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 Marine Aircraft Group 16
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF Pacific
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 To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code A03D)
 Via: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16
 Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing
 Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 June to 30 June 1967

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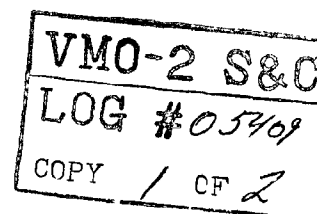
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✓(2) Daily SITREPS

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

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MEMORANDUM

From: Commanding Officer
To: Operations Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16
Subj: Command Chronology, change to

1. Change Part III paragraph 9 to read:

a. Total hours flown:	1456.5
Hours gunships flown:	1158.5
Hours slicks flown:	298.0


M. G. ROBBINS
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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO
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1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF Pacific
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 June to 30 June 1967

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

PART I

1. Staff Listing

a. Commanding Officer	LtCol. W. F. HARRELL (1-30 June)
b. Executive Officer	Major C. G. REDMAN (1-26 June) Major M. G. ROEFINS (27-30 June)
c. Operations Officer	Major R. C. FINN (1-30 June)
d. Material Officer	Capt. L. E. O'NEIL (1-30 June)
e. Administrative Officer	Major D. L. LEACH (1-30 June)
f. Aircraft Maintenance Officer	Major R. E. BROWN (1-30 June)
g. Intelligence Officer	Capt. J. J. RICHARDSON (1-30 June)

2. MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16
FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, III MAF
MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, RVN

3. Average monthly strength: 38 Officers, 160 Enlisted.

4. There were no visitors to the squadron during the reporting period.

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY
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- 1 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 2 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 3 June - VMO-2 aircraft escorted HMM-262 on recon insert at YD572216. Recon Team was immediately surrounded. Extracted team while under fire. Returned fire and returned to Dong Ha.
- 4 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 5 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 6 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 7 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 8 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 9 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 10 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 11 June - VMO-2 aircraft escorted HMM-265 on insert of Recon Team at coordinates YD041681. The HMM-265 aircraft was either shot down or broke apart in the air. The aircraft disintegrated at 400-600' AGL while they were 1000 meters from LZ. Aircraft crew members and the recon team of 8 men presumed lost. VMO-2 aircraft directed Penquin 125 on airstrike in the vicinity of the LZ on suspected .50 cal position.
- 12 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 13 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 14 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 15 June - VMO-2 aircraft while on escort mission received fire from coordinates BT168330 and BT160325. Aircraft returned fire effectively. Direct hits were made on VC using machine guns and rockets. Many VC were observed hit, 1 structure destroyed and 15 VC KBA confirmed.
- 16 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
- 17 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.

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18 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
19 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
20 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
21 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
22 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
23 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
24 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
25 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
26 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
27 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
28 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
29 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.
30 June - Normal flight operations were conducted.

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

PART III

1. Personnel

- a. 2 Officers and 8 Enlisted were promoted.
- b. 13 personnel were joined and 25 were transferred.

2. Administration

- a. No outstanding administrative problems.

3. Casualties:

- a. PFC C. J. HARTSHORN WIA

4. Awards: 76 Air Medals.

9. Air Operations:

- a. Total hours flown: 1456.5
Hours gunships flown: 1758.5
Hours slicks flown: 298.0
- b. Number of sorties: 1,456
- c. Number of medical evacuations: 8
- d. Number of passengers carried: 2,099

11. Special Operations: "Cimarron", "Union II", "Calhoun"

17. Ordnance Expended:

- a. 7.62mm 56,000 rounds
- b. 2.75" rockets 2,233
- c. 40mm CTG (M-79) 72

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 1 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 75 SORTIES, PERFORMED 42 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 28.6 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 312000H-012000H. ALSO 48 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS. GUN ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 8 MED EVAC MISSIONS, 3 EMERGENCY, 3 PRIORITY, AND 2 ROUTINE CASUALTIES. THE CASUALTIES WERE BOTH ARVN, CIVILIAN, AND 1ST FORCE RECON PERSONNEL.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS EXECUTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE BACKLANDS OF THE DANANG TAOR. UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR MISSION, THEY FLEW TO THE OPERATION UNION TWO AREA AND ACTED AS TAC(A). THEY CONDUCTED AIR STRIKES AT SUSPECTED ENEMY TROOP CONCENTRATIONS DESTROYING THREE STRUCTURES. LATE THIS AFTERNOON, TWO GUNSHIPS WERE LAUNCHED TO PHU BAI TO SUPPORT AN OPERATION(TBA) IN THAT AREA. GUNSHIPS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV FLEW 9.4 HOURS, HAD 18 SORTIES AND 7 TASKS WITH NO SIGNIFICANT EVENTS HAPPENING.

THE GUNSHIPS INVOLVED IN THE RECON TEAM WORK LAUNCHED AT 0942, RECOVERED AT 1745, WITH A BREAK FOR LUNCH, THEN EXECUTED THEIR TAC(A) MISSION FROM 1745 TO 1900. DURING THIS TIME THEY EXPENDED 6000 ROUNDS OF 7.62MM, AND 18 ROCKETS(2.75).

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 2 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 116 SORTIES, PERFORMED 45 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 34.7 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD OF 012000H TO 022000H. ALSO 66 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS; INCLUDING GEN CUSHMAN, ANDERSON, KELLER, KNOWLTON, THERON, HERBOLD, LAHUE, OWENS, ROBERTSON, AND MR KOREN. GUN ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR NINE MED EVAC MISSIONS, ONE EMERGENCY, SIX PRIORITY, AND THREE ROUTINE CASUALTIES.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN- THE 1ST FORCE RECON BATAILLION RAOR. UPON COMPLETION OF THIS MISSION THEY FLEW TO THE OPERATION UNION II AREA AS ESCORT FOR A BALD EAGLE TROOP LIFT. TWO GUNSHIPS SUPPORTED OPERATION LAN SAN OUT OF PHU BAI AND WERE CREDITED WITH ONE KBA. GUNSHIPS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV FLEW 12.9 HOURS, HAD 29 SORTIES AND 10 TASKS.

DURING THE EMERGENCY EXTRACT OF A TEAM FROM 1ST FORCE RECON BATAILLION, THE GUNSHIPS CONTROLLED THREE FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING, ONE OF WHICH HAD FIVE CONFIRMED KBA. THE GUNSHIPS EXPENDED 4000 ROUNDS OF 7.62MM AND 12 ROCKETS DURING THE EXTRACT.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 3 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 90 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 44 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 34.5 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD OF 022000H TO 032000H. ALSO 53 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENS CUSHMAN, NICKERSON, THERON, ANDERSON AND ROBERTSON. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR TEN MED EVAC MISSIONS, THREE EMERGENCY AND SEVEN PRIORITY.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE 1ST FORCE RECON BATTALION RAOR. AT 1845 THEY WERE SENT ON A VISUAL RECON IN THE UNION II AREA WHERE A RECON TEAM HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY. ONE GUNSHIP WAS SENT TO PHU BAI FOR AUGMENTATION OF THEIR SPARROWHAWK MISSIONS. GUNSHIPS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV FLEW 3.0 HOURS, HAD 8 SORTIES AND 4 TASKS.

THE GUNSHIPS THAT WERE LAUNCHED ON A VISUAL RECON FOR A TEAM FROM 1ST FORCE RECON BATTALION, EXPENDED 3600 ROUNDS OF 7.62 AND 28 ROCKETS ON TARGETS DIRECTED BY THE RECON TEAM.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 4 JUNE 1967

DURING THE PERIOD 032000H TO 042000H VMO-2 FLEW 126 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 75 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 63.2 HOURS. ALSO 67 PASSENGERS INCLUDING GENS ANDERSON, CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, AND KELLER WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS. GUNSHIPS ESCORTED THE MED EVAC BIRD ON EIGHT MISSIONS, FIVE EMERGENCY AND THREE PRIORITY.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE DANANG TAOR IN ADDITION TO ESCORTING A 320 MAN TROOP LIFT. TWO GUNSHIPS WERE SENT TO KHE SANH TO AID IN THE SPARROWHAWK MISSIONS IN THAT AREA.

THE FIVE GUNSHIPS OF VMO-2'S DONG HA DETACHMENT SUPPORTED OPERATIONS OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION(FORWARD) IN THE DONG HA AND KHE SANH AREA.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 5 JUNE 1967

DURING THE PERIOD 042000H TO 052000H VMO-2 FLEW 108 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 39 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 47.5 HOURS. ALSO EIGHT PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, HERBOLD AND ROBERTSON. ONE GUNSHIP ESCORTED HMM-361 ON ELEVEN MED EVAC MISSION, FOUR EMERGENCY, THREE PRIORITY AND FOUR ROUTINE.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMM-262 ON RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTIONS. TWO GUNSHIPS ALSO ESCORTED HMM-463 ON A TROOP LIFT. ONE GUNSHIP WAS SENT TO PHU BAI TO FLY WITH VMO-3 ON MED EVAC AND RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTIONS AND A TROOP LIFT. THE GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE FLEW 42 SORTIES, 21 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 13.4 HOURS.

THE GUNSHIPS ESCORTING THE RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS OF THE 1ST FORCE RECON BATTALION CONTROLLED AN AIRSTRIKE AT ZC196657 WHILE CONDUCTING AN EMERGENCY EXTRACTION. THESE GUNSHIPS ALSO SUPPORTED THE 7TH AIR FORCE ON A BLUE SPRINGS MISSION.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 6 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 106 SORTIES, PERFORMED 39 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 41.4 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD OF 052000H TO 062000H. ALSO 64 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS; INCLUDING PREMIER KY, US REP ICHOLD, GENERALS CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, LAM, LOAN, VIEN, HOCHMUTH, HERBOLD, ANDERSON, AND MR KOREN. GUNSHIPS ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR NINE MED EVAC MISSIONS, ONE EMERGENCY, FIVE PRIORITY, AND THREE ROUTINE CASUALTIES. LATE ENTRY: A TOTAL OF 10 SORTIES AND 1 TASK, WITH AT TOTAL OF 5.1 HOURS WAS FLOWN ON 5 JUNE 67 FOR ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE 1ST FORCE RECON RAOR. UPON COMPLETION OF THIS MISSION THEY ESCORTED HMM-262 ON A TROOP LIFT. THE FIVE GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMAARON FLEW 26 SORTIES, 6 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 16.5 HOURS. TWO ADDITIONAL GUNSHIPS WERE SENT TO KHE SANH IN SUPPORT OF SOG, WITH 12 SORTIES AND 1 TASK FOR A TOTAL OF 9.4 HOURS.

THE GUNSHIPS ESCORTING THE TROOP LIFT CONTROLLED FIXED WING ON THE PREPARATION OF LANDING ZONE AT AT883683. THE GUNSHIPS SUPPORTING SOG EXPENDED 8000 ROUNDS OF 7.62mm AND 7 2.75 FFAR ROCKETS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 7 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 79 SORTIES, PERFORMED 32 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 23.0 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 062000H TO 072000H. ALSO 50 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, LAHUE, ANDERSON, US REPRESENTATIVE ICHORD, AND LONG. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR TWELVE MED EVAC MISSIONS; FOUR EMERGENCY, SIX PRIORITY, AND TWO ROUTINE CASUALTIES.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE FIRST RECON BATTALION TAOR. THE FIVE GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMARRON FLEW 16 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 6 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 6.2 HOURS. TWO ADDITIONAL GUNSHIPS WERE LAUNCHED TO PHU BAI IN SUPPORT OF SOG.

THE TWO GUNSHIPS THAT WERE LAUNCHED TO PHU BAI IN SUPPORT OF SOG WERE LATER DIVERTED TO KHE SANH FOR SUPPORT OF A GROUND UNIT UNDER ATTACK IN THE HILL 881 (NORTH) AREA.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 8 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 84 SORTIES, PERFORMED 33 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 23.0 HOURS 072000H THRU 082000H. A TOTAL OF 25 PAX WERE CARRIED ON ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS. GUNSHIPS ESCORTED 12 MED EVAC MISSIONS (4 EMERGENCY, 5 PRIORITY, AND 3 ROUTINES)

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON EXTRACTION/INSERTIONS IN THE FIRST RECON BATTALION TAOR. TWO GUNSHIPS ALSO ESCORTED A TROOPLIFE IN THE DANANG TAOR.

THE FIVE (5) GUNSHIPS AT DONG FLYING IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CINABRON FLEW 22 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 13 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 8.4 HOURS. THREE GUNSHIPS WERE ALSO LAUNCHED TO HUE PHU BAI IN SUPPORT OF SOG.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 9 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 113 SORTIES, PERFORMED 54 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 48.8 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 081900 THRU 092000H. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 17 MED EVAC MISSIONS: 7 EMERGENCY, 8 PRIORITY, AND 2 ROUTINE.

8.4 HOURS WERE FLOWN BY TWO GUNSHIPS WHICH WORKED OUT OF PHU BAI IN SUPPORT OF THE RECON BATTALION OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION. ON ONE INSERTION, ESCORTING HMM-262 CH-46A ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED, AND RETURNED, BUT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO INSERT THE TEAM FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BECAUSE OF THE ENEMY.

7 MISSIONS WERE FLOWN AS GUN ESCORT FOR HMM-262 IN THE DANANG TAOR, TWO SECTIONS OF FIXED WING WERE CONTROLLED BY THESE AIRCRAFT. ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED AND RETURNED.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE FLIGHTS OUR GUNSHIPS FLEW 20 SORTIES, 8 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 8.5 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF THE 3RD MARDIV FWD.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 10 JUNE 1967

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VMO-2 FLEW ~~82~~ SORTIES, 44 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 27.4 HOURS. GUNSHIPS WERE PROVIDED TO ESCORT 12 MED EVACS.

TWO GUNSHIPS WERE PROVIDED TO ESCORT CH-53As OF HMM-463 ON A LIFT OF 12,000 LBS OF CAPTURED RICE FROM AT964447 TO AN HOA.

TWO GUNS WERE PROVIDED TO ESCORT HMM-262 ON RECON INSERTS/EXTRACTS WITHIN THE 1st RECON BATTALIONS TARR. ALL WERE ROUTINE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF AN EXTRACT AT AT819284 WHERE ENEMY FIRE WAS TAKEN. THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND EFFECTIVE SUPPRESSED. ALL TWELVE MED EVACS WERE FLOWN IN SUPPORT OF UNITS OF THE 5TH AND 7TH MARINES. ON H-11A ENEMY FIRE WAS TAKEN AND RETURNED, NO HITS WERE TAKEN BY VMO-2 AIRCRAFT, AND AN ESTIMATE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES IS NOT AVAILABLE. TWO GUNSHIPS ALSO ESCORTED UH-34Ds OF HMM-361 ON A TROOP LIFT TO BT102658 AND BT 108 562. THE TROOPLIFE WAS COMPLETED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

NOTE: VMO-2 HAS FIVE GUNS DEPLOYED AT DONG-HA SUPPORTING UNITS OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION FORWARD.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SIXTEEN FOR 11 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 77 SORTIES, PERFORMED 26 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 27.3 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD OF 102000H THRU 111800H. ALSO, 72 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, NICKERSON, METZGER, ROBERTSON. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR SEVEN MED EVAC MISSIONS: 4 PRIORITY AND 3 EMERGENCY.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTIONS IN THE FIRST RECON BTL TAOR. THE FIVE GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMARRON FLEW 41 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 24 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 12.6 HOURS. TWO ADDITIONAL GUNSHIPS WERE LAUNCHED TO HUE PHU BAI TO SUPPORT A LIFT ON 12 JUNE 1967.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 12 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW A TOTAL OF 42.9 HOURS WITH 54 TASKS AND 108 SORTIES DURING THE PERIOD OF 12 JUNE 1967. 78 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED, INCLUDING LTGEN CUSHMAN, MAJGEN'S ANDERSON AND HOCHMUTH, AND BGEN HERBOLD. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 11 MEDEVAC MISSIONS, 5 EMERGENCY - 5 PRIORITY - AND 1 ROUTINE. IN ADDITION PICKED UP 3 EMERGENCY MEDEVACS.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF 3 INCERTS AND 1 EXTRACTION OF TEAMS OF THE 1ST RECON TEAM. AT DONG HA, 12.3 HOURS, 38 SORTIES, AND 23 TASKS WERE FLOWN IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMARRON.

TWO GUNSHIPS WERE SENT TO PHU BAI TO SUPPORT AN ARVN TROOP LIFT AND FLEW 9.3 HOURS, 14 SORTIES, AND 5 TASKS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 13 JUNE 1967

VFC-2 FLEW 32 SORTIES, PERFORMED 26 TASKS IN 25.2 FLIGHT HOURS FROM 0001H TO 2400H 13 JUNE 1967. 50 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, ANDERSON, HERBOLD, LAM, TRONG, MR. KOREN AND OTHERS. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR (4) MEDEVAC MISSIONS ALL EMERGENCY CASES, FOR A TOTAL OF 6 SORTIES AND 3 TASKS.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED 5 RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE DANANG FIRST RECON BATTALLION TAOR.

FIVE GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION GIMARRON FLEW A TOTAL OF 39 SORTIES, 14 TASKS AND 18.6 FLIGHT HOURS.

ONE GUNSHIP ORBITED ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE DANANG TAOR ON OBSERVATION MISSION FOR A TOTAL OF 4.5 HOURS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO FOR 14 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 94 SORTIES, PERFORMED 48 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 43.8 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 122000H THRU 142000H. ALSO 48 PASSENGERS WERE FLOWN DURING VARIOUS VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS KELLER, ROBERTSON, HERBOLD, OWENS AND CUSHMAN. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 17 MED EVAC MISSIONS: 8 EMERGENCY, 7 PRIORITY, AND TWO ROUTINE. FIVE OF THE ABOVE MED EVACS WERE FLOWN IN THE PHU BAI TAOR.

THE VMO-2 COMMITMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 6 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 6 TASKS FOR A TOTAL 4.6 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF PRARIE IV.

NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT HAPPENINGS OCCURRED DURING THIS PERIOD.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 15 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 68 SORTIES, PERFORMED 35 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 30.8 HOURS. 18 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED ON VARIOUS VIP/COM COMMITMENTS. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 11 MED EVAC MISSIONS. (6 EMERGENCY, 5 PRIORITY) ONE EMERGENCY WAS LIFTED BY THE GUN ESCORT SUPPRESSIVE FIRE WAS DELIVERED AS REQUIRED.

ON MSN: 56A: ORIGINATED AS A TROOP LIFT OF 320 USMC TO BT163340, ESCORTING HMM-262 CH-46As. FIRE WAS TAKEN FROM BT168330/160325. VMO-2 GUNS IMMEDIATELY (AFILR CLEARANCE) ROLLED ON ENEMY POSITIONS AND PERSONNEL. ACCURATE FIRE FROM THE GUNSHIPS ACCOUNTED FOR 15 ENEMY KIA's AND COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF ONE STRUCTURE. ONE GUN ALSO ACTED AS TAC (A) CONTROLLING A FLIGHT OF A-4s. (PENGUIN 119)

THE DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 20 SORTIES, PERFORMED 6 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 9.0 HOURS SUPPORTING UNITS OF THE 3RD MARINE DIVISION PARTICIPATING IN OPERATIONS PRAIRIE IV AND CIMARRON. THE REMAINDER OF TODAY'S MISSIONS WERE ROUTINE IN NATURE (VIP/COM/RECON INSERTS/EXTRACTS) AND WERE ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 16 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 116 SORTIES, PERFORMED 54 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 44.8 HOURS.

103 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED ON VARIOUS VIP/COM COMMITMENTS. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 8 MED EVAC MISSIONS, AND ONE EMERGENCY MED EVAC WAS PICKED UP BY A VMO-2 BIRD.

TWO VMO-2 GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HMN-262 CH46s ON RECON EXTRACTS/INSERTS THROUGH OUT THE 1ST RECON BATTALION TAOR. SUPPRESSIVE FIRE WAS PROVIDED AT AT806531, AN AIR STRIKE WAS ALSO CONTROLLED AT THE COORD. (BUCKTOOTH/ CONDOLE 053). ALSO ON THE EXTRACTION OF HATEFUL AT AT813849 FIRE WAS TAKEN, RETURNED AND A VMO-2 GUN ACTED AS TAC (A) CONTROLLING A FLIGHT OF JERSEY DAY (172) AIRCRAFT. THE REMAINDER OF THE DAYS FLIGHTS WERE OF A ROUTINE NATURE AND WERE COMPLETED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

THE VMO*2 DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 26 SORTIES, PERFORMED 17 TASKS FOR 10.8 HOURS SUPPORTING UNITS OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION FORWARD.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 17 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 64 SORTIES, PERFORMED 33 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 29.2 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 162000H THRU 172000H. ALSO 87 PAX WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, HERBOLD, KELLER, AND ADMIRAL LACY AND GILLESON. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR NINE (9) MED EVACS (4 EMERGENCY, 4 PRIORITY, AND 1 ROUTINE.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS FLEW A SERIES OF INSERTS/EXTRACTS IN THE 1st RECON BATTALIONS TAOR. THE FOUR GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA FLEW 8 SORTIES PERFORMED 5 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 3.6 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS CIMARRON AND PRAIRIE.

NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OCCURED THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 18 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 55 SORTIES, PERFORMED 23 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 26.5 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 172000H THRE 182000H. ALSO TWO UH-1E SLICKS FOR ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS CARRIED 3 PASSENGERS INCLUDING GENERAL ROBERTSON AND TWO UH-1E SLICKS WERE PROVIDED FOR THE III MAF COM COMMITMENT. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 12 MED EVAC MISSIONS (TWO EMERGENCY AND TEN PRIORITY)

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS/EXTRACTS IN SUPPORT OF THE FIRST RECON BATTALION. THE FOUR GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA FLEW 34 SORTIES PERFORMED 25 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 17.4 HOURS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 19 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 105 SORTIES, PERFORMED 43 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 26.8 HOURS. A TOTAL OF 75 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED, INCLUDING: THE ASST SECNAV, GENERALS CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, NICKERSON, LAHUK, AND ANDERSON, ON OUR VARIOUS CON/VIP COMMITMENTS. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 15 MED EVACS (5 EMERGENCY, 6 PRIORITY, 5 ROUTINE.) IN ADDITION ONE EMERGENCY US MIA WAS LIFTED BY OUR COND III AIRCRAFT.

ON MISSION H-11G THE GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS FORCED TO CARAH LAND DUE TO POWER FAILURE. THE CREW WAS UNINJURED AND RECOVERED DAFELY. TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED CH46s OF IMM-262 ON RECON INSECT/EXTRACTS. ACTING AS TAC(A) ONE OF THE GUNS CONTROLLED AN AIR STRIKE AT AT888273 (SUSPECTED .50 CAL POSITION(FW FLTS WEDGE CUT 2-4/JERSEY DAY 060)). THIS FLIGHT ASSO ESCORTED A CH53A OF HMH 464 ON THE RECOVERY OF OUR UH-1E. THE RECOVERY WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT INCIDENT. THE VMO-2 DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 8 SORTIES, PERFORMED 7 TASKS FOR 4.0 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF UNITS OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION FORWARD.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 20 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 123 SORTIES, PERFORMED 52 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 24.1 HOURS FLIGHT TIME DURING THE PERIOD 192000H THRU 202000H. A TOTAL OF 180 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED INCLUDING UNDER SECNAV BAIRD, GENERALS CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, LAHUE, ANDERSON, HURBOLT, AND ADMIRALS LALEY AND RAROCQUE. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 15 MED EVACS(8 EMERGENCY, 3 PRIORITY, AND 4 ROUTINE)

VMO-2 GUNSHIP FLEW ESCORT ON RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS BOTH IN THE DANANG AND DONG HA TAORS. THE DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 38 SORTIES, 13 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 6.8 FLIGHT HOURS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 21 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 116 SORTIES PERFORMED 53 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 52.7 HOURS, DURING THE PERIOD 212000H THRU 212000H. FIFTY TWO (52) PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, ANDERSON, HERBOLD, DOOLEY, METYGER, OWENS AND ROBERTSON AND ADMIRAL LACY. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 12 MED EVAC MISSIONS (5 EMERGENCY, 5 PRIORITY, AND 2 ROUTINE)

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF 3 RECON EXTRACTS, 4 INSERTS AND 1 EMERGENCY RESUPPLY IN THE 1STRECON BATTALION TAOR. THE NIGHT TAOR GUNSHIP PROVIDED TAC(A) AND SUPPRESSIVE FIRE FOR A RECON TEAM AT COORD. AT983391. TWO GUNSHIPS AT PHU BAI AUGMENTED VMO-2 IN ESCORT OF TBOP SHIPS FLEW 28 SORTIES AND 12 TASKS. ONE EMERGENCY MED EVAC WAS ALSO ESCORTED AT PHU BAI. THE VMO-2 DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 15 SORTIES, PERFORMED 8 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 6.8 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMARRON.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 22 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 94 SORTIES, PERFORMED 45 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 30.7 HOURS, DURING THE PERIOD 212000H THRU 222000H. THIRTY EIGHT (38) PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP/COM COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, HICKERSON, DOOLEY, KELLER AND ADMIRAL LACY. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 10 MED EVAC MISSIONS (4 EMERGENCY, 6 PRIORITY)

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF THREE RECON INSERTS, 1 EXTRACT AND ONE EMERGENCY MED EVAC IN THE 1ST RECON BATTALION TAOR. TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED HHM-463 DURING TROOP LIFTS. ONE GUNSHIP AT PHU BAI AUGMENTATED VMO-3 IN SUPPORT A A RECON FLIGHT, AND TWO PRIORITY MED EVACS AND ONE ROUTINE MED EVAC. THE VMO-2 DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 18 SORTIES, PERFORMED 8 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 4.6 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMARRON.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 23 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 109 SORTIES, PERFORMED 48 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 37.7 HOURS. SIXTY SEVEN PASSANGERE WERE CARRIED INCLUDING: GERERALS CUSHMAN, KELLER, HERBOLT, LAM, NICKERSON AND ROBERTSON. EIGHT MED EVAC MISSIONS (3 EMERGENCY, 2 PRIORITY, 3 ROUTINE) WERE ESCORTED.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED CH46s ON RECON INSERTS/EXTRACTS, ALL WERE ROUTINE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A EXTRACTION AT AT796589 WHERE ENEMY FIRE WAS RECIEVED. ACTING AS TAC(A) OUR AIRCRAFT CONTROLLED THREE FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT (MISS MUFFET 101, DETAIN 170, AND JERSEY DAY 172) AND PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. THE EXTRACTION WAS COMPLETED SUCESSFULLY.

THE VMO-2 DETACHMENT AT DONG HA FLEW 26 SORTIES, PERFORMED 15 TASKS FOR 9.7 HOURS.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 24 JUNE 1967

VMO-2 FLEW 113 SORTIES, PERFORMED 56 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 37.0 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 232000H TO 242000H. ALSO 54 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS ROBERTSON, NICKERSON, CUSHMAN, OWENS, ANDERSON. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 30 MED EVAC MISSIONS; 17 EMERGENCY, 8 PRIORITY, 5 ROUTINE CASUALTIES.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRATS IN THE 1ST RECON BATT. RAOR. THE FOUR GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CMMIRON FLEW 14 SORTIES, AND PERFORMED 9 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 5.2 HOURS. ONE ADDITIONAL GUNSHIP WAS LAUNCHED TO PHU BAI FOR MED EVAC ESCORT.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 25 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 92 SORTIES, PERFORMED 43 TASKS AND FLEW 37.2 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 242000H to 252000H. 51 FAX WERE CARRIED ON ROUTINE VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS KELLER, HERBOLD, FORSYTHE, CUSHMAN, NICKERSON, DUCHEIN, ROBERSON AND A MR. KOREN. GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 6 MED EVACS; 3 EMERG, 1 PRIORITY, AND 2 ROUTINE.

TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CALHORN. ALSO ESCORTED VARIOUS RECON EXTRACTS THROUGHOUT THE 1ST RECON TAOR. SENT ONE GUNSHIP FOR MEDEVAC ESCORT FOR 2 HOURS AT TAMKY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CALHORN. THE FOUR A/C AT DONG HA FLEW 40 SORTIES, 20 TASKS FOR 17.0 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMMERON AND LAMSA. THEY ALSO FLEW ESCORT FOR AN EMERGENCY EXTRACT FOR 3RD RECON.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 26 JUNE 1967.

DURING THE PERIOD 252000H TO 262000H VMO-2 FLEW 95 SORTIES, PERFORMED 54 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 42.7 FLIGHT HOURS. 92 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN VIP SORTIES INCLUDING GENERALS KRULAK, DUCHEN, CUSHMAN, NICKERSON, AND ANDERSON.

GUNSHIP ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 14 MED EVACS, 5 EMERGENCY, 7 PRIORITY AND 2 ROUTINE.

TWO GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS.

THE FOUR ARMED HUEY'S AT DONG HA FLEW 14 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 7 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 6.7 HOURS IN SUPPORTING OPERATION CIMPARRON.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 27 JUNE 1967.

DURING THE PERIOD 262000H TO 272000H VMO-2 FLEW 112 SORTIES, PERFORMED 52 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 30.6 FLIGHT HOURS. 152 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN VIP SORTIES INCLUDING GENERALS KRULAK, CUSHMAN, NICKERSON, DUCHEIN, ROBERTSON, ANDERSON, MEYER, HERBOLD AND KELLER.

ARMED HELICOPTER ESCORT WAS PROVIDED FOR 10 MED EVACS; 4 EMERGENCY, 5 PRIORITY, AND 1 ROUTINE.

TWO ARMED HELICOPTERS ESCORTED RE-SUPPLY AIRCRAFT, RECON EXTRACT AIRCRAFT AND PERFORMED AS TAC(A) FOR FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

ONE ARMED HELICOPTER PROVIDED AIR COVER FOR "C" COMPANY, 1/7, AND PERFORMED RECON FOR SAME UNIT.

FOUR ARMED HELICOPTERS AT DONG HA FLEW 36 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 11 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 10.2 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CIMPARRON.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 28 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 101 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 46 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 31.8 HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 272000H TO 282000H. 81 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS KRULAK, CUSHMAN, ROBERTSON, ANDERSON, AND OTHERS. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 9 MED EVACS; 5 EMR, 4 PRI.

2 GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS AND RESUPPLY MISSIONS IN THE FIRST RECON BATT RAOR. THE 4 GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA FLEW 13 TASKS, AND 15 SORTIES FOR A TOTAL OF 9.6 HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS CIMMARRON.

A UH-1E SLICK WAS LAUNCHED FROM MMAF AND CARRIED ROSEANN 6 to KHE SANH, DONG HA, PHU BAI AND BACK TO MMAF.

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MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON SITREP FOR 29 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 90 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 36 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 37.6 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 282000H TO 292000H. 61 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING GENERALS, KRULAK, CUSHMAN, HERBOLD, NICKERSON, ANDERSON, ROBERTSON, ADMIRAL LACEY, MR. ROGERS, BRITISH AMBASSADOR AND OTHERS. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 12 MED EVACS; 4 EMERGENCIES, 4 PRIORITIES, AND 4 ROUTINE.

2 GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE FIRST RECON BATT RAOR. THEY ALSO FLEW ESCORT ON A TROOP LIFT TO AN HOA. THE 4 GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA FLEW 36 SORTIES, PERFORMED 15 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 20.5 FLIGHT HOURS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CINMARRON.

A UH-1E SLICK WAS LAUNCHED FROM MMAF AND CARRIED ROSEANN 6 TO PHU BAI AND BACK TO MMAF.

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MARINE OBSERVATIONS SQUADRON TWO SITREP FOR 30 JUNE 1967.

VMO-2 FLEW 74 SORTIES AND PERFORMED 52 TASKS FOR A TOTAL OF 27.4 FLIGHT HOURS DURING THE PERIOD 292000H TO 302000H. 60 PASSENGERS WERE CARRIED IN VIP COMMITMENTS INCLUDING FLOYD PATTERSON AND PARTY AND GENERALS CUSHMAN, HERBOLD, ANDERSON, ROBERTSON AND A FEMALE WAR CORRESPONDANT. GUNSHIP ESCORTS WERE PROVIDED FOR 13 MED EVACS; 3 EMERGENCY, 4 PRIORITY, and 6 ROUTINE.

2 GUNSHIPS ESCORTED A SERIES OF INSERTS AND EXTRACTS IN THE FIRST RECON BATT RAOR AND PERFORMED AS TAC(A) FOR FIXED WING A/C. THE FOUR GUNSHIPS AT DONG HA FLEW 22 SORTIES, PERFORMED 13 TASKS, FOR A TOTAL OF 11.0 HOURS, IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS CIMMARRON ON TROOP LIFT AND RECON INSERTS AND EXTRACTS.

ONE GUNSHIP WENT TO KHE SANH FOR VMO-3 AUGMENTATION BUT DID NOT FLY THERE BECAUSE OF WEATHER CONDITIONS.

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