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 ✓(4) VMFA-115 Command Chronology
 ✓(5) VMFA-122 Command Chronology
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1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), enclosures (1) through (6) are herewith submitted.
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a. Headquarters, MAG-13 (1-31 March 1970)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Rank</u> <u>Actual</u>
THOMAS E. MURPHY	CO	Col	Col
H. W. VINCENT	XO	LtCol	LtCol
G. L. LUNT Jr.	Adj (1-3Mar)	Capt	Capt
C. R. TAYLOR	Adj (3-31Mar)	Capt	Capt
R. E. MINSLOW	SgtMaj (1-29Mar)	SgtMaj	SgtMaj
J. F. KRATCOSKI	SgtMaj (30-31Mar)	SgtMaj	SgtMaj
R. R. DUNLEVY	S-1	Maj	Maj
E. S. HOLMBERG	S-2	Maj	Capt
J. W. DETROY	S-3	LtCol	LtCol
B. G. JOHNSON	S-4	LtCol	LtCol

b. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 13 (1-31 March 1970)

Josephus L. MAVRETIC	CO	LtCol	Maj
Frank J. HORAK Jr.	XO	Maj	Maj
James E. ODOM	S-1	Lt	1stLt
Dennis S. BICKET	S-3	Capt	1stLt
William T. GOWLA	S-4	WO	1stLt

c. Marine Air Base Squadron 13 (1-31 March 1970)

R. D. REVIE	CO (1-12Mar)	LtCol	LtCol
D. T. DENN	CO (13-31Mar)	LtCol	Maj
L. A. WHIPPLE	XO	Maj	Maj
J. M. LEM	S-1	WO	WO
C. J. GOMEZ	BaseServO	Maj	Capt

d. Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron 115 (1-31 March 1970)

D. P. BOWEN	CO (1-2Mar)	LtCol	LtCol
J. V. COX	CO (3-31Mar)	LtCol	LtCol
R. E. HEALD	XO	Maj	Maj
L. A. STULTS	S-1	Lt	Capt
L. E. AMICK	S-2	Lt	1stLt
H. F. SHARP II	S-3 (1-25Mar)	Maj	Maj
C. W. HEINZERLING	S-3 (26-31Mar)	Maj	Maj
F. J. MEIER	S-4	WO	Capt

SECRETe. ~~Marine~~ Fighter/Attack Squadron 122 (1-~~31~~ March 1970)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Rank</u> <u>Actual</u>
R. E. HOWARD Jr.	CO	LtCol	LtCol
R. C. CHATMONSON	XO	Maj	Maj
J. J. MILES	S-1	Lt	Capt
A. B. TURNER	S-2	Lt	1stLt
B. R. HALPRIN	S-3	Maj	Maj
G. P. SWEENEY	S-4	WO	Capt

f. ~~Marine~~ Fighter/Attack Squadron 314 (1-31 March 1970)

T. J. KELLY	CO	LtCol	LtCol
D. T. BENN	XO (1-9Mar)	Maj	Maj
J. B. LEONARD Jr.	XO (10-31Mar)	Maj	Maj
T. J. RICHARDSON	S-1 (1-19Mar)	Lt	Capt
W. L. ROSEE	S-1 (20-31Mar)	Lt	Capt
W. M. BROWN	S-2	Lt	1stLt
J. B. LEONARD Jr.	S-3 (1-19Mar)	Maj	Maj
J. A. GRESS	S-3 (20-31Mar)	Maj	Maj
A. W. MASSEY	S-4	WO	Capt

g. Marine Attack Squadron 311 (1-31 March 1970)

A. R. HICKLE	CO	LtCol	LtCol
C. A. REYNOLDS	XO (1-4Mar)	Maj	Maj
J. L. McMANAWAY	XO (5-31Mar)	Maj	Maj
C. E. FOREMAN	S-1	Lt	Capt
B. A. SCHWANDA	S-2 (1-19Mar)	Lt	Capt
R. D. LEWIS	S-2 (20-31Mar)	Lt	Capt
F. F. HARSHBARGER	S-3	Maj	Maj
G. R. JEFFERSON	S-4	WO	Capt

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>COMMANDING OFFICER</u>	<u>DATE OF OFFICE</u>
MAG-13	Chu Lai, RVN	Col T. E. MURHPREE	(1Mar-31Mar)
H&MS-13	Chu Lai, RVN	Maj J. L. MAVRETIC	(1Mar-31Mar)
MABS-13	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol R. D. REVIE	(1Mar-12Mar)
MABS-13	Chu Lai, RVN	Maj D. T. BENN	(13Mar-31Mar)
VMFA-115	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol D. F. BOWEN	(1Mar-2Mar)
VMFA-115	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol J. V. COX	(3Mar-31Mar)
VMFA-122	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol R. E. HOWARD	(1Mar-31Mar)
VMFA-314	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol T. J. KELLY	(1Mar-31Mar)
VMA-311	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol A. R. HICKLE	(1Mar-31Mar)

SECRET3. Average Monthly Strength

<u>Squadron</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NFO</u>	<u>AG</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>USN</u> <u>Enlisted</u>
HMS-13	10	10	28	546	0	0
MABS-13	6	2	16	578	5	24
VMFA-115	24	21	1	268	1	0
VMFA-122	23	21	3	269	1	0
VMFA-314	26	20	4	255	1	0
VMA-311	33		3	175	1	0
MATCU-67			6	81	0	0
Group	122	74	61	2172	9	24

4. Important Visitors to the Command

On the 19th of March, Lieutenant General McCUTCHEON, Commanding General III MAF visited MAG-13.

Part Two: Narrative Summary

a. Marine Aircraft Group-13 continued its support of III MAF and all other free world forces in the I Corps Tactical Zone, Laos and the Gulf of Tonkin.

b. The crew reported MIA in February 1970, was declared KIA.

Part Three: Significant Events1. Personnel

During the month of March, Marine Aircraft Group 13 had a loss of 6 officers and 297 enlisted personnel due to rotation and transfers. During the same period, 36 officers and 210 enlisted personnel reported to this Group for duty.

2. Awards

The following medals were presented to MAG-13 personnel during the month of February:

- a. Navy Achievement Medal: 2
- b. Distinguished Flying Cross: 4
- c. Single Mission Air Medals: 3

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d. Strike/Flight Air Medals: 3

CasualtiesNon-Hostile

- a. Total for March: 12
- b. Total returned to duty: 7
- c. Total MedEvac: 5
- d. Total number of man days lost: 65

Hostile

- a. Killed in action: 2
- b. Died of wounds: 0
- c. Wounded in action: 0
- d. Missing in action: 0

4. Civic Action

Members of the Civil Affairs Team and of MAG-13 Dispensary joined forces and conducted a MEDCAP in Binh Sa Village, treating 51 patients over a two hour period.

5. Morale and Welfare Programs

a. There are presently two Chaplins assigned to MAG-13. They have additional duties of coordinating Chaplin coverage of all Combined Action Platoons in Combined Action Group I; Episcopal coverage for Americal Headquarters and Catholic coverage for the Naval Support Activity.

b. Religious services conducted at the MAG-13 Chapel consisted of the following:

(1) Protestant Services:

- (a) Sunday-6 Attendance-204
- (b) Weekday-6 Attendance-112
- (c) Choir rehearsals-4 Attendance-28
- (d) Bible study-8 Attendance-49
- (e) Memorial service-2 Attendance-59

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(2) Catholic Services:

- (a) Sunday-8 Attendance-374
- (b) Weekday-22 Attendance-111

c. Services for units other than MAG-13

(1) Protestant

- (a) Sunday-1 Attendance-7
- (b) Weekday-6 Attendance-51

(2) Catholic

- (a) Sunday-8 Attendance-320
- (b) Weekday-11 Attendance-114

(3) Memorial Services-2 Attendance-288

d. Counseling and Interviews:

- (1) Counseling sessions-60
- (2) Interviews-136

e. Red Cross Cases-14

f. Hospital visits-5; men visited-32

g. Meetings and Trips

- (1) Attended Wing Chaplains meeting 10 March, Da Nang
- (2) Attended one session of Protestant Retreat on 20 March, Da Nang

6. Intelligence

a. The S-2 Section continued to accomplish its mission of supporting MAG-13 with intelligence information by preparing daily briefs for the aircrew members as well as for the Commanding Officer and Executive Officer. All incoming flight personnel received their in-country brief from the SERE Officer. During the month of March a total of twenty-five newly arrived crew members were briefed by the S-2 Officer. In addition there were two up-date briefs given to the Security Guard and two indoctrination briefs presented to newly arrived personnel.

b. During the month of March 1970, the Chu Lai Air Base received negative attacks.

SECRET7. Operationsa. Air Operations

<u>Squadron</u>	<u>Sorties</u>		<u>HOURS</u>	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Combat</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Combat</u>
H&MS-13 (C-117D)	72	14	99.9	38.6
VMFA-115 (F4B)	607	597	619.5	610.3
VMFA-122 (F4B)	627	600	635.9	607.7
VMFA-314 (F4B)	708	695	695.6	685.5
VMFA-311 (A-1E)	758	727	830.6	790.0

b. Operations Supported

Iron Mountain, Randolph Glenn, Fredrick Hill, Geneva Park and Steel Tiger Area.

c. Significant Bomb Damage Assignment

Structures Destroyed 153/Damaged 44
 Bunkers Destroyed 203/Damaged 22
 Secondary Explosions 66
 Secondary Fires 94
 Hootches Destroyed 49
 50 Cal Positions Destroyed 3
 KEMA 33
 Bridges Destroyed 3
 Trucks Destroyed 3
 Sanpans Destroyed 5

d. Total Ordnance Expended: 4544.7 tons8. Supply

a. On the 16th of March an annual wall to wall inventory of the Supply Officer's Stores commenced. The counting phase was completed on 31 March.

b. A new loading dock was constructed at the Group Supply Compound. This will permit a maximum of three Sea Land Vans to be loaded at one time.

c. On 16 March, the responsibility for the issue of all 782 gear was turned over to each squadron.

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