

WING EQUIPMENT AND REPAIR SQUADRON 17
 Marine Wing Support Group 17
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF Pacific
 FPO San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Group 17 (Attn: S-3)
 Subj: Command Chronology WERS-17 Maintenance 17
 Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted for the period January to June 1973.
2. The 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Motor Transport and Engineer Sections at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni were consolidated into WERS 17 Maintenance Section during the months of January and February establishing a common third and fourth echelon maintenance facility in support of Motor Transport and Engineer Equipment assigned to First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan.
3. Operations - Maintenance Organic Equipment provided the following support during the period covered:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MILES</u>	<u>PASSENGERS</u>	<u>TONS</u>
Jan 1973	12,777	833	819
Feb 1973	14,313	1,413	941
Mar 1973	16,146	1,821	330
Apr 1973	17,918	13,537	363
May 1973	16,655	12,405	129
Jun 1973	17,574	14,352	247

4. Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17 provided a total of 260 Equipment operation hours and 129 man hours in support of MCAS and 1stMAW units of which MAG-12, was primary. Included was Equipment Operation and after hours support such as dispatching and 2nd echelon maintenance connected with continuous operation during the month of February. Additionally, numerous Motor Transport vehicles and operators were used in support of the MAG 12 relocation from Vietnam.

5. Work performed by the 3rd and 4th echelon maintenance facility during the period covered was as follows:

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Work orders received from other units:

1,382 received
1,082 work completed
 300 work orders open 30 Jun 1973

Organic Equipment maintained:

<u>Engineer</u>	<u>Motor Transport</u>
69 pcs	210 pcs
<u>ORF</u>	<u>MR 800</u>
56 pcs	17 psc

6. R & E program during period covered:

Rec 8 M35A2

Shipped 8 M35A2

7. REHAB program during period covered:

Shipped: 2 M715
 2 M35A2C
 3 M151

8. RIR during the period covered:

Received 76
 Shipped 51
 Pending 25

9. ORF transaction during period covered:

5	M151	Jeep
2	M35	Truck Utility
1	M51	Truck Utility
1	TR 6000	Forklift
1	M60	Crane

10. Modification 600 series generators during period covered: 7

11. Miscellaneous Support: Painted five vehicles in preparation for Armed Forces Day.

a. Vehicles in support of orphanage:	5	M151
	6	M715

b. Change of Command: 1 M151

12. TAFDS:

- a. Moved all equipment and personnel from MAG 15 TAFDS area to building #913 "C" Area.
- b. Received 12 tanks, 1 separator, and 11 pieces of suction hose from 3rd FSR Okinawa. Rolled out all tanks, found 6 tanks to be unserviceable. Sent TAFDS equipment to PP&P.
- c. Pulled quarterlys on TAFDS equipment, also doing 3rd and 4th echelon maintenance on all TAFDS equipment.
- d. Held inventory on TAFDS gear, and Spare Parts.
- e. Ordered short component parts from 3rd FSR Okinawa.

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 Marine Wing Support Group 17
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From: Officer in Charge
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 36 (S-3)
 Via: Commanding Officer, Marine Air Base Squadron 36
 Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 January 1973 to 30 June 1973
 Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B
 (b) GruO 5750.3B

Encl: (1) Sub Unit #1, WERS-17 Command Chronology

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT

From: Commanding Officer, Marine Air Base Squadron 36,
 Marine Aircraft Group 36
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 36 (S-3)

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Sub #1, WERS-17

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WERS-17 COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR PERIOD 1 JAN 73 TO 30 JUN 73

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation

Commander

Wing Equipment and Repair Squadron 17 WO-1 J. O. ORTIZ
1 - 16 January

1stLt S. S. SMITH
17 January - 17 April

CWO-4 W. J. CIPPERLY
18 April - 4 May

WO-1 L. G. JORDAN
5 May - 30 June

Staff Officers

Not Applicable

Subordinate Units

None

Attached Units

None

2. Location

1 January - 30 June 1973 MCAS(H) Futema

3. Average Monthly Strength

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
USMC	1	36
USN	0	0
OTHER	1	0

4. Important Visitors

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date Visited</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Commander	HILL	NAVAIRSYSCOM, VLA Safety Officer	7 - 8 May	

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<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date Visited</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Commander	WIGGINS	Fleet Technical Services Officer	7 - 8 May	
CWO-3	GWALTNEY	FMFPac SATS Officer	7 - 8 May	
GS-13	COFELT	EASU Supervisor	7 - 8 May	
GS-13	KURTZ	COMNAVAIRPAC	7 - 8 May	
Major	ADAMS	Commanding Officer, WERS-17	31 May	

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

It should be noted that during the period covered by this report, this unit has had four different Officers in Charge. Their dates of command are as follows: 1 - 16 January 1973, WO-1 J. O. ORTIZ; 17 January - 17 April 1973, 1stLt S. S. SMITH; 18 April - 4 May 1973, CWO-4 W. J. CIPPERLY; 5 May - 30 June 1973, WO-1 L. G. JORDAN.

During the past six months, this unit has accomplished its mission by performing such maintenance as cognizant with an equipment repair unit. This maintenance shall be annotated in the following paragraphs.

Maintenance was performed on nine M-21 Arresting Gear absorber assemblies. This maintenance entailed unpacking, disassembly, inspection, correction of discrepancies, testing (only hydraulic tests were performed on absorbers), repainting and repacking of each absorber. The serial numbers of the absorbers on which the aforementioned maintenance was performed are as follows: 112, 113, 114, 120, 162, 170, 190, 272 and 273 respectively. Of the nine previously listed absorbers, eight are currently held by this sub unit in storage and in an "RFI" status. Absorber, serial number 273, has been sent to Nam Phong, Thailand.

Maintenance was performed on twelve M-21 Arresting Gear retrieve engines (in most instances the retrieve engines were in a storage status and in this unit's custody). All of the

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engines were unpacked, disassembled, inspected, repaired when necessary, a functional test performed and each engine was cleaned and repacked. The painting and remarking of the retrieve engines was performed by corrosion control. The serial numbers of the engines on which the aforementioned maintenance was performed are as follows: 102, 112, 113, 115, 117, 158, 160, 168, 170, 175, 190 and 192. All previously listed engines are presently held by this sub unit in storage and in an "RFI" status with the exception of the following: Retrieve engine, serial number 112. This particular engine was found to be in need of many parts. It was completely rebuilt and upon completion, a functional test was performed. While undergoing this test, the engine became inoperative due to a thrown rod which was caused by a frozen piston. This engine has been shipped to MCAS Iwakuni, Japan (4th echelon); Retrieve engine, serial number 168, was received from N. A. B. Naha in a down status. It was repaired (replaced governor - P/N 5129811) and is currently in use on the runway at Naha; Retrieve engine, serial number 160, was shipped to Nam Phong; Retrieve engine, serial number 201, was received from Nam Phong in a down status and we are awaiting documentation on this engine. Requesting permission to survey this engine is being considered.

A total of thirty-three service changes were incorporated (all work in regards to the incorporation of service changes has ceased as of March 1973. The service changes held by this sub unit cannot be incorporated on components in storage, CEL-3 Catapult service changes). The service changes that have been incorporated are as follows: Service change #57 has been installed on launch dolly, serial number 011; Service change #57 on launch dolly, serial number 012; Service changes #24 and #33 on M-21 Arresting Gear absorber, serial number 112; Service changes #23, #34 and #35 on M-21 Arresting Gear absorber, serial number 114; CEL-3 Catapult 7405 received service changes #25, #40, #63, #65, #84, #112, #124, #132 (Rev. A), #142, #152, #168, #179, #197 and #209; *Catapult 7406 received service changes #38, #63, #70, #124, #142, #168, #188 and #209; Catapult 7407 received service change #25; Catapult 7408 received service changes #78, #119 and #152.

Three C-19 reel carriers have been repaired, repainted and placed in a storage status. Sixteen M-21 Arresting Gear tapes have been wrapped and stored. The following packages were repainted: eight M-9 packages; three M-13 packages; twenty-three M-24 packages. Thirty pallets of AM-2 matting were banded. An inventory of Airfields 7405, *7406, 7407 and 7408 was conducted. Airfields 7403 and 7404 (PACASS) were inventoried and cannibalization commenced (authorization for cannibalization

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contained in Admin 1st MAW msg 260407Z Apr 73)

The following listed gear was shipped from Sub Unit #1, WERS-17 during the period 1 January - 30 June 1973:

One retrieve engine and one absorber to Nam Phong.

Two cable velocity indicators to NAEC, Philadelphia.

One V-2 package, one V-3 package and two V-4 packages to Nam Phong.

Seven SC-2, launch cables; ten SC-10, arrester ropes; two SC-9, capstan rings; one SC-16, electric cable; one SC-17, capstan and brake; one SC-14, compartment cabinet; one SC-12, drawer cabinet; one SC-15, arrester parts; one SC-13, cable compensator and sheaves; one SC-4, dolly assembly; one SC-7, guide rails, were sent to MCAS Iwakuni.

E-28 spares, ten pumps and four batteries to MCAS Iwakuni.

Seven SC-2 packages to El Toro.

Ten SC-10 packages to PP&P Camp Foster for subsequent shipment to MAG-12.

Airfield 7406 shipped to El Toro.

Twenty-two arrester rope spares to MWSG-17.

Retrieve engine block, serial number 3D-23613 to NSD, PWC, Yokosuka, Japan.

The following packages were sent to MCAS Cherry Point, N. C.: C-16A, C-16B, C-27, C-41, C-4, C-37, C-6 and C-11.

The following gear was received by Sub Unit #1, WERS-17 during the period 1 January - 30 June 1973:

715 pallets of matting from Nam Phong.

One M-24 package from MAG-15.

Eight boxes of grout and ten boxes of stakes from Nam Phong.

* NOTE: Asterisk indicates equipment on which maintenance was performed but is no longer held by this sub unit, as it was shipped to El Toro with Airfield 7406.

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Twenty-three eleven inch tapes from NAEC, Philadelphia.
Ten service change number 40's from MWSG-37.
Two Fresnel Lens from ESPEY Manufacturing and Electronic Corporation, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866.
Thirty M-21 Arresting Gear service change kits #38 from El Toro.
Four LEA Interim service change #1's.
Two SATS Catapult service change #1's.
Retrieve Engine #201 from Nam Phong.
Retrieve Engine #168 from Naha.
Thirty-eight packages of airfield lighting from Nam Phong.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

January	Received 701 pallets of matting from Nam Phong. Relocated matting from WERS-17 area to storage area. TMI - Training received an outstanding from the MAG-36 Training Officer. WO ORTIZ was relieved by 1stLt SMITH.
February	SATS Contact Team sent to Nam Phong. Shipped SC Packages to Iwakuni.
March	Readied all packages of Airfield 7406 for shipment to El Toro.
April	Airfield 7406 was shipped to El Toro. 1stLt SMITH was relieved by CWO-4 CIPPERLY.
May	This unit was visited by the following personnel: Colonel GOEBEL, Commanding Officer, MWSG-17; Commander HILL, VLA Safety Officer, NAVAIRSYSCOM; Commander WIGGINS, Fleet Technical Services Officer, NAEC; Major ADAMS, Commanding Officer, WERS-17; CWO-3 GWALTNEY, FMFPAC SATS

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Officer; GS-13 COFELT, NAEC; GS-13 KURTZ,
COMNAVAIRPAC. CWO-4 CIPPERLY was relieved by
WO JORDAN.

June

Received 45 packages of Airfield Lighting from
Nam Phong.

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From: Officer In Charge
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 36 [Attn:
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Subj: Monthly Chronology; month of January

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.3B

Encl: (1) Sub Unit #1, WERS-17, January Chronology of U.S.
Operations/Support for Vietnam

1, In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is sub-
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FOR VIETNAM

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>1. Designation</u>	<u>Commander</u>
Sub Unit #1, Wing Equipment Repair Squadron 17	WO J.O. ORTIZ 1 January - 16 January
	1st Lt S.S. SMITH 16 January - 31 January

<u>Staff Officers</u>	<u>Name</u>
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Not Applicable

Subordinate Units

None

Attached Units

None

2. Location

1 January - 31 January 1973 MCAS (H) Futema

3. Average Monthly Strength

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
USMC	2	40
USN	0	0
OTHER	0	0

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of January, the Airfield Crew banded twenty-two pallets of matting, built sheave packages, packaged sheaves and assisted in moving packages to storage,

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The Airfield Crew completed painting eight (8) M-9 boxes, three (3) M-13 boxes and twenty-three M-24 boxes. In addition, the Airfield Crew charged the batteries on the air compressor, rebuilt the front doors of the shop and sanded down one of the trucks [6X6 Ser. No. 390522]. The Airfield Crew also participated in the unloading of 701 pallets of matting received from Thailand.

The Maintenance Crew completed maintenance on absorbers 272 and 273. Absorbers were then tested in conjunction with testing of absorber 120 and were subsequently packed. Absorber 190 was also packed, however, work is continuing on absorber 170. Retrieve engines 158 and 170 were painted and packed as well as the packing of retrieve engine 115. Maintenance work is continuing on retrieve engine 117. The Maintenance Crew also assisted in the unloading of 701 pallets of matting received from Thailand.

The Service Change Crew installed S/C's 142 and 152 on Catapult 7405, S/C 142 on Catapult 7406 and S/C 152 on Catapult 7408. Work was done on the C-3 package from Catapult 7405.

The following gear was shipped from Sub Unit #1 during the month of January:

One (1) retrieve engine and one (1) absorber to Nam Phong,

Two (2) cable velocity indicators to NAEC Philadelphia,

The following gear was received by Sub Unit #1 during the month of January:

701 pallets of matting from Nam Phong,

One (1) M-24 package from MAG-15,

Eight (8) boxes of grout and three (3) boxes of stakes from Nam Phong.

SEQUENTIAL LISTINGS OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 - 7 January Refurbished absorbers 272 and 273, painted truck [6X6 Ser. No. 390522], moved from center wing to south wing of barracks #430 and four (4) men were sent to a voting survey.

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8 - 14 January	Functionally tested absorbers 272 and 273. Held SRC on 9 January. SSgt. D.D. GARBER attended Customs School. Received 701 pallets of matting from Nam Phong.
15 - 20 January	Moved matting accessories from WERS-17 area to storage area. Restaged M-21 arresting gear in airfields.
22 - 28 January	Shipped one (1) absorber and one (1) Retrieve engine to Nam Phong.
29 - 31 January	FMI inspection, training received an outstanding from Captain CREWS.