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Encl: (1) MABS-11 Command Chronology

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 November 1970 to 30 November 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION COMMANDER
MABS-11 Major Donald F. CROWE 1-30 November 1970
2. LOCATION
1-30 November 1970, DaNang, RVN
3. STAFF OFFICERS

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|------------------|-----------|
| Executive Officer | Major | C. F. DEFRIES | 1-30Nov70 |
| Administrative Officer | Capt | J. N. STEWART | 1-30Nov70 |
| Awards Officer | 1stLt | L. K. BURGESS | 1-30Nov70 |
| Legal Officer | 1stLt | P. E. HORNA | 1-30Nov70 |
| Clubs Officer | 1stLt | K. M. JIMMERSON | 1-30Nov70 |
| Recovery Officer | WO-1 | R. C. NEWMAN | 1-30Nov70 |
| Motor Transport Officer | Capt | D. E. AMICK | 1-30Nov70 |
| Ass't Motor Transport O | WO-1 | V. E. BROWNING | 1-30Nov70 |
| Material Officer | 1stLt | E. N. HOWELL III | 1-30Nov70 |
| Security Officer | 1stLt | W. B. ZACKOWSKI | 1-30Nov70 |
| 1st Platoon CMDR | 1stLt | D. M. WEYAND | 1-30Nov70 |
| 2nd Platoon CMDR | 1stLt | M. L. KENT | 1-30Nov70 |
| 3rd Platoon CMDR | 1stLt | D. J. BOSSI | 1-30Nov70 |
| Communication Officer | 1stLt | R. H. TODD | 1-30Nov70 |
| Base Services Officer | Capt | J. C. STIERS | 1-30Nov70 |
| Ass't Base Services O | 1stLt | C. W. RILEY | 1-30Nov70 |
| Ass't Base Services O | 1stLt | L. K. BURGESS | 1-30Nov70 |
| IRO Officer | Capt | D. E. SCHULTZ | 1-30Nov70 |
| Food Services Officer | Capt | D. E. SCHULTZ | 1-30Nov70 |
| Heavy Equipment Officer | 1stLt | R. L. MAULDIN | 1-30Nov70 |
| Utilities Officer | 1stLt | J. D. RUSSELL | 1-30Nov70 |
| TAFDS Officer | 1stLt | B. W. BODMER | 1-30Nov70 |
| Wing Fire Marshall | Capt | R. SHERIDAN | 1-30Nov70 |
| Ass't Fire Marshall | Capt | J. L. IRONS | 30Nov70 |

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4. Average Monthly Strength

| <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | | <u>ATTACHED</u> | |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
| <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> |
| 22 | 489 | 2 | 22 | 0 | 82 |

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. None

PART III

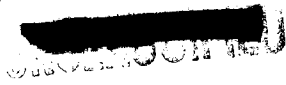
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Chronology

- 1 November 1970 Utilities finished the work on the new PX roof. Work on this new building is continuing. Corporal BOLSTAD from Communication continued throughout the month of November teaching English to Vietnamese students at the Ang Sang High School in DaNang City.
- 3 November 1970 Utilities has completed 57 embarkation boxes for VMA-225 and the Bomb Dump. Security completed removing all the old bunkers in VMFA-115's area.
- 4 November 1970 Security supplied a 35 man detail for General WALT's visit to MAG-11, Col. POMMERENK, Commanding Officer of MAG-11, commended them for a job-well-done. Recovery serviced and repaired airfield lighting at MAG-16, Marble Mountain. Motor Transport provided two (2) 5,000 gallon tankers to assist FLC in transportating 20,000 gallons of JP-4 fuel to LZ Baldy. Four (4) tractors and trailers were also provided to haul 97 tons of airfield matting to the same destination.

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- 7 November 1970 Vietnamese Nationals removed three (3) bunkers, rebuilt one (1) and policed all lines. Heavy Equipment has hauled 495 tons of crushed rock to numerous places within MAG-11 for filling in mudded areas. Recovery made two (2) emergency arrestments, an A-5 with low fuel, an F-8 with an electrical failure.
- 8 November 1970 The Sea Bee's, with the help of Heavy Equipment completed the laying of asphalt between the front and rear gate's in the MAG-11 compound.
- 9 November 1970 Food Services completed 13 Marine Corps Birthday cakes for MAG-11.
- 10 November 1970 Marine Corps Birthday ceremony was held in WMA-311's hangar. Food Service's served the traditional birthday menu for the evening meal. Food Services also put into full operation its new enlisted scullery, the added equipment improved the mess operation two fold. Security completed three (3) huts in MABS-11 Security living area, and had Vietnamese Nationals rebuild two (2) bunkers.
- 12 November 1970 Security had forty-five (45) men fam fire at the ARVN range.
- 14 November 1970 During the past week Recovery safely arrested a Navy F-4, generator failure; Marine F-4, blown tire; Marine A-6, one engine out; and a Navy F-8 with electrical failure.
- 15 November 1970 Security filled 300 sandbags for use on the Command Post in Bravo area, and policed all lines and bunkers in Alpha and Charlie areas.
- 16 November 1970 Recovery installed service change #35 on the M-21 arresting gear which provided illumination for tape tuck surveillance.
- 18 November 1970 The Armory, at Material, was completed this date by Utilities, and is ready for the turn-in of all weapons possessed by sergeants and below of MABS-11.


Recovery made three (3) emergency arrestments in past week. Safely arrested was a A-6, an A-3, both with hydraulic failure and a C-2A with one engine shut down.

- 20 November 1970 Recovery sent a crew to MAG-16 to check on faulty taxiway lighting. Parts replaced were; 4,000 ft. of single conductor wire, 100 blue lens, and 200; 30/45 watt incandescent lamps. Communication installed 20 dial phones in the Bravo area and took down the Bravo switch board, SB-86/P.
- 21 November 1970 Utilities replaced screen, repaired leaks and built steps for five (5) hootches in the MABS-11 living area.
- 23 November 1970 General ADAMS visited and inspected TAFDS's southern fuel pits.
- 25 November 1970 Security made a sweep of the east side of the Bomb Dump with negative results. Gate B-1 was painted and "STOP" signs were put up on all gates.
- 26 November 1970 Food Services prepared and served Thanksgiving Dinner to 2,456 troops.
- 27 November 1970 Food Services extinguished a fire in their burner shack, caused by a blown fuel line on an M-2 burner. No one was injured and an estimated \$17.50 of damage was done to the electrical wiring in the building. A "Change of Command" buffet was prepared and served at the "O" Club for VMO-2.
- 28 November 1970 Recovery continued their necessary work of arresting troubled aircraft. This past week they recovered seven (7) emergencies as follows: F-4, control problems; F-4 one engine shut down; A-4, low fuel; A-4, blown tire; A-6, battle damage; two (2) F-4's low fuel and one A-3 with an engine shut down.

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2. Summary of Services Provided Air Group

a. Motor Transport

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| Vehicle requests filled | <u>5,343</u> |
| Miles travelled | <u>135,226</u> |
| Passengers carried | <u>138,832</u> |
| Cargo carried (S/T) | <u>8,101</u> |
| Ordinance hauled (Tons) | <u>5,904</u> |
| Maintenance completed | <u>231</u> |
| Vehicle status | <u>91%</u> |

b. Fuel Delivered (Gallons)

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Diesel | <u>42,703</u> |
| AvGas (115/145) | <u>11,642</u> |
| MoGas (80 Oct) | <u>17,674</u> |
| JP-4 | <u>152,380</u> |

c. Potable Water Delivered (Gallons)

300,800

d. Communications

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Incoming Messages | <u>4,850</u> |
| Outgoing Messages | <u>1,100</u> |
| Telephone Trouble Calls | <u>310</u> |
| Items Repaired | <u>308</u> |

e. Aircraft Recovery

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|------------------------|---------------|
| Arrestments this month | <u>1,078</u> |
| Emergency Arrestments | <u>18</u> |
| Total Arrestments | <u>26,968</u> |

f. Heavy Equipment

UNITS SUPPORTED

- (1) H&MS-11 Bomb Dump
- (2) H&MS-11 Power Plants (IMA)
- (3) MAG-11 Group Supply and Marine Corps Property
- (4) MABS-11 Recovery
- (5) MABS-11 Security
- (6) MAG-11 Exchange
- (7) MABS-11 Material and Utilities
- (8) MAG-11 Flightline with Sweeper and Forklifts
- (9) VMA-311

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- (10) VMFA-115
 (11) Helo Staging
 (12) Army PDO Yard
 (13) 15th Aerial Port Squadron (USAF)
 (14) Co. B. 361 Signal Bn. (U. S. Army)
 (15) 1stMP Bn.
 (16) MACG-18

FIRE DEPARTMENT

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>TYPE OF FIRE</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 4Nov70 | Oil | WMA-225 Staff Living Area |
| 6Nov70 | Grass | ASP1 Post 20 |
| 18Nov70 | Storage Hootch | Freedom Hill |
| 20Nov70 | Fuel | VMFA-115 Living Area |
| 22Nov70 | Electrical | MABS-11, Heavy Equipment |

3. Personnel During the period of this report, the unit joined 1 Officer and transferred none. The Squadron also joined 35 enlisted and transferred 41 for a net loss of 6 enlisted.

The following Promotions were effected

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| (a) Private First Class | <u>1</u> |
| (b) Lance Corporal | <u>10</u> |
| (c) Corporal | <u>22</u> |
| (d) Sergeant | <u>5</u> |

4. Training: The following correspondence courses were applied for:

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| (a) Marine Corps Institute | <u>0</u> |
| (b) U. S. Armed Forces Institute | <u>7</u> |

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

No supporting documents maintained in this section.