TWO HUEYS ESCORTED TWO H-34'S, HMM-163 FOR TWO RECON TEAM INSERTION ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
AT (XC 893084) AND (YD 783084) AND FOR TWO EXTRACTION AT (YC 885088) AND  
(YD 783084) NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED MSN NO H-1214-15,16

1840 ONE HUEY SHICK TOOK GEN GYLE FOR ALOCAL VIP HOP MSN H-1215-15

1130 TWO HUEY'S GUN'S ESCORTED TROOP INSERT AT YD 893254 SNIPER FIRE WAS  
RECEIVED FROM (YD 893243 ONE GUNSHIP MARKED T AT AREA WITH ROCKETS AND  
DIRECTIONAL JETS IN FIRING THEIR 20 MM GUNS ON TARGET FIRE WAS SUPPRESSED  
BUT WAS RECEIVED FROM YD 893253 THE GUNSHIPS MADE THREE ATTACKING MACHINE  
GUN RUNS EACH EFFECTIVELY STOPPING THE ENEMY FIRE MSN H-15-11

18 DEC 68

1380 ONE SHICK CARRIED GEN KYLE AND PARTY TO DONG HA DIA LINK, ROCKPILE  
CAMP CARROLL AND RETURNED TO PHU BAI NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED MSN H-16-12

~~1835 TWO HUEY'S GUNSHIPS ON ESCORTED ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ & CH-46'S FROM HMM165  
ON A RECON EXTRACTION OF BEACON LIGHT AT (AT 837288 NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED  
RECEIVED MSN NO H-1218~~

1835 TWO HUEY GUNSHIPS ESCORTED THE EMERGENCY RESUPPLY HMM-165 PLANE  
TO (YD 873248)

WFO-2 SITREP FOR R 19 DEC 66

WFO-2 IS SUBMITTING A MESSAGE REPORT FOR THIS DATE.

USOER SITREP FOR 20 DEC 66

19 DEC 66

NORMAL OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF III MAF CONSISTED OF IX 1 VIP AND VIP CHASE. TOTAL FLIGHT TIME 5.0

20 DEC 66

OPERATION ON 20 DEC 66 INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING IN SUPPORT OF THE 3rd MAF DIV. 5 F-4E'S (GUNS) WERE DEPLOYED TO DONG HA AND 4 F-4E'S (3 GUNS 1 SLICK) WERE DEPLOYED TO PHU BIA IN SUPPORT OF THE 1st MAF DIV. THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS WERE CONDUCTED (1) CONVOT ESCORT MISSION M-1220-40, 1.8 FLT TIME, NO FIRE WAS RECEIVED IEN OR RETURNED. (2) M-1220-47 WAS STILL AIRBORNE AT THIS TIME.

1200-2 STRIP FOR 21 DEC 66

VNO-2 SUPPORTED THE DONG HA AREA (4) FOUR GUNSHIPS AND (2) HELICOPTERS. MISSION WILL BE RECORDED WITH ROSEMARY 3A

VNO-2 SUPPORTED PHU BAI NITH (3) GUNSHIPS AND (1) SLICK MISSION WILL BE RECORDED AT A LATER DATE

20 DEC 66

1200-11G (1600-1725) TWO VNO-2 GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMM-163 ON EMERGENCY REHEAR REHEAR MISSION AND MED EVAC MISSION TO (AT 994604). LEAD GUNSHIP TOOK (1) DOWN IN REAR

1220-11F (2007-2207) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMM-2603 MED EVAC ON EMERGENCY MED EVAC TO (AT 973532). H-34 STRUCK SOME TREES, AND WAS UNABLE TO LIFT OUT OF THE ZONE SO MISSION WAS CANCELLED.

21 DEC 66

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1221-36AAB (0643-0937) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED VNO-6 SLICK ON AIRBORNE RECON OF ANGLITE AREA

1221-46AAB (1535-1820) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMM-164 AND HMM265 ON PICK UP OF DOWN H-34 AT 09654 BUT UNABLE TO EXTRACT H-34 DUE TORRENT FIRE

VMO-2 SIERRIP FOR 27 DEC 66

2 SLICKS FOR III MAF MSG NO H-142

1 GUNSHIP AND 1 SLICK AT DONG HA MSG NO H-20 THRU 23

3 GUNSHIPS AND 1 SLICK AT PHU BAI MSG H-14,15 218

2 GUNS AT MARLENT ESCORTED BONNIE SUE ON RECON EXTRACTION AND INSERT  
RETRACT WAS COMPLETED, INSERT WA. CANCELLED DUE TO ENEMY FIRE AND

VNO-2 SITREP FOR 21 DEC 66

VNO-2 SUPPORTED BONG HA WITH (5) FIVE GUNSHIPS AND (1) ONE SLICK MISSION WILL BE REPORTED TO ROBRAN SA

VNO-2 SUPPORTED THE PHU BAI AREA WITH (3) THREE GUNSHIPS AND (1) ONE SLICK MISSION WILL BE REPORTED AS AVAILABLE

17 DEC 66

MSN H-1217-13 (0900-0950) ONE SLICK FLEW OVER KYLE ON VIP MISSION

MSN H-1217-16 (1600-1800) ONE (1) SLICK FLEW A CODE 7 TO THE SHAN AND RETURN

18 DEC 66

MSN H-1218-15AAB (0755-0848) TWO (2) GUNSHIPS ESCORTED MSN-163 ON RECON INSERT AT (YD 629224) AND RECON EXTRACTION AT (YD 600210)

19 DEC 66

MSN H-1219-10+11 (0745-1130) TWO GUNS ESCORTED MSN-263 ON RECON INSERT AT (YD 8403) & (YD 5522) AND EXTRACTION AT (YD 838027)

MSN H-1219-59 (1500-1710) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED MSN-165 SPARROW HAWK TO (YD 785095) PUT ORDNANCE ON SUSPECTED VC TARGETS. EXTRACTION SPARROW HAWK AT 1800 AT 2MMH COORD.

20 DEC 66

H-1220-15 (0800-1110) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED MSN-163 ON RECON INSERT TO (YD 7414-YD 4225, YD 775088, YD 9699 AND YD 9300, RECON EXTRACTION TO (YD 7413, YD 6819 AND MED EVAC AT YD 718143).

MSN H-1220-4B (1530-1615) ONE GUNSHIP ESCORTED MSN-265 TO YD 532319) RECEIVED FIRE AND RETURN ED SAME AT YD 593311

MSN H-1220-14 (0905-1210) (1) ONE SLICK FLEW OVER KYLE TO BONG HA AND RETURNED

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21 DEC 66

MSN H-1221-16 (1320-1430) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED MSN-163 ON MED EVAC TO YD 730307 & YD 529439

MSN H-1221-10 (0800-0900) TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED MSN-163 TO COLLECT SAND SAMPLES AT (YD 9028, YD 8133, 7834, YD 6742, YD 5849, YD 5055)

MSN H-1221-15 (0900-1130) ONE SLICK FLEW CODE 5 TO YD 8526 AND RETURN

MSN 1221 20 (1225-12255) ONE SLICK FLEW CODE FIVE TO HUE

MSN 1630-1720 (1630-1720) ONE GUNSHIP ESCORTED HMC-163 ON HUE MED EVAC  
TO YD 750228

MSN 1630-1720 ONE SLICK FLEW COL HAMMERSACK TO YD 750278 AND ADMIRAL WIESCHNER TO  
TO YD 750228

VMO-2 SUPPORTED DA NANG AREA WITH NORMAL FLIGHTS AND SORTIES FOR III MAF  
AND TWO GUNSHIPS SUPPORTED "BIRD CONTROL" FROM 1715-1745

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 20 OCTOBER 1966

VMO-2 SUPPORTED THE DONG HA AREA WITH (5) FIVE GUNSHIPS AND (1) ONE SLICK. MISS. WILL BE REPORTED AS AVAILABLE.

VMO-2 SUPPORTED THE PHU RAI AREA WITH (3) THREE GUNSHIPS AND (1) ONE SLICK. MISS. WILL BE REPORTED AS AVAILABLE.

VMO-2 SUPPORTED THE BANANG AREA WITH ROUTINE FLIGHTS AND BORTIES FOR THE III MAF.

VNO-2 SITREP FOR 25 DECEMBER 1966

25 0700H: TWO UH-1E GUNS ESCORTED HMM-265 ON RESSUPPLY AT ANH TRU. AT 977725. ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED AND RETURNED. (MISS. 116)

25 0900H: TWO UH-1E GUNS ESCORTED THREE H-46'S ON REMOVAL OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT AT AT 985538. ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED AND RETURNED. (MISS. 1225-120)

25 1205H: TWO UH-1E ESCORTED THE RETRACTION OF CASSANDRA "6". FIRE WAS RECEIVED AND RETURNED. (MISS. H-1225-104)

VNO-2 PROVIDED TWO UH-1E SLICKS FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL III MAF.

VNO-2 MET IT'S COMMITMENTS AT PHU BAI AND DONG HA.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 26 DECEMBER 1969

26 DECEMBER TWO UH-1E'S WERE LAUNCHED FOR THE NORMAL III MAP FLIP.

NOTE: NO FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FROM THE BATTALIONS AT PHU BAI OR DONG HA AT THIS TIME.

VMO-2 HAS (4) UH-1E'S AT PHU BAI AND (6) UH-1E'S AT DONG HA AT THIS TIME.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 27 DECEMBER 1966

VMO-2 FULFILLED IT'S COMMITMENTS FOR THE DAY WITH: TWO SLICKS AT MMAF  
IN SUPPORT OF III MAF, SIX GUNS AND ONE SLICK AT DONG HA, THREE GUNS  
AND ONE SLICK AT PHU BAI, ONE SLICK AT MMAF FOR GEN OWENS AND TWO GUNS  
ENROUTE DONG HA AND PHU BAI FOR A/C AND CREW RELIEF.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 28 DECEMBER 1966

28 0935-1437H: (MISS. H-105)

ONE GUNSHIP FLEW ESCORT FOR HMM-164 FROM HUE PHU BAI TO HUE CID. WITH ARMY GEN. JOHNSON ABOARD, THEN BACK TO HUE PHU BAI WITH GEN. JOHNSON. RETURNED TO MMAF.

28 0630-1800H: (MISS. H-1 & H-2)

TWO SLICKS NORMAL VIP HOP FOR III MAF.

VMO-2 HAS (7) UH-1E'S AT DONG HA (3) AT PHU BAI AND (1) AT KHE SANH.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 29 DECEMBER 1966

VMO-2 FLEW ONLY THE NORMAL VIP FLIGHTS IN THE DA NANG TAOR TODAY, AND THEY WERE WITHOUT ANY UNUSUAL EVENTS.

VMO-2 HAS (8) UH-1E'S AT DONG HA AND (3) AT PHU BAI AT THIS TIME.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 30 DECEMBER 1966

0855/1800H: ONE SLICK FLEW A VIP LIASON HOP FOR THE C.G., III MAF TO YD 115701 AND IN THE LOCAL DA NANG AREA. (MISS. H-1)

1300/1830H: ONE HUEY SLICK FLEW A VIP LIASON HOP FOR GEN. KNULAK AS FAR AS AT 9971 AND IN THE LOCAL DA NANG AREA. (MISS. H-36)

1600/1730H: ONE GUNSHIP ESCORTED TWO H-46'S TO ZC 2046 FOR A RECON TEAM EXTRACTION. (MISS. 12-30-3)

1735/1757H: ONE HUEY GUNSHIP PROVIDED COVER FOR THE MED EVAC A/C TO BT 095658. NO FIRE RECEIVED. (MISS. 11-K)

1600/1630H: ONE HUEY GUNSHIP PROVIDED MED EVAC ESCORT TO BT 0462. NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED. (MISS. 11-I)

1800/1840H: THE MED EVAC ESCORT WAS PROVIDED A GUNSHIP ESCORT BY THIS SQUADRON TO AT 9252 AND RETURNED. NO ENEMY FIRE RECEIVED. (MISS. 11-H)

1000/1425H: ONE HUEY SLICK CARRIED A CODE 5 TO DONG HA AND RETURNED TO YD 5225. (MISS. 1230-15115A)

1530/1900H: ONE HUEY SLICK TOOK ONE CODE 7 TO DONG HA FROM PHU BAI AND RETURNED TO PHU BAI, THE A/C LATER RETURNED TO MMAF. (MISS. 1230-15B)

VMO-2 HAS (7) UH-1E'S AT DONG HA AT THIS TIME.

VMO-2 SITREP FOR 31 DECEMBER 1966

30 DECEMBER 1966

0700/2300H: ONE SLICK USED FOR NORMAL VIP AT III MAP. (MISS. H-2)

31 DECEMBER 1966

0810/0850H: TWO GUNS ESCORTED HMM-262 ON RECON INSERT AT AT 8337. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-47)

0945/1045H: TWO GUNS RE-ESCORTED HMM-262 TO PREVIOUS RECON INSERT COORD. AT 8337 TO RESUPPLY THE TEAM BECAUSE THEY HAD FORGOTTEN THEIR RATIONS. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-47)

0727/0755H: ONE GUN USED AS MED EVAC ESCORT FOR HMM -265 TO AT 920620. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-11A)

0955/1040H: ONE GUN USED AS MED EVAC ESCORT FOR HMM-265 TO AT 943525. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-11B)

1445/1535H: ONE GUN USED AS MED EVAC ESCORT FOR HMM-265 TO AT 832388. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-11C)

1715/1750H: ONE GUN USED AS MED EVAC ESCORT FOR HMM-265 TO AT 946598. NO INCIDENTS. (MISS. H-11D)

VMO-2 HAS (7) UH-1B'S AT DONG HA AT THIS TIME.