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From: Commanding Officer

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

Subj: Command Chronology Report for April 1968

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Encl: √(1) MABS 13 Command Chronology for 1-30 April 1968

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

G. L. BRUSER





MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 13, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13 CHU LAI, RVN PERIOD 1-30 APRIL 1968

PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Commander and Staff.

NAME	BILLET	INCLUSIVE DATES	
		From	To
LtCol Leroy A. MADERA	Commanding Officer	1Apr68	21 Apr68
LtCol George L. BRUSER	Commanding Officer	22Ap r6 8	Present
Maj Charles V.V. SMILLIE/	Executive Officer	15Apr68	${\tt Present}$
CWO4 Harold E. WILSON	Administrative Officer	24Ju167	Present
Maj George W. FRITSCHI	Base Operations Officer	12Nov67	Present
Maj Daniel I. CARROLL	Base Services Officer	12Nov67	Present
SgtMaj Caleb G. DUNN	Sergeant Major	260ct67	Present

2. Task Organization and Date.

Organization	Location	Commanding Officer	Date in Country
MABS 13	Chu Lai. RVN	LtCol George L. BRUSER	6Feb68 Present

3. Average Monthly Strength.

a.	Naval Aviators	4
b.	Aviation Ground	15
C.	Enlisted	447 466
d.	Total Average	466

4. Important Visitors. None

PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Marine Air Base Squadron 13 continued its support of Marine Aircraft Group 13 and the Air Base at Chu Lai, RVN.

PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. <u>Personnel</u>. Fifty seven enlisted and two officers were joined while transferring thirty seven enlisted and 6 officers. MABS 13 conducted a change of command ceremony on 22 April 1968. LtCol G. L. BRUSER relieved LtCol L. A. MADERA.
- 2. Administration. There were 43 enlisted persons promoted during this period and two officers.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

- 3. Awards. Two Air Medals, one Purple Heart, two Good Conduct Medals, two IstMAW Certificates of Commendation and 12 Meritorious Masts were awarded.
- 4. Casualties. None
- 5. Morale. Morale remains at a high level.
- 6. <u>Informational Services</u>. 23 Fleet Home Town News Releases were submitted during April 1968.
- 7. Air Operations. Site for installation of E-28 Arresting Gear is complete and operational.
- a. Two sets of E-28 Emergency Arresting Gear installed on West runway. E-28 had four arrestments of which two were aborts and two early hooks. Total arrestments M-21 Arresting Gear for this period was 650.
- b. Joint Services; Air Freight and Passenger Terminal handled 3,794 passengers and 487 tons of cargo.
- c. Launch and Recovery arrested a total of 654 aircraft of which 27 were declared emergencies. This brings the cumulative total to 15,548.
- d. Crash Crew conducted nine washdowns, 33 Medical Evacuations and the smudge pot detail worked 465 hours.
- 8. Ground Defense. The Alert Platoons continued to muster daily. The perimeter platoon is still used on the perimeter at night.
- 9. NBC Warfare. A new NBC Order is being staffed and should be ready for distribution in about 10 days.
- 10. Training. On the job training continued in all sections. GMST and technical training programs are being implemented in all sections.
- 11. Logistics. TAFDS received 4,846,015 gallons and issued 4,858,122 gallons of JP-4 fuel while refueling 2,540 aircraft.
- 12. Motor Transport. The statistical data for the operations of the Motor Transport Section are as follows:
- a. The Maintenance Section completed 130 work orders yielding 718 man hours of work.

- b. Licensing Section conducted driver licensing school for 20 students and gave 10 road tests; issued 32 new licenses for motor vehicles, issued four renewal licenses and three Heavy Equipment licenses during this period.
- c. Operations Section compiled the following statistics while traveling 33,448 miles:

Cargo Hauled - 2,680 tons Passengers Hauled - 23,490 Total Runs - 2,579

d. Refuelers Section totaled 2,519 miles traveled in delivering the following:

Fuel - 498,242 gals Water - 61,160 gals Oil - 2,610 gals

- 13. Base Development. During the month of April 1968, the MABS 13 Utilities Section completed over 80 written and verbal work requests. These requests varied in size from such jobs as the construction of aircraft chocks, to the larger jobs such as curb construction on the flight line. The Laundry cleaned over 62,770 pounds of clothes while the Water Point provided over 225,000 gallons of water to MAG-13.
- 14. MAINTENANCE. The Electric Shop ran wiring to the new Comm Van and also wired the VMFA-323 SATS Hanger. The Sanitation department removed over 830,000 pounds of trash.
- 15. <u>COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS</u>. The Comm Section received the AN/TGC-37 for evaluation; this is a new torn tape relay system and should be operational in about five days.