

## COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR MONTH OF MAY

1. On 1 May 1968 Major General Norman J. ANDERSON, Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, visited Marine Aircraft Group 16 for Marine Observation Squadron 2, Marine Air Base Squadron 16 and Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 16 change of Command ceremonies.
2. On 3 May 1968 Brigadier General GLICK visited and toured Marine Aircraft Group 16.
3. On 15 May 1968 Brigadier General HILL visited Marine Aircraft Group 16 to observe damage from rocket attack of 12 May 1968.
4. On 19 May 1968 Brigadier General HILL had lunch with Staff NCOs and presented awards.
5. On 20 May 1968 Major General ANDERSON visited Marine Aircraft Group 16 to inspect damage of mortar attack from previous evening.
6. On 20 May 1968 Brigadier General HISE visited Marine Aircraft Group 16 to inspect damage of mortar attack from previous night.
7. On 20 May 1968 Major General ANDERSON attended cocktails and dinner at Marine Aircraft Group 16.

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Marine Aircraft Group 16  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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GROUP S-1 COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Part 1 Organization Data

MAG-16, Marble Mountain Air Facility, Republic of Vietnam

Period covered 1-31 May 1968

TASK ORGANIZATION

H&MS-16 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
MABS-16 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
VMO-2 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
HML-167 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
HMM-265 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
HMM-361 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
HMM-163 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN  
HMH-463 Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN

1-18 May 1968  
19-31 May 1968

K-1, MAG-16

COMMAND AND RANK COMPOSURE

Billet	Name	Rank	Period
CO, MAG-16	REED, E. O.	Colonel	1-31 May 1968
XO, MAG-16	BEAL, S. G.	LtCol	1-28 May 1968
XO, MAG-16	LEWIS, R.	LtCol	29-31 May 1968
Adjutant	MAREK, G. J.	1stLt	1-31 May 1968
S-1	GOLDSBOROUGH, T. A.	Major	1-22 May 1968
S-1	CRONE, F. W.	Major	23-31 May 1968
S-2	COWPERTHWAIT, W. C.	Major	1-24 May 1968
S-2	FLYNN, R. G.	Captain	25-31 May 1968
S-3	KLEPPSATTEL, F. H.	LtCol	1-31 May 1968
S-4	LEWIS, R.	LtCol	1-28 May 1968
S-4	MILLER, T. F.	LtCol	29-31 May 1968
CO, H&MS-16	ROBBINS, M. G.	LtCol	1-31 May 1968
CO, MABS-16	SMILANICH, W. E. JR.	LtCol	1-31 May 1968
CO, VMO-2	FULTON, S. J.	LtCol	1-31 May 1968
CO, HML-167	PINN, R. C.	Major	1-10 May 1968
CO, HML-167	DUNN, G. H. II	Major	11-31 May 1968
CO, HMM-265	WHELAN, W. L.	Major	1-31 May 1968
CO, HMM-361	CRONE, F. W.	Major	1-18 May 1968
CO, HMM-163	COURTNEY, R. G.	LtCol	19-31 May 1968

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<u>Billet</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Period</u>
CO, HMH-463	WALKER, J. G.	LtCol	1-31 May 1968

## AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>Squadron</u>	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
HMS-16	54	500	0	0
MAB-16	20	650	3	19
VMO-2	47	155	1	0
HMM-163	56	241	1	0
HMH-463	46	275	1	0
HML-167	22	96	0	0
HMM-265	52	207	1	0
HMM-361	44	150		

Following personnel changes 1-31 May 1968

a. Number of joinings: 233

b. Number of drops: 166

c. Promotions:

SSgt to GySgt	3
Sgt to SSgt	4
Cpl to Sgt	11
LCpl to Cpl	10
PFC to LCpl	81
PVT TO PFC	5

CASUALTIES

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Major	ZELICH, R.	074861/7563	VMO-2	Pilot
2ndLt	WARD, J. C.	0103114/7563	VMO-2	Co-pilot
Cpl	MAZIAR, J.	2102424/6319	VMO-2	Crew Chief
1stSgt	BELESKEY, M. F.	643340/9999	HML-167	Gunner

HOSTILE 4 May 1968. 11½ miles SSE Danang, Quang Nam Province on armed escort in support of 2nd Marine Division. Entering gun run and received enemy fire causing engine failure and then crash. Pilot wounded by crash. Received deep abrasion left pretibial area. No nerve or artery involvement. Co-pilot received contusions and laceration of chin. No nerve or artery involvement. Crew Chief received contusion right pretibial area and minor fuel burns to eyes. No nerve or artery involvement. Gunner received cut on nose with second degree burns on left arm. No nerve or artery involvement.

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<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Sgt	HENSCHER, J. C.	1959724/6332	HMM-361	None

HOSTILE 5 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Man was sleeping in Squadron tool room when flight line came under mortar attack resulting in a round hitting his immediate area. Shrapnel penetrating the upper extremity right side of body. No nerve or artery involvement.

1stLt FLATER, M. E. JR. 094697/7562 HMM-265 Pilot

HOSTILE 6 May 1968. 12 miles south of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On resupply mission when aircraft received enemy automatic fire upon entry to LZ. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating right hand. No nerve or artery involvement.

Capt LARocca, A. 093249/7561 HMM-361 Pilot

HOSTILE 7 May 1968. 10 miles south of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On medevac mission when aircraft received heavy small arms fire upon entry to LZ. Wounded by shrapnel laceration of lower portion right leg. No nerve or artery involvement.

1stLt FLEMING, H. H. III 093919/7562 HMM-265 Pilot

HOSTILE 10 May 1968. 45 miles southwest of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On troop insert mission when aircraft downed by heavy ground fire. evacuation helicopter was forced to leave area prior to completion of pickup. Lieutenant FLEMING grasp the skip as the helicopter left LZ. Was seen to fall from aircraft at approximately 100 feet altitude. Due to intense enemy action no further rescue could be attempted. Declared MIA.

LCpl DAVIS, J. J. 2312450/6320 HMM-265 Gunner

HOSTILE 10 May 1968. 35 miles southwest of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On medevac mission when aircraft received heavy ground fire. Rounds entered compartment resulting in shrapnel wound lacerating left arm, back, and left knee with fracture to left arm and knee. No nerve or artery involvement.

Capt BARKSDALE, L. M. 090774/7561 HMM-361 Pilot

HOSTILE 9 May 1968. On medevac mission 14 miles southwest of Danang, Quang Nam Province. While on ground aircraft received small arms fire resulting in shoulder wound. No nerve or artery involvement.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Cpl	ENGLISH, T. L.	2141021/6332	HMM-361	Crew Chief

HOSTILE 12 May 1968. On medevac mission 10 miles south of Danang, Quang Nam Province when aircraft received small arms fire upon entry into LZ. Wounded by missile penetrating left shoulder through and through with fracture. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	HURLEY, K. D.	2304558/6311	HMM-265	Crew Chief
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HOSTILE 10 May 1968. On emergency extraction 45 miles southwest of Danang Quang Nam Province when aircraft took heavy mortar and rocket fire upon entry into LZ. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating upper left arm, left leg, and buttocks. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	HANDSAKER, T. E.	2177834/6320	HMM-265	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded while eating in the messhall during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel wound lacerating left palm. No nerve or artery involvement.

Sgt	OUBRE, J. A.	2094726/6381	HMM-361	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded while eating in messhall during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel wound right arm through and through. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	FREEMAN, R. L.	227105/6331	HMM-361	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded while seeking cover during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel wound penetrating middle back. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	PIERCE, C. W.	2310039/6351	HMM-361	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded while working in H&MS-16 hanger. Hanger took a direct hit during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel wound penetrating in right wrist. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	HERNANDEZ, A. S.	2296578/6331	HMM-361	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded while seeking cover during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel wound penetrating left leg. No nerve or artery involvement.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Sgt	GRAY, C. K.	2098593/7041	MABS-16	none

HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left arm while standing by messhall during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	RUVOLIS, E. J.	2218951/6242	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Killed by enemy rocket while working on H&MS-16 flight line during rocket attack. Killed by shrapnel penetrating head and chest.

LCpl	SAMPSON, B. A.	2309223/6311	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right buttock while working on H&MS-16 flight line during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

FPC	SHAYNE, C. E.	2355564/3041	H&MS-16	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left lower leg while seeking cover during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	JONES, J. D.	1814747/3071	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right biceps while working on flight line during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	GERKIN, D. C.	2288722/6351	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right leg, foot, and side while seeking cover during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Sgt	RICHARDS, D. F.	2215208/6331	VMO-2	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Running to bunker when hit by shrapnel lacerating left knee during enemy rocket attack; no nerve or artery involvement.

SSgt	COOK, B. J.	1447728/0141	H&MS-16	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right thumb during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Cpl	BARTLETT, R. J.	2290528/6321	HMH-463	None

HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating head during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Sgt	EASY, F. H.	2100849/0141	MABS-16	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right calve while in messhall during enemy rocket attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

SSgt	HAWLEY, D. A.	1817275/3071	H&MS-16	none
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HOSTILE 12 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded during enemy rocket attack. Shrapnel lacerating right cheek. No nerve or artery involvement.

CySgt	GOMEZ, P. JR.	1395397/6341	HMH-463	Gunner
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HOSTILE 15 May 1968. On combat cargo mission 3 miles south of MMAF, Quang Nam Province when aircraft received small arms fire while taking off from LZ. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating left arm. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	MORGAN, A. M.	2261990/6351	HML-167	none
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HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating right foot during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	WITTIG, C. F.	2240389/6319	HML-167	none
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HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating back, left leg, left arm, and left heel. Was seeking cover during enemy mortar attack when wounded. No nerve or artery involvement.

SSgt	REEVES, W. D. JR.	1539220/6321	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating left eyebrow during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	MAILEY, S. M.	2305649/6321	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating and lacerating abdomen, chest, left leg and foot. No nerve or artery involvement.

RANK	NAME	SERNO/MOS	UNIT	POSITION
LCpl	MCCLEY, J. W.	2324247/6311	HMH-463	none

HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel penetrating scalp on left side of head during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	PAUSE, J. A.	2150345/6321	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 20 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam, Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left eyebrow during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Sgt	DEBIAS, J. R.	2102132/6361	MABS-16	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating face during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	HAMMONDS, I. L.	2156239/6511	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left arm, and chest. Wounded during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

Sgt	KEARNEY, J. M.	2109926/2111	HMH-463	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating buttocks during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	WINKLE, R. A.	2369847/2531	MABS-16	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left heel during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	FREDERHASEN, D. W.	2324021/6212	MABS-16	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left thigh during enemy mortar attack. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	KIRK, C. J.	2153440/3531	MABS-16	none
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HOSTILE 22 May 1968. Marble Mountain Air Facility, Quang Nam Province. Wounded by shrapnel lacerating left arm. No nerve or artery involvement.



RANK	NAME	SERNO/MOS	UNIT	POSITION
Capt	HOLLAND, K. B.	081593/7501	VMO-2	Pilot

HOSTILE 17 May 1968. 4 miles SSW of Kae Sahn, Quang Tri Province. On Ol-C spotting mission for 50 caliber weapon position. Located same and took round through cockpit causing flying shrapnel from metal in cockpit to lacerate right side of face, neck, and nose. No nerve or artery involvement.

LCpl	HARRINGTON, R. J.	1913225/6331	HMM-163	gunner
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HOSTILE 23 May 1968. 11 miles south of Danang, Quang Nam Province. Flying on medevac mission when aircraft received small arms fire upon entry to LZ. Wounded by missile penetrating through and through left leg. No nerve or artery involvement.

Cpl	VERNON, V. W.	2307312/6332	HMM-163	crew chief
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HOSTILE 18 May 1968. 20 miles southwest of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On medevac mission when aircraft received small arms fire. Shrapnel lacerated upper left arm. No nerve or artery involvement.

Capt	DESSAUSSURE, E. C.	096112/7562	HMM-265	Pilot
Cpl	SMITH, R. L.	2271030/6320	HMM-265	crew chief
1stLt	POWERS, R. R. II	094198/7562	HMM-265	Co-pilot
LCpl	ANDERSON, L. L.	2281333/6341	HMM-265	gunner

HOSTILE 24 May 1968. 11 miles SSE of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On medevac mission when aircraft received enemy rocket fire on LZ. Gunner wounded by shrapnel lacerating left cheek; no nerve or artery involvement. Copilot received 2nd degree burns over 20% of body. No nerve or artery involvement. Crew chief received contusion of left knee; no nerve or artery involvement. Pilot received 1st and 2nd degree burns of face or right hand; no nerve or artery involvement.

1stLt	BRYANT, M. N.	0100749/7562	HMM-265	Pilot
2ndLt	PRATT, F. J.	0103187/7562	HMM-265	Co-pilot

HOSTILE 12 miles south of Danang, Quang Nam Province. On 24 May 1968. On medevac mission when aircraft received automatic weapons fire upon lift off from LZ. Co-pilot received plexiglass fragments right neck, upper right arm, and right leg; no nerve or artery involvement. Pilot received plexiglass fragments in left upper arm; no nerve or artery involvement.

HN	SAMS, J. M.	B201081/8404	MAB-16	Corpsman
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HOSTILE 30 May 1968. 7 miles SSW Danang, Quang Nam Province. On medevac mission when aircraft took rounds going into LZ. Missile wound left buttock; no nerve or artery involvement.

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MEMORANDUM

From: S-2 Officer  
To: S-3 Officer

Subj: Intelligence Input for Command Chronology (U)

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1C, paragraph 6c

1. In compliance with reference (a), the intelligence input for the MAG-16 Command Chronology for May 1968 is submitted herein.

2. Ground Activity. During the month of May the enemy conducted the following attacks against Marble Mountain Air Facility:

5 May	-	41 Rounds of Mortars (82mm)
12 May	-	20 Rounds of 122mm Rockets
20 May	-	31 Rounds of Mortars (82mm)
22 May	-	20 Rounds of Mortars (82mm)

3. Antiaircraft Fire Incidents.

a. 456 fire incidents were reported during the period, up 210 from the previous month; 98 of which resulted in aircraft hits; up 59 from the previous month.

b. Enemy AA fire caused 11 USMC WIA crew, 1 USMC MIA, 1 aircraft to crash USMC, 4 aircraft destroyed USMC and 2 missions to be aborted.

4. Intelligence Information.

a. 16 aircrew spot reports of intelligence value were received from aircrews and other sources; this is an increase of 2 from the previous month.

b. 4 reports of intelligence were received from indigenous sources; up 2 from the previous month.

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5. Statistical Data.

- a. Flight Hours per Fire Incident: 16.3; down 7.3 from the previous month.
- b. Flight Hours per Aircraft Hit: 75.7; down 73.4 from the previous month.
- c. Flight Hours per aircrew Spot Report: 463.7; up 48.4 from the previous month.

6. Enemy Casualties and Damage Inflicted. MAG-16 inflicted 25 confirmed KIA and 1 probable KIA on the enemy, destroyed 3 structures, damaged 15 structures and 1 possible 30 Caliber position destroyed.

7. Special Intelligence Report. A special intelligence report concerning counterintelligence, 5th Counterintelligence Team investigation report of interest to MMAF was promulgated to subordinate, tenant and adjacent activities.

  
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 5 June 1968

From: Group S-4  
 To: Group S-3

Subj: Command Chronology; submission of

Ref: (a) GMAO 5750.1A

1. Significant events within the logistics field for the period 1 May through 31 May 1968 are as follows:

- a. LtCol T. E. MILLER assigned the duties of MAC-16, S-4.
- b. 14 Southeast Asia Hqs were moved from Staff Quarters to HQT-167 living and operating area.
- c. 60% of the East parking apron has been completed.
- d. Revetments for OV-10's are in progress.
- e. Air Freight processed from Marble Mountain Aircraft Facility during the period was:

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Cubic Feet</u>	<u>Passengers</u>
280,302	11,996	294

f. Aviation fuels dispensed during the period was:

	<u>115/145</u>	<u>JP-4</u>
FWAF	151,120 Gal	679,388 Gal
Ad Hoc	4,550 Gal	108,313 Gal
Ull 55		26,797 Gal
Total	<u>155,670 Gal</u>	<u>814,498 Gal</u>

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WGS:ptt  
4 June 68

From: Civic Action Officer, MAG-16  
To: Commanding Officer, MAG-16

Subj: Command Chronology for the month of May 68.

I. Medical/Dental Assistance

A. MAG-16

1. The doctors and corpsmen of MAG-16 assisted the following during the month of May.

- a) Stella Maris Dispensary/Orphanage
- b) Protestant Orphanage
- c) Boys Town Orphanage

2. 2,189 patients were seen and treated during the month.

3. 7 Vietnamese Nationals are undergoing training in health and sanitation,

4. Every Thursday Vietnamese workers aboard MAG-16 receive physicals.

B. 3<sup>rd</sup> LVT

1. The doctors and corpsmen of 3<sup>rd</sup> LVT treated a total of 652 patients during the month of May.

2. 1 Vietnamese National is undergoing training in health and sanitation.

C. 5<sup>th</sup> Comm.BN

1. The doctors and corpsmen of 5<sup>th</sup> Comm. BN. treated a total of 70 patients during the month of May.

2. 1 Vietnamese National is undergoing training in health and sanitation.

D. MCB-128

1. The doctors and corpsmen of MCB-128 treated a total of 325 during the month of May.

E. MCB-53

1. Med-Cap schedule:

8-5, 10:45-16

10 May 68

Every A.M. (except Thursday) USOM T.B. Hospital, Danang 2 times weekly (aft) Dong-Giang Refugee Village 2 times weekly (aft) My-Thi hamlet 1 time weekly (aft.) Sacred Heart Dispensary. Each day 1 corpsman visits Son-Cha village.

F. DSAC, 560<sup>th</sup> Gen, Sup, Co.

1. Arrangements have been made on a strictly limited basis to transport one person at a time to 95th EVAC Hospital (Army) for treatment. This will be available for serious medical cases in Son-Thuy II hamlet.

## II. Education

### A. MAG-16

1. Every Thursday of the month, housemaids of MAG-16 are given instruction in the English language. Each class is a  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour in duration.

2. Seven students are studying under the General Walt Scholarship Program. Every month 3500\$VN is donated from MAG-16 Civic Action Office with the funds being allocated from 1st MAW.

3. The Monthly Wing and Group Personal Response Meetings were held during this reporting period. Squadron Personal Response Meetings started on 4 June.

### B. 3<sup>rd</sup> LVT.

One movie was shown at the Officer Club on 26 May for 55 children and adults.

### C. MCB-128

1. A total of 3 movies were shown with an attendance of 650 people.

2. 2 English classes were held during the month. Attend : 6 people.

### D. DSAC, 560th Gen. Sup. Co.

1. DSAC Chaplin teaches his students 26 hours of English per month.

## III. Projects

### A. MAG-16

1. Among MAG-16's projects including the Village School, Village Dispensary, Nui-Kim-Son Pagoda etc. The majority of this past month's work has been concentrated on the re-construction of 15 homes in Nui-Kim-Son that were destroyed by the 4 May 68 Viet-Cong rocket attack. Work is progressing extremely well. Est 35% complete.

2. Work on the village school is progressing steadily and the dispensary is drawing close to completion..

3. MAG-16 continued to support the Hoa-Long village Contingency Fund with

personnel from Civil Affairs. MAG-16 used to guard and supervise the detail at NSA trash dump.

B. 5<sup>th</sup> Comm. BN.

1. Construction of the bridge at Da-Mon hamlet has been completed and now in use.

2. Construction of a house for a 5<sup>th</sup> Comm. BN. Vietnamese employee has been delayed due to lack of lumber.

C. DSAC 560<sup>th</sup> Gen. Sup. Co.

1. Construction of 13 houses with lumber, tin and cement provided. Est. 54 $\frac{1}{2}$ % complete.

2. DSAC is providing MAG-16's Nui-Kim-Son house re-construction project with large quantities of cement. Est 35% complete.

3. DSAC is also assisting MAG-16 with roofing materials for the Village School Project.

4. Provided materials, lumber and tin to improve and repair two dwellings in Danang.

Completed.

5. Information concerning Vietnamese customs and way of life is being published in the 1st LOG.Command Newspaper and broadcast on Danang T.V. Capt. Brasser, the CAO of DSAC 560th Gen, Sup, Co., had a personal interview on Civil Affairs Projects on Danang radio.

6. Provided lumber and tin to complete a school project at the Baptist Activities Center, 33 Hoang-Dieu Street in Danang.

IV. Give-away.

1. MAG-16

- a. 72 sheets of tin for new school and for pagoda destroyed by friendly fire.
- b. 94 bags of cement for housing project.
- c. 2 carpenter's kits.
- d. Assorted school kits to Primary School teacher in Nui-Kim-Son.
- e. 1 water pump to 5th Comm for use in Da-Mon.
- f. 8 bags of cement for school project.
- g. 2465 Lbs. for 1120 people at Stella Maris Dispensary/Orphanage.

2. 3rd LVT.

- a. 250 Lbs. of clothing to orphanage
- b. 22 bags of rice for P.F.'s

- c. 16 sheets of tin
- d. 9 bags of cement for school
- e. 35 lbs of clothes and 6 lbs of soap to workers.
- f. 7 loads of rubble to New life hamlet.
- g. 3 loads of lumber to New life hamlet
- h. 130\$U.S. to Orphanage.
- i. Party for 55 children and adults in 3rd LVT compound

3. 5th Comm. BN.

- a. 50 suits of childrens clothes bought in Danang. Cost 7400\$VN.
- b. 2 soccer balls to children of Da-Mon.
- c. 3 Beach parties for 134 children.

4. MCB-53

- a. Swing and slide for China Beach Orphanage
- b. \$55 U.S. to China Beach Orphanage
- c. 75 lbs clothing to Sacred Heart.
- d. 20 lbs soap to Sacred Heart and China Beach Orphanages.
- f. 12,000 lbs of garbage to Sacred Heart Orphanage for animal feed.
- g. 1600 lbs. paper to Protestant school in Danang
- h. 100 school kits to Protestant school in Danang
- i. 50 loads of scrap lumber and tin to Amputee Hospital, China Beach orphanage, Sacred Heart orphanage and Protestant Church, Danang.
- j. 20 sheets of plywood, 40, 2" x 4" lumber, China Beach Orphanage.
- k. 13224\$ U.S. for scholarship students of Son-Cha village for monthly tuition.
- l. 20\$U.S. to seven orphanage in local school.

5. DSAC, 560th Gen.Sup. Co.

- a. 17,500 lbs of cement
- b. 81 sheets of tin.
- c. 1,410 board ft. of lumber
- d. 1,000 lbs of dunnage lumber.
- e. 250 lbs of clothing
- f. 100,000 lbs of wet and dry garbage
- g. Chaplin donated 1,132\$US to various religions and Social groups in Danang.
- h. 20 Bibles and 10 magazines to library at Baptist Activity Center in Danang.



## V. Govt

Although MAG-16's TAOR was the recipient of Viet-Cong rocket and ground attacks during the month the villager's support and assistance in various projects is excellent.

Progress is continuing in every aspect. The village chief is working hand-in-hand with the MAG-16 Civic Action Team.

## VI. Summary

The MAG-16 Civil Affairs Team met continuously throughout the month with Hoa-Long village chief, Mr. Lien and other hamlet officials. The attitudes of the people during May remained good.

Also, a Civil Affairs meeting was held with the village officials of Hoa-Long.



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19:whs  
 5750  
 5 JUNE 1968

From: Group Chaplain  
 To: Commanding Officer (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1C

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following is a report of the activities of the Group chaplains for the month of May.

PART I

Organizational data:

Group Chaplain: LCDR. G. E. Haroldsen, 1-31 May  
 LCDR R.R. Scheer, 1-9 May, transferred to MAG 39  
 LT. W.J. Klapps, 1-9 May, transferred to MAG 36  
 LT. B.R. Walker, 7-31 May, transferred from MAG 36

On 3 May 1968, Captain L.M. Linguist, CHC, USN, Staff Chaplain, Headquarters, USMC, paid an official visit to the MAG 16 chaplains.

PART II

Narrative summary:

During the month of May, MAG 16 chaplains provided Sunday and daily religious services at PMAF in addition to weekly services at AN HOA Airfield. The Group Catholic chaplain also conducted masses at the chapels in 5th Comm. Bn. and MCB 128.

The chaplains ministry and allied activities are reflected in the following figures:

<u>DIVINE SERVICES</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Weekday</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>TotSer</u>	<u>TotAtt.</u>
Protestant	9	497	27	106	36	603
Catholic	7	544	22	212	29	756
LDS	4	68	4	23	8	91
TOTALS	20	1109	53	341	73	1450

(Also non-Group services were held with 345 attending)

<u>MEMORIAL SERVICES</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
	1	48

  

<u>LECTURES</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Indoctrination	2	223

## PART III

The Group chaplains cooperate with and supports the Civic Action program within the Group's area of responsibility. In addition, they render assistance to local missionary enterprises and Vietnamese churches, pastors, and schools. During the month of May the following help was rendered:

- (a) Southern Baptist Mission, Danang \$100.00  
An Hai Protestant Church school \$100.00  
(total of 23,600 Piastres)
- (b) St. John's Seminary-----29,000 lbs. assorted PX goods.



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# COMMUNICATIONS

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16  
1st MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FMFPac  
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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
**10:CRN:reb**  
**5 June 1968**

**From: Communications Officer**  
**To: S-3 Officer**

**Subj: Comments for the Command Chronology, May 1968**

1. Attached are the comments from Communications for inclusion in the Command Chronology.

*C. R. Nix*  
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*Corson D, MAC-11*

*May 68*

COMMUNICATIONS Personnel losses exceeded personnel gains during this period. Currently a shortage exists of Communications Center and Wire personnel. However, by cross-training personnel from the Radio Section, the Message Center continues to operate efficiently. Message traffic continues to be big business. Total volume of messages handled by MAG-16 Communications Center was 7,951, a slight decrease of 127 from the previous period. 106 hours of down time was experienced during the month due to faulty equipment.

The following transactions were effected by the Repair Section:

1. 128 items of equipment were processed.
2. 105 items of equipment returned to section.
3. 9 items of equipment evacuated to higher echelon of maintenance.
4. 9 items of equipment returned from higher echelon of maintenance.
5. 49 requisitions processed by Supply Section.

During the rocket attack of 4-5 May, 1 telephone TA-312/PT and approximately 2000 feet of 6 and 12 pair cable connecting the TOM-10 and TOM-20 intercommunications system were destroyed. Restoration of these two systems required approximately 30 hours with all available Wire personnel exerting the maximum effort. On 12 May, Marble Mountain was subjected to an enemy rocket attack at which time, the TOM-10 and TOM-20 cable system was severely damaged. It was evident that the hangar area of H&MS-16 and all tactical squadrons are becoming an enemy rocket and mortar impact area. Therefore, a decision was made to bury four cables, totaling 150 pairs. This would provide adequate protected circuits for the TOM-10 and TOM-20 and all MAG-16 lines to the tactical squadrons.

less HMM-163 as well as the five TOM-20 systems for 3M. This should result in a significant reduction in telephone trouble caused by flying shrapnel. Further, a new five pair and 26 pair cable connecting MAG-16 and Zulu Company has been installed and buried to prevent any interruption by rocket and mortars. During this period the new Command Bunker was completed. The mutual cooperation of Communications, Operations and Intelligence section was evident throughout and permitted these sections to relocate in the new facility without diminution of staff efficiency or operational effectiveness.

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MAG-16 S&C Log No.

None  
 None  
 0552-68  
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 None  
 00558-68  
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 0558-68 (HMM-265 Log No)  
 0467-68 (HMM-265 Log No)  
 0547-68  
 None *Filed w/ Cmd Chron*

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*Sep*

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Group S-3

DATE: 2 Jun 1968

FROM : Adjutant

SUBJECT: Command Chronology for the month of <sup>May</sup> ~~June~~ 1968

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1C

Encl: (1) Command Chronology

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

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