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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1-31 JANUARY 1969

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. COMMANDING OFFICER AND EXECUTIVE STAFF OFFICERS

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>
C.O.	LtCol	L. J. WILLIS	1-31Jan69
X.O.	Maj	M. P. SULLIVAN	1-31Jan69
S-1	Maj	L. B. HANNAH	1-31Jan69
S-2	1stLt	I. A. BASSETT	1-31Jan69
S-3	Maj	D. K. HANNA	1-31Jan69
S-4	Capt	K. R. DANEHY	1-31Jan69
AMO	Maj	J. B. HAMMOND	1-31Jan69
ASO	Maj	A. GILLESPIE	1-31Jan69

2. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
47	303	1	0

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the month of January 1969, VMFA-122 flew a total of 212 sorties comprising tactical weapons, area familiarization, instrument, test and ferry flights for a total of 338.9 hours.
2. Throughout the month the squadron S-2 section gave a total of 70 man-hours of intelligence briefings to squadron aircrew. The subjects covered included the Soviet Bomber Threat, Soviet Air-to-Surface Missiles, Soviet Long Range Aviation and Soviet Naval Aviation. Intelligence up-date briefs on current enemy situations and orders of battle were given for contingency plan areas.

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3. The Commandant of the Marine Corps, General Leonard F. CHAPMAN Jr., made a brief visit to VMFA-122 on 8 January 1969.
4. On 9 January, Major VAN AMAN USAF, 366th Tactical Fighter Wing, Itazuke Air Base, gave all squadron aircrew an Electronic Countermeasure (ECM) lecture. VMFA-122 has been flying ECM missions against the 366th Tactical Fighter Wing which utilizes both the EB-57 and EB-66 aircraft. This inter service coordination and operation has provided outstanding training for the aircrew of both units.
5. The squadron's Safety & Survival Equipment Shop conducted a lecture on emergency ejection seat egress and rappelling on 15 January. Following the lecture an aircraft evacuation drill was conducted by all squadron aircrew.
6. On 23 January the squadron flew an intensive air refueling training mission in preparation for a deployment to NAS Cubi Point, R. P. A KC-130 tanker was provided by VMGR-152. VMFA-122 qualified all aircrew in 23 sorties with a total of 175 dry/wet plug-ins in the record time of three hours and 31 minutes. Critical to the successful completion of the air refueling training was the support provided by MCAS Iwakuni, H&MS-15, MABS-15, VMGR-152 and MACS-8 Det Alpha. In particular the degree of coordination and flexibility demonstrated by all organizations involved highlighted the Marine Corps Aviation Team Concept in operation.
7. A squadron award ceremony was held on 24 January. Colonel C. T. CORCORAN, Commanding Officer of MAG-15 (REIN), presented a Single Mission Air Medal to Major L. B. HANNAH and 1stLt. V. R. MADDUX for action in the Republic of Vietnam.
8. During the period 1 through 31 January 1969 VMFA-122 established an Air-to-Air Tactics Committee for the purpose of reviewing and up-dating Air Combat Maneuvering tactics. The Committee will also establish a squadron training syllabus in Air Combat Maneuvering.
9. Squadron flight operations secured 29 January at Iwakuni in preparation for the deployment to NAS Cubi Point, R. P.
10. On 30 January the first section of squadron aircraft departed for NAS Cubi Point, R. P.

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PART III

SIGNIFICANT HIGHLIGHTS

1. Personnel

Officers Joined	9	Enlisted Joined	64
Officers Transferred	3	Enlisted Transferred	22

2. Administration

Squadron Orders and Bulletins published 3

Savings Bond participation 51%

Officer members of Marine Corps Association - Unknown

Awards received: Single Mission Air Medal - 2

3. Morale/Welfare Programs - Squadron personnel utilized recreational equipment provided by Special Services MCAS Iwakuni and Special Services MAG-15 (REIN)

4. Career Advisory/Education/Information

Number of personnel interviewed 6

Number of extensions 0

Number of reenlistments (period covered) - 2 (6 yrs. each) 1 (2 yrs.)

New enrollments in correspondence courses 14

Correspondance courses completed 5

Officers completing Univ. of Maryland extension courses 0

Career Advisory news letters submitted 0

Number of Fleet Home Town news releases, tapes, master stories submitted 38

5. Operations Department

a. The squadron flew a total of 212 sorties and 338.9 hours for the period 1-31Jan69.

b. The squaaron flew the following type missions during the month:

Tactical Weapons, Area Familiarization, Instrument, Test and Ferry Flights

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c. The squadron conducted 209.4 man-hours of crew training covering the following subjects:

ACM, ECM, Course Rules, Bit Checks, Soviet Bomber Intelligence, BQM Brief, Aerial Refueling, Survival Radios, Fitness Reports, Soviet Long Range Air Forces.

d. There were 381.5 man-hours of Basic Training conducted during this reporting period.

6. Intelligence Section

a. The squadron aircrews received a total of 70 man-hours of intelligence briefings.

7. Ordnance Section

a. There was no ordnance expended during this reporting period

8. Material Section

	<u>BP01</u>	<u>BF09</u>	<u>BP11</u>	<u>BF50</u>
a. Requisitions submitted	178	0	15	165
b. Requisitions completed	125	0	13	103
c. Total expenditure of EP01 for January	\$59,008.05			
d. Total flight hours	338			
e. Average cost per flight hour	\$174.58			

9. Aircraft Maintenance

a. The following data is submitted for the month of January on aircraft and Ground Support Equipment:

19 Aircraft assigned 28.3 Operational ready

b. Aircraft Status

1) Of the 14 F4-B aircraft on hand 31.2% NORM is due to the following:

Large number of untrained F4-B personnel
Large turnover of personnel
Man-hour loss due to Basic Training
Shortage of Ground Support Equipment

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c. There were 40.4% NORS due to the following:

<u>BUNO</u>	<u>AACP ITEM</u>
151502	Wing Hinge
151454	Air Compressor
151465	Wing Fold Actuator Cyl
149465	Auto Pilot Amp
150426	Auto Pilot Amp
150653	Air Compressor & Auto Pilot Amp

d. Critical Items

1. Air Compressor FSN - 1650-937-1374	P/N - 893272
2. Utility Hyd Pump FSN - 1650-793-5797	P/N - 50901
3. Primary Hyd Pump FSN - 1650-783-8721	P/N - 55001
4. Auto Pilot Amp FSN - 6615-977-3724	P/N - 229E925G1
5. Throttle Control Box FSN - 2995-928-9274	P/N - 169-1-000
6. Constant Speed Drive FSN - 1650-912-4241	P/N - 7037E44G7
7. Generator FSN - 6615-814-7051	P/N - 2CM261C1
8. Moisture Separator FSN - 1650-829-5475	P/N - 3100-100
9. CADC FSN - 6610-969-9513	P/N - 42400-875
10. A. A. Transmitter FSN - 6610-987-5611	P/N - SIZ-9170A

e. Significant Problem Areas

AACP'S

Untrained personnel

Not sufficient Ground Support Equipment (High Press. Air Compressor)

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