

MARINE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL UNIT 68
MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-36
Marine Aircraft Group-36
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
FPO San Francisco, 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 December 1968 to 31 December 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

Marine Air Traffic Control Unit-68,
MABS-36, MAG-36, 1stMAW, FMFPac

Captain William E. MCCOLLUM

2. LOCATION

1-31 December 1968: Phu Bai, RVN

1-31 December 1968: Detachment of officers and enlisted at Marble
Mountain Air Facility, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

OPERATIONS OFFICER

Capt Charles H. SISSON 1-31 Dec 1968

MAINTENANCE OFFICER

Capt Billy K. GABRIEL 1-31 Dec 1968

OFFICER IN CHARGE, MARBLE

1stLt Jerry W. FORD 1-31 Dec 1968

MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
9	72	0	0	0	0

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. All weather Air Traffic Control service is provided at Hue/Phu Bai. In addition, a detachment of MATCU-68 provides VFR and special VFR at the Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN.

2. During the month of December 1968, Hue/Phu Bai Tower conducted a total of 30,015 operations of which 58 were special VFR and 34 were IFR. GCA conducted 509 approaches of which 7 were IFR. MATCU-68 Detachment at Marble Mountain Air Facility conducted a total of 26,931 operations of which 20 were special VFR and 31 were IFR. GCA conducted 317 approaches, none of which were IFR.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTINGS OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Casualties sustained: Non Hostile - 0
Hostile - 0

2. Equipment: UPS Surveillance Radar was received in December 1968. This equipment is not in use due to Air Force Radar capabilities for approach control. If the need arises, no indicators are available to use this radar at the present time. The Air Force TACAN was hit by an Air Force C-130 and put it out of operation. At the present time efforts are being made to get the Marine TACAN in operation.

3. Administration: Marine Air Base Squadron-36 is providing administrative support for MATCU-68.

4. Personnel: Personnel strength remained stable during December 1968. Personnel statistics are as follows:

a. Joined

(1) Officer - 2

(2) Enlisted - 8

b. Transferred

(1) Officer - 0

(2) Enlisted - 9

c. Temporary Additional Duty - 0

d. Attached - 0

e. Not chargeable - 0

f. Career and welfare

(1) Reenlistments - 0

(2) Extensions of overseas tour - 0

(3) Promotions - One 1stLt promoted to Captain

(4) Reductions - 0