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1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Unit Location - Danang Air Base, RVN (1-30 June 1967)  
Reporting Period - 1 through 30 June 1967

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## PART ONE - Organization Data

## 1. (U) Listing of Commanders and Staffs

## a. Marine Wing Support Group 17

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
Col	Victor A. ARMSTRONG	Commanding Officer	1-14 June 1967
Col	John E. HANSEN	Commanding Officer	15-30 June 1967
LtCol	Donald A. PANSKA	Executive Officer	1-30 June 1967
Capt	Lewis D. VOGLER	S-1	1-30 June 1967
Capt	James W. HATCH	S-2	1-30 June 1967
LtCol	Henry MAYER	S-3	1-30 June 1967
LtCol	Eugene V. GOLDSTON	S-4	1-30 June 1967
2ndLt	Miguel A. HERNANDEZ	Adjutant	1-30 June 1967
SgtMaj	Austin AURIN	Sergeant Major	1-30 June 1967
LCdr	Richard E. DWYER	Chaplain	1-30 June 1967
Lt USN	Cornell W. WICKERSHAM	Medical Officer	1-30 June 1967
LtCol	Donald A. PANSKA	Civil Affairs Officer	1-30 June 1967
WO	Samuel H. HOPE	Postal Officer	1-30 June 1967
Maj	Samuel A. WEIMER Jr.	Disbursing Officer	1-30 June 1967
Maj	Charles A. WIMMLER	Fiscal Officer	1-30 June 1967
Capt	Henry R. GENTRY	Data Processing Officer	1-30 June 1967
Capt	Roland J. BRUNELLE	Communications Officer	1-30 June 1967
2ndLt	James E. MILNE	Security Officer	1-24 June 1967
Capt	Gordon L. GRAHAM	Security Officer	25-30 June 1967
2ndLt	Donald H. GALVIN	Industrial Relations	1-30 June 1967
WO	Lauren W. DUBOIS	Exchange Officer	1-30 June 1967
1stLt	Stanley W. MAIN	EOD Officer	1-7 June 1967
1stLt	Allen M. SWEENEY	EOD Officer	8-30 June 1967

## b. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
LtCol	John J. LEOGUE	Commanding Officer	1-30 June 1967
Maj	Richard H. BURNETT	Executive Officer	1-30 June 1967
2ndLt	Donald H. GALVIN	Administrative Officer	1-30 June 1967
Maj	Paul C. MOGENSEN	Operations Officer	1-30 June 1967
LtCol	Eugene O. IRVING	A/C Maintenance Officer	1-30 June 1967
WO	Richard L. ROSS	Material Officer	1-30 June 1967

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## c. Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
LtCol	John R. HANSFORD	Commanding Officer	1-30 June 1967
Maj	Paul R. HUNTER	Executive Officer	1-30 June 1967
Capt	Robert E. REAGAN	Operations Officer	1-30 June 1967
1stLt	John C. SMITH	Motor Transport Officer	1-30 June 1967
2ndLt	Robert O. ATHERTON	Administrative Officer	1-30 June 1967
WO	David B. DORN	Material Officer	1-30 June 1967
CWO	Cecil V. WINCHESTER	4th Echelon Repair Off.	1-30 June 1967
1stLt	Edmund W. REEDER	Motor Transport Maint Officer	1-30 June 1967

## d. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17 Det. #1

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
2ndLt	Ronald D. FLEMING	Officer-in-Charge	1-30 June 1967

## 2. (C) Task Organization and Unit Location

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
Marine Wing Support Group 17	Danang AB, RVN	1-30 June 1967
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17	Danang AB, RVN	1-30 June 1967
Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17	Danang AB, RVN	1-30 June 1967
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron Det. #1	MCAS Iwakuni	1-30 June 1967

## 3. (C) Average Strengths

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
Marine Wing Support Group 17	68	930
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17	53	751
Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17	8	260
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron Det. #1	1	8

## 4. (U) Important Visitors

None

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## PART TWO - Narrative Summary

(U) 1-30 June 1967, Marine Wing Support Group 17 continued to perform its assigned missions in support of the First Marine Aircraft Wing.

(U) A total of 13 MEDCAPs were held, treating 1087 Vietnamese, at HOA VANG, PHU LOC and AP BO TAY.

(U) In June the Chaplain sponsored and directed Civic Action, reached the proportions of a significant part of the total Group effort. The term "CHAPCAP" has been originated in recognition of the merit and magnitude of this program.

(U) On 1 June 1967, Group Supply created a typewriter repair unit. 22 machines were repaired during June for a considerable saving in time out of service time.

(U) On 2 June 1967, a Viet Little League" baseball project was initiated. Four games of demonstrations were accomplished during this month.

(U) Ten deliveries of food, materials and assistance were made to the Civic Action village, Catholic School, WEC Orphanage, ARVN Hospital, and Sacred Heart Hospital by the CHAPCAP program.

(U) On 7 June 1967, a breezeway between the Commanding Officer and S-1 offices was completed.

(U) On 9 June 1967, Task Force Alpha mustered on order of CG, 1stMAW.

(U) On 12 June 1967, a new line shack was completed.

(U) Two signs were erected on 13 June 1967 by C.O., H&MS-17, C.O., WERS-17, Lt. MILNE, Hamlet Chief and SSgt LUNTZ. Stating that MWSG-17 and the Viets are working together to defeat the V.C.

(U) On 18 June 1967, ACPU building for the messhall was completed except for the concrete deck.

(U) On 25 June 1967, ACPU building for H&MS-17 Material was completed except for the concrete deck.

(U) A demonstration on how to fight in flight flare fires was given on 30 June 1967 by the Group Fire Department.

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## PART THREE -- Significant Events

1. Personnel. (C) H&MS-17 maintained a C-1 status during the period. WERS-17 maintained a C-1 status.
  2. Awards. (U) One DEC, 2nd Award, 3 Bronze Stars, one Navy Commendation with Combat "V", one Navy Unit Commendation, 8 Air Medals first award, thirty nine Gold Stars in lieu of Air Medals were awarded.
  3. Civic Action. (U) MEDCAP continued as a leading producer in the Civic Action program. A total of 1087 Vietnamese were treated. The Hardship Search Project and associated helping projects have produced visible results beneficial to the Civic Action Program.
- The CHAPCAP effort rivaled the MEDCAP for the lead in overall Civic Action. English classes, Personnel contact/assistance, Viet Little League, guided Youth activities, and material assistance by CHAPCAP has been substantial and took place every day of the period.
4. Morale and Welfare Programs. (U) 8 personnel were authorized 30 days Special Leave to CONUS and 77 personnel participated in the R&R Program. The Chaplain delivered 21 Moral Guidance lectures to 1032 personnel.
  5. Intelligence. (U) S-2 completed the following:

## Clearances requested:

Top Secret	2
Secret	0
Confidential	0

## Briefings conducted:

Staff Officer	12
Flight Line Intelligence Brief	27

6. Air Operations. (C) H&MS Seventeen's aircraft flew a total of 561 hours during June 1967, transporting 1087 passengers and 25,765 pounds of Cargo and mail. 130 flares were expended during 15 flare missions. Total pilot hours: 967; night hours 95; instrument hours, 77. Aircraft availability was: C-117D 63.4%, US-2B 62.9% and UH-34D 75.8%.

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7. Training. (U) 6 personnel attended the following schools:

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|---|-----|
| a. NCO Leadership                           | 2   |
| Field Wire Course                           | 1   |
| Career Advisory                             | 1   |
| Basic Infantry Course                       | 1   |
| Registered Publication                      | 1   |
| b. Classes and number of persons attending: |     |
| Corpsman Training                           | 4   |
| Communications Procedures                   | 3   |
| In Flight Flare Fires                       | 50  |
| Vietnamese Religious                        | 278 |
| Correspondance Courses                      | 75  |
| M-60 Machine Gun                            | 57  |
| M-16 Rifle                                  | 57  |
| First Aid                                   | 57  |
| Radio Pro.                                  | 57  |
| Squad & Fire Team Tactics                   | 57  |
| Gun Drill                                   | 57  |
| Hand & Rifle Grendades                      | 57  |

8. Maintenance. (U) The 4th Echelon Repair Facility received 467 items for repair and completed 510 of which 118 were beyond econcmical repair. At the close of the period there were 250 open jobs orders on hand. Of these 6.72% were in process of completion, 14.9% awaiting manpower and 77.7 awaiting parts.

9. Engineering. (U) The engineering section continued to provide maximum support within its capability. Electric power was furnished to the Air Terminal area, VMGR-152, the TAFDS site and the MMSG-17 cantonment area. The generators assigned operated a total of 2853 hours. The assigned heavy equipment operated 1707 hours.

10. Logistics. (C) The TAFDS Section continued the operation of two sites, Khe Sanh and the Danang Marine Air Freight Terminal. The Khe Sanh system issued 95,747 gallons of JP-4 and 45,148 gallons of AV/gas. The system at the Marine Air Freight Terminal issued 1,135,785 gallons of JP-4 and 54,153 gallons of AV/gas. The TAFDS site at An Hoa was turned over to MAG-16 on 22 June 1967. During the period 1-22 June 1967, the site issued 40,768 gallons of JP-4 and 26,272 gallons of AV/gas. Total fuel dispensed was 1,397,873 gallons.

11. Motor Transport. The Motor Transport Section operated the assigned 132 prime movers a total of 70,698 miles. A total of 5,207 tons of general cargo was transported during the month.

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12. Base Development/Military Construction. (U) The following projects were completed:

Breezeway between S-1 and C.O.'s office.

New Line Shack.

ACPU Building for Messhall except for concrete deck.

ACPU Building for H&MS-17 Material except for concrete deck.

13. Data Processing. (U) Data Processing continued normal operations during this period.

14. Postal. (U) The Postal Section issued 27,024 money orders in the amount of \$1,039,762.30. Stamps sales totaled \$38,658.25 during the reporting period. A total of 335,553 pounds of mail received and 127,385 pounds of mail dispatched.

15. Explosive Ordnance Disposal. (U) This section responded to 157 requests for EOD assistance. 75 responses required actual EOD assistance, the remainder required inspection of suspected hazardous items or supervisory action as ordnance was found to be safe or explosively inert.

16. Communications. (U) The message Load Report for the Message Center is as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>In</u>	<u>Out</u>
Service	0	7
Unclassified	1445	459
Classified	221	2
Totals	1666	486

17. Supply. (U) Significant Highlights

Supply Effectiveness:

Navy Grocs	77.9%
Navy Net	59.0%

Excesses released for redistribution:

Navy APA	\$34.42
Navy NSA	\$368.80



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Marine Corps ASA	\$92.50
Marine Corps SFA	\$334.73

Wing Shipping and Receiving moved 5,354,658 pounds of material. Air Cargo has less than 24 hours on lot time and sea cargo has 10 days on lot time.

Marine Corps Property net efficiency was 98% and Navy Property was 71.9%, a rise of 12% and .3% respectively over May.