

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 11  
Marine Aircraft Group 11  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 11  
Subj: Command Chronology  
Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1C  
(b) GruO 5750.1

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Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology for the period of 1-31 August 1968

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a) and (b), the Command Chronology for the month of August is submitted as enclosure (1).
2. This letter is unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 11  
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11  
FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC  
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DANANG AIR BASE, VIETNAM

1 August 1968 - 31 August 1968

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PART I ORGANIZATIONAL1. Commanding Officer and Executive Staff

<u>Billet</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Names</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates</u>
Commanding Officer	LtCol	James W. HASKELL	1Aug68 - 31Aug68
Executive Officer	Maj	Lester D. WIDICK, JR.	1Aug68 - 31Aug68

2. Average Monthly Strength

NA:	04	USN Officer Chargeable:	02
NFO:	01	USN Officer Attached:	00
AG:	10	USN Enlisted Chargeable:	25
USMC Officer Attached:	00	USN Enlisted Attached:	00
USMC Enlisted Chargeable:	330		
USMC Enlisted Attached:	147		

3. Important Visitors

a. None

PART II NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT HIGHLIGHTS

a. None

PART III SIGNIFICANT HIGHLIGHTS

a. Personnel. During the month of August 1968, MABS-11 joined 4 Marine Corps Officers, 66 Marine Corps Enlisted, 3 Navy Enlisted, and transferred 1 Marine Corps Officer, 35 Marine Corps Enlisted, and 2 Navy Enlisted. 6 Marine Corps Enlisted were promoted to Corporal, 7 to Lance Corporal, and 1 to PFC. 5 Marine Corps Enlisted went on Special Leave and 3 returned. 8 Marine Corps Enlisted extended their overseas tour 6 months.

b. Training. The following correspondence courses were applied for during the month:

- (1) MCI - 3
- (2) USAFI - 3

c. Awards.

(1) On 16 August 1968 Lance Corporal Arthur BICKLER was presented the Navy Achievement Medal.

(2) During the month of August there were 3 Meritorious Mastas awarded.

d. Motor Transport. The motor transport section operated with an effective strength of 69 during the month.

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(1) The operations section filled approximately 3,458 vehicles requests, logging 88,900 miles, carrying 73,633 passengers and 11,923 S/T of cargo hauled. The Refueler Section hauled 72,922 gallons of diesel fuel, 309,495 gallons of 115/145, 28,084 gallons of 80 Octane, and 56,830 gallons of water. There was no JP-4 hauled and 31,250 gallons of contaminated fuel was defueled. The Motor Transport Tire Shop repaired 357 Motor Transport Tires in addition to 57 Heavy Equipment Tires. There were no major accidents during the month of August 1968.

(2) The Maintenance Section accepted 149 work orders for the month of August 1968 and completed 149 of them. Eighteen (18) Annual Inspections and 52 quarterly inspections were completed.

e. TAFDS. The TAFDS section pumped 3,817,479 gallons of JP-4 and 815,201 gallons of 115/145. During the month the TAFDS section assembled two pumps received from 4th echelon & picked new equipment from MWSG-17. Two new nozzle stands were painted & installed in TAFDS fuel pits. A new T/E for TAFDS equipment was received from 1stMAW.

f. LOX. The LOX section produced 7,825 gallons of LOX for the month of August and issued 8,750 gallons of LOX to Marine Corps units. In order to meet all requirements, the section drew 1,500 gallons of LOX from the Air Force LOX plant.

g. Material. 799 requisitions were passed to Group Supply during the month. Received and distributed garrison property type items to MAG-11 personnel.

h. Communications. The message center processed 10,508 incoming messages and processed and cut tapes on 1,036 outgoing messages.

(1) The Radio Section provided communications for VM CJ-1 to hall all frag orders to TF-77. Also, radio equipment was provided for the Wing TAC#2 net. The Radio Section, augmented by personnel from Message Center, Wire and Tech Shop displayed their capability to establish and maintain continuous and reliable radio communications when DaNang Air Base came under enemy rocket attack on 24, 27 and 31 August. The Radio Section also continued to train voice radio operators from all sections to further familiarize them with their alert assignments and to train new men in voice telephone procedure.

(2) Wire Section continued to man its telephone system handling approximately 60,000 telephone calls. The Wire Section repaired 240 telephone lines and installed 3 additional hot lines. They have 100% completed the 124 position TOM-20 complex, finishing with VMFA-542.

(3) The Repair Section processed 96 pieces of equipment of which 86 pieces were returned to the Sections, 4 pieces evacuated to higher echelon and 8 pieces placed in the awaiting parts status. They also processed 26 supply requisitions.

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i. Food Services. 218,137 meals were served during the month of August. 86,954 pounds of meat were prepared in the messhall, and 37 section parties were furnished. The messhall has donated all leftovers and forced issued items of food to the St. Pauls Orphanage in DaNang.

j. Recovery. During the month of August, This section logged a total of 570 arrestments, of these 157 were made by the Air Force. There were 22 emergency arrestments. Five of these emergency arrestments were made by the Air Force. This now gives us a total of 12,418 arrestments.

k. Security. During the month of August the security section built 4 new bunkers and 2 new fighting holes and repaired 1 fighting hole. The security section built 800 feet of fence and built one gun mount and repaired 4 fences.

l. Utilities.

(1) Electrical. The electrical shop continued to provide continuous electrical service for the entire Group and did numerous rewiring jobs throughout the MAG-11 compound.

(2) Carpenter Shop. Built bunker for Sick Bay, completed ceiling for PX, completed building for Sick Bay and completed 1 quonset hut.

m. Heavy Equipment. During the month of August the Heavy Equipment section supported VMFA-122 in the moving out of their unit, and helped VMFA 334 on moving their unit in. Two personnel from the Heavy Equipment Section assisted in the construction of a fish pond for Civil Affairs.

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