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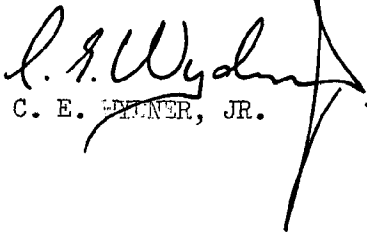
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(b) GrpO 5750.1A

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology 1-31 May 1967

1. In accordance with reference (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby forwarded.

  
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MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, VIETNAM, WABS-16 1-31May67

PART ONE

Organization Data

1. LtCol Charles E. WYDNER, JR., Commanding Officer, 1-31May67  
 Major Raymond A. JASICA, Executive Officer, 1-13May67  
 Major Francis R. MURRAY, Awaiting Assignment 1-13May67  
 Executive Officer, 14-31May67  
 Capt Gerald A. ENOS, Communications Officer, 1-31May67  
 Capt William G. SEYMOUR, Base Operations Officer, 1-31May67  
 Capt Harold C. JOHNSTON, Commanding Officer, Zulu Company, 1-29May67  
 Capt Bennett CHAPPEL III, Clubs Officer, 1-31May67  
 Capt Gerald C. SMITH, Post Exchange Officer, 1-31May67  
 1stLt Robert F. PRICE, Administrative Officer, 1-31May67  
 1stLt Gary G. MEYERS, Asst Base Operations Officer, 1-13May67  
 Weather Officer, 14-31May67  
 1stLt Michael D. WALKER, Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 1-21May67  
 1stLt William M. MURPHY, Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 22-31May67  
 1stLt Robert D. KEELER, Executive Officer, Zulu Company, 21-29May67  
 Commanding Officer, Zulu Company, 30-31May67  
 1stLt Jerry D. BENTHUL, Motor Transport Officer, Phu Bai, 1-31May67  
 2ndLt Jerry C. BLACK, Base Services Officer, 1-31May67  
 2ndLt Michael J. SCHOTT, Asst Base Operations Officer, 14-31  
 2ndLt Delano C. WEAVER, Industrial Relations Officer, 1-31May67  
 2ndLt James J. CASEY, Asst Communications Officer, Dong Ha, 1-31May67  
 2ndLt James E. RAY, Asst Communications Officer, Phu Bai, 1-31May67  
 2ndLt Oscar SHAW, Crash Crew Officer, 1-31May67  
 CWO-3 Charles H. DOWLING, Motor Transport Officer, 1-31May67  
 CWO-2 George E. WALKER, Camp Maintenance Officer, 1-31May67  
 WO-1 Winfred B. HENSON, Maintenance Officer, 1-31May67  
 WO-1 Paul J. MANLEY, Material Officer, 1-20May67  
 WO-1 Arthur W. PARKER, JR. Asst Material Officer, 1-20May67  
 Material Officer, 21-31May67  
 WO-1 Jean P. HALL, Base Services Officer, Dong Ha, 1-31May67  
 LtCdr Jack D. GRAHAM, Protestant Chaplain, 1-31May67  
 Lt James L. BABCOCK, Group Medical Officer, 1-8May67  
 Lt Dennis L. RANDALL, Group Medical Officer, 9-31May67  
 Lt Dennis B. DIERENFIELD, Dental Officer, 1-31May67  
 Lt Jew W. ROSENBERGER, Dental Officer, 1-31May67  
 Lt John W. WISHARD, Catholic Chaplain, 1-31May67  
 Lt Lawrence J. BENTLEY, Catholic Chaplain, Phu Bai, 1-31May67
2. Marine Officers - 22  
 Navy Officers - 6  
 Marine Enlisted - 804  
 Navy Enlisted - 37

## PART TWO

Narrative Summary

1. This report covers the period 1-31 May 1967. During this period PASS-16 continued to support the facilities at Marble Mountain, Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe Sanh. New construction and improvements to existing facilities are continually in progress at each of the four sites.

## PART THREE

Significant Events

1. Personnel. Three Marine Officers, 42 Marine Enlisted, and 1 Navy Officer and 27 Navy Enlisted were joined. Three Marine Officers, 71 Marine Enlisted, 1 Navy Officer and 6 Navy Enlisted were dropped.

2. Awards. The following awards were presented.

- a. 10th 15th Air Medal, Capt Bennett CHAPPLE III 080372
- b. 12th Air Medal, Capt Gerald SMITH 091127
- c. 1st 2nd Air Medal, PT2 Theodore L. BLASHAK 6842479
- d. 2nd 3rd 4th 5th Air Medal, HM3 BURNETT F. GASTON 6834809
- e. 3rd 4th 5th Air Medal, HM2 Gary C. TESTIT 4732754
- f. 2nd 3rd 4th Air Medal, Gerry L. CUNTRY PT2 4218562
- g. 1st Air Medal, PT2 Robert O. BROGI 4705477
- h. Meritorious Mast, SSgt Charles M. AUSTIN 1871727
- i. -do- Cpl John W. GIANNONE 2096328
- j. -do- Cpl Elmer D. MEIER 1981949
- k. -do- Cpl Brian L. STUTTS 2085511
- l. -do- LCpl Paul E. JACROFF 2186288
- m. -do- LCpl John R. BIRBECK 2234456
- n. -do- Pfc Paul E. GUTSON, 2275808

3. Civic Action. The Med-Cap held a total of 17 sick calls between Hoa Lung Village, Stella Maris Neph Ya and Sacred Heart Orphanage. The following number of patients were treated:

Men	114
Women	247
Children	1094
	<u>1455</u>

4. Ground Defense. No enemy contacts or incidents occurred during the month. Improvements of ground defenses were continued. New sentry towers are under construction.

5. Supply/Material. Continued support was provided to the four airfields. Gunnery Sergeant Daly MOOIC rotated to COMUS

6. Motor Transport. The section traveled 105,658 miles during the month of May. The section hauled 915,160 gallons of water, 45,600 gallons of diesel fuel and 37,200 gallons of gasoline, working on an around the clock schedule. There were 26 Motor Transport Vehicles and 7 heavy equipment deadlined at the end of this period.

7. TAFDS. During the month this section supported operations Prairie IV, Union, Shaumee II, Crockett, Hickory, Beau Charger, Duval, Choctaw and Union II.

a. The following fuel was issued during this period:

<u>Location</u>	<u>JP-4</u>	<u>115/115</u>
Marble Mountain	386,217	230,285
Dong Ha	283,353	176,120
Phu Bai	500,034	189,902
LSA	69,668	19,517
Total	1,239,002	615,824

8. Crash Crew.

a. Marble Mountain Air Facility Crash Crew responded to a total of 30 standby/emergencies during the reporting period, including 1 helicopter crash and 1 Ol-C off station crash, 4 flight line fires, and one off station fire.

b. The Dong Ha Section of the MAF Crash Crew responded to a total of 24 aircraft standbys, 12 fires and 8 med-evacs.

c. The Phu Bai section of the MAF crash crew responded to a total of 15 standbys and 172 med-evacs for this period.

d. The Khe Sanh Section of the MAF Crash Crew responded to a total of 8 standbys and 19 med-evacs during the month of May.

9. Base Operations. The Base Operations Section supported all MAG-16 operations during the month of May.

10. Weather. During the month of May the weather service section supported MAG-16 in all tactical and non-tactical operations.

11. Food Services. The Marble Mountain Air Facility Messhall served approximately 206,500 meals during the month. Bakery products utilized 22,000 pounds of flour. A complete interior clean-up, paint-up, fix-up program was initiated and is nearing successful completion at this date.

12. Base Development/Utilities. During the month 6 new men were joined. This section currently has 3 officers and 114 enlisted personnel assigned.

a. Water Point. The water point processed 1,207,910 gallons of potable water and 127,150 gallons of nonpotable water during the month of May. The section has produced 500,000 gallons of water more this month due to the warmer weather and increase of personnel in the Group.

b. Paint Shop. During the month of May the paint shop completed 33 projects. A total of 80 signs were painted and issued out.

c. Electric Shop. The Electric Shop Personnel completed 92 projects and trouble calls during the month of May. The major projects completed were: Light switches were relocated at Group Supply, the new CP bunker was wired and air conditioners hooked up, downed lines were repaired between the 500 area and 600 area and spot lights were installed on the new observation tower.

d. Plumbing Shop. The plumbing shop completed 8 projects and numerous trouble calls during the month of May. Plumbing is well underway on the new beach house being constructed for V.I.P. visitors to this base.

e. Refrigeration Shop. The refrigeration shop answered 16 projects and trouble calls during the month. An ice machine was hooked up in the messhall, 2 new coolers were installed in the EM Club, an ice machine was installed in the Officer's Club. (1) MO-51E was sent to 1stFSP for repairs.

f. Generator Shop. During the month of May the Generator Shop performed all first and second echelon maintenance with a minimum of breakdown. Various generators were provided for airbases at Phu Bai and Dong Ha. (2) 150 KW and (3) 20 KW generators were received and put into use at MAF.

g. Carpenter Shop. During the month of May the carpenter shop completed (111) work assignments and trouble calls. The V. I. P. beach house and E-5 Club are both nearing completion. Approximately 115 huts were retined.

h. Laundry. During the month of May the base laundry processed 13,980 pounds of clothing and collected organizational gear to turn over to civilian laundry service. The laundry is continuing its individual bundle service to all ranks.

13. Exchange. The exchange went from a site exchange to a branch exchange of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing system on 12 May 1967.

Documentation: None