

MARINE AERIAL REFUELER TRANSPORT SQUADRON 152
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15 (Rein)
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, MAF
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

VHGR-152

COMMANDER

LtCol Frank R. SMOKE

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 December: Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS: (Changes)

LtCol F. R. SMOKE	Commanding Officer	1 - 31 Dec68
Maj W. H. HOFHEINZ	OIC, Sub-Unit #1	1 - 31 Dec68
Maj B. R. BRIDGEMAN	1stMAN ATCO	28-31 Dec68
Maj D. E. T. WILSON	MAFOPS Officer	1 - 31 Dec68
Maj E. O. MARQUETTE	Personnel Officer	28-31 Dec68
Maj P. J. VOGEL	S-1 Officer	1-31 Dec68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
51 Naval Av.	485	2	4
14 Av. Ground			

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the month of December, VMGR-152 flew 645 sorties for a total of 1,806 flight hours. 19,709 passengers and 2,888 short tons of cargo were transported.

2. VMGR-152 supported MAG-13 and MAG-11 on 24 days of BARCAP with 125 tanker sorties and 380.6 flight hours, refueling 394 aircraft with 3,226,950 pounds of fuel.

MCWF FUTELA	62 Officers	395 Enlisted
MCWF FUTELA (USN)	2 Officers	3 Enlisted
SUB UNIT #1	3 Officers	90 Enlisted
SUB UNIT #1	0 Officers	1 Enlisted

b. New Pilots Assigned

Major A. B. STOUT
 Captain C. G. ANDERSON
 Captain F. R. BJORNAS
 Captain E. R. FARABAUGH

c. New Crew Members assigned

Sgt N. J. BOMICINO
 Sgt W. H. CLARKE
 GySgt R. M. COLLINS
 Sgt E. J. EDSON
 GySgt R. E. HASKELL
 GySgt N. D. HESTER
 TSgt J. L. HOLFAND

d. New Non-Crew Members assigned

Cpl L. H. HAVINS
 Cpl R. C. STEWART

4. AWARDS

a. The following awards were presented within the Command during this period.

(1) 92 Air Medals

PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Commitments

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

13 December - Crew: Maj R. E. WHITE and Captain H. D. SANSOM - Provided transportation for Col SHOOK from Futema to Danang.

20 December - Crew: Maj R. E. WHITE and Capt T. D. DUNN - Provided transportation for BGen HILL from Danang to Quang Tri.

21 December - Crew: Maj R. E. WHITE and Capt T. D. DUNN - Provided transportation for BGen HILL from Quang Tri to Danang.

20 December - Crew: Maj D. E. T. WILSON and Maj R. K. ERVI - Provided flare support for Operation Lawlings Valley.

26 December - Crew: Maj D. T. WALLACE and Capt J. D. MORTENSEN - Provided transportation for LGen ANDERSON from Danang to Singapore.

30 December - Crew: Maj D. E. T. WILSON and Maj W. D. SMITH - Provided transportation for LGen ANDERSON from Singapore to Danang.

2. FLIGHT STATISTICS

	<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>DETACHMENT ONLY</u>
CARGO TONS	2,888	2,780
PASSENGERS	19,709	18,736
HOURS FLOWN	1,806	1,695
SORTIES	645	598
AR MISSIONS	170	170
AD MISSIONS	0	0
FLARE MISSIONS	68	68
FLARES DROPPED	11,090	11,090
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)