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(d) MACS-7 SitReps 1-31 Jan 1966
(e) MACS-7, Detachment "A" Monthly Operations Summary, 1 Feb 66

Encl: (1) Command Chronology for the period 1-31 January 1966

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a) through (c), Enclosure (1) is submitted for the period 1 through 31 January 1966.

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Command Chron

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
 1 January 1966 - 31 January 1966

RICHARD R. MILLER
 Commanding Officer

I. Narrative Summary of significant events

MACS-7 Controllers conducted 405 flight followings, 184 GCI/GCA handoffs and identified and reported 3322 friendly tracks during January 1966. A three day AAWEX January 21 - 23 provided the opportunity to run practice Ground Controlled Intercepts and at the same time afforded 2nd LAAM Battalion, the acquisition and tracking practice on aircraft making simulated attacks on the airfield complex. MACS-7 completed 87/100 intercepts for an average of 87% completions and continued to give 2nd LAAMBn. assistance with their defense against simulated attacks that were run during the month. Opportunity for the AAWEX was provided by the TEST cease fire and was marked by a good approximation of actual air defense situations. It gave MACS-7 and 2nd LAAMBn. a chance to display the efficiency of the Marine Air Defense Network.

Lack of adequate supply has continued to keep the Radar Set AN/TPS-34A inoperable. Operation of the system is dependent upon the arrival of an additional radome section and air processing unit components.

Radar Set AN/TPS-22A arrived MACS-7 15 December 1965. Site preparation including concrete footings and a concrete pad for the equipment shelter were completed and the system erected by 17 January. On that date the Radar Set AN/TPS-22A was first radiated into a dummy load. A failure of antenna base sections has deadlined the set, but temporary repairs should allow operation for a limited period to complete radiation measurements in February 1966. This new long range surveillance radar should greatly extend MACS-7 radar coverage, enhance air defense early warning and provide for long range interception of any air threat.

Spare parts support for communication-electronics and generator equipments remains critical with approximately 250 outstanding priority 02 and 05 requisitions as of 31 January.

Sgt. J. P. KENNELL of MACS-7 Communications section has been commended for solving a problem that has long plagued MACS-7 TAOCs. Increased communications commitments have caused the TAOC bridge to become overly crowded with phones

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and other comm equipment which has subsequently decreased communications efficiency. Sgt. FENNELI devised and installed an individual switchboard at each bridge position allowing anyone on the bridge to receive or transmit over any of 24 land lines directly through the G-1538 Radio Control Box.

The MACS-7 Civil Affairs Program continued to increase throughout January. MACS-7 Gorpman treated 532 Vietnamese men, women and children in the villages of Trung Taon, An Hai and Xuan Trung. The Village Chief of Ky Ha and Hamlet Chiefs of An Hai and Trung Toan were the guests of MACS-7 for a luncheon 22 January in conjunction with the celebration of the Vietnamese New Year.

On 9 January the OIC of MACS-7 Detachment "A" delivered 21040 Piasters to the Catholic Orphanage at Hue. The Piasters were donated by the officers and men of MACS-7 and MACS-7 Detachment "A" and were used to purchase meat, sugar, flour and milk solids.

Camp construction and improvement has been slowed though by no means stopped by a lack of building materials. Triple concertina, guarding the 1500 meter line of MACS responsibility, has been expanded to eleven layers with all 1500 meters illuminated by floodlight and covered by M-60 machine guns. Internal security has been enhanced by more bunkers and defense positions.

On 26 January at 1300 an Air/Artillery/Mortar Attack Drill was conducted. All personnel were under cover, with appropriate gear in excellent time. Thereafter a Ground Defense Drill was conducted in which all personnel occupied their assigned positions and this also was accomplished quite satisfactorily. At 302345H January a 100% Ground Alert was sounded. MACS-7 personnel occupied defense positions until 310630H January when the All Clear was given.

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II. Organizational Data

a. Unit designations and locations

(1) Marine Air Control Squadron-7, Chu Lai, RVN

(2) Marine Air Control Squadron-7, Detachment "A", Hue Phu Bai, RVN

b. Period covered: 1 January through 31 January 1966

c. Task Organizations: N/A

d. Command Structure:

(1) Marine Air Control Squadron

(a) LtCol RICHARD R. MILLER - Commanding Officer

(b) Maj L. Z. SLAWER - Executive Officer

(c) 1stSgt G. M. WILES - First Sergeant

(d) 1stLt P. R. SMITH - S-1

(e) 1stLt H. L. POWELL - S-2

(f) Capt J. E. HAYES - S-3

(1) Capt M. A. HOLDER - Asst S-3

(2) Capt C. P. SWANN - Security Officer

(3) Capt J. C. PILLEY - Air Defense Control Officer

(4) Capt R. G. CLAPP - Senior Air Director

(5) 1stLt S. G. CHAPPARS - Senior Air Director

(6) 1stLt D. R. BIRMINGHAM - Air Defense Control Officer

(7) 1stLt R. DODD - Air Defense Control Officer

(8) 1stLt E. G. BUGIEWICZ - Air Defense Control Officer

(9) 1stLt A. C. WALKER - Air Defense Control Officer

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(10) 1stLt M. J. WECHENMAN - Air Defense Control Officer

(g) Maj R. W. FISHER - Comm/Elect Officer

(1) 2ndLt G. P. KENNER - Telecommunications Maintenance Officer

(2) 2ndLt S. A. GOLOWSKI - Radar Maintenance Officer

(h) Capt E. L. COTTON - Motor Transport Officer

(1) 1stLt M. D. McCULLEY - Utilities Officer

(2) 2ndLt W. R. HAYES - Supply Officer

(2) Detachment "A"

(a) 1stLt F. J. YRAGUEN - Officer in Charge

(1) 1stLt R. T. ANDERSEN - Air Defense Control Officer

(2) Sgt G. E. HOLLEY - NCOIC

e. Average Monthly Strength - 1 January through 31 January 1966

(1) Marine Air Control Squadron-7

(a) 20 Officers (USMC)

(b) 205 Enlisted (USMC)

(c) 3 Enlisted (USN)

(2) Detachment "A"

(a) 2 Officers (USMC)

(b) 19 Enlisted (USMC)

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III. Sequential Listing of events *

January

- 01 81 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
11 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 02 100 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
3 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 03 139 friendly tracks reported
10 flight followings
5 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 04 104 friendly tracks reported
21 flight followings
8 GCI/GCA handoffs
36 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpomen
- 05 83 friendly tracks reported
32 flight followings
10 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 06 164 friendly tracks reported
9 flight followings
1 GCI/GCA handoff
28 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpomen
- 07 17 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
9 GCI/GCA handoffs
50 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpomen
- 08 115 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
4 GCI/GCA handoffs
5/6 practice Ground Controlled Intercepts completed
- 09 117 friendly tracks reported
13 flight followings
4 GCI/GCA handoffs
21040 Piasters presented to the Orphanage by Detachment "A" OIC

* Detachment "A" not included

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January

- 10 110 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
8 GCI/GCA handoffs
43 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpsmen
- 11 51 friendly tracks reported
12 flight followings
4 GCI/GCA handoffs
24 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpsmen
- 12 152 friendly tracks reported
2 flight followings
1 GCI/GCA handoff
12 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpsmen
- 13 94 friendly tracks reported
16 flight followings
3 GCI/GCA handoffs
24 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpsmen
- 14 77 friendly tracks reported
4 flight followings
13 GCI/GCA handoffs
71 Villagers of An Hai treated by Corpsmen
- 15 62 friendly tracks reported
8 flight followings
9 GCI/GCA handoffs
First operation of Radar Set AN/TPS-22A in RVN
- 16 121 friendly tracks reported
4 flight followings
5 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 17 44 friendly tracks reported
19 flight followings
5 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 18 61 friendly tracks reported
12 flight followings
- 19 51 friendly tracks reported
2 flight followings
6 GCI/GCA handoffs

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January

- 20 49 friendly tracks reported
17 flight followings
2 GCI/GCA handoffs
- 21 46 friendly tracks reported
8 flight followings
13/13 practice Ground Controlled Intercepts completed
Anti Air Warfare Exercise
- 22 25 friendly tracks reported
15 flight followings
36/47 practice Ground Controlled Intercepts completed
Anti Air Warfare Exercise
EST Luncheon for Village and Hamlet Chiefs
- 23 30 friendly tracks reported
11 flight followings
21/22 practice Ground Controlled Intercepts completed
Anti Air Warfare Exercise
- 24 55 friendly tracks reported
30 flight followings
8 GCI/GCA handoffs
2/2 practice Ground Controlled Intercepts completed
44 Villagers of Trung Toan treated by Corpomen
- 25 58 friendly tracks reported
13 flight followings
10 GCI/GCA handoffs
44 Villagers of Trung Toan treated by Corpomen
- 26 23 friendly tracks reported
28 flight followings
9 GCI/GCA handoffs
63 Villagers from Trung Toan treated by Corpomen
Air/Artillery/Mortar Alert Drill
Ground Defense Drill
- 27 46 friendly tracks reported
23 flight followings
8 GCI/GCA handoffs
36 Villagers of Xuan Trung treated by Corpomen

January

- 28 44 friendly tracks reported
7 flight followings
6 GCI/GCA handoffs
39 Villagers of Xuan Trang treated by Corpamen
- 29 36 friendly tracks reported
5 flight followings
1 GCI/GCA handoff
18 Villagers of Xuan Trung treated by Corpamen
- 30 31 friendly tracks reported
15 flight followings
7 GCI/GCA handoffs
2345H 100% Alert
- 31 50 friendly tracks reported
36 flight followings
22 GCI/GCA handoffs

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