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To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16
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Encl: (1) MABS-16 Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions set forth in reference (a), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATADESIGNATION

1. MABS-16

2. LOCATION

1-31 October 1970: Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Maj S. L. WEINERTH, Jr., Executive Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Maj D. R. BOWEN, OIC MATCU-68, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Maj A. TRENT, Base Services Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt T. N. COX, GCA Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt F. J. CONTI, Electronics Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt C. L. WALKER, Utilities/Heavy Equipment Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt R. WALTHAM, OIC Zulu Company, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt C. R. MACIVER, Comm Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt J. E. LAKE, Clubs Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt D. E. HEARS, Operations Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Capt C. T. HANSEN, Jr. Motor Transport Officer, 8-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt M. S. SMITH, GCA Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt C. R. ARMSTRONG, Tower Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt M. W. RICH, IRO, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt T. A. MCCORMICK, Material Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt J. J. GULVAS, Food Services Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt W. G. KENYON, Asst Utilities Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt G. D. RAINEY, "O" Clubs Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt L. D. HUGHES III, Asst Clubs Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt C. P. BRUST, Legal Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt B. F. LUBY, Asst Heavy Equipment Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt F. J. MOSIEJ, Asst OIC Zulu Company, 1-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt G. R. CRAWFORD, Jr., CAO, 3-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt J. L. WEBB, Air Traffic Control Officer, 26-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt L. L. WRIGHT, Asst "O" Clubs Officer, 13-31 Oct 1970
 1stLt F. P. DOMINO, Asst Comm Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 2ndLt J. J. BUCHANAN, Motor Transport Officer, 1-7 Oct; Asst Motor Transport Officer, 8-17 Oct; Squadron Training Officer, 18-31 Oct 1970
 2ndLt W. G. HALL, Jr., Admin Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 2ndLt D. D. DZARA, TAFBS Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 CWO 2 R. D. WISE, Weather Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 CWO 2 P. N. PANOS, Motor Transport Maintenance Officer, 1-31 Oct 1970
 CDR H. G. MACCALL III, Protestant Chaplain, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Lt J. B. FITZGERALD, Catholic Chaplain, 1-31 Oct 1970
 Lt (MC) W. C. LENTZ, Group Medical Officer, -31 Oct 1970

COMMANDER

Maj P. E. BENET
 1-31 October 1970

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

| USMC | |
|------|-----|
| Off | Enl |
| 31 | 657 |

| USN | |
|-----|-----|
| Off | Enl |
| 3 | 24 |

| OTHER | |
|-------|-----|
| Off | Enl |
| 0 | 37 |

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. This report covers the period 1-31 October 1970. During this period MABS-16 continued to support the facilities at Marble Mountain Air Facility, and LZ Baldy.

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Significant Events

1. Administration

a. Personnel. Two (2) Navy Enlisted dropped and Four (4) Navy Enlisted joined. Seven (7) Marine Officers dropped and five (5) Marine Officers joined. Forty-nine (49) Marine Enlisted dropped and thirty-eight (38) Marine Enlisted joined.

b. There were the following promotions: Seven (7) to Sergeant; Ten (10) to Corporal, Twenty-four (24) to Lance Corporal, and One (1) to Private First Class.

c. There were the following reductions in rank: Three (3) to Lance Corporal, Five (5) to Private First Class and One (1) to Private.

d. Casualties

(1) LCpl George E. FIELDING 225 52 38. Multiple shrapnel wounds to the arms, legs, face, and torso. Blasting cap exploded unexpectedly.

(2) PVT John M. DAWKINS 250 73 95. Possible rupture tympanic membrane. Blasting cap exploded unexpectedly.

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2. TAFDS

a. During the month of October 1970, TAFDS issued the following amounts of fuel at the locations indicated below:

| | <u>115/145</u> | <u>JP-4</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| MARBLE MOUNTAIN | N/A | 798,800 |
| HILL-65 | N/A | 41,812 |
| LZ BALDY | <u>N/A</u> | <u>276,290</u> |
| TOTAL | N/A | 1,107,902 |

3. Weather Service

a. During the month of October 1970, the weather section continued to support all Marine Aircraft Group 16 Operations in the Marble Mountain and LZ Baldy areas.

b. Weather Brief was initiated for the Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force.

4. Air Freight

Air Freight/Passengers moved.

| <u>WEIGHT</u> | <u>CUFT</u> | <u>PASSENGERS</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 28,904 | 668 | 92 |

5. Crash Crewa. EMERGENCY RESPONSES(1) Marble Mountain Air Facility

| | | |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>Aircraft Emergency Responses</u> | <u>Aircraft Fires</u> | <u>Structural Fires</u> |
| 24 | 0 | 0 |
| <u>Structural Responses</u> | <u>A/C Hover Checks</u> | <u>Standby Defuels</u> |
| 19 | 0 | 26 |
| | | <u>Standby Washdowns</u> |
| | | 17 |

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6. LZ Baldy. The MAG-16 Detachment supported all transient aircraft with crash, fire and rescue service, ordnance, weather information, refueling and air traffic control service throughout the month of October 1970. The Crash Crew responded to five calls. MATCU-68 provided air traffic control service to all aircraft in the local area. Total operations for the month of October was 9366.

7. Civic Action Officea. MEDICAL

(1) Med-Caps were held in Son Thuy, My Da, and Binh Ky hamlets during the month of October. A total of 1070 patients were treated.

(2) Six children from Son Thuy and Binh Ky were brought into dental at MAG-16.

(3) Several medical items were given to the Hoa Long Dispensary.

b. EDUCATION

(1) 2410 cans of chocolate milk were distributed at the Buddhist school in Son Thuy as part of our milk program.

c. ECONOMIC DEVELOPEMENT

(1) The new marketplace in Nui Kim Son is now complete and in use.

(2) 250 feet of 2"x4" was given to My Da for repair of the storehouse.

d. REFUGEE SUPPORT

(1) 200 pounds of cement and one bale of sandbags were given to CAP-5 for distribution as needed.

(2) Three boxes of clothes distributed in Son Thuy and Khue Bac.

(3) Tin and lumber was provided for several refugee families in the area.

8. Ordnance. During the month of October the MAG 16 Flare Crew was called out four times and dropped a total of 377 MK 24 MOD 4 Flares.

9. Zulu Company

a. Contact with V. C. and N. V. A. Forces during the month of October was negative.

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b. GROUND DEFENSE

(1) Typhoon destroyed approximately 500 rolls of concertina wire on the beach fortifications, and washed out several sections of perimeter fence.

(2) Six generators installed for emergency power on perimeter.

(3) Strung approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of double apron fence and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of concertina.

10. Heavy Equipment

a. During the month of October 1970, the Maintenance section opened 25 work orders. Of these 13 closed out. Six items in Engineer Equipment surveyed, six generators. Received three Engineer Equipment generators.

b. The Operations Section completed 251 Engineer Equipment requests and the operational status is as follows:

| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Operational | 49% |
| Deadlined | 34% |
| Rehab | 14% |
| Survey | 3% |

11. Motor Transport. During the month of October 1970, the Motor Transport Section has accomplished the following:

a. Hauled the following:

- (1) 82,500 gallons of water
- (2) 115,000 gallons of non-potable water
- (3) 22,309 gallons of MO-Gas
- (4) 23,414 gallons of diesel
- (5) 57,944 gallons of JP-4
- (6) 3,698 gallons of 115/145
- (7) 3,079 Tons of Cargo

b. Traveled 104,525 miles.

c. Carried 68,615 passengers.

12. Utilities

a. During the month of October, the Electric Shop completed a total of seventy-seven (77) major and minor work requests. The Electric Shop was responsible for rewiring the Test Center at HEMS-16 Hangar, the rewiring of the Staff NCO Club and the wiring up the emergency power for the MAG-16 perimeter lights. The Electric Shop handled numerous requests that were called in by telephone.

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b. During the month of October, the Water Point issued a total of 138,300 gallons of potable water. 93,950 gallons were distributed through the system on base and 44,350 gallons were distributed to trucks.

c. During the month of October, the Plumbing Shop moved all the bar sinks, water lines and drains in the Staff NCO Club. Two (2) 300 gallon water heaters were installed in the small enlisted shower. One (1) sink with drain was installed at Sickbay. The Plumbing Shop also completed 31 minor work orders.

d. From 1 October to 31 October 1970, the Base Laundry produced a total of 2,211 bundles of clothing. An additional 3,015 pounds of organizational gear was processed for a total of 36,215 pounds of clothing processed. The individual bundle service remains open to all ranks.

e. During the month of October, the Utilities Section's Paint Shop was responsible for a total of fifteen (15) trouble tickets and five (5) work requests. The major jobs included signs for the Group's Change of Command, signs for MABS-16's Sergeant Major, sign for H&MS-16's Change of Command and eighty (80) signs for NBC.

f. During the month of October, the Refrigeration Shop completed a total of thirty-one (31) work requests. From these thirty-one (31) work requests, repairs were done on air conditioners and refrigeration units. In addition, the Refrigeration Shop was responsible for installing or changing eight (8) air conditioners during the month of October.

g. The Carpenter Shop completed ninety-one (91) trouble tickets and sixty-eight (68) work requests for a total of 159 work orders during the month of October. This shop was responsible for the construction of over 165 mount out boxes, the remodeling of the Staff NCO and Sergeant Clubs, and numerous repairs on roofs and huts resulting from rain and wind damage. This shop was responsible for numerous other jobs throughout Marine Aircraft Group-16.

13. Material

a. The Marine Corps Section reconciled 1800 documents with Marine Corps Property. Reconciled outstanding documents with sections.

b. The Embarkation Section audited and submitted MEDS deck to Wing Embarkation for correction and new print out.

14. Food Service. The total of all types of meals that the MAG 16 mess system provided is 169,554.

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15. MATCU-68

a. During the month of October 1970, MATCU-68 provided the following ATC services:

- (1) MMAF - Tower, GCA, TACAN and Radio Beacon
- (2) LZ Baldy - Tower and LF Radio Beacon

b. MAINTENANCE

- (1) Wing A & M Inspection conducted 6 October 1970. -52
- (2) 9 October 1970 secured TACAN at Chu Lai. Turned TRN-29 and Test Equipment over to MAG-13 for return to MATCU-67.
- (3) 20 October 1970 turned TRC-131 serial number A-17 over to MAG-16 for return to NAVELEX.

c. AIR CONTROL

| | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| (1) MMAF Tower - VFR | 19,881 | MMAF GCA - VFR | 756 |
| SVFR | 1,959 | IFR | 73 |
| IFR | 49 | | <u>829</u> |
| | <u>21,889</u> | Radar Monitor | 287 |
| | | | <u>1,116</u> |
| (2) Baldy Tower - VFR | 10,100 | | |
| SVFR | 0 | | |
| | <u>10,100</u> | | |

PART IVSUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None.

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