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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. <u>DESIGNATION</u> <u>COMMANDER</u>

VMGR-152 LtCol Royce M. WILLIAMS

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 March: Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS: (changes)

Major J. C. RHODES

1st MAW ATCO
A/C Maintenance Officer
1 to 31Mar68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>

<u>OFF</u> <u>ENL</u> <u>OFF</u> <u>ENL</u>

43 Naval Av 477 2 4
10 Av Ground

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of March, VMGR-152 flew 1,305 sorties for a total of 1,961 flight hours. 31,926 passengers and 5,077 short tons of cargo were transported.

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

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Commitments

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

- 10 March a. Provided transportation for Col KELLOGG from Danang to Futema.
- 16 March a. Provided transportation for MGen ANDERSON from Danang to Phu Bai.
- 17 March a. Provided transportation for BGen HISE and Col VANCE from Danang to Phu Bai.
- 18 March a. Provided transportation for BGen CHIP from Futema to Danang.
- b. Provided transportation for MGen ANDERSON from Dong Ha to Danang.
- 21 March a. 150689 Crew: Major DEORNELLAS and Major ALLEN Located and facilitated the rescue of a downed A-4 pilot.
- 22 March a. Provided transportation for Col SHOOK from Futema to Danang.
- 24 March a. Provided transportation for Col SHOOK from Danang to Futema.
- 25 March a. Carried FMFPac Inspection Team, headed by Col TREADWELL, from Futema to Chu Lai.
- 26 March a. Provided transportation for Col SHOOK and Col KELLOGG from Futema to Iwakuni.
- 30 March a. Provided transportation for Col LAING from Futema Danang Futema.

| 2. | FLIGHT STATISTICS | TOTALS | DETACHMENT ONLY |
|----|-------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| | CARGO (tons) | 5,077 | 4,214 |
| | PASSENGERS | 31,926 | 23,048 |
| | HOURS FLOWN | 1,961 | 1,758 |
| | SORTIES | 1,305 | 1,002 |
| | AR MISSIONS | 72 | 60 |
| | AD MISSIONS | 1 | 1 |
| | FLARE MISSIONS | 67 | 67 |
| | FLARE DROPPED | 10,468 | 10,468 |
| | A/C HIT BY HOSTILE FIRE | 0 | 0 |

3. PERSONNEL

a. Squadron Personnel were divided between the squadron at Futema and Sub Unit #1 at Danang as follows: (monthly average)

| MCAF FUTEMA 51 | L OFFICERS | 393 ENLISTED |
|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| MCAF FUTEMA (USN) | 2 OFFICERS | 4 ENLISTED |
| SUB UNIT #1 2 | OFFICERS | 84 ENLISTED |
| SUB UNIT #1 (USN) | O OFFICERS | O ENLISTED |

b. New Pilots Assigned

Major B. R. BRIDGEWATER Major R. K. ERVI Captain R. A. O'NEILL

c. New Crew Members Assigned

MGySgt E. W. ROUNTREE
SSgt L. A. O'NEIL
Sgt R. A. BONEBRIGHT
LCpl W. E. CLAUSSEN
LCpl J. A. JOHNSON
LCpl G. J. GARDELL
LCpl C. A. STANTE

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d. New Non-Crew Member Personnel Assigned

GySgt J. B. CARLSON
SSgt S. G. McCALLAIGAN
Cpl J. D. JUMPER

4. AWARDS

There were one (1) Navy Achievement Medal with Combat "V" and three hundred sixty four (364) Air Medals awarded during this period.