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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for 1-31 January 1967

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1B

Encl: ✓(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-31 January 1967

1. In accordance with instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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Part I - Organizational Data

1. <u>Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Actual</u>
D.W. MORRILL*	Commanding Officer	LtCol	Major
R.B. STICE	Executive Officer	Major	Major
J.L. LOHR	Administrative Officer	Capt	2ndLt
R.L. BAINBRIDGE*	Base Operations Officer	Major	Major
B.H. THOMAS	Base Services Officer	Major	Major
G.R. FULDA	Sergeant Major	SgtMaj	1stSgt

* Major Morrill relieved LtCol O.L. Owens on 25 Jan 1967 and assumed command on that date. Major Bainbridge relieved Major W.C. Service III on 15 January.

2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, R.V.N. 1-31 January 1967

3. Average Strength

NA 6
AG 14
ENL 677

4. Important Visitors - General Wallace M. Green, LtGen Krulak, BGen Stiles, and MajGen Robertshaw.

Part II - Narrative Summary

1. During the period covered by this report MABS-13 continued the improvement of the Chu Lai Complex and devoted a considerable amount of effort toward maintenance of assigned equipment. This maintenance effort was imposed by an exceptionally high amount of precipitation during the month of January. The personnel strength on 31 January was 21 officers and 699 enlisted men. 3 Naval Officers and 22 Naval enlisted men are assigned.

Part III - Personnel

1. Personnel and Administration - 59 men joined the Squadron and 17 were transferred. Two Gunnery Sergeants, one Sergeant, 45 Corporals, 43 Lance Corporals, and 5 PFC's were promoted to their present ranks. Seven men extended their enlistment, three men re-enlisted, and nine extended their overseas tour.

2. Awards - Major B.H. THOMAS received a gold star in lieu of a second Air Medal.

3. Casualties - None

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4. Civic Action - Five loads of scrap lumber were taken to the Protestant and Catholic Churches in the nearby village of ANTAN. The Group Chaplain visited the Christian Mission at QUANG NAI and delivered 120 pounds of candy and 50 pounds of clothing. The Group Flight Surgeon is making two visits each week to ANTAN and during January treated 105 Vietnamese for various ailments.

5. Morale/Welfare Program - MABS-13 Officers shared in contributing volunteer labor in the construction of an Officers Club and the Club opened during January. The Base Services section constructed a warehouse for the Post Exchange in 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours resulting in a considerable expansion of exchange facilities.

6. Informational Services - None

7. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence - N/A

8. ECM - N/A

9. Photographic Services - The MABS-13 Photo Section shot 190 exposures for 79 different job requirements. 1018 prints were processed during January. The Photo Section was erected one general purpose tent to shelter and centrally locate the equipment.

10. Air Operations - A total of 522 aircraft arrestments were made by the Aircraft Launch and Recovery Section, 3 of which involved declared emergencies. The Crash Crew responded to 54 emergencies, 5 of which involved aircraft damage. The Crash Crews' action in putting out an F-4B engine fire on the night of 26 Jan has been attributed as preventing an Airfield Accident. The mishap is being reported as an Aircraft Incident under the auspices of OPNAVINST 3750.6E.

11. Air Control - MABS-13 does not have an Air Control function. This responsibility rests with MATCU-67; however, close liaison is maintained with MATCU-67 in conjunction with airfield operations.

12. Air Defense - N/A

13. Special Operations - N/A

14. Ground Defense - MABS-13 has shared in the construction of a line of bunkers west of the runway enclosing considerable runway footage, and the Launch and Recovery Section is now contained in the perimeter of defense. MABS-13 also contributed to the flood lighting of these bunkers.

15. Command Relationship/Command and Control - N/A

16. NBC Warfare - The NBC Section of MABS-13 was inspected by the cognizant parties in MAG-13 in preparation for an inspection by the 1st MAW. The NBC NCO conducted an inventory of his equipment and manuals during January.

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17. Training - There was no formal training conducted during January that could be cited in this report; however, it would be erroneous to assume that training was not in progress. At all times, in all shops and sections, on-the-job training is in progress for those out of their field. For those in their field, and those personnel who are considered "experienced", each month brings a new level of trained personnel by virtue of working in support of combat operations.

18. Logistics - The MABS-13 Ordnance Section assembled and delivered to the tactical squadrons a daily average of 78 tons of ordnance. 2,968,279 gallons of jet fuel were dispensed during January. In excess of 150,000 meals were served and the Mess Hall was open at all hours to late fliers and watch standers.

19. Motor Transport - A classroom was built for driver and other training. The classroom is used at night as a TV and recreation room. Total cargo poundage carried by the Motor Transport Section was 3,583,899 pounds. Total Mileage during January was 51,698 miles. Approximately 1½ million gallons of fuel and oil was transported during January.

20. Engineering - N/A

21. Avionics - N/A

22. Maintenance - Continued in constructing and improving the Chu Lai Airfield. Preventative maintenance continues to be a prime target of the maintenance endeavor and by necessity is a task without completion.

23. Communications - Twenty-seven miles of wire were laid and incorporated in the land line network. Total traffic for January was 6883 messages.

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