

HEADQUARTERS  
Marine Aircraft Group 16  
3d Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMFPac  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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SerNo. 003A11071  
20 April 1971

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Distribution List

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1-14 April 1971

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.4

Encl: (1) Command Chronology for Marine Aircraft Group 16

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. This letter is downgraded to unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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<u>1. Designation</u>	<u>Commander</u>	<u>1-14 Apr 71</u>
CO, MAG-16	Col STREET, L. C. III	1-14 Apr 71
XO, MAG-16	LtCol GILLIS, J. E.	1-14 Apr 71

Subordinate Units

H&MS-16	Maj SILARD, C. D. Jr.	1-14 Apr 71
MABS-16	LtCol DEAN, J. M.	1-14 Apr 71
HML-167	LtCol BLANC, R. J.	1-14 Apr 71
HMM-262	LtCol WEST, F. K.	1-14 Apr 71
HMM-263	Maj ANDERSON, D. N.	1-14 Apr 71
HML-367	LtCol REESE, C. L.	1-14 Apr 71
HMH-463	LtCol REAP, T. S.	1-14 Apr 71

2. Location

1-14 April 1971: Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer	LtCol GILLIS, J. E.	1-14 Apr 71
Adjutant	Capt FEASELMAN, C. H.	1-14 Apr 71
S-1	Maj BARRY, J. A.	1-14 Apr 71
S-2	Capt GARCIA, A. J.	1-14 Apr 71
S-3	LtCol STEADMAN, H. W.	1-14 Apr 71
S-4	LtCol LEISY, R. R.	1-14 Apr 71

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
331	1,556	7	23

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PART II

Narrative Summary

MAG-16 continued its support of Free World Military Assistance Forces in the I Corps Tactical Zone. MAG-16 flew a total of 2,632.1 hours and 7,958 sorties while supporting the First Marine Division, First Marine Aircraft Wing, The United States Army, the Republic of Korea Marines and the Army of the Republic of Viet Nam.

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PART IIISequential Listing of Significant Events

1. Awards. One Distinguished Flying Cross and 181 Strike/Flight Air Medals were awarded during the first half of April 1971.

2. Enemy Casualties and Damage Inflicted. MAG-16 inflicted 5 KBMA (Confirmed), 17 KBMA (Probable), 16 Hootches destroyed and 4 secondary explosions.

3. Intelligence. 8 aircrew spot reports of intelligence value were received from aircrews and other sources.

4. Sequential Listing of Significant Events by Date.

- 4 April 1971: Two UH-1E's from HML-167 were credited with destroying five (5) Hootches during a resupply mission.
- 4 April 1971: Two UH-1E's from HML-167 were credited with destroying three (3) Hootches while on a resupply mission for the ARVN's.
- 5 April 1971: Two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with one (1) secondary explosion while on mission 50.
- 5 April 1971: While supporting the 1st Marine Division, two UH-1E's from HML-167 were credited with two (2) KBMA (probable).
- 7 April 1971: On a troop insert, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with destroying one (1) Hootch.
- 8 April 1971: During a strike mission for the 1st Marine Division, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with two (2) KBMA (probable).
- 9 April 1971: In support of the U. S. Army, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with destroying two (2) Hootches, with two (2) secondary explosions and three (3) KBMA (confirmed).
- 11 April 1971: During a troop extract, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with four (4) KBMA (probable).
- 11 April 1971: On mission 80, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with three (3) KBMA (probable).
- 14 April 1971: On mission 71, two Cobras from HML-367 were credited with one (1) KBMA (confirmed).

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- 14 April 1971: During a strike for the USA, HML-367 was credited with one (1) KEMA (confirmed), five KEMA (probable), five (5) Hootches destroyed and one (1) secondary explosion.
- 14 April 1971: HML-367 was credited with one (1) KEMA (probable) during a visual reconnaissance mission.

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5. Air OperationsHM-L-167(UH-1E)

Hours 685.2  
Sorties 1,847  
KEA (Confirmed) Ø  
Pax 871

HM-L-367(AH-1G/J)

504.1  
1,036  
5  
Ø

HM-L-262(CH-46D)

Hours 606.0  
Sorties 2,326  
Pax 2,837  
Cargo (Tons) 43.5  
Evacs 43

HM-L-263(CH-46D)

557.3  
1,940  
5,484  
93.4  
50

HM-L-463(CH-53D)

Hours 274.0  
Sorties 845  
Pax 4,485  
Cargo (Tons) 893.7  
TAR's Ø

HM-L-16(CH-46D)

5.5  
4  
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MAG-16      TOTAL

Hours 2,632.1  
Sorties 7,958  
Pax 13,677  
Cargo (Tons) 1,030.6  
Evacs 93  
KEA (Confirmed) 5  
TAR's Ø

FY 71 TOTAL

75,643.2  
254,941  
444,168  
45,375.5  
8,926  
359  
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6. Hostile Fire Analysis

a. Enroute Fire Incident/Hit Chart

	OVER 500'	UNDER 500'	TOTAL
INCIDENTS	5	2	7
HITS	1	0	1

b. Fire Incident/Hit Chart

<u>TYPE MSN.</u>	<u>FLT TIME</u>		<u>FIRE INCIDENTS</u>		<u>HITS</u>	
	HR.	%	NUMBER	%	INCID	%
MEDEVAC	168	6	9	23	0	0
STRIKE	919	36	12	30	2	29
OTHER	1545	58	18	47	5	71
TOTAL	2632	100	39	100	7	100

c. Based on the above chart and prior compiled data, all flights below 1500 feet AGL are escorted by gunships.

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PART IV

Supporting Documents

MAG-16 Control Number/  
Letter Identification

<i>filed up</i>	- Command Chronology of HML-167	03A10771
	- Command Chronology of HMM-262	03A10571
	- Command Chronology of HMM-263	03A10571
	- Command Chronology of HML-367	03A10871
	- Command Chronology of HMM-463	03A10971
	- Command Chronology of H&MS-16	CO, H&MS-16 ltr 1/CTL/acl 5213 of 15Apr71
- Command Chronology of MABS-16	CO, MABS-16 ltr of 16Apr71	
- Command Chronology of MAG-16 S-1	S-1 Off ltr 1:CHF:mjt 1080 of 14Apr71	
- Command Chronology of MAG-16 S-2	0210571	
- Command Chronology of MAG-16 S-4	S-4 Off ltr 4:WBJ:jeb 5750 of 19Apr71	
- Command Chronology of MAG-16 Chaplain	Chaplain ltr 19:JPR:jmm 5750.1C of 16Apr71	
<i>FW MAG-16</i>	- Command Chronology of Motor Transport, MAGS-16	MTO, Ltr 35:PNP:jfs of 15Apr71

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14 Apr 71

## GROUP S-1 COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

## Part 1 Organizational Data

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

TASK ORGANIZATION

H&MS-16 MIAF, RVN  
MABS-16 MIAF, RVN  
HML-167 MIAF, RVN  
HMM-262 MIAF, RVN  
HMM-263; MIAF, RVN  
HML-367; MIAF, RVN  
HMH-463; MIAF, RVN

COMMAND AND RANK COMPOSURE

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
CO, MAG-16	STRAUT, L. C. III	Col.	1-14 Apr 71
XO, MAG-16	GILLIS, J. E.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
S-1	BARRY, J. A.	Maj	1-14 Apr 71
S-2	GARCIA, A. J.	Capt	1-14 Apr 71
S-3	STRAUBEN, H. W.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
S-4	LEISY, R. R.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
CO, H&MS-16	SILARD, C. C.	Maj	1-14 Apr 71
CO, MABS-16	DEAN, J. M.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
CO, HML-167	BLANC, R. J.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
CO, HMM-262	WEST, F. R.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
CO, HMM-263	ANDERSON, D. N.	Maj	1-14 Apr 71
CO, HML-367	REESE, C. L.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71
CO, HMH-463	REAP, T. S.	LtCol	1-14 Apr 71

AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		NAVY	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
H&MS-16	52	365	0	0
MABS-16	25	501	3	23
HML-167	19	107	0	0
HML-367	60	118	1	0
HMH-463	27	142	1	0
HMM-262	27	100	1	0
HMM-263	20	137	1	0

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From: Intelligence Officer  
To: Operations Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
Subj: Intelligence Input for the Command Chronology (U)

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D

Encl: (1) Narrative Summary

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the intelligence input for the MAG-16 Command Chronology for 1 thru 14 April 1971 is hereby submitted.

2. This letter is unclassified upon removal of Enclosure (1).

*A. J. Garcia*  
A. J. GARCIA

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Intelligence Section, MAG-16, MFAW, FMFPac, FPO San Francisco 96602  
Captain Anthony J. GARCIA 089404/7562 USMC has filled the billet of  
Intelligence Officer from 16 January 1971 to present.

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Ground Activity. During the period 1-14 April 1971, the enemy did not  
conduct any attacks against Marble Mountain Air Facility.

2. Anti-Aircraft Activity

a. 39 fire incidents were reported during this period; 7 of which resulted  
in aircraft hits.

b. There were no .50 caliber incidents for this reporting period.

c. Enemy AA fire caused the following casualties during this reporting  
period: 1 USMC WIA(M) Co-Pilot

3. Intelligence Information

a. 8 aircrew spot reports of intelligence value were received from  
aircrews and other sources.

b. No reports of intelligence value were received from indigenous  
sources.

4. Statistical Data

a. Flight Hours per Fire Incident: 66.8

b. Flight Hours per Aircraft Hit: 372.2

c. Flight Hours per Aircraft Spot Reports: 325.7

5. Enemy Casualties and Damage Inflicted. MAG-16 inflicted 5 KBMA (CONF),  
17 KBMA (PROB), 16 Hootches destroyed, 4 secondary explosions.

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