

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13
 Marine Aircraft Group-13
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF
 FPO San Francisco, 9602

1. Efficiency
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 1 September 1969

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: 3-1)
 Subject: Command Chronology for August 1969
 Re: (a) GMA 5750.10
 Re: (1) Marine Air Base Squadron-13 Command Chronology for 1-31
 August 1969
 1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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 By direction

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ENCLOSURE (2)

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-13
CHU LAI, RVN
PERIOD 1-31 AUGUST 1969

PART ONE: ORGANIZATION DATA1. Commander and Staff

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u> <u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
LtCol Alfred W. DRAGO	Commanding Officer	5Jun69	Present
Maj Norbert F. SCHNEPP	Executive Officer	5Jun69	Present
CWO2 Daniel F. DOUGHERTY	Admin Officer	7Aug68	Present
Capt George L. LUNN	Admin Officer	10Aug69	Present
Maj Myrl W. ALLINDER	Base Services Officer	25Jun69	Present
SgtMaj Raymond E. STEWARD	Sergeant Major	10Oct68	31Aug69
SgtMaj Ernie L. O'NEIL	Sergeant Major	26Aug69	Present

2. Task Organization and Date

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Commanding Officer</u>
MAB-13	Chu Lai, RVN	LtCol Alfred W. DRAGO

Date in Country
4Apr68-Present

3. Average Monthly Strength

- a. Naval Aviators - 10
- b. Aviation Ground - 8
- c. Enlisted - 55
- d. Total Average - 572

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. 21 enlisted and 2 officers were joined while 58 enlisted and 4 officers were transferred.
- 2. Administration. There were 33 enlisted and 7 officers promoted during this period. Five N1 reductions were effected during this period.
- 3. Awards. Three NAI, eight CAR, 2 NCM and one Bronze Star were awarded.
- 4. Casualties. None

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5. Morale. Remains high.

6. Informational Services. 61 Fleet Home Town News Releases were published during this period.

7. Food Services. Meals served in the Mess Hall numbered 157,647 plus 28,610 sandwiches prepared and 4,739 midnight rations served. To help to improve service was an additional 600 cubic foot freezer, a four foot high curbing of cement in the pot shack to contain water, 3 new ice cream freezers to replace the old, a new hot water heater for the scullery and eight tables for the enlisted mess. One ice machine has been repaired and is operational. Three other ice machines being repaired. Removed from the area was four unserviceable oil bake ovens. The living area has been improved with the addition of two huts.

8. Communications. Projects completed included the supervision and coordination of installation/maintenance of the dial telephone system and the rewiring of the distribution system. The Maintenance Section processed 487 work orders and completed 355.

9. FUELS. A total of 4,544,228 gallons of JP-4 fuel was received and 4,477,056 gallons issued. This amounted to 2,413 aircraft refueled. 4,400 hours of maintenance were performed on the equipment in the fuel farm and on pumps at the Water Point, Bomb Dump and Crash Crew Sections.

10. Motor Transport. A special review class was held to instruct drivers on the M35A2C vehicles and all drivers were required to attend. New licenses issued numbered 47 while duplicate licenses numbered 10 and renewals numbered 9. A total of 79,611 miles were traveled, 15,858 tons of cargo hauled, 17,587 passengers hauled, and 160,240 gallons of water hauled resulting in 2,642 runs being made. The present deadline consists of 17 vehicles left in the service unit and 30 in the motor pool.

11. Refuelers. Mileage traveled was 5,371 miles accomplishing the bulk buy of 526,280 gallons of fuel and 1,235 gallons of oil.

12. Crash Crew. Services included 3 crashes (A1 wheels up on 1Aug), 66-110 crash on 6Aug69, and a C-123 that ran off the runway on 15Aug69), 89 emergency calls, 68 medical evacuations, 79 washdowns, 11 hot refuels, 8 defuels and 7 fires (equipment, grass and structural).

13. Utilities. Significant events included over 200 exhumation burials; departing Squadrons being constructed; an exhumation screen was installed at the Officers' Club; the rehabilitation of "Sea Gate" for use by Fleet personnel; and the crating/barding of 5 afterburners for shipment. 2 projects were completed relating to base maintenance; 7 bunkers were completed and 12 foundations laid for two huts. The laundry continues to process in excess of 1100 pounds of bulk and personal laundry per day. A water point was put into operation to supply the beach barracks, while the main water point at H&C-13 purified and distributed approximately 2,100,000 gallons of water.

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Two 129 GPM electric pumps were received and will be used as the primary pumping apparatus. The water point installed by Base Services failed in action is underway to correct it. A problem area remains with lack of replacement parts for field generators.

14. Ground Defense. A rocket and mortar attack on the morning of 12 August was halted by the return of accurate machine gun and rifle fire into the enemy mortar position by alert sentries. A search of the area turned up other ammunition that had not been fired. The Group Security Detention Facility played host to seven Marines. Calls for help with incidents such as fights and indiscriminate firing of weapons are answered expeditiously.

15. LOI. The LOI-5 liquid oxygen plant produced 14,260 gallons of liquid oxygen and 1,170 gallons of liquid nitrogen during 733 hours of operation; fourteen hours were utilized for preventative maintenance and the replacement of parts. The HT-1 plants were only used to purge the liquid oxygen trailers. Produced was 179,400 cubic feet of gaseous oxygen and 113,120 cubic feet of gaseous nitrogen. To improve the area, two old bunkers were done away with and one is under construction as a replacement.

16. Heavy Equipment. Hours of operating time totaled over 1,761 including moving WFA-334 during their embarkation, site preparation for bunkers involving hauling sand and soil for sandbagging, and laterite hauling which is necessary because of the sandy soil in the area. Handled was 29 work orders for equipment repair with 20 completed and 9 still pending.