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WING EQUIPMENT AND REPAIR SQUADRON 17  
Marine Wing Support Group 17  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
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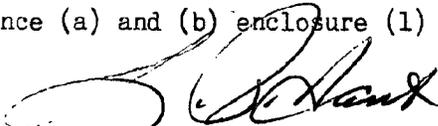
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Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1B  
(b) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology for the period 1-31 August 1966

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

  
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## 1. Organizational Data:

a. Marine Air Base Squadron 17 (T/O M-8720 of 26 September 1965 w/changes).

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
HART, Lawrence P.	LtCol	Commanding Officer	(1-31 August 1966)
*		Executive Officer	(1-31 August 1966)
BRINK, Kendall R.	Capt	Administrative Officer	(26-31 August 1966)
WALKER, Willard C.	2dLt	Material Officer	(1-31 August 1966)
SOSKO, Edward J.	1stSgt	First Sergeant	(1-31 August 1966)

\* Continued as OIC Sub-Unit #1 MABS-17

## 2. Task Organization and Unit Location

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
Marine Air Base Squadron 17	Danang AB, RVN	(1-31 August 1966)

## 3. Average Strength

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
MABS-17	13	244

## 4. Important Visitors

a. The Group Commander, Colonel O. S. TOSDAL made two visits to the command during this month in furtherance of plans for the reorganization of the group.

PART TWONARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During August, this organization's total strength was increased from 13 officers and 228 enlisted to 15 officers and 275 enlisted until the last day of the month. On the last, in preparation for the reorganization to be effective on 1 September 1966, personnel were transferred to Sub-Unit #1, MAMS-17 and the strength closed at 5 officers and 171 enlisted.

2. The emergency requirement for strongbacks at Dong Ha necessitated that 10 structures be dismantled and air transported to Dong Ha for erection. The Utilities section with a small working party disassembled the strongbacks and staged them to the Air Freight area before the aircraft could be made available. A team of the same personnel went to Dong Ha and erected all twelve of the strongbacks which were involved. Four days were required for the entire transaction. To accommodate this move thirty men were moved back into three of the tropical huts in the VMFA-323 area and four tropical huts near the Mess Hall building which is to be the temporary MWSG-17 Headquarters.

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3. a. On 24 August 1966, the USS Tom Green County LST 1159 arrived with 10 officers and 21 enlisted, 42 wheeled vehicles, 101 S/T Class I, and 73 S/T Class III. The equipment for DPP-28 was included in this shipment.

b. The TAFDS Section dispensed 357,545 gallons of Pol from its refuelers and system. The Marine Air Terminal system was closed due to the temporary relocation of the VMGR aircraft to the runway overrun. Refueling operators will be provided by tank trucks until the relocation to the new ramp is accomplished. A system was issued to MAG-16 for use at Phu Bai. 4th Echelon repairing of one 350 GPM pump is currently in progress.

c. The Utilities and Heavy Equipment Section continued with the preparation for the MWSG move in-country. One strongback was erected for the MAMS-17 alert crew at the Flight Line. The Marine Air Terminal was modified to allow the Air Freight and Passenger Section to move into the Terminal Shed and the MAMS-17 maintenance personnel to move into a building on the Flight Line. A Wheels Watch Shack was built for the runway watch. The Group Supply Building was rehabilitated and a controlled environment space provided. Rewiring and sealing a French building in TANGO Sector was completed for DPP-28's controlled environment space.

d. The Motor Transport Section continued its general support for the Wing and Group. The vehicles travelled 24,362 miles while hauling 2,433 tons of Class VA and 3,590 tons of general cargo. About four M35 6x6 trucks a day were devoted to FLSG ALFA for fifteen days to assist their move to Red Beach. Other minor assignments of vehicles were made to non-wing units as the vehicles were available.

PART THREESIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. 24 August: LST 1159 arrived and off loaded at Ferry Landing pier.

b. 31 August: Personnel were transferred to Sub-Unit #1, MAMS-17 to prepare for the Redesignation of MABS-17 to Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17 (WERS-17) on 1 September 1966.

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