

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 12
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1st Marine Aircraft Wing
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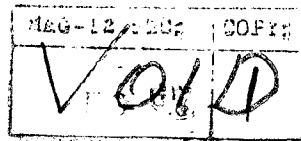
From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12
Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1-31 December 1966

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.10

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the directions in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
OF
MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 12
CHU LAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
1 DECEMBER 1966 THROUGH 31 DECEMBER 1966

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Commander and Staff

Commanding Officer, 1 Dec 1966	Maj William W. CAMPBELL
Commanding Officer, 2-31 Dec 1966	LtCol Ralph D. WALLACE
Executive Officer, 1 Dec 1966	Maj Wilber H. AUSLEY
Executive Officer, 2-31 Dec 1966	Maj William W. CAMPBELL
Base Services Officer 1-31 Dec 1966	Maj Earl N. HANWELL
Base Operations Officer 1-31 Dec 1966	Maj Jimmie L. DILLON
Administrative Officer 1-31 Dec 1966	2dLt James C. MILLARD

Attached Unit: Marine Air Traffic Control Unit 67

Officer in Charge, 1-31 Dec 1966 Maj Francis T. SULLIVAN

Task Organization: None

Unit Location and Inclusive Dates:

Chu Lai, Republic of Viet Nam

1 December 1966 through 31 December 1966

Average Monthly Strength:

MABS-12

<u>OFFICERS</u>		<u>ENLISTED</u>	
<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
30	4	687	27

MATCU-67

<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
10	84

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel

a. Total personnel strength on 31 December 1966, including MATCU-67 was 40 Officers and 867 Enlisted. USN Officers totaled 4 and Enlisted 26.

b. The following Officers reported aboard and were assigned as indicated. Lieutenant Colonel Ralph D. WALLACE, Commanding Officer; Major KLINGENSMITH, C. Unassigned; First Lieutenant SCHUBERT, J.P., Assistant Launch and Recovery Officer; First Lieutenant GIEB Assistant Base Operations Officer

c. Four Officers were detached during the month.

d. First Lieutenant MUTTER, J.M. was promoted to his present rank during the month.

2. Air Operations

a. The East Runway has been refurbished up to the 6,000' marker.

b. The East Runway parallel taxiway has been refurbished.

c. The Air Freight (Midfield East Runway) ramp is being refurbished. Finger Matting sections are being installed.

d. The Crash Crew responded to the following emergencies:

Washdowns	12	
Medical Evacuations	5	
Fires	4	(MAG-13 took over 10 December)
Airfield Emergencies	11	
Aborts	2	
Blown Gear	4	
Unsafe Gear	2	
Off Taxiway	2	
Engine Out (C-133)	1	

e. At the present time this Crash Crew has no Crash Rescue Crane

f. Launch and Recovery Section

(1) Launch Section. Catapult preserved for thirty (30) day period due to no operations, because of rework of runway matting. Launch cable removed to accomplish work on runway.

(2) Recovery Section. M-2 Arresting Gear removed from North End, Chu Lai East, reinstalled 4,200 feet, center of Chu Lai East, 18 December 1966. M-24 Arresting Gear down because of no spare parts. On 14 December 1966, Fresno Lense No. 166 shipped to NSD, Subic Bay, PI for extensive repair due to damage received by taxiing aircraft. M-2 Arresting Gear engines No. 3 and 4 are in overhaul at NAVSHIP REP PAC Yokosuka Japan. There has been 193 JATO take offs, 71 Arrestments, and 3 aborts, for the month of December up to the 28th.

g. Air Freight Section. During the month of December 1966 the air Freight section handled the following traffic:

17,236	Passengers
2,810,237	Pounds of Cargo
700	Aircraft
70,077	Pounds of Mail

3. Base Services

a. Ordnance

(1) During the month of December 1966, we received in excess of 4,910 tons of Class V(A) munitions from eight LST's

(2) We shipped out a total of forty-nine(49) pallets of Class V(A) munitions during the months of December.

(3) The SeaBees constructed two (2) new huts in the Bomb Dump living area and they are now being utilized by MABS-12 Ordnance Personnel. The SeaBees are also repairing the road leading to the Bomb Dump.

(4) We have shipped all 2000lb bombs and accessories to MAG-11, DaNang, by LST. FLSG Bravo furnished the trucks for transporting the munitions to the Sand Ramp.

(5) The Class V Ammunition Dump established a sea dump for all grade three munitions. The munitions were staged on the Sand Ramp. The LST's would not accept any munitions that could not be offloaded at sea by hand.

(6) Much difficulty has been experienced with our heavy equipment. Four (4) pieces of equipment (M60 Cranes and Rough Terrain Forklifts) were sent to Utilities for repairs. The hydraulic systems on this equipment have been a major problem.

(7) Below is a list of Class V(A) Munitions expended for the month of December:

1.	2.75" Rockets-----	318	Pods
2.	5.00" Rockets-----	8	Pods
3.	20MM-----	16,451	Rnds
4.	Napalm-----	245	
5.	JATO-----	484	
6.	Bombs		
	(a) 250lb LD-----	1,814	
	(b) 500lb LD-----	1,350	
	(c) 1000lb HD-----	1,374	
	(d) 1000lb LD-----	129	1315.75 tons

b. Utilities

(1) The following is a narrative summary of significant events as they related to engineering and maintenance:

(a) During the month of December the following projects have been completed:

Junior Officers Showers
 Tailor Shop
 Fence around Utilities Lot
 Concrete floor for "F" Club
 Rehabilitation of 23 huts
 Constructed on 16'X16' hut for L&R
 Cut material to rehab ten (10) huts
 Installed shutters on Officers Mess
 Constructed table for S-3
 Replaced roof on Disbursing
 Constructed 12'X16' shed over loading area at Post Office
 Constructed 16'X32' hut for Post Office

(b) Our generator situation is still critical. At the present time we have the following in Rehab:

75KW Generators	6
30KW Generators	7
20KW Generators	4

In addition there is one (1) 100KW generator alternator down for rewinding.

officer (c) The laundry has washed 14,680 lbs of Staff and laundry and 23,020 lbs of troops laundry. The laundry lost seven (7) days due to mechanical failure.

(d) The water point pumped 2,781,500 gallons of water for a total of 27,387,905 gallons of water.

c. TAFDS

(1) The amount of Fuel (JP-4) dispensed from 1-27 December was 2,048,467.

(2) During the month of December, there have been no material or maintenance failures other than normal preventative maintenance.

(3) During the month of December there have been no outstanding problems peculiar to the operations at Chu Lai. The TAFDS Section is still working on Burms at the storage area, so that the remaining three (3) 10,000 gallon bags can be installed.

d. IOX

(1) There were 13,630 gallons of IOX and 225,800 cubic feet of Gaseous Oxygen produced during this period. An average of 1.85 gallons per hour was required for one flight hour, with an average of 448 gallons of IOX per day.

e. Explosive Ordnance Disposal

(1) The Explosive Ordnance Disposal Team responded to 29 calls for assistance during the month of December.

(2) During the month of December the following items were destroyed by the EOD Team:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Rocket Motors, 2.75-in	468
Grenade, Hand, Illu	7
Grenade, Hand, Inc	1
Grenade, Hand, Smoke, Colored	34
Grenade, Hand, Smoke, WP	3
Igniter, WP, M23	10
Igniter, WP, M16	4
Rocket Motor, 5-in. ZUNI	18
60-MM Illu, Pounds	8
81-MM Illu, Rounds	6
Signal, Day/Night, Mk13	188
Signal, Mk5	6
Signal, Mk6	2
Flare, A/C, Mk24	31
Igniter F/5-in. Rocket	20
Igniter F/2.75-in. Rocket	475

f. Food Services

(1) The following is submitted for the month of December:

(a) Of the meals prepared, 86% were "A" rations and 14% were "B" rations

(b) Flour used for bread 21,000 lbs.

(c) Ice drawn 1,840 lbs.

(d) Ice Cream produced 1,000 gallons

(e) Picnic rations issued 1,396

g. In accordance with reference (a), the Motor Transport Command Chronology for the month of December 1966 is as follows:

(1) 7 Dec 1966 received twenty-six M100 Trailer from FLSG-B.

(2) 13 Dec 1966 received one MRC87 Communication Truck from Wing.

(3) 15 Dec 1966 received four M52A2 Tractors from Wing

(4) 26 Dec 1966 Bus service initiated on MSR by Naval Support Facility between MAG-36, MAG-12, and MAG-13

(5) 28 Dec 1966 Surveyed one ME1A Refueler to FLSG-B

(6) 29 Dec 1966 Surveyed one M677 Cerlist to FLSG-B

~~RAIPH D. WALLACE~~