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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13
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COMMANDER

LtCol R.A. CHRISTY, USMC
 1 - 29 May 1970

Maj D.T. BENN, USMC
 30 - 31 May 1970

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 May 1970: Chu Lai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major Daniel T. BENN	1 - 29 May 1970
	Major Darwin D. LUNDBERG	30 - 31 May 1970
Base Services Officer	Capt Billie E. ELLIS	1 - 31 May 1970
Legal Officer	1stLt John T. CASCIO	1 - 31 May 1970
Administrative Officer	WO Juan M. LEM	1 - 31 May 1970

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC
Off Enl
 24 583

USN
Off Enl
 4 22

OTHER
Off Enl
 None

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Marine Air Base Squadron-13 continued its support of Marine Aircraft Group-13 at Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam. Services encompassed operations dealing with personnel administration, billeting, food services, heavy equipment operations, transportation, clubs operation, medical services and support of Chu Lai Air Base Operations, ie., aircraft refueling, crash and rescue services, aerology and launch and recovery operations. Highlighting the month of May 1970 was the change of command of this Squadron from Lieutenant Colonel Robert A. CHRISTY to Major Daniel T. BENN. Lieutenant Colonel CHRISTY was transferred to Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron-314 to assume its command. Major LUNDBERG assumed the duties as Executive Officer. He joined the Squadron from Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-13. An informal change of command ceremony marked the occasion taking place at the office of the Commanding Officer.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- a. Change of Command. On 30 May 1970, Major D. T. BENN assumed command of this squadron once again. He had commanded the Squadron previously from 11 March 1970 to 24 April 1970 when he became the Executive Officer. An informal change of command ceremony was held in the office of the Commanding Officer to mark the occasion. Lieutenant Colonel R. A. CHRISTY was detached from the Squadron to assume the command of VMFA-314. Major D. D. LUNDBERG assumed the duties of Executive Officer. He joins the Squadron from H&MS-13.
- b. Personnel. Two officers were joined to this organization during May, and there were three officer attritions. Forty-six enlisted personnel joined while thirty-three were transferred.
- c. Administrative. There were eighty enlisted promotions during May and there were three officer promotions effected. One enlisted reduction was effected during this period.
- d. Civic Action. During the month of May, 220 patients were treated by the Medical Section under the Med-Cap program. On numerous occasions, enlisted personnel volunteered their services to teach English at the An Tan Catholic Orphanage.
- e. Food Services. Meals served by this section numbered 189,849 while providing 7136 sandwiches and 11,990 midnight rations. The front of the scullery has been repanelled with a metal top. Rescreening of the messhall has been initiated with the enlisted mess completed. Two new grills were installed in the enlisted mess. A new MQ-51 reefer unit was installed in reefer #4 to increase its capability. An ice machine with a capacity of 1000 lbs. per day of flaked ice was installed and is awaiting parts.
- f. Medical. The medical section treated 837 patients, filled 930 prescriptions, performed 459 laboratory examinations, shot 346 x-rays and administered 920 immunizations.
- g. Launch and Recovery. Members of this section performed 447 arrestments of which 436 were M-21 arrestments, six were M-21 emergencies, 11 were M-28 arrestments and eight were E-28 emergencies.
- h. TAFDS. This section received 5,158,765 gallons of JP-4 fuel, issued 5,198,726 gallons of JP-4 fuel, refueled 3,773 aircraft and accomplished 412 man hours of maintenance work.
- i. Ground Defense. During this period, five sweeps for unfriendly forces were conducted outside the MAG-13 perimeter area producing negative results. No practice alerts were held during the month. The number of incoming rockets on the following dates were: 25-30 on 4 May 1970, 30-45 on 5 May 1970, 4 on 13 May 1970, and 9 on 21 May 1970. A total of two prisoners were confined in the Correctional Custody compound and four detainees were held in the detention cell.

- q. MAG-13 Post Exchange. During the month of May the MAG-13 PX total sales amounted to \$160,000. Five electronic sales were held to satisfy the needs of MAG-13 personnel. The preparation of a package liquor sales counter was begun and is expected to start in early June. The exchange continues to serve all MAG-13 personnel with exceptional quality and services.