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MARINE FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON 115
 Marine Aircraft Group 11
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
 FPO, San Francisco, 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 11
 Subj: Command Chronology (u)

Ref: (a) MC0 5750.2
 (b) WG0 5750.1B
 (c) GRU0 5213.2H

Encl: (1) VMFA-115 Command Chronology for the period 1- 31 October 1966

1. In accordance with references (a), (b), and (c) the enclosed report is submitted for the period 1 - 31 October 1966.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Unit: Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron 115

Location: DaNang AB, RVN

Period: 1 through 31 October 1966

Organizational Data (u):

1. Name	Billet	Rank	Dates
Larry R. VANDEUSEN	Commanding Officer	Major	1-31
Mathew B. PECK	Executive Officer	Major	1-31
Robert C. BAUGHMAN	Operations Officer	Major	1-3
Raymond R. POWELL	Operations Officer	Major	4-31
Frank CRUZ, Jr.	Administrative Officer	Major	5-31
Charles D. HATFIELD	Aviation Safety Officer	Major	1-31
Robert E. FROST	Administrative Officer	Captain	1-4
Werner F. REBSTOCK	Logistics Officer	Captain	1-31
Jack H. PULCHEON	Maintenance Officer	Captain	1-31

2. Average Monthly Strength (o):

a. Officers

(1) Naval Aviators	22
(2) Naval Flight Officers	19
(3) Aviation Ground Officers	6
(4) Naval Flight Surgeon	1
(5) Total	48

b. Enlisted

(1) Marine Corps	232
(2) Navy Corpsman	0
(3) Total	232

3. Summary of Significant Events

a. Personnel. (u) Two Naval Aviators and three Naval Flight Officers were rotated upon completion of their overseas tours. Five Naval Aviators and two Naval Flight Officers were received from CONUS. Enlisted strength remains about the same as compared to the previous month.

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b. Awards. (u) Thirty-nine Air Medals were awarded to flight crew members. Recommendation for forty Air Medals were made to higher authority.

c. Air Operations. (S) VMFA-115 recorded in October 613.7 flight hours and 456 sorties. Combat flight hours and sorties were 600.9 and 446. Missions included TPQ/MSQ, Tally Ho, Direct Air Support, Close Air Support, Air to Ground Scramble, Air to Air Scramble, Helicopter Escort/Cover, Steeltiger, Red Blazers, Firecrackers, Landing Zone Preparation, Reconnaissance, GCI, Ferry and Test. Damage assessment included 48 structures destroyed or damaged, 2 bridges damaged, 16 roads cut, 8 trails cut, 3 trench lines cut, 12 boats destroyed, 1 ford damaged, 2 trucks damaged, 2 caves destroyed, 3 secondary fires. The majority of missions in October were TPQ, where no battle damage assessment was available.

d. Training. (u) Four aircrew members completed the Jungle Environment and Survival Training (JEST) course. One Naval Flight Officer completed the Fifth Air Force Sea Survival Course. Two aircrew members completed PACAF Jungle Survival School. One ground officer completed the Corrosion Control Course at Tachikawa Air Base. One NCO completed the NCO Leadership Course at Camp Hansen, Okinawa.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Unit: Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron 115
 Location: Da Nang AB, RVN
 Period: 1 through 30 November 1966

Organizational Data (U)

1. Commander and Staff

NAME	BILLET	RANK	DATES
Larry R. VAN DEUSEN	Commanding Officer	Major	1-30
Matthew B. PECK	Executive Officer	Major	1-30
Raymond R. POWELL	Operations Officer	Major	1-30
James H. VANDEVER	Administrative Officer	Major	8-30
Frank CRUZ	Administrative Officer	Major	1- 7
Frank CRUZ	Logistics Officer	Major	8-30
Charles D. HATFIELD	Aviation Safety Officer	Major	1-30
Jack H. PULCHEON	Maintenance Officer	Major	1-30
Werner F. REBSTOCK	Logistics Officer	Captain	1- 7

2. Average Monthly Strength (C):

a. Officers

(1) Naval Aviators	20
(2) Naval Flight Officers	19
(3) Aviation Ground Officers	6
(4) Naval Flight Surgeon	1
(5) Total	46

b. Enlisted

(1) Marine Corps	230
(2) Navy Corpsmen	0
(3) Total	230

3. Summary of Significant Events

a. Personnel. (U) Two Naval Aviators and three Naval Flight Officers were rotated upon completion of their overseas tours. One Naval Flight Officer and one Aviation Ground Officer were received from CONUS. Two Naval Flight Officers were received from MAG-11. One Aviation Ground Officer was received from VMF-235. Enlisted strength remains about the same as compared to the previous month.

b. Awards. (U) One Distinguished Flying Cross and two Navy Commendation

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Medals were awarded. Fifty-nine Air Medals were awarded to flight crew members. Recommendations for fifty-eight Air Medals were made to higher authority.

c. Air Operations. (S) VMFA-115 recorded 532.5 flight hours and 419 sorties in November. The squadron flew 502.1 combat flight hours and 400 combat sorties. Missions included TPQ/MSQ, Tally Ho, Direct Air Support, Air to Ground Scramble, Helicopter Escort/Cover, Steel Tiger, Red Blazer, Landing Zone Preparations, Reconnaissance, Ferry and Test. Damage assessment included 137 structures destroyed, 66 structures damaged, 6 secondary fires, 34 VC KBA confirmed, 12 VC KBA probable, 4 caves destroyed, 5 bunkers damaged, 5 roads cut, 1 bridge damaged, 1 cave damaged, 1 secondary explosion, 1 automatic weapon position destroyed, and 1 truck damaged. The majority of missions in November were TPQ, where no battle damage assessment was available.

d. Training. (U) In addition to the weekly Pilot/NFO training conducted in the squadron the following formal schools were attended by VMFA-115 aircrews and ground personnel.

<u>SCHOOLS</u>	<u>NUMBER ATTENDING</u>
Jungle Environment and Survival Training (JEST)	6
PACAF Jungle Survival School	2
Corrosion Control Course	1 (Ground Officer)
Low Pressure Chamber Course	6

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