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

Subj: Command Chronology Report for June 1969.

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Encl: ✓(1) Marine Air Base Squadron-13 Command Chronology for 1-30 June 1969

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

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ENCLOSURE (3)

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MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-13
CHU LAI, RVN
PERIOD 1-30 JUNE 1969

PART ONE: ORGANIZATION DATA1. Commander and Staff

NAME	RELAT	INCLUSIVE DATES	
		From	To
LtCol Ira L. MORGAN	Commanding Officer	21Apr69	11Jun69
Maj Norbert F. SCHNIPPEL	Commanding Officer	12Jun69	Present
Maj Norbert F. SCHNIPPEL	Executive Officer	16May69	11Jun69
GW02 Daniel F. DOUGHERTY	Admin Officer	7Aug68	Present
Maj James C. REYNOLDS	Base Services Officer	15Jan69	20Jun69
Maj Myrl W. ALLINDER	Base Services Officer	21Jun69	Present
SgtMaj Raymond E. STEWARD	Sergeant Major	10Oct68	Present

2. Task Organization and Data

Organization	Location	Commanding Officer
MAB-13	Chu Lai, RVN	Maj Norbert F. SCHNIPPEL

Date in Country
11Apr68-Present

3. Average Monthly Strength

- a. Naval Aviators - 7
- b. Aviation Ground - 10
- c. Enlisted - 517
- d. Total Average - 564

4. Important Visitors - NonePART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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

PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENT

- 1. Personnel. 75 enlisted and three officers were joined while 17 enlisted and two officers were transferred.
- 2. Administration. There were 65 enlisted and one officer promoted during this period. Three NJF reductions were effected during this period.
- 3. Awards. Seven NAM, twelve NCM and one Bronze Star were recommended.
- 4. Casualties. None

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12. Motor Transport. Drivers licenses issued numbered 81. 70 new and 11 renewals. Four duplicates were issued because of loss. A total of 68,425 miles were traveled, 3,403 tons of cargo hauled and 25,843 passengers transported resulting in a total of 3,136 runs made. Additionally, 186,050 gallons of water were hauled. Presently on deadline are 37 vehicles with 10 in the service unit and 27 in the motor pool.

13. Refuelers. Mileage traveled amounted to 5,820 miles accomplishing the delivery of 1,073,540 gallons of fuel and 1,636 gallons of oil.

14. Crash Crew. Services included 91 emergencies, 41 washdowns, 63 MedEvacs, 28 defuels and 12 hot refuels.

15. Utilities. Small projects for Base Maintenance numbered 75 plus the continuing attention paid to camp sanitation. Larger projects completed were the installation of a 6,000 gallon water tank for the Mess Hall and the construction of eight bunkers in the area. The laundry processed over 1,000 pounds of folded laundry and the water point purified and distributed 2,500,000 gallons of water. Three 3,000 gallon holding tanks were installed in a closed structure for more efficient and uniform chlorination.

16. Medical. The following was accomplished: 1,438 patients at the dispensary, 1,410 prescriptions filled, 674 lab exams performed, 283 X-Rays taken, 1,866 shots administered, 396 limited services performed and the MEDCAP component treated 974 patients at the An Ten dispensary.

17. Ground Defense. The Alert and CIDG Platoons continue to muster nightly and the Marine Air Base Squadron-13 Bunker Platoon every Monday and during each enemy attack. The Marine Aircraft Group-13 complex was put on alert on 7 June 1969 when 6 rounds of 122 mm rocket fire were received and again on 14 June 1969 with a count of 9 rounds of 122 mm rocket fire incoming. Periodic sweeps of the Subsector in search of indigenous personnel and equipment are being conducted. Incoming personnel are indoctrinated in the use of any weapon they may come in contact with and familiarization firing is conducted continuously.

18. LOX. Produced was 11,950 gallons of liquid oxygen by the LOX-5 plant, 141,800 cubic feet of gaseous oxygen by the ET-1 plant and 87,919 cubic feet of nitrogen by the ET-1 plant. The LOX-5 also produced 320 gallons of liquid nitrogen. Overhauled were three 500 gallon liquid oxygen trailers, one tank pressor and a 6-61 diesel engine.

19. Heavy Equipment. Operating time during the period totaled 5,024 hours. Significant accomplishments include: stripping and clearing operations adjacent to the bomb dump, preparing sites and hauling sand and soil for bunker building operations, laterite hauling, dumping and grading to improve roads and vehicle parking areas. The effects of blowing sand, climate and around the clock operations

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5. Morale. Remains high

6. Informational Services. 50 Fleet Home Town News Releases were submitted during this period.

7. Food Services. The repair of the 630 cubic foot reefer, two steam tables, four electric toasters, the air conditioning unit for the salad room, a deep fat fryer and a bakery mixer contributed greatly to increased operational efficiency. During the month 150,100 meals were served, 33,060 sandwiches prepared for after hours working personnel and 8,490 Mid-Ration meals were served in the Mess Hall. Highlighting the month's endeavors was the catering work done for visiting dignitaries, namely; General QUILTER, which resulted in numerous favorable comments. Planned for the future is the installation of three new electric grill top ranges, which will replace the fuel oil stoves now in use.

8. Launch and Recovery. Total number of M-21 arrestments numbered 695 with 25 emergencies; E-28 arrestments numbered 4. A total of 17,103 arrestments have been made with the M-21, E-28 and M-2 arresting gear. The catapult is ready for operation pending a decision on the guide rail alignment. The combat efficiency percentage stands at 78%, broken down as: (1) Personnel 86%; (2) Arresting Gear 95%; (3) Catapult 70%; (4) Supply 75%; (5) Support equipment 65%. The 25,000th M-21 arrestment was made on 8 June 1969 of a F4J flown by First Lieutenant FRAME of VMFA-232.

9. Special Services. The handball court adjacent to the recreation hut should soon be completed. Plans to completely enclose and light the structure slowed completion. Use is expected in any kind of weather or time of the day. Work on the baseball diamond should be completed during July 1969. June saw the advent of warm-up basketball games between the squadrons in preparation for the tournament slated to start in early July. The beach area is being used to a great extent. A thatch roofed cabana will be built on the beach for the use of Marine Aircraft Group-13 personnel.

10. Communications. The installation of dial telephones continues and the Marine Aircraft Group-13 switchboards work load was reduced from 45 to 25 lines. 310 work orders were processed and 239 completed.

11. TAFDS. A total of 5,294,470 gallons of JP-4 fuel was received and 5,290,189 gallons issued. This amounted to 2,377 aircraft refueled. 240 hours of maintenance were performed on the equipment in the fuel farm and on pumps of the water point, bomb dump and at Crash Crew. Noteworthy was the action of Corporal L. R. GREGG who extinguished a fire on an F4J which caught fire during refueling due to bad brakes. Refueling of VAL was turned over to Marine Aircraft Group-12 and the VAL and 141 line removed from the fuel farm.

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continue to be a problem area in equipment repair operations. Work orders are being expeditiously completed and the calibre of maintenance and repair has improved immensely. A training program was instituted to teach and license operators and resulted in 22 additional operators for both Marine Aircraft Group-13 and Marine Aircraft Group-12. Included in the training process are such subjects as; records, mechanics, maintenance, operations and (most important) safety.