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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

VMGR-152

COMMANDER

LtCol Royce M. WILLIAMS

ATTACHED UNITS

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

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 October 1967: Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS: (changes)

LtCol. R. B. MOORE	Executive Officer	6-31 October 1967
Major R. L. OWEN	OIC Sub Unit #1	1-31 October 1967
Major J. K. KNOPE	Administration Off.	1-31 October 1967
Major T. F. ASCHENBECK	S-4 Officer	1-31 October 1967
Major R. K. GOFORTH	Motor Transport Off.	1-31 October 1967
Capt. D. A. SALEM	Personnel Officer	1-31 October 1967
1stLt. D. N. LOY	MC Property Officer	1-31 October 1967
CWO-3 H. WILDFANG	Quality Control Off.	1-31 Officer 1967

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
40 - Naval Av	435	2	4
10 - Av Ground			

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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of October VMGR-152 flew 1,272 sorties, for a total of 1,823 flight hours. 26,599 passengers and 4,232 short tons of cargo were transported.

The Sub Unit based at Danang continued to operate with an average of six aircraft. Missions flown consisted of aerial refueling, logistics, air delivery and flare drop missions.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Commitments

A review of the commitments flown during October shows the following significant events, in chronological order.

4 October a. Began supporting Marine Aircraft Group 36, airlifting equipment and supplies from Chu Lai to Phu Bai.

8 October a. 149808 - Crew: Major LYNCH, and 1/LT JONTZ - During an approach to Hue Phu Bai airfield, aircraft was hit by enemy small arms fire. One round struck above the port paratroop door, while the other passed through the starboard refueling pod.

10 October a. 148246 - Crew: Captain JENSEN, and Captain BALDWIN - Located and facilitated the rescue of two downed F-4 pilots.

15 October a. Provided transportation for MARTHA RAYE and party from Danang to Phu Bai.

21 October a. Provided transportation for Colonel LAING from Futema to Danang.

24 October a. Evacuated all squadron aircraft from Futema to Cubi Point, Atsugi and Danang, due to typhoon Dinah.

b. Provided transportation for Colonel LAING from Danang to Futema.

27-28 October a. Dropped flares at Ashau Valley in support of emergency helicopter medevacs.

b. Squadron aircraft returned to Futema after all clear on typhoon Dinah.

2. <u>Flight Statistics</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Detachment Only</u>
Cargo (tons)	4232	2974
Passengers	26,599	21,302
Hours Flown	1823	1543
Sorties	853	676
AR Missions	26	
AD Missions	6	

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Flare Drop Missions	58
Flares Dropped	7,419
A/C Hit by Hostile Fire	1

### 3. Personnel

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

MCAF Futema	48 Officers	-	340 Enlisted
Sub Unit #1	2 Officers	-	95 Enlisted

#### b. New Pilots Assigned

Major H. CLAYSON  
 Major J. F. WALSH  
 Major D. F. NIELSEN  
 Major R. A. FRITZLER  
 Capt. J. D. GARLAND  
 Capt. C. L. DEORNELLAS  
 Capt. J. C. RHODES  
 Capt. R. R. MULLINS

#### c. New Crew Members Assigned

GySgt. W. E. BRINKER  
 SSgt. J. A. OVERTON  
 SSgt. H. S. ROWLISON

#### d. New Non Crew Member personnel assigned

Pvt. R. J. BRADFORD  
 Sgt. R. J. McCORMICK  
 LCpl. S. MORLEY

### 4. Awards

There was one (1) Purple Heart awarded during this period.

Major H. CHAPIN was awarded a citation for being the first Marine Naval Aviator credited with 5000 hours in the KC-130F aircraft.

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