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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3E)

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Via: Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Fleet Marine Force,
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Ref: (a) MCO 3480.1 (Quarterly Report)

Encl: (1) Organizational Data Sheet
(2) Narrative Summary
(3) Supporting Documents

1. Purpose. In accordance with reference (a) VMGR 152 Command Diary is submitted for period 1-30 June 1965.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA SHEET

1. Unit - Marine Aerial Refueler/Transport Squadron 152
2. Period - 1 June-30 June 1965
3. Date Submitted - 7 July 1965
4. Commanding Officer - Lieutenant Colonel A. C. FITZGERALD
5. Location - Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan

Enclosure (1)

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036 00 65-164NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1 June - 30 June 1965

Operations

1 June - One aircraft detachment stationed at Danang to support Wing and Division. Aircraft 149809 pilots FOWNER/THOMAS. Resupplied camp at Phu Bai. Made a pay call run. Three other aircraft flew into Vietnam.

2 June - Flight 5 and one special flew into Danang. Aircraft detached flew combat support air refueling for A4 aircraft and also flew rations and fuel to Phu Bai.

3 June - Three aircraft flew into Danang. Detached aircraft refueled A4 aircraft, brought Vietnam troops to Nha Trang. Supplied Ban Me Thout outpost with cargo for 1st Corps.

4 June - One aircraft flew into Danang. Detached aircraft brought 40,000 pounds Class 6 supplies into Danang, also refueled four A4 aircraft near Chu Lai.

5 June - Flight 5 to Danang. One special into Danang. Detached aircraft carried 25 Chiviet troops and 25,000 pounds of Special Forces cargo into Danang. Refueled four A4 aircraft, air delivered four people and 25,000 pounds cargo at Chu Lai.

6 June - One aircraft special to Danang. Detached aircraft air dropped 3d MarDiv and Special Forces. Refueled four A4 aircraft (225-311) enroute to Phu Bai. Air dropped 16,000 pounds of Aerial Delivery Platoon cargo to Chu Lai at 3-400 feet. Encountered small arms fire, received 4 hits, two in fuselage, one in wing and one in elevator.

7 June - Flight 5 to Danang plus three specials. Flight 5 is to relieve detachment crew, and become new detachment. Old detachment becomes flight 5. Detachment aerial refueled aircraft near Ban Me Thout at 9-10,000 feet, received three bursts of anti-aircraft fire. No damage to aircraft. Aerial Delivered 10,000 pounds of 3d Aerial Delivery Platoon cargo at 3-500 feet into Chu Lai.

8 June - Seven specials into Danang. Detached aircraft blew a tire. Aerial Refueled two A4 aircraft at 20-25,000 feet. First C-130 to land at Chu Lai. Runway is narrow and difficulty was encountered in parking. ^{NOTED} Necessary excessive backing which could possible hurt engines by an excessive amount of dust, and propellers were sand blasted.

9 June - Flight 5 and one special into Danang. Detached aircraft refueled aircraft over Chu Lai and to and from targets. Flew Logistic flight to Chu Lai

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10 June - Four specials into Danang. Detached aircraft flew Aerial Refueling for six A4 aircraft over Chu Lai. Flew Logistics flight into Chu Lai.

11 June - One special into Danang. Detached aircraft refueled four A4 aircraft over Chu Lai. Landed at Chu Lai to carry cargo to Danang. Aerial Refueled three A4 aircraft to and from targets.

12 June - Three specials into Danang. Detached aircraft refueled four A4 aircraft over Chu Lai and four A4 aircraft over Phu Bai. Landed at Chu Lai with cargo and 16 passengers. Flew to Nha Trang with Logistics Support for 5th Special Forces.

13 June - Detached aircraft flew two Aerial Refueling flights over Chu Lai for 17 A4 strike aircraft, dispensed a total of 20,500 pounds of fuel. The detached aircraft landed at Chu Lai with cargo, DOYLE/HOPKINS. Flight 5 departed Danang. Two specials flew into Danang.

14 June - Detached aircraft flew two Aerial Refueling flights over Chu Lai for A4 aircraft. Flight 5 HOFHEINZ/STEVENS arrived Danang to relieve detached aircraft. One special flew into Danang.

15 June - Flight 5 departed Danang. Detachment aircraft flew two Aerial Refueling flights over Chu Lai, then landed to Medical Evacuate 22 personnel to Danang. Second detachment aircraft, MANN/BRENNAN, arrived in Danang and relieved first aircraft on station (Aerial Refueling) over Chu Lai. First aircraft returned on station in the afternoon. Three specials arrived at Danang.

16 June - First detachment aircraft flew two Aerial Refueling flights over Chu Lai, then landed at Chu Lai with MCB-10 equipment. Second detachment aircraft departed Danang for Hong Kong with 56 passengers on R and R (included Marines, Navy, Special Forces personnel). Flight 5 arrived Danang.

17 June - First detachment aircraft departed Danang for Saigon and return with perishable food and parachute flares. Second detachment aircraft returned to Danang from Hong Kong. Two specials arrived Danang. One aircraft arrived Saigon with whole blood from Tachikawa AFB for bombing victims. (waited two hours to unload same after hospitals contacted, seemed no one knew it was coming)

18 June - First detachment aircraft departed Danang for return to Iwakuni. Remaining detached aircraft made one flight to Chu Lai with gear for MCB-10, and one flight to Nha Trang to pick up supplies for Army Special Forces at Danang. One special arrived Chu Lai. Flight 5 departed Danang.

19 June - Detachment aircraft made two flights to Chu Lai with perishable provisions, and one flight to Phu Bai with miscellaneous supplies.

20 June - Detachment aircraft flew to Phu Bai with perishables, then to Chu Lai with miscellaneous equipment and passengers. Two specials arrived Danang.

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21 June - Flight 5 arrived and relieved detachment aircraft and crew. MAIDEN/MAYIAN. Six specials arrived Danang. Detachment aircraft flew to Phu Bai with miscellaneous gear.

22 June - Flight 5 departed Danang. Detachment aircraft flew to Phu Bai with miscellaneous division gear, then to Chu Lai with perishables and returned to Danang with Red Label.

23 June - Two specials arrived Danang. One aircraft on a double shuttle, Cubi/Chu Lai. Detachment aircraft flew to Phu Bai with Mail, Passengers and perishables.

24 June - Two aircraft on a double shuttle, Cubi/Danang. Two specials arrived Danang. Detachment aircraft flew to Chu Lai with passengers and miscellaneous gear then returned to Danang. Flew to Phu Bai with miscellaneous gear and returned to Danang with Medical Evacuees. Detachment aircraft flew to Nha Trang for Special Forces gear, blew a main tire on deck at Nha Trang and had to return empty with blown tire.

25 June - Two specials arrived Danang. One aircraft on a double shuttle, Cubi/Danang. Detachment aircraft made one flight to Phu Bai and one to Chu Lai, both with miscellaneous cargo and passengers.

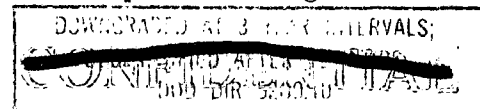
26 June - One aircraft arrived Danang via Chu Lai. One aircraft on a double shuttle, Cubi/Danang. Detachment aircraft flew to Chu Lai with perishables, LOX and passengers. Detachment aircraft then air dropped 16 troops, China Beach DZ, Tourane. Detachment aircraft made an air drop of miscellaneous supplies to Special Forces "Able camp at Xa Trong (15°04'N 108°30'E) then proceeded to Nha Trang to pick up Special Forces gear for Danang.

27 June - One special arrived Danang. Two aircraft made double shuttles, Cubi/Danang. Detachment aircraft made four shuttles, Danang/Phu Bai and carried 58 tons of 90mm ammunition.

28 June - Detachment aircraft made air drop for Special Forces "Able camp" at Xa Trang (15,000 pound bulldozer plus 5 Marine Aerial Delivery Team to recover chutes). Detachment aircraft then made two shuttles, Danang/Phu Bai to carry additional 30 tons of 90mm ammunition. Detachment aircraft then departed Danang for Iwakuni. Flight 5 arrived Danang. Special arrived Danang to relieve detachment aircraft, pilots WALDO/ADAMSKI. New detachment aircraft made one shuttle to Chu Lai with 27,000 pounds of rations. One special arrived Danang via Chu Lai. One special arrived Danang via Phu Bai. Two more specials arrived Danang.

29 June - Flight 5 departed Danang. One special arrived Danang. Detachment aircraft made one shuttle to Chu Lai (Mail, LOX, Rations, Tires and Passengers). Then three shuttles to Phu Bai (First two with Ammunition - Third with Lumber). Detachment aircraft made one more shuttle to Chu Lai with MASS -2 Passengers.

30 June - Flight 5 arrived Danang. Detachment aircraft departed Danang for Bangkok (R and R plus carrier run).

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Aircraft availability for the Month of June was 83%. Total squadron flight time was 1,657.5 hours, with a total pilot time of 3,281.0 hours, of which 3,098.2 was squadron pilot time only.

There were 92 total flights into Vietnam with 1,622 passengers and 1,745,632 pounds of cargo. Also a total of 155 flights within Vietnam, carrying 542 passengers and 615,961 pounds of cargo.

Logistics

1. Fuel used during June 1,261,840 gallons
2. Oil used during June 584 gallons
3. Other operating costs \$9,342.16
4. Total operating cost during June \$136,506.43

Administration

1. Period 1-30 June 1965 VMGR-152 averaged 36 Officers and 237 Enlisted Men.
2. Period 1-30 June 1965 VMGR-152 averaged 32 Pilots and 89 Flight Crew Members.

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LTCOL FITZGERALD

MAJ RICE

MAJ ECHOLS

CAPT MERTZ

CAPT TAYLOR

CAPT MANN

CAPT SIMERLY

CAPT HUMBERT

CAPT FOWNER

CAPT DOYLE

CAPT WALDO

CAPT HOFHEINZ

CAPT COLL

1STLT FOLMAR

1STLT MCGAHA

1STLT HOPKINS

1STLT STEVENS

1STLT THOMAS

1STLT MINER

1STLT GAMMACK

1STLT CARROLL

1STLT MAYIAN

1STLT GREEN

1STLT MAIDEN

1STLT BRITTON

1STLT TANNER

1STLT ADAMSKI

1STLT DURHAM

1STLT MATHENY

1STLT FRUSHOUR

1STLT JOSEPH

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LTCOL HOLLAND

MAJ BROWN

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GYSGT BAKER

MGYSGT BARBER

LCPL BECK

SSGT BENDALL

SGT BLEXRUDE

SGT BLOSS

PFC BREESE

SSGT BRUBECK

SSGT BULJAT

GYSGT CAMPBELL

PFC CHRISTENSEN

PFC CIPPOLA

SSGT COLEMAN

SSGT CORLEY

GYSGT DAVIS

SSGT DURHAM

SSGT EDWARDS

SSGT FAHY

GYSGT FOSHEE

GYSGT GEBO

CPL GERRY

GYSGT HADLEY

LCPL GUINN

SSGT HALL

SGT HAMILTON

SSGT HARDY

CPL HOFMAN

GYSGT HOLLAND

SSGT HOWE

GYSGT HUMPHREY

GYSGT JENNINGS

GYSGT JOHNSON

SSGT JOSLIN

SGT JUDGE

GYSGT KALMI

SSGT KELLEY

CPL KERSHAW

LCPL KINSPEL

SSGT KRING

GYSGT LEBLANC

SSGT LEVAY

GYSGT MARTINEK

PFC MATLAK

LCPL MAYO

MGYSGT MCGRATH

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CPL MCKINNEY

MGYSGT MORA

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CPL NANCE

SSGT STEVENS

SGT NEIDERMAN

CPL STORM

GYSGT NEKORANEC

SSGT STOUT

GYSGT NORRIS

GYSGT STREITENBERGER

SSGT OLIN

SGT STROHMEYER

SSGT PALMER

SSGT THARPE

CPL PATENAUDE

SGT VINAL

PFC PITRE

MSGT WEBB

GYSGT PLACH

GYSGT WIEGERT

GYSGT PLEVA

SSGT WHITE

SSGT POLENSKI

SGT WRIGHT

SSGT SANDERS

LCPL ZABOROWSKI

LCPL PORTILLO

LCPL AREY

LCPL ROBINSON

SGT ASHENBRAMER

CPL RUNYON

SSGT BENNETT

CPL ROOKS

PFC BILLINGSLEY

GYSGT SANGMEISTER

CPL BROWN

GYSGT SELEPES

SSGT CARTER

MGYSGT SAWIN

GYSGT GEORGE

SSGT SHIELDS

CPL FRANKLIN

SGT SMITH

LCPL FULKERSON

SGT SPANGLER

LCPL HAAS

SSGT STACY

GYSGT HALL

CPL STANOIS

LCPL HARPER

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SSGT TITUS

MSGT MELANCON

SGT URITESCU

CPL MCCASLIN

PFC WARD

LCPL MILLER

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