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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

ONE TO THIRTY APRIL 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION COMMANDER

MACG-18	Col Stanley G. DUNWIDDIE, Jr.	1-30 April 1970
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SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&HS-18	LtCol Robert W. FISCHER	1-30 April 1970
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MASS-3	LtCol John H. DUBOIS	1-21 April 1970
MASS-3	Maj Pasquale J. FLORIO	22-30 April 1970

MACS-4	Maj Robert W. MOLYNEUX, Jr.	1-30 April 1970
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OIC, TADC	Maj Pasquale J. FLORIO	1-21 April 1970
OIC, TADC	Maj Eldon LIBBY (USAF)	22-30 April 1970

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1970: Da Nang RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer, MACG-18	LtCol George G. LONG	1-30 April 1970
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Adjutant, MACG-18	Capt Dale F. LANDRUM	1-30 April 1970
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S-1, MACG-18	Capt Nicholas C. VANDERDOES	1-30 April 1970
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S-2, MACG-18	1stLt Bruce J. REED	1-30 April 1970
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S-3, MACG-18	Maj Ronald G. RICHARDSON	1-26 April 1970
S-3, MACG-18	Maj Herbert E. HOPPEMEYER	27-30 April 1970

S-4, MACG-18	Maj Harry N. JOHNSON	1-30 April 1970
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Supply Officer, MACG-18	Maj Thaddeus S. COATES	1-30 April 1970
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GEO, MACG-18	Maj Julian A. MOORE, Jr.	1-30 April 1970
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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
111	597	3	12

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Marine Air Control Group 18 continued to operate air control, anti-air warfare, and air support facilities in support of operations of the III MAF Air/Ground Team. Support was provided for TEXAS STAR, FREDERICK HILL, IRON MOUNTAIN, GENEVA PARK, GOLDEN DRAGON, NANTUCKET BEACH, GREEN RIVER, RANDOLPH GLEN, and Army of the Republic of Viet Nam (ARVN) operation, IAM SON.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. (C) SPECIAL OPERATIONS

a. Navigational assistance was provided for aircraft operating in support of the following operations:

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|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| (1) Texas Star | (4) Nantucket Beach | (7) Randolph Glen |
| (2) Frederick Hill | (5) Geneva Park | (8) Green River |
| (3) Iron Mountain | (6) Golden Dragon | (9) Lam Son (ARVN operation) |

b. The Group instituted the long sought for training of Vietnamese Air Force (VNAF) pilots for employment with the AN/TPQ-10/Air Surveillance Radar Teams (ASRT). On 21 April, classroom training was held for approximately 30 VNAF pilots of the 516th Fighter Squadron. This training was received with enthusiasm and the VNAF pilots quickly assimilated the operational procedures. Training flights and operational live drops are planned for early May.

2. (C) AIR CONTROL

a. On 30 April the following ASRT locations were employed in RVN: Da Nang (A-11), An Hoa (A-1), Chu Lai (B-1), Birmingham (B-2), and Quang Tri (A-8) (and Float (A-14)).

b. On 30 April there was one DASC operational at Da Nang.

c. ASRT Operations

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| (1) Missions | 859 |
| (2) A/C controlled | 1168 |
| (3) Bombs dropped | 3153.24 tons |
| (4) Targets hit | 1077 |
| (5) Target coverage | 2.92 tons/target |

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

	<u>A-11</u>	<u>A-1</u>	<u>B-1</u>	<u>B-2</u>	<u>A-8</u>	<u>A-14</u>
(1) Total hours	15,283	32,325	3,223	2,798	21,575	Unk
(2) Since Rehab	10,686	19,962	N/A	N/A	14,150	1,348
(3) Hours from 25 March to 27 April	755	757	746	750	760	53

e. DASC Operations

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>Total</u>
(1) Helo missions/medevac	1,613	0	0	0	1,613
(2) Fixed wing	830	0	69	63	962

f. TACOC Operations

- (1) Unknown tracks reported to Panama - 0
- (2) A/C provided navigational assistance - 11,069
- (3) TPQ-10 handoffs - 6
- (4) IFF/SIF checks - 751
- (5) GCI/GCA handoffs - 9,268
- (6) Intercepts - 0
- (7) Emergency assistance - 11

g. TADC Operations

- (1) Fixed Wing Sorties - 4,339
 - (a) In-country sorties - 3,603
 - (b) Out-country sorties - 736
 - (c) ECM/ESM - 262
 - (d) IR/SLAR sorties - 17
 - (e) Photo sorties - 80
 - (f) VR/TAC(A) sorties - 110

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- (2) Helicopter sorties - 31,581
- (a) Tasks - 8,739
 - (b) Cargo - 5,302.5 tons
 - (c) Passengers - 74,079
 - (d) Flight hours - 9,899.2
3. (S) GROUND DEFENSE. Construction and maintenance of defensive barriers continued during the month of April. No enemy contact was encountered.
4. (C) AIR DEFENSE. None.
5. (U) BASE DEVELOPMENT AND MILITARY CONSTRUCTION. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
6. (U) LOGISTICS
- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 6.
 - b. Refer to ANNEX C, Appendix A.
7. (U) SUPPLY
- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
 - b. Refer to ANNEX C, Appendix A.
8. (U) MAINTENANCE
- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
 - b. Refer to ANNEX C, Appendix A.
9. (U) ENGINEERING. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
10. (U) COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS
- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
 - b. Refer to ANNEX C, page 5.
11. (U) CONSTRUCTION. Refer to ANNEX B, page 7.
12. (U) MOTOR TRANSPORT. MACG-18 vehicles were driven a total of 37,107 miles during the month of April.

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13. (U) EMBARKATION. The Embarkation Section of MACG-18 moved 1,983 short tons of cargo.
14. (U) INFORMATION SERVICES. A total of 127 Fleet Home Town News Releases were submitted during the month of April.
15. (U) ADMINISTRATION. Refer to ANNEX C, page 3.
16. (U) COMMAND RELATIONSHIP/COMMAND AND CONTROL. Refer to ANNEX B, page 5.
17. (U) TRAINING. A total of 284 hours of technical training was conducted during the month of April with 499 persons attending. A total of 24 hours of basic training was conducted during this month with 628 persons attending.
18. (U) PERSONNEL
- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 5.
 - b. Refer to ANNEX C, page 3.
19. (U) CASUALTIES
- a. As a result of hostile action: None.
 - b. Not a result of hostile action: Two.
20. (U) AWARDS. The following award recommendations were submitted during the month of April:
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|---------------------------------|---|----|
| Bronze Star Medal | - | 5 |
| Navy Commendation Medal | - | 10 |
| Navy Achievement Medal | - | 6 |
| Vietnamese Award Recommendation | - | 1 |
| Certificate of Commendation | - | 1 |
| Letter of Appreciation | - | 1 |
- Refer to ANNEX B, page 8.
21. (U) MORALE AND WELFARE. During the month of April off base liberty remained secured and recreation was provided by Group Special Services. In addition, weekly China Beach runs were provided for off-duty personnel. R&R flights were conducted as follows:
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|--------|---|----|---------|---|---|--------|---|---|-----------|---|---|
| HAWAII | - | 10 | MANILA | - | 2 | TOKYO | - | 4 | HONG KONG | - | 5 |
| SYDNEY | - | 8 | OKINAWA | - | 3 | TAIPEI | - | 5 | BANGKOK | - | 8 |

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- a. Refer to ANNEX B, page 9.
- b. Refer to ANNEX C, page 6.

22. (U) GROUP CHAPLAIN

a. The Group Chaplain, Lt W. E. OUTLAW Jr., USN, held all Protestant services in the Group for the month of April. The Catholic services for MASS-3 and H&HS-18 were held by the MAG-11 Catholic Chaplain, Lt BRUGGMAN, USN. The Catholic services for MACS-4 were held by the XXIV Corps Catholic Chaplain, Col WALLACE, USA.

b. During the month of April, the Group Chaplain made the following visits:

- Officer Quarters - 24
- Enlisted Quarters - 12
- Working Spaces - 16
- Hospital - 2
- Brig - 1

c. During the month of April, the Group Chaplain conducted the following counseling sessions:

- Pre-marital - 3
- Marital - 4
- Family Emergency - 6
- Religious - 8
- Other - 3

23. (U) IMPORTANT VISITORS TO GROUP HEADQUARTERS

Brigadier General R. H. SPANJER, Assistant Wing Commander - 7 April 1970.

Major General W. G. THRASH, Commanding General, First Marine Aircraft Wing - 17 April 1970.

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