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1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), Enclosures (1) and (2) are hereby submitted.

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ENCLOSURE (3)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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## PART I

## ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

Marine Air Base Squadron 36, Marine  
Aircraft Group 36, 1st Marine Aircraft  
Wing, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

LtCol Dennis W. WRIGHT  
1-31 January 1969

2. LOCATION

1-31 January 1969: Phu Bai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major Edward J. CHESLA JR. 1-3 Jan 1969  
Major William J. SHRINER 4-31 Jan 1969

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Capt Melvin E. MCPEAK 1-31 Jan 1969

## FACILITIES ENGINEER OFFICER

Major James L. LANGFORD 1-19 Jan 1969

## UTILITIES OFFICER

1stLt Jay W. CHANCEY 20-31 Jan 1969

## MOTOR TRANSPORT OFFICER

1stLt Arthur L. DOMINY 1-31 Jan 1969

## TAFDS OFFICER

1stLt Billy B. LANE 1-31 Jan 1969

CWO-2 Clayton F. GLIDDEN 1 Jan 1969

2dLt Robert W. THOMAS 2-31 Jan 1969

## FOOD SERVICES OFFICER

1stLt Victor L. SHEPPARD 1-31 Jan 1969

## MATERIAL OFFICER

CWO-2 Carl M. MCBURNEY 1-31 Jan 1969

## AEROLOGY OFFICER

2dLt David L. HARRIS 1-31 Jan 1969

## COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

1stLt Louis A. JUAREZ 1-31 Jan 1969

## RIFLE COMPANY COMMANDER

Capt Malcolm R. MASSIE 1-31 Jan 1969

## CRASH CREW OFFICER

1stLt Gerald W. SYLVESTER 1-31 Jan 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
16	490

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
3	19

<u>OTHERS</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

## PART II

## NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Marine Air Base Squadron 36 provided base facilities and utilities support, base services and improvement of existing structures and utilities systems.

## PART III

## SEQUENTIAL LISTINGS OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Casualties sustained: Non Hostile - 6  
Hostile - 0
2. Administration: The administrative section provided administrative support and postal services for the squadron and MATCU-68.
3. Personnel strength has depleted more than normal during the month of January 1969, however not to the point where the mission of the squadron cannot be efficiently accomplished.
  - a. Joined
    - (1) Officers - 1
    - (2) Enlisted - 27
  - b. Transferred
    - (1) Officers - 4
    - (2) Enlisted - 50
  - c. Temporary additional duty - 6 departed on special leave; 2 departed on TAD in excess of 30 days; 2 departed to NCO Leadership School; 2 departed on emergency leave for a total of 12 personnel to TAD for the month of January 1969.
  - d. Attached - 6 MC Enlisted, 2 Navy Enlisted and 2 Navy Officers.
  - e. Not Chargeable - 5 MC Enlisted hospitalized. 3 MC Enlisted returned from hospitalization.
  - f. Career and Welfare
    - (1) Reenlistments - 2
    - (2) Extension of enlistments - 1
    - (3) Extension of overseas tour - 2
    - (4) Promotions - 7
    - (5) Reductions - 3
  - g. Personal Awards
    - (1) Good Conduct Medals - 8
    - (2) Air Medals - 13
    - (3) Purple Hearts - 0
    - (4) 7 End of Tour award recommendations were submitted during the month of January 1969, including six Marines and one Navy.

4. Civic Action: Eighty man days were engaged in by squadron personnel in civic action activities. Support was provided for the Thuy Luong Refugee Camp. A house recently destroyed by fire is being built and an extension on the Nun's house was completed. 80 school kits were distributed to children of the Camp School.

5. Communications: During January 1969, the Communication Center processed 7,087 incoming messages and 1,228 outgoing messages. The radio section activated an additional radio net for use by Helicopter Air Freight for communication with aircraft. The wire section commenced laying cable across the airstrip to replace the presently deteriorated and has performed other wire improvements within the area. Radio repair section installed a VRC-77 radio in a crash vehicle and accomplished routine repair and maintenance duties during the month.

6. Weather: Average rainfall at Phu Bai for the month of January is 9.21 inches. Total rainfall for January 1969 was 4.1 inches. Weather during the month had no effect on the accomplishment of the squadron's mission.

7. Medical: 951 patients were seen at sick call. 90 physical examinations were conducted and 960 immunizations were given. 138 Vietnamese Nationals received medical treatment during MEDCAPS including treatment of 28 children at the Hue and Phu Loung orphanages. Medical personnel are giving tests to a percentage of personnel from each section to determine if they are taking malaria pills. Emphasis is being placed on the need to take malaria pills.

8. Dental: 515 patients received dental treatment during January 1969. 66 Vietnamese Nationals were treated during DENICAPS.

9. Air Freight: 281,283 pounds of cargo was processed by Air Freight section of which 61,195 pounds was incoming and 220,088 pounds outgoing. 115 passengers were manifested to various places.

10. Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System: TAFDS section dispensed 101,013 gallons of aviation gas and 515,787 gallons of JP-4.

11. Crash Crew: The Crash Crew section responded to 31 emergencies, 34 defuels, 3 washdowns, 32 medical evacuations and 13 fires. No crashes occurred during the month of January.

12. Recovery: The Recovery section performed three assisted landings for training purposes and one emergency.

13. Materiel: In addition to routine supply support, the Materiel section reconciliated Navy requisitions, policed the newly renovated warehouse and turned in excess supplies to Group Supply for redistribution.

14. Base Services:

a. During January 1969, motor transport vehicles traveled 26,341 miles. 1,563 tons of cargo, 169,000 gallons of potable and nonpotable water, 97,518 gallons of diesel, 13,173 gallons of mogas, 12,069 gallons of JP-4, 66,100 gallons of aviation gas and 1,473 gallons of aviation oil was hauled. In excess of 14,700 passengers were carried. The maintenance shops completed 222 work

orders, including 132 second and third echelon maintenance jobs.

b. The Utilities section provided the Group with electricity, refrigeration, potable water and 40,745 pounds of clean laundry. The carpenter shop constructed two 48 foot by 20 foot semi-permanent buildings for use of the messhall and completed an addition to the dental clinic which doubled the floor space for the building. The engineer equipment section supported the Group with it's equipment as required and painted seven pieces of equipment, including four forklifts. A new building was completed by the Navy Seabees which is now housing the Engineer Equipment Maintenance section. This building has greatly improved working conditions.

c. Base Services picked up and disposed of garbage, trash and human waste and maintained sanitary conditions in heads and showers.

d. Food Services fed an average of 2400 personnel daily. Numerous improvements in the messhall was completed by the utilities section.

e. The Post Exchange operated daily providing merchandise and health and comfort items to base personnel. The total sales amounted to \$75,000.