

MARINE WING COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON-18
Marine Air Control Group-18
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force Pacific
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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(c) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) MWCS-18 Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. Declassify on 31 December 1979.


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MWCS-18

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

Marine Wing Communications Squadron-18

COMMANDER

LtCol R.V. WALKER Jr
1 July 1972 to 15 July 1972
LtCol R.A. BECKER
16 July 1972 to 31 December
1972

SUBORDINATE UNITS

NONE

ATTACHED UNITS

NONE

2. LOCATION

1 July 1972 to 31 December 1972: MCAS Iwakuni Japan

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major W.S. AINSLEY
1 Jul 1972 to 10 Sept 1972
Major C.G. ARNOLD
11 Sept 1972 to 31 Dec 1972
CWO 3 P.J. MOROCCO
1 Jul 1972 to 15 Dec 1972
1stLt J.K. MELLON
16 Dec 1972 to 22 Dec 1972
CWO 3 J.A. McELROY
23 Dec 1972 to 31 Dec 1972
Capt C.L. KINSEY
1 Jul 1972 to 27 Aug 1972
Major J.M. HARTNETT
28 Aug 1972 to 31 Dec 1972

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Capt C.R. WILLIAMS
 1 Jul 1972 to 29 Jul 1972
 Capt A.H. MOSSLER
 30 Jul 1972 to 31 Dec 1972

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
20	290	NONE		NONE	

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the period 1 July - 31 December 1972, the squadron provided Command and Administrative Communications for the First Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters.
2. During the period 1 July - 31 December 1972, the squadron provided personnel and equipment in support of operations in South Vietnam.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel.

a. From 1 July 1972 to 31 December 1972 the Squadron joined or transferred 318 personnel.

b. During the period 1 July - 31 December 1972 the Squadron averaged 3 Officers and 55 Enlisted deployed in support of operations in South Vietnam.

2. Administration. During this period the following awards were presented by the Commanding Officer:

a. Good Conduct Awards - 20

b. Meritorious Mast - 1

c. Promotions - 145

3. Intelligence. None

4. Training.

a. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, Squadron administered EMS Test to 141 personnel.

b. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, 113 men attended the Drug Abuse Program.

c. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, 38 men completed Block Training in Essential Military Subjects.

d. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, 156 men attended Riot Control Training at the Wing SNCO Academy.

e. 25 Nov 1972, 46 Staff NCOs and Officers attended MARES/FORSTAT Class.

f. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, 33 Staff NCOs and Officers requalified with the .45 Cal. pistol.

g. 1 Jul - 31 Dec 1972, 113 men attended Human Relation and People Training Seminars.

h. 12 & 13 Dec 1972, COMEX conducted by Radio/Multi-Channel, Wire and Communications Center.

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5. Operations. The Squadron continues to support operations throughout South East Asia through personnel and equipment augmentations.

6. Special Operation. None

7. Command Relations. Normal

8. Equipment. During July 1972 the Squadron received 8 Radio Set, AN/MRC-135.

9. Logistics.

a. On 25 July 1972 this unit submitted a T/O change for Squadron Supply. The newly proposed T/O was for 2 officers and 38 enlisted compared to 1 and 11 respectively on the present T/O for M-8612.

b. During the period of 14 to 18 October 1972 this Squadron had its first FASMO inspection, since the Squadron was established in July of 1971.

c. In an effort to streamline the Squadron's effectiveness T/E modifications were submitted. The increases requested during September 1972 were for two each of TS-1194/U test sets and TK-188/UG tool sets. During October 1972 increases for five RU-565 converters and five M105 trailers were submitted. T/E changes approved by CMC were for five added TH-85/GCC terminals and two TK-188/UG tool sets.

d. Proposed for the FY-74 R/E program were three AN/TSC-15 radios and one each of AN/GRC-135A, AN/MRC-87, TA-207/P and SB-86/P Comm-Elec items. Received from the R/E program were one AN/TYA-11, two AN/TRC-75s and one SB-86/P.

e. The following equipment was sent to TASK FORCE DELTA in support of operations in South East Asia.

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Tool Kit AN/USM-15	7
TH-85/GCC	12
SB-22/PT	2
TA-312/PT	11
AN/FGC-19	1
AN/GCC-3A	1

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<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>QTY</u>
AN/UGC-6K	2
AN/MRC-109	1
AN/TIQ-2A	2
AN/UNH-3A	1
Battery Charger PU-6241	1
AN/UGM-5	1
Typewriter Teleg	2

The following equipment was retrograded from TASK FORCE DELTA.

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>QTY</u>
AN/GRC-135A	1
AN/TRC-75	2
AN/TSC-15	1
Gen PU-565/G	1
AN/UGC-6K	2
AN/TRC-97	2
SB-22/PT	1

10. Community Relations.

a. MWCS-18 during the months Sept - Dec 72 was active in community affairs. There were 4 week-end working parties sent to the orphanage at Tokuyama which consisted solely of Comm Sqdn personnel.

b. Also during this time the Sqdn began sending work parties to "Kuga" to assist a missionary in converting an old clinic into apartments for local victims of Cerebral Palsey. During the period Oct - Dec 72 approx 7 trips were made.

11. Communications.

a. Radio/Multi-Channel

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(1) 15 Sep 1972, 1 Officer and 7 Enlisted men, TAD to H&MS-15, Detachment B, established a radio station on the First MAW HF Liaison Circuit in support of First MAW Units at Cubi Point, RP.

(2) 9 Dec 1972, the Squadrons Cubi Point detachment established an additional radio station in Danang, RVN on the First MAW HF Liaison Circuit in support of VMCJ-1.

b. Communications Center.

(1) 1 Jul 72 - 22 Oct 72 the First MAW Communications Center processed the following number of messages:

Incoming	60,345
Outgoing	10,650
TOTAL	70,995

(2) The First MAW Communication Center secured operations at 0900, 22 October 1972. MCAS Iwakuni assumed Communications Guard for the First MAW.

(3) On 22 October 1972 the First Marine Aircraft Wing Command Center Electronic Courier was established with MCAS Iwakuni Communications Center for advance route of all Flash and immediate messages.

(4) 22 Oct 72 - 31 Dec 72, the following number of messages were received over the advance route (special) circuit:

Incoming	4,832
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12. Activations/Deactivations/Redesignations. None

13. Fiscal. A total of \$88,700.00 was allocated by the budget for the 1st and 2nd Qtr FY 73.

14. Inspections. 6 - 9 Nov 1972, the IG Inspection Team inspected the Squadron. An overall rating of Satisfactory with minor discrepancies was attained.

15. Important Visitors. None

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. There are no supporting documents for this report.

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