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- (d) Gru0 5750.3A

Encl: (1) VMGR-152 Command Chronology

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (d), enclosure (1) is submitted.
- 2. This cover letter declassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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

MARINE AERIAL REFUELER TRANSPORT SQUADRON 152 1 Jan - 30 Jun 1972 LTCOL R. A. BROWN

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Sub Unit One, VMGR-152

11 Jan - 31 May 1972

OIC - 1LT J. O. ROGERS

Detachment Delta, VMGR-152 8 Jun = 30 Jun 1972 OIC = MAJOR F. J. OCONNOR

ATTACHED UNITS

VMGR-352 DET 15 Apr - 15 May 1972 OIC - MAJOR N. M. BUNCH 16 May - 30 Jun 1972

OIC - MAJOR J. A. BRANDON

2. LOCATION (S)

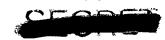
VMGR-152 MCAS(H) Futema, Okinawa 1 Jan - 30 Jun 1972 Sub Unit One MCAS Iwakuni, Japan 11 Jan- 31 May 1972 Detachment Delta MCAS Nam Phong, Thailand 8 Jun - 30 Jun 1972 VMCR-352 DET MCAS(H) Futema, Okinawa 15 Apr- 30 Jun 1972

3. STAFF OFFICERS (U)

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Executive Officer	1 Jan - 21 Feb 1972 22 Feb - 30 Jun 1972	Maj. N. DESIO LtCol R. A. BAILEY
Adjutant	1 Jan - 3 May 1972 4 May - 30 Jun 1972	Capt. L. L. WOODRUFF Capt. L. A. GOODRUM
S-1 Officer	1 Jan - 30 Jun 1972	Maj. J. M. PIERCE
S⇔2 Officer	1 Jan = 17 Feb 1972 18 Feb = 30 Jun 1972	Capt. J. F. HALES
S-3 Officer	1 Jan - 21 Feb 1972 22 Feb - 30 Jun 1972	Maj. R. A. BAILEY Maj. F. J. SHUMSKY
S-4 Officer	l Jan - 30 Jun 1972	Capt. J. M. PARKER

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A/C Maintenance Officer 1 Jan - 30 Apr 1972

1 May - 30 Jun 1972

Maj. G. E. LOVELESS

Maj. H. W. RODER

NATOPS Officer

1 Jan = 16 Apr 1972

Maj. F. J. SHUMSKY

17 Apr - 30 Jun 1972

Capt. J. F. HALES

Aviation Safety Officer 1 Jan - 17 Feb 1972

18 Feb - 30 Jun 1972

Maj K. K. KERR Capt. J. CLARK

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH (U)

<u>USMC</u>	<u>usn</u>	OTHER	TOTAL
0ff Enl 36 241	$\frac{\text{Off}}{1} \frac{\text{Enl}}{0}$	$\frac{\text{Off}}{\text{O}} \frac{\text{Enl}}{\text{O}}$	0ff Enl 37 Zul

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY (S)

In January 1972, VMGR-152 provided aerial refueling support for lstMAW Aircraft operating from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan and NAS Naha, Okinawa. On 11 January 1972, a two aircraft and maintenance detachment designated Detachment One, was established at MCAS Iwakuni. During February and March, operations continued at a moderate level with emphasis on lstMAW training support.

On 6 April 1972, North Vietnamese forces invaded the Republic of Viet Nam and the tempo of VMGR-152 operations accelerated to support the realignment of USN and USMC aviation assets in WestPac.

One KC-13OF aircraft was assigned to support VMCJ electronic warfare operations at NAS Cubi Point, R.P. and Danang AB, RVN. During April, May, and June, squadron aircraft supported transpacs Key Queen, Key Rider, Key Unity and Key Beast which moved USN and USMC aircraft from CONUS/Hawaii to the Far East and refueled 18 A4 aircraft enroute from Japan to the Philippines for further deployment to Bien Hoa RVN.

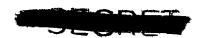
During May and early June, VMGR-152 provided regular logistic support flights between Iwakuni, Japan, Futema, Okinawa, Cubi Point, R. P., and Danang and Bien Hoa in support of deployed MAG-12 and MAG-15 units.

On 18 May, a VMGR-152 KC-130F made the first USMC landing at Nam Phong, Thailand which was to become the site of a sizeable USMC aviation presence in June.

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On 8 June, the establishment of Detachment Delta, VMCR-152 at Nam Phong marked the begining of the most significant employment of aerial refueling and the KC-130F in its primary mission in the history of the USMC. Over 992,000 pounds of jet fuel were provided to tactical jets on combat missions during June.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

5 Jan - 15 April - Aerial Refueling support of 1st MAW unit training

11 Jan - Detachment One established at MCAS, Iwakuni (Ref CG 1st MAW 300743Z Dec 71 and CG 1st MAW

080257Z Jan 72)

9 April - 13 April - Trans Pac Key Queen.

27 April - 1 May -- Trans Pac Key Rider.

April - May - Regular Logistics flights between Japan,
Okinawia, the Philippines and Viet Nam in
support of MAG-12 and MAG-15 units. (Ref
CG 1st MAW 280101Z Apr 72 and CG 1st MAW 210547Z

Apr 72)

19 May - 29 May - Trans Pac Key Unity.

11 June - Detachment Delta established at Nam Phong,

Thailand

20 June - 29 June - Trans Pac Key Beast.

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