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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMFPac  
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Encl: (1) Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 Command Chronology

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2. Upon removal of enclosure (1), this letter is downgraded to unclassified.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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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	COCHRAN, J. K.	1-31 August 1969
X.O	MAJOR	REVIE, R. D.	1-31 August 1969
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	CAPT	SPACE, W. F.	1-31 August 1969
INTELLIGENCE OFFICER	1stLT	TURNER, A. B.	1-31 August 1969
OPERATIONS OFFICER	MAJOR	DRAFFEN, B. H.	1-31 August 1969
LOGISTICS OFFICER	CAPT	HARRAH, J. F.	1-31 August 1969
AWO	MAJOR	HALPRIN, B. R.	1-31 August 1969
ASO	CAPT	KELLY, T. P.	1-31 August 1969

2. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
Joined 03	04	0	0
Dropped 09	21	1	0

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## PART II

## NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. (C) Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 122 flew 245 sorties for a total of 361.0 hours during August 1969. The missions accomplished were area familiarization, instrument training, air intercepts, air combat maneuvering, air-to-air and air-to-ground tactics. Emphasis was placed on air-to-ground tactics of the type encountered in Southeast Asia.
2. (U) All aircrews received concentrated ground training covering weapons and aircraft systems. In addition, periodic briefs were given during All Officers Meetings on current information of interest concerning Southeast Asia and Viet Nam. Tactics sessions were held for the benefit of aircrews who will be rotating to Viet Nam. These sessions were conducted by aircrews who have recently rotated out of Viet Nam.
3. (U) During the period 1 August to 14 August flight operations were conducted utilizing the parallel taxiway because of repairs being made on the runway. Final landings were made into the M-21 Moresst Gear. A total of 92 arrested landings were made.
4. (S) On 17 August 1969, VMFA-122 received a movement warning order for redeployment of the squadron to Chu Lai, RVN. A pre-rotation inspection was conducted by MAG-15 during the week of 22 August.

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## PART III

## SIGNIFICANT HIGHLIGHTS

## 1. (U) Personnel

Officers Joined:	3	Enlisted Joined:	4
Officers Transferred:	10	Enlisted Transferred:	21

## 2. (U) Administration

Squadron Orders and Bulletins Published:	3
Savings Bond Participation:	64%
Awards Received:	15
Number of Personnel Promoted:	45

## 3. (U) Morale/Welfare Programs

a. On 9 August 1969, an all hands party was held at the Slipway Picnic Area. Charcoaled hamburgers and hotdogs with cold drinks were available. Group participation in volleyball, horseshoes, football and softball provided recreation.

## 4. (U) Career Advisory/Education/Information

Number of Personnel interviewed:	14
Number of extensions:	1
Number of reenlistments:	0
New enrollments in correspondence courses:	19
Correspondence courses completed:	1
Number of High School GED Certificates:	1
Number of Home Town news releases:	33

## 5. (S) Operations Department

a. The squadron flew 361.0 hours in 245 sorties for the period 1-31 August 1969.

b. The squadron flew the following types of missions during the reporting period: area familiarization; instruments; air intercepts; air combat maneuvering; air-to-air tactics and air-to-ground tactics. During the period 12-29 August, extensive training in air-to-ground tactics was accomplished utilizing practice ordnance at Ashiya Range.

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c. Normal flight operations were terminated on 29 August to prepare the aircraft for deployment to Viet Nam.

d. During August 1969, ground training was accomplished as follows:

- (1) Aircrew ground training: 54 hours
- (2) Enlisted technical and basic training: 1959 hours
- (3) Pistol requalification for Officers and Staff NCO's:
- (4) PFT conducted for squadron personnel.

6. (S) Intelligence Section

a. A detailed map of Viet Nam was prepared for use at the tactics sessions. Overlays were made depicting areas, callsigns and functions of control agencies, tanker tracks, BARCAP tracks, SAR ships, significant landmarks and suitable emergency-divert fields.

7. (S) Ordnance Section

a. During the reporting period, VMFA-122 expended 172 Mark 76 Practice Bombs and 381 2.75 inch folding-fin aircraft rockets.

8. (U) Material Section

	<u>BP01</u>	<u>BF09</u>	<u>BP11</u>	<u>BF50</u>
a. Requisitions Submitted:	<u>112</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>394</u>
b. Requisitions Completed:	73	0	15	154
c. Total Expenditures of BP01 for August:	\$76,090.88			
d. Total flight hours for August:	361.0			
e. Average Cost per flight Hour:	210.80			

9. (S) Aircraft Maintenance

a. For the reporting period of August 1969, the following is submitted:

Aircraft Assigned: 20	NORM: 28.3%
Operational Ready: 54.7%	NORS: 17.0%

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