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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

VMGR-152

LtCol John URELL

ATTACHED UNITS

Detachment Alpha, VMGR-352 (4 aircraft), is under OPCON VMGR-152

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 March: Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS: (changes)

Major Donald G. SMITH
 Major Bascom F. GORDON
 Capt. Edmund P. NOLL
 Capt. Raymond J. HINCHCLIFF
 Major Bernard C. DARR
 Major Bernard C. DARR
 Major Peter F. LOTTSFELDT
 Major Donald G. SMITH

Logistics Officer 1-26 March
 Logistics Officer 27-31 March
 Air Freight System Officer 1-15 March
 Air Freight System Officer 16-27 March
 Air Freight System Officer 28-31 March
 OIC Sub Unit 1 1-14 March
 OIC Sub Unit 1 15-26 March
 OIC Sub Unit 1 27-31 March

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTHUSMCUSNOFFENLOFFENL

50 - Naval Av
 8 - Av Ground

540

2

4

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During March, VMGR-152 flew 940 sorties. These sorties moved 25,465 passengers and 3673.1 short tons of cargo, baggage and mail. Operations during March consisted of both routine passenger/cargo flights between the Republic of Viet Nam and Okinawa and support of combat operations within Viet Nam. Aerial Refueling doubled over the previous month, from 13 to 26.

Sub Unit 1, VMGR-152, based at Danang A.B., Republic of Viet Nam operated four aircraft in support of in country operations. These operations consisted of aerial delivery, flare drop, aerial refueling, logistical resupply and medical evacuation sorties. The in-country refueling missions increased five-fold over February, the figures being 20 vice 4.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Commitments

A review of normal commitments flown during March reveals the following significant events, in chronological order.

2 March

- a. Emergency evacuation at Khe Sanh. Under G-2's direction.

4 March

- a. Provided air transportation for MGen TYLER. DAN-FUT
- b. Additional aircraft detached i.a.w. 1st MAW request.

5 March

- a. Provided airlift for 55 VMA-311 pax. IWA-CHU

8 March

- a. Aircraft 148890 received small arms hit in #3 nacelle.

10 March

- a. Provided air transportation for MGen WALT. DAN-DONG
- b. Runway at Dong Ha was so bad field closed until repairs effected - approximately 8 April 1967.
- c. Four Drones for VC-5. NAHA-DAN

13 March

- a. Provided air transportation for BGen OWENS. DAN-FUT

15 March

- a. Provided air transportation for BGen OWENS. FUT-IWA

17 March

- a. Provided air transportation for BGen OWENS and aide. FUT-DAN
- b. Provided airlift for VMFA-115.
- c. Provided airdrop of 250 flares over special forces camp under attack.
- d. Two KC-130F aircraft departed Futema for CONUS to participate in air refueling mission "LONG PULL". They returned to Futema on 28 March after successful completion of mission.

18 March

- a. Provided air transportation for BGen OWENS and aide. FUT-DAN

20 March

- a. Provided air transportation for LCdr WILDENSON and party of four.

FUT-OSAKA

21 March

- a. Provided air transportation for LtGEN WALT.

HONG-DAN

23 March

- a. Provided air transportation for Col. KIMAK and party of 2.

FUT-DAN

24 March

- a. Participated in operation "CHINOOK" by providing artillery spotter aircraft at DMZ.

29 March

- a. Provided air transportation for MGen BOUKER and aide.

IWA-FUT

30 March

- a. Participated in "LONG PULL", aerial refueling mission out of Cubi Point.

2. Flight Statistics

Cargo (tons)	3673.1	Detachment only	919.2
Passengers	25,465		5840
Sorties	940		188
Hours Flown	1674.1		261.7
AR Missions	26		
AD Missions	3		
Flare Drop Missions	21		
Flares Dropped	2579		
A/C hit by ground fire	2		

3. Personnel

- a. Squadron personnel were divided between the squadron at Futema and Sub Unit 1 at Danang as follows. (Monthly average)

MCAF Futema	55 Officers	-	424 Enlisted
Sub Unit 1	3 Officers	-	116 Enlisted

b. New pilots assigned during March:

Major R. F. SCHRAMMEL

Capt. W. S. BALDWIN

Capt. G. E. LOVELESS

2/LT. D. M. JONTZ

c. New crew member personnel assigned:

Cpl. J. L. DUPUY

Msgt. J. H. VINCENT

Sgt. R. K. EDDINGS

Cpl. R. F. ZATYCKI

d. New non-crew member personnel assigned:

Sgt. E. D. BRADY

Ssgt. T. E. JARVIS

Sgt. E. S. FUGIER

Ssgt. C. F. MATTHIAS

Cpl. R. C. MAYNARD

Sgt. N. I. PALMER

GySgt. W. C. PITTS

Cpl. S. C. SHEA

4. Awards

There were 93 Air Medals, 1 Vietnamese Cross for Gallantry with Palm and 1 Bronze Star awarded during March for combat flight operations.