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Marine Air Base Squadron 12
Marine Aircraft Group 12
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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5750
5 June 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12
Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1-31 May 1967
Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1C
Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology
 ✓(2) Air Operation Chronology
 ✓(3) S-4 Chronology

1. In accordance with the directions in reference (a),
enclosures (1), (2) and (3) are submitted.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
OF
MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 12
CHU LAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

1 MAY 1967 THROUGH 31 MAY 1967

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Commander and Staff

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Commanding Officer 1-2 May 1967 | LtCol Ralph D. WALLACE |
| Commanding Officer 3-31 May 1967 | Maj Forest G. DAWSON |
| Executive Officer 1-2 May 1967 | Maj Forest G. DAWSON |
| Executive Officer 3-31 May 1967 | Maj Harold L. JACKSON |
| S-1, 1-30 May 1967 | Capt William L. WILSON |
| S-1, 31 May 1967 | Maj Robert C. BLACKINGTON |
| S-3, 1-18 May 1967 | Capt Thomas A. VARRELL |
| S-3, 19-31 May 1967 | Maj Robert B. BOOHER |
| S-4, 1-31 May 1967 | Maj Francis T. SULLIVAN |

Attached Unit: Marine Air Traffic Control Unit 67

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Officer in Charge, 1-31 May 1967 | Maj Victor D. STEELE |
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Task Organization: None

Unit Location and Inclusive Dates:

Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam
1 May 1967 through 31 May 1967

Average Monthly Strength:

MABS-12

| <u>OFFICERS</u> | | <u>ENLISTED</u> | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
| <u>USMC</u> | <u>USN</u> | <u>USMC</u> | <u>USN</u> |
| 26 | 3 | 763 | 33 |

MATCU-67

| <u>OFFICERS</u> | <u>ENLISTED</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 11 | 84 |

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL

a. Total personnel strength as of 31 May 1967, including MATCU-67 was 826 Enlisted and 36 Officers. USN Officers totaled 3 and Enlisted 36.

b. The following Officers reported aboard and were assigned as indicated.

Major Harold L. JACKSON - Executive Officer
 Major Robert C. BLACKINGTON - S-1 Officer
 Major Robert B. BOOHER - S-3 Officer
 Captain Dennis R. BOWEN - MATCU-67

c. Nine Officers were detached during the month. Seven from MABS-12 and two from MATCU-67.

d. The following Officers were promoted during May to their present rank.

Captain George B. BOCOCK
 Captain Barry F. RIGGS

e. The following promotions were effected during the month.

| <u>TO</u> | <u>NO.</u> |
|-----------|------------|
| E-6 | 3 |
| E-4 | 2 |
| E-3 | 3 |
| E-2 | 11 |

f. There were no reenlistments during the month.

g. One Marine extended his enlistment for two years and eleven extended their overseas tours.

h. There were two Special Court-Martials and one Summary Court-Martial.

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2. Air Operations - See Enclosure (2)

3. S-4 - See Enclosure (3)

4. Group Guard

a. Guard spent 61,380 hours of watch in defense of Sub-Sector IV, V, VI.

b. Provided security for Chaplain to Tam Ky.

c. Provided Security for EOD team to bomb disposal area.

d. Provided security guard for tower 41 on northern perimeter of sub-sector IV.

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1 June 1967

From: S-3 Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Air Base Squadron 12
Subj: Command Chronology Report for May 1967
Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1C

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the following report is hereby submitted:

2. General.

- a. The 20,000th MOREST (M-2) landing was accomplished on the East Field.
- b. Five Dolly Launches were accomplished on the CE-1-3 Catapult.
- c. Functional checkout of the CE-1-3 Catapult was completed.
- d. The #1 and #4 Taxiways (East Field) were repaired by the CB's.
- e. Cross Taxiway on the Crosswind Runway was repaired by the CB's.
- f. Wire screening of the S-3 office was completed.
- g. All bunkers in the vicinity of S-3 were inspected and repaired. One additional bunker was constructed.
- h. The METLO/NAESU Weather team arrived from Sangley Point P. I.
- i. Protective Bunker Project at the Crash Crew area was completed.
- j. Installation of Crash and Rescue Positions completed by the CB's.
- k. Striping of the VMA-533 Flight Line has been completed.
- l. Helicopter Pads on East Field are completed.
- m. Approach end of Runway 14 (East Field), has been repaired by the CB's.

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n. System of Runway Inspection has been established with the CB's. Each Monday morning CB Planning and Estimating Personnel along with Base Operations Personnel will inspect the runway for future runway repair scheduling.

o. Motored the CE-1-3 Catapult Cable.

p. Consolidation of personnel of the MAG-12 and MAG-13 Weather Services has been completed.

q. Durapox of taxiway turnoff #2 completed.

3. Operations.

a. The Crash Crew responded to the following emergencies.

| | |
|-----------------------|----|
| Tail Fire (A-4) | 1 |
| Generator Failure | 1 |
| Unsafe Gear | 1 |
| Aircraft off taxiway | 2 |
| Loss of Brakes | 3 |
| Fuel Leaks (Aircraft) | 4 |
| Fuel Leaks (TAFDS) | 4 |
| Ordnance on Runway | 4 |
| Blown Tire | 10 |
| Wash Downs | 25 |
| Structural Fires | 4 |
| Aircraft off Runway | 2 |
| Battle Damage | 2 |
| Control Problems | 1 |
| Towed Clear | 1 |
| Rough Running Engine | 2 |
| Hot Brakes | 2 |
| Engine Troubles | 1 |
| Hydraulic Troubles | 1 |
| Flight Line Fire | 1 |

b. One (1) runway sweeper was turned over to VMA-533 on a temporary loan.

c. During the month of May, Crash Crew had 12 men rotate to CONUS. The Crash Crew manning level is 44, the present strength is 33 assigned, with 31 effective. The Crash Crew is operating at the minimum personnel requirements as outlined in BUWEPs Inst. 11320.4A of June 1965.

d. Crash Crew does not have a Crash Crane at this date.

e. Communication equipment for the Crash Net continues to be inadequate for efficient control and operation of the Crash Fire and Rescue equipment on this field.

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4. Launch & Recovery Section.

a. Launch Section. The catapult has been functionally checked out and is now considered to be in an operational status. Catapult operations are expected to commence upon the arrival of the Certification Team from NAEL (SI) Philadelphia.

b. Recovery Section. Two sets of M-2 Mobile Arresting Gear are being maintained on the East Runway. One set of M-2 gear is undergoing a 1000 arrestment check and overhaul. Two sets of M-21 arresting gear are installed on the Crosswind Runway. The set on the East End is in an up status and is awaiting a taxi test. The West set is currently being prepared for operations.

c. Total arrested landings this period:

| | <u>A4E</u> | <u>A4C</u> | <u>A6A</u> |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| M-2 (3&4) | 573 | 0 | 5 |
| M-2 (29&30) | 350 | 0 | 0 |
| M-2 (21&22) | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| M-21 (122&164) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| M-21 (112&111) | 0 | 0 | 0 |

5. MATCU-67.

a. The following is a recap of the take offs and landings for the East and Crosswind Runways:

| | <u>A-4</u> | <u>F-4</u> | <u>HELO</u> | <u>TRANS</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
|------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| EAST RUNWAY | 4872 | 0 | 05 | 95 | 336 |
| CROSSWIND RUNWAY | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 4872 | 0 | 0 | 95 | 336 |


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From: S-4 Officer
 To: Commanding Officer

Subj: Command Chronology for the Period 1-31 May 1967

1. The following information is submitted from the S-4 Section for insertion in the Command Chronology for the period 1-31 May 1967.

a. Ordinance

(1) 5,233.81 tons of Class V(A) munitions were received from ten LST's, two Barges, and one YC.

(2) The following Class V(A) munitions were expended.

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| (a) 2.75" Rockets | 741 Pods |
| (b) 5.00" Rockets | 61 Pods |
| (c) 20mm | 169,857 Rounds |
| (d) Napalm | 3,606 |
| (e) Jato | 0 |
| (f) 250 lb LD Bomb- | 9,895 |
| (g) 500 lb LD Bomb | 18,836 |
| (h) 1000 lb HD Bomb | 931 |
| (i) 1000 lb LD Bomb | 37 |

b. Utilities

(1) The following work was accomplished.

- (a) 2 16'x32' huts constructed at LOX Plant.
- (b) Rescreened mess hall and sickbay.
- (c) 18 heads constructed.
- (d) Shelter for reefers at mess hall constructed.
- (e) Addition to Group S-1 constructed.
- (f) Rehabilitated 42 billeting huts.

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- (g) 16 bread boxes, 50 embark boxes, and 3 bins constructed.
 - (h) Clothesline at laundry erected.
 - (i) Steel water tanks 60% assembled.
 - (j) RMK trailer vans installed, wired, and partially remodeled.
 - (k) Hot water heaters installed at "O" Mess and "E" Mess.
 - (l) MSR and main generator banks rewired.
 - (m) H&MS paraloft and flight shop repaired.
 - (n) Repairs to fans, wiring, plumbing, refers, ice machines, and doors made at "E" mess and "O" mess.
 - (o) Leach and soaking pit at H&MS shower completed. Plumbing and drainage repaired.
 - (p) Flood lights at VMA(AW) 533 and MABS Ordnance dump installed.
- (2) 3,885,000 gallons of water were pumped, purified, and distributed.
 - (3) 47,100 pounds of clothing were laundered.

c. TAFDS

- (1) 2,995,633 gallons of fuel were dispensed.
- (2) Army POL took over operations of South TAFDS.
- (3) 10,000 gallon tank was installed at the ordnance napalm assembly area.

d. EOD

- (1) 71 calls to dispose of 5,156 items of Grade III ordnance were made.

e. Food Services

- (1) 153,893 meals were consumed.
- (2) 9,744 gallons of milk, 24,400 loaves of bread, and 280 gallons of ice cream were consumed.
- (3) 1,187 picnic rations were utilized.
- (4) 60,600 pounds of ice were used.

f. Motor Transport

- (1) 90,950 gallons of diesel, 180,300 gallons of MOGAS, 22,901 gallons of AVGAS, and 10,800 gallons of road diesel were used. MAG-12 vehicles have driven 108,921 miles during the reporting period.

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g. LOX

(1) 11,555 gallons of LOX, 397 cylinders of gaseous nitrogen, and 1475 cylinders of gaseous oxygen were produced.

(2) 1.8 gallons of LOX were required for each flight hour.

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