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- Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology, Marine Air Control Group 18
- ✓(2) Command Chronology, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron 18
- ✓(3) Command Chronology, Marine Air Support Squadron Two
- ✓(4) Command Chronology, Marine Air Support Squadron Three
- ✓(5) Command Chronology, Marine Air Control Squadron Four
- ✓(6) Command Chronology, 1st Light AA Missile Battalion

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1. Enclosures (1) through (6) are submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART I: Organizational Data

1. Name and Rank of Commanding Officers and Staff of MACG-18

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>RANK/NAME</u>
Commanding Officer, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Col Edward S. FRIS
Commanding Officer, H&HS-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	LtCol John R. DOPLER
Commanding Officer, MASS-2	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Maj Edward J. DAHY III
Commanding Officer, MASS-3	1 - 30 Nov 1968	LtCol William J. SULLIVAN
Commanding Officer, MACS-4	1 - 30 Nov 1968	LtCol Thomas M. KAUFFMAN
Commanding Officer, 1st LAAM	1 - 30 Nov 1968	LtCol John W. DRURY
Executive Officer, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	LtCol William H. JACKSON Jr.
Adjutant, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	CWO4 Henry A. HERRERO
S-1, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	1stLt Ronald D. BROCKS
S-2, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Capt William S. DROSTE
S-3, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Maj Carey S. HUGHES
S-4, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Maj Donald C. PAULEY
Supply Officer, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Maj Harold F. O'DONNELL
CEO, MACG-18	1 - 30 Nov 1968	Maj Robert J. CHAMBERS

2. Task Organization and Unit Location with Inclusive Dates

Marine Air Control Group 18	Da Nang RVN	1 - 30 Nov 1968
Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron 18	Da Nang RVN	1 - 30 Nov 1968
Marine Air Support Squadron Two	Da Nang RVN	1-- 30 Nov 1968
Marine Air Support Squadron Three	Chu Lai RVN	1 - 30 Nov 1968
Marine Air Control Squadron Four	Da Nang RVN	1 - 30 Nov 1968
1st Light AA Missile Battalion	Da Nang RVN	1 - 30 Nov 1968

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3. Average Monthly Strength of MACG-18 During the Period 1-30 Nov 1968

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>USMC Officer/Enlisted</u>	<u>USN Officer/Enlisted</u>
H&HS-18	37 / 197	1 / 3
MASS-2	37 / 218	0 / 2
MASS-3	40 / 213	0 / 2
MACS-4	39 / 303	0 / 3
1st LAAM Bn	36 / 714	0 / 12
Total MACG-18	189 / 1645	1 / 22

4. Important Visitors to This Command. The following important visitors received briefings on various missions within the command.

a. 19 November 1968 - MajGen QUILTER USMC

PART II: Narrative Summary (S)

Marine Air Control Group 18 continued to operate air control, anti-aircraft warfare, and air support facilities in support of operations of the III MAF Air-Ground Team. Support was provided for Operations Wheller-Wallowa, Burlington Trail, Vernon Lake, Meade River, Henderson Hill, Gerrand Bay, Nicollet Bay, Scotland II, Nanking, Dawson River, Lancaster, Kentucky, Nevada Eagle, Jeb Stuart III, Napoleon Saline II, Commanche Falls, Sabine Draw, Victory Dragon V, Daring Endeavor and Vernon Lake II. During the month of November 1968 several ASRT's were relocated. Camp Carroll 'A' was relocated at Dong Ha. Phu Bai was relocated at Hill 55 and designated Da Nang 'C'. The Dong Ha Float System was relocated at Da Nang and designated Da Nang Float. From 1-15 November 1968, Da Nang ASRT 'A' was not permitted to make any bombing runs due to the bad drop experienced on 29 October 1968. During this period the ASRT ran computer checks, a Table two check, had an antenna rebuilt, and ran 10 Calibration Hops. Da Nang ASRT 'A' was permitted to resume bombing runs on 15 November 1968. Da Nang ASRT 'B', (System A-15), was down for most of the month and experienced technicians could not bring the system up to a consistent working status. As a result, System A-15 is now scheduled for rehab and will be replaced by System A-1.

PART III: Significant Events

1. Personnel (C) There were no significant shortages in personnel throughout the Group during the month of November 1968.
2. Casualties (C) During the month of November 1968 there were four (4) non-hostile casualties, none of which resulted in death. There were no hostile casualties reported. Four (4) personnel were evacuated out of country.

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3. Morale/Welfare Programs (U) During the month of November liberty remained secured and recreation was provided by Group Special Services. There were six (6) parties processed during the month. In addition, R&R flights were conducted as follows:

HAWAII	34 Personnel
SYDNEY	22 Personnel
BANGKOK	17 Personnel
MANILA	3 Personnel
HONG KONG	7 Personnel
PENANG	2 Personnel
SINGAPORE	1 Personnel
OKINAWA	3 Personnel
TAIPEI	12 Personnel
TOKYO	3 Personnel
KUALA LUMPUR	3 Personnel

4. Civic Action (U)

a. Sacred Heart Orphanage received 300 lbs of food stuffs and 150 dozen eggs.

b. 309 Vietnamese civilians were treated by MEDCAP teams in various villages and hamlets.

c. Twelve children from Trung Toan and Sam Hai Hamlets are now receiving scholarships. Five students at Sacred Heart Orphanage are still receiving General WALT Scholarships.

d. A hand pump was installed at the main well in Trung Toan village. Civic Action teams worked with the Vietnamese farmers in an effort to improve farming methods. Reconstruction of a bridge near Nai Nam is now 75% complete.

5. Air Control (C)

a. On 30 November 1968, DASC's were operational at Vandegrift, Da Nang, and Dong Ha.

b. On 30 November 1968, ASRT's were operational at Chu Lai (System A-7), Vandegrift (System A-2), Dong Ha (System A-8), Da Nang (Float System A-12), and Da Nang (Systems A-1, A-3, and A-9).

c. ASRT Operations

- (1) Missions - 1435
- (2) A/C Controlled - 1920
- (3) Bombs Dropped - 4549.19 tons

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(4) Targets Hit - 1588

(5) Target Coverage - 2.82 Tons/Target

d. AN/TPQ-10 System Operations as of 30 November 1968

	<u>A-2</u>	<u>A-3</u>	<u>A-7</u>	<u>A-8</u>	<u>A-9</u>	<u>A-12</u>	<u>A-15</u>
(1) Total Hours	18048	17219	18358	8838	22013	21732	14825
(2) Since Rehab	2337	16854	13964	4973	11013	17198	10735
(3) Hours in Nov	699	560	593	626	360	0	675

e. DASC Operations

(1) Helo Missions/Med Evacs - 1855/1013

(2) Fixed Wing - 3176

f. TAOC Operations

(1) A/C Provided Navigational Assistance - 14972

(2) GCI/GCA - 1712

(3) IFF/SIF - 13098

(4) Practice Intercepts - 78 of 87 for 89.2%

g. TADC Operations

(1) Fixed Wing Sorties - 5696

(a) In-country Sorties - 4751

(b) Out-country Sorties - 945

(c) Other Tactical Sorties - 142

(d) ECM/ELINT - 323

(e) Photo Sorties - 130

(f) IR Sorties - 39

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(2) Helicopter Sorties - 54966

- (a) Tasks - 21208
- (b) Cargo - 11647.60 tons
- (c) Passengers - 98699

6. Ground Defense (S)

a. Work was continued on improving bunkers throughout the Group. 'A' Battery, 1st LAAM Bn, laid new concertina wire around its perimeter and Trip Flares were placed around the entire battery perimeter.

7. Logistics (U)

a. On 7 November 1968, 1st LAAM Bn received its second amendment, \$200,000 of the funds which were requested to supplement OpBud (O & MMC Project 11). This increased the authorization to \$526,575.00.

8. Motor Transport (U)

a. The mileage of MACG-18 vehicles was 100,308 miles driven for the month of November 1968.

9. Embarkation (C) The Embarkation section of MACG-18 moved 53,640 lbs and 4,235 cubic feet of material in support of Group operations.

10. Inspections (U) There were no scheduled inspections within the Group during the month of November 1968.

11. Awards (U) There were no significant awards presented during the month of November 1968.