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Encl: (1) MACS-4 Command Chronology

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

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Command Chronology

1 July - 31 December 1973

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Part I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DesignationCommander

Marine Air Control Squadron 4

LtCol Ronald L. MURRAY
1 Jul - 31 DecStaff OfficersPeriodNameBillet

Executive Officer

1 Jul-27 Jul
28 Jul-19 Aug
20 Aug-31 DecMaj William G. ADAMAITIS
Maj Billy J. SPEIGHTS
Maj William T. BOSSERMAN

Operations Officer

1 Jul-18 Sep
19 Sep-31 DecMaj Billy J. SPEIGHTS
Maj Robert F. CLEMMONS

Services Officer

1 Jul-23 Sep
24 Sep-31 DecCapt Harry V. ERICKSEN
Capt John W. SCHWABCommunications-
Electronics Officer1 Jul-19 Jul
20 Jul-25 Aug
26 Aug-31 Dec1stLt Peter B. SAWIN
1stLt Harvey C. LEE
Capt William F. BROWN

Administrative Officer

1 Jul-31 Dec

1stLt Dennis J. O'BRIEN

Subordinate UnitsDesignationOfficer-In-ChargeMarine Air Control Squadron 4,
Detachment "A"1stLt Charles QUINN Jr.
1 Jul-16 OctAttached Units

None.

2. Locations

MACS-4: 1 Jul-31 Dec; MCAS(H) Futema, Okinawa, Japan

MACS-4 Detachment "A": 1 Jul-16 Oct; MCAS, Iwakuni, Japan

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3. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>Other</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
20	205	0	0	0	0

4. Important Visitors

3 Aug: MajGen LANG, CG 1stMAW, Col McMANUS, CO MACG-18, and Col KAPETAN, CO MAG-36, visited C & E for an update on the ECP modification program to the TAOC.

7 Aug: MajGen LANG, CG 1stMAW, visited Detachment "A" at Iwakuni.

6 Nov: MajGen LANG, CG 1stMAW, visited and was briefed by the CO/OpsO/CEO on personnel, equipment/supplies, future projects, and morale/personal affairs.

26 Nov: MajGen JOHNSON, Deputy CG, FMFPac, EGen FRIEDBURG, CG Camp Smedley Butler, Col KAPETAN, CO MAG-36, Col LILLICH, CO MCAS(H), Futema, visited MACS-4 and were briefed on operational readiness.

27 Nov-

29 Nov: Col PALMER, the Wing Inspector, conducted a Functional Management Inspection (FMI) of MACS-4. Col M. R. IVES, CO MACG-18, visited MACS-4 during the FMI.

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Part II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. (U) During the period 1 July through 31 December 1973, Marine Air Control Squadron 4 continued to operate at Marine Corps Air Station (H), Futenma, Okinawa, Japan. The squadron maintained an AN/TYQ-2, Tactical Air Operations Central and an AN/TYQ-3, Tactical Data Communications Central. The primary radar set, AN/TPS-34, was replaced by the AN/TPS-32 during August, 1973. Ground controlled intercept (GCI) training was conducted in collaboration with WMFA-115 and VMFA-232.
2. (U) From 7 September through 7 October MACS-4 deployed on combined, U. S. - Philippine, operation PAGASA II with 14 officers and 125 enlisted men. The equipment utilized consisted of the primary radar set, AN/TPS-32, radar set, AN/UPS-1 and the AN/TYQ-2 (-). The unit was assigned the mission of providing a TACC and an Alternate TACC for the Landing Force. The following was accomplished: Intercenter Data Link (ICDL), ground-air-ground data link (TADIL-C), exercise of the alternate TACC function and control of GCI's. Of 13 meritorious masts awarded during the reporting period, 12 were for performance during PAGASA II.
3. (U) Marine Air Control Squadron-4, Detachment "A", located at MCAS Iwakuni, Japan, maintained an average strength of 1 officer and 17 enlisted men for the period 1 July through 16 October 1973. Detachment "A" was equipped with an AN/TPS-22 radar, an AN/UPS-1 radar and two AN/TYA-9 operator huts. The detachment provided advisory flight control for aircraft in the Iwakuni operating area until September, when they participated in PAGASA II. After PAGASA the men and equipment of Detachment "A" were relocated to Okinawa by 16 October.
4. (C) The operational readiness of the squadron has steadily improved throughout the reporting period. Improvements have been realized in all areas as evidenced by the excellent results obtained on the First Marine Aircraft Wing Functional Management Inspection conducted during 27 through 29 November 1973. MACS-4 now has the flexibility of conducting operations training with live aircraft while integrating Training Device, 15A19, simulated presentations into the operator hut, AN/TYA-9.
5. (C) The availability of both the 15A19 and F-4 aircraft during this reporting period marks the first time since the start of the Vietnam conflict that adequate training has been available for this squadron at Futenma.

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Part III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. (C) Administration

- 7 Jul: OpsO attended PAGASA II planning conference at Camp Courtney.
- 18 Jul: CMS and ComTacPubs inspection by Naval Security Group, Hanza, Okinawa.
- 23 Jul: CMS inspection by Capt WILSON and 1stLt McNUTT, HQ, FMFPac.
- 24 Jul: Mail-room inspection by GySgt ALEXANDER, Camp Butler, Mail Inspector.
- 8 Aug: Ground Safety Inspection by Mr. T. TABA, Camp Butler.
- 9 Aug: XO to Iwakuni for PAGASA II planning conference.
- 13 Aug: CO/XO attended PAGASA II planning conference at MAG-36.
- 14 Aug: Maj SPEIGHTS to PI for reconnaissance in connection with PAGASA II.
- 16 Aug: Wing Safety Inspection by Lt PROBETSKI.
- 17 Aug: CO/XO to USS BLUERIDGE for PAGASA II conference.
- 1 Oct: 1stSgt R.S. HUNTER relieved 1stSgt R.J. ELSMORE as Sqdn 1stSgt.
- 7 Oct-
- 11 Oct: CO/OpsO to FLYAWAY planning conference in Korea.
- 19 Oct: CO/OpsO/Sero/CEO/TACCO participated in the initial planning conference with ProvMAG-10 for exercise FLYAWAY.
- 25 Oct: MajGen John RYAN, CG III MAF, briefed at III MAF HQ on agenda items for 7th Fleet AAW Board by XO/AsstOpsO.
- 30 Oct: XO to 1st MAF for PAGASA II critique and debrief.
- 3 Nov: XO/OpsO/TACCO to USS DENVER for FLYAWAY coordination conference.

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- 3 Nov: AsstOpsC to PI as liaison for "7th Fleet AAW Board".
- 4 Nov: TAOCO/CommChief to Pohang, Korea, for FLYAWAY final site survey and liaison with 314th Air Division at Taegu.
- 7 Nov: Staff visit by Maj GERAGHTY, MMS Coordinator, 1st MAW G-1.
- 4 Dec: Staff visit by Maj BROWN, MMS, HQMC.

2. (U) Personnel

- 2 Jul: LCpl LEBLANC was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 15 Jul: Cpl FROLEN was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 3 Aug: MajGen LANG, CG 1stMAW, meritoriously promoted LCpl SIMMONS to his present rank.
- 4 Aug: LCpl KILBY was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 15 Aug: Sgt HEMPE was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 7 Sep: LCpl DILLON was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 15 Sep: Sgt GAITHER was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 2 Oct: LCpl WORKMAN was meritoriously promoted to his present rank.
- 19 Dec: Cpl SIMMONS, LCpl KING, and LCpl VAN DOREN were meritoriously promoted to their present rank.

3. (U) Command Relationships/Command and Control

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|-----------------------------|--------------|--|
| a. MACS-4 | 1 Jul-31 Dec | OpCon - MACG-18
AdCon - MACG-18
Admin Support - MAG-36 |
| b. MACS-4
Detachment "A" | 1 Jul-16 Oct | OpCon - MACG-18
AdCon - MACS-4 |

4. (C) Air Control

1 Jul-
31 Dec: Total GCI's Attempted 419 Completed 394

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7 Sep-

7 Oct: A total of 54 GCI's were conducted during PAGASA II.

17 Oct: Commenced Air Control operations with VMFA-115. This marks the first routine availability of Marine F-4 aircraft for use by MACS-4 since December 1972.

13 Dec: Ceased Air Control operations with VMFA-115. A total of 220 GCI's were conducted.

17 Dec: Commenced Air Control operations with VMFA-232.

5. Special Operations

7 Sep: MACS-4 Detachment (14 officers/125 enlisted) embarked aboard USS PEORIA for PAGASA II.

11 Sep: MACS-4 Detachment arrived and off-loaded at Mamburao, Mindoro, PI.

3 Oct: PAGASA II exercise secured.

7 Oct: MACS-4 Detachment returned from PAGASA II.

6. Civic Action

a. Approximately four hundred man hours were expended in a people-to-people visitation program from personnel of MACS-4 to a host of civil and military government officials in Mamburao, Mindoro, PI during exercise PAGASA II.

7. Ground Defense. None8. Training

22 Aug: The Training Device, 15A19, was operational and the first intercept training, with that device, was accomplished.

17 Dec: The 15A19, not operational since the shutdown due to squadron deployment on PAGASA II, is back in the system. GCI and crew coordination training can be conducted.

9. Logistics. None10. Supply

15 Jul-

20 Jul: Courtesy visit by CWO-4 NAGY, Wing Supply.

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- 16 Jul: Staff visit by LtCol FOULGER, Wing Comptroller.
- 4 Sep: Supply inspection by Capt CARTER from Fleet Supply and Maintenance Analysis Office.
- 5 Nov-
- 8 Nov: A Maintenance Analysis Inspection was conducted by Field Supply and Maintenance Analysis Office Three.
- 12 Nov-
- 14 Nov: A pre-SASSY conversion inspection was conducted by Field Supply and Maintenance Analysis Office Three.
- 10 Dec-
- 12 Dec: 1stMAW post FSMAO inspection team inspecting.

11. Engineering

- 10 Aug: Staff visit by 1stLt SOVAIKO, Wing Engineer.

12. Maintenance. None

13. Communications/Electronics

- 31 Jul: The 637E-1 antenna for the AN/TYQ-3 arrived.
- 10 Aug: Staff visit by LtCol LEE, Wing CEO.
- 13 Aug: Discontinued use of the primary radar set AN/TPS-34, to be replaced by AN/TPS-32.
- 17 Aug: The radar set AN/TPS-32 arrived.
- 12 Oct: Emplacement and cabling of the AN/TYQ-2 was completed after return from PAGASA II.
- 22 Oct: 1 officer and 3 enlisted men left for 3 weeks of MK XII IFF Programmer/Evaluator School at 29 Palms.
- 24 Oct: Litton Contact Team departed after completing modifications to the AN/TYQ-2.
- 29 Nov: Mr. Savino AMOROSE, field engineer for Gilfillan, arrived from MCE&TS, MCCES, 29 Palms, to assist in restoring the AN/TPS-32 to operation.

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14. Construction

16 Aug: Ground breaking for Supply warehouse. Projected completion date is mid-January 1974.

15. Motor Transport. None.

16. Informational Services. None.

17. Casualties. None.

18. Awards

11 Oct: 1stLt Harvey C. LEE received the Navy Commendation Medal.

19 Dec: Maj William T. BOSSERMAN was awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal.

19. Morale and Welfare. None.

20. Air Defense. None.

21. Base Development and Military Construction. None.

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1. None.

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