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1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosures (1), (2) and (3) are hereby forwarded.


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MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, VIETNAM, MABS-16, 1-28Feb67

PART ONE

Organization Data

1. LtCol Charles E. WYDNER, Jr., Commanding Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Major Raymond A. JASICA, Executive Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Major James H. COFFIN, Camp Commander, Dong Ha, 1-10Feb67
 Capt Milton B. ROGERS, Communications Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Capt Sidney B. WAPNER, Base Operations Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Capt Clarence B. SMITH, Motor Transport Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Capt John R. WATTS, Food Services Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Capt Dennis C. BEYMA, Commanding Officer Zulu Company, 1-28Feb67
 1stLt Michael S. FEPNEAU, Material Officer, 1-28Feb67
 1stLt Michael D. WALKER, Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 11-28Feb67
 2ndLt Jerry C. BLACK, Base Services Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt Robert F. PRICE, Administrative Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt James J. CASEY, Asst. Communications Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt James M. DUFRRIEND, OIC MABS-16 Detachment Dong Ha, 1Feb67
 2ndLt Avron J. WATTS, Legal Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt Thomas M. ERETH, Clubs Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt Gary G. MEYERS, Aerology Officer, 1-28Feb67
 TARDS Officer, Crash Crew Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Asst Base Operations Officer, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt Delano C. WEATHERFORD, IRO, 1-28Feb67
 2ndLt James E. Ray, Asst Communications Officer, 1-28Feb67
 CWO-3 Charles H. DOWLING, Asst Motor Transport Officer, 1-28Feb67
 CWO-2 George E. WALKER, Camp MaintO, Phu Bai Det., 1-28Feb67
 WO-1 Winfred B. HENSON, Asst Clubs Officer, 1-28Feb67
 WO-1 James B. INGLET, Clubs Officer, Phu Bai Det. 1-10Feb67
 Asst Clubs Officer, Phu Bai Det. 11-28Feb67
 WO-1 Paul J. MANTLEY, Asst Material Officer, 24-28Feb67
 WO-1 Jean P. HALL, Base Services Officer, Dong Ha, 1-28Feb67
 LtCdr Jack D. GRAHAM, Protestant Chaplain, 1-28Feb67
 Lt James L. BARCOCK, Group Medical Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Lt Dennis B. DIEBENFIELD, Dental Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Lt John W. WISHARD, Catholic Chaplain, 1-28Feb67
 Lt Jay N. ROSENBERGER, Dental Officer, 1-28Feb67
 Lt Lawrence J. BENTLEY, Catholic Chaplain, Phu Bai, 3-28Feb67

2. Marine Officers - 23
 Navy Officers - 6

Marine Enlisted - 773
 Navy Enlisted - 10

PART TWO

Narrative Summary

1. This report covers the period 1-28 February 1967. During this period MABS-16 continued to support the facilities at Marble Mountain, Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe Sahn. New construction and improvements to existing facilities are continually in progress at each of the four sites.

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Personnel and equipment assigned to the aforementioned bases were not changed significantly.

PART THREE

Significant Events

1. Personnel. Two Marine Officers, 1 Navy Officer, 18 Marine Enlisted and 5 Navy Enlisted were joined. Two Marine Officers, 26 Marine Enlisted and 6 Navy Enlisted were dropped.

2. Awards. The following awards were presented:

- a. Bronze Star w/combat "V"; LCpl E. W. GUYETT Jr. 2203232
- b. 11th Air Medal; Major R. A. JASICA 061931
- c. 2nd Air Medal; LtCol C. E. WYNNER Jr. 012127
- d. 16th Air Medal; Capt J. R. WATTS 087680
- e. 5th Air Medal; SSgt R. G. CLINTS 1167800
- f. 1st Air Medal; Cpl R. G. MAKI 2082954
- g. 11th, 5th Air Medal; HM3 R. STEPHEN 3917601
- h. 1st, 2nd Air Medal; LCpl R. W. PORTER 2036130
- i. 3rd thru 8th Air Medal; LCpl D. J. HASZYLYNA 2175419
- j. Purple Heart; PFC J. D. PEARSON 2161365
- k. Good Conduct Medal; Cpl G. L. PARKER 2085160 1st Award
- l. Good Conduct Medal; Sgt D. J. HYLAND 2073966 1st Award
- m. Good Conduct Medal; Sgt J. R. PARPIS 2076695 1st Award
- n. Good Conduct Medal; Cpl G. L. CAIN 2088925 1st Award
- o. Good Conduct Medal; Cpl A. J. ROSE 2083217 1st Award
- p. Good Conduct Medal; Cpl P. G. MAY 2071175 1st Award
- q. Certificate of Commendation; 2ndLt J. C. Black 093550
- r. Certificate of Commendation; GySgt C. E. NETHERLAND 133871
- s. Certificate of Commendation; Cpl J. R. CARR 2209567
- t. Certificate of Commendation; Sgt B. L. PAJANIEMI 1817518
- u. Certificate of Commendation; Sgt L. J. GEPBEP 2021190
- v. Letter of Commendation; LCPL D. L. NICHOLS 2111515

3. Civic Action. The Med-Cap held a total of 15 sick calls between Son Thuy Village and the Catholic Convent. The following number of patients were treated:

Men	110
Women	211
Children	601
Total	922

4. Ground Defense. No probes were experienced during the month. The rehabilitation program of the defensive perimeter bunkers was completed. A permanent chain link fence was placed around the Facility Perimeter. Zulu Company removed the concertina wire from the beach area.

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5. Supply/Material. The issue of handling of 782 gear and weapons were transferred to Group Supply.

6. Motor Transport. The Section traveled 50,984 miles during the month of February. The section hauled 770,000 gallons of water working on an around the clock schedule. There were 10 vehicles deadlined at the end of this month.

7. TARDS. The TARDS Section was supporting operations Prairie II, Stone and Independence. Support of Marble Mountain, Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe Sanh and adjacent operations were continued.

LOCATION	JP-4	115/145
Marble Mountain	345871	176834
Phu Bai	212660	95381
Dong Ha	102697	94410
Total	761228	366625

8. Crash Crew. A total of forty-seven personnel (one officer and forty-six enlisted) were assigned during this reported period. Of this total, seven enlisted were assigned to the Phu Bai Airfield, six enlisted were assigned to the Dong Ha Airfield and three enlisted were assigned to the Khe Sanh Airfield. The Equipment assigned during the reported period consisted of seven MB-5 Crash Fire Fighting Trucks, three of which were down for engine work, and one for survey. One M 530-B Structural Fire Fighting Truck as well as two Dry Chemical Airlift (Ansul) Units mounted on M-35A1 trucks were assigned.

a. Marble Mountain Air Facility Crash Crew responded to a total of thirteen (13) emergencies including one crash of an Army Beaver and one structural fire in the Army Flight Line Area.

b. The Phu Bai Section of MMAF Crash Crew responded to a total of eighty-eight (88) emergencies which included a crash of one CH-34.

c. The Dong Ha Section of MMAF Crash Crew responded to a total thirty-four (34) emergencies, none of which resulted in a crash of any aircraft.

9. Base Operations/Weather. During the month of February, the total strength of the MAG-16 Weather Service was raised to one (1) officer and twenty-one enlisted. The Rawinsonde Team, at Dong Ha, commenced four (4) upper air soundings a day, to supply high altitude winds for tactical flight operations.

10. Food Services. The Marble Mountain Mess served 21,400 meals, this included 14,000 night rations. New Milk Dispensers were installed in the messhall at Marble Mountain Air Facility.

11. Base Development/Utilities. Six new personnel were joined and one was detached.

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a. Water Point. The Water Point processed 835,325 gallons of potable water and distributed 3,810 gallons to various support units. The Water Point has easily turned out and processed enough water to complete their mission of supply to all of the group.

b. Paint Shop. The Sign Shop painted 63 signs. Thirty-six of these signs were painted for MAG-16 S-4 (F-7). A total of 10 signs have been painted for the beach to aid in the safety of sun-bathers and those who wish to swim.

c. Electric Shop. The Electric Shop personnel answered 57 trouble calls during the month, and rewired 11 living quarters. The new MARS-16 library was wired for lights. Lights have been installed on the runway crossing signs for additional warning to persons who must cross the runway.

d. Plumbing Shop. The Plumbing Shop personnel answered eight (8) trouble calls during the month of February. They installed a hot water heater in the messhall, and installed six (6) faucets at the Zulu Company Shower. The Plumbing Shop pumped the leach beds behind the messhall, and heated the showers daily. Zulu Company now has their showers heated each morning.

e. Refrigeration Shop. The Refrigeration Shop answered five (5) trouble calls during the month. They repaired the reefer in the messhall spud locker, repaired cooler in Officer's Mess, and hooked up new ice machine in the messhall.

f. Carpenter Shop. The Carpenter Shop completed 142 work assignments. The following are some of the major jobs performed: Constructed a connecting passage way between the two Fishbusing Offices; made storage cabinets for the Messhall; constructed 30 wheel chocks for CH-46A detachment; constructed 6 picnic tables for the Enlisted Men's Club; made and hung doors on the SNCO Club; finished construction of the library and built two outstanding tables while adding to the beauty and comfort of the MARS-16 Library; constructed tower at Enlisted Men's shower; remodeled the Group Colonel's Office; constructed one (1) four hole head; installed sign at Main Gate; constructed 11 tables to be shipped to Phu-Bai; repaired the deck of four (4) huts; constructed another building to be used as a barber shop; and completed various maintenance jobs throughout MMAF.

g. Generator Shop. The Generator Shop performed a total of five (5) third echelon repair jobs. They performed all first and second echelon maintenance with a minimum amount of breakdown. A 75KW generator was returned from rehabilitation and was placed at the Officer/Staff Area. A 20KW was also returned from rehabilitation and is now in operation. The Generator Personnel installed a new rotor and stator to the 100KW which was once maintained by H&MS's personnel.

Water Point. The Water Point processed 827,322 gallons of water and distributed 3,810 gallons to various support units. The Water Point had cut and processed enough water to

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h. Laundry. The laundry processed 18,950 pounds of clothing, and collected organizational gear to turn over to the civilian laundry service.

i. Progress Report For Dong Ha, MAG-16 (Forward). (Camp consists of 61 buildings, 5 heads, and 3 tents)

(1) Carpenter Shop. The Carpenter Shop constructed water towers for the messhall, enlisted, and officer's showers; installed shutters on 15 huts built by MCB-5; installed and strined plastic on showers, messhall, and all hut doors (122 doors); installed urinals, constructed curtains on 6 MATCU and H&MS-16 work shop buildings; Constructed two huts at Khe Sanh; repaired and replaced 16 doors; constructed one 16' by 32' hut at Dong Ha; constructed 17 tables, 34 benches, two cabinets, and two tables for the messhall; constructed a scullery at officer's mess; replaced deck in hut #305 and repaired decks in huts #105, 106, 107, and 108; replaced screen in huts #212 and 215; built one work table for MATCU-62; constructed fuel drum racks for motor transport and messhall; repaired S-1 and S-4 offices; constructed and installed blinds for 8 urinals; installed gable on end of shutters for supply building; installed gable on end of hut #303; and painted and installed 12 fire barrels.

(2) Electric Shop. The Electric Shop replaced voltage regulator and charging generator on 20KW generator; cracked fuel filter housing on 75KW generator; extended camp power lines; (Now equals 4000 feet #4 and 1000 feet #2 wire); wired 15 new huts.

(3) Plumbing Shop. The Plumbing Shop installed a grease trap and partial drain pipe for the messhall and filled sand bags and built 9 bunkers.

12. Exchange. Monthly sales for the exchange during the month of February were \$50,225.63. Monthly sales for James S. Lee during the month of February were \$6,488.60.

PART FOUR

Documentation: None