

MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 164
 Marine Aircraft Group 15
 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMFPac
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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commander Task Group 79.5

Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 June 1969 to 30 June 1969

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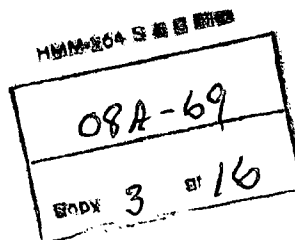
1. In accordance with references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.

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COMBAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DesignationCommander

HMM-164

LtCol. R. T. TRUNDY 1-30 Jun 69

Subordinate Units

None

Attached Units

None

2. Location

1-30 June 1969 USS Valley Forge LPH-8

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer	Maj. A. F. RIBBECK	1-30 Jun 69
Operations Officer	Maj. R. D. FOWNER	1-30 Jun 69
Administrative Officer	Capt. R. J. BLANCHFIELD	1-30 Jun 69
Maintenance Officer	Maj. D. D. WILSON	1-30 Jun 69
Logistics/Supply Officer	Maj. G. M. LARSON	1-30 Jun 69
Intelligence Officer	1/Lt. B. K. GIGLER	1-30 Jun 69
NATOPS Officer	1/Lt. T. U. WALL	1-30 Jun 69
Safety Officer	Capt. R. E. WEINBERG	1-30 Jun 69

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>NAVAL AVIATORS</u>	<u>AGO</u>	<u>FLIGHT SURGEON</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>POEING REP</u>	<u>G. E. REP</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

FM-164 augmented the 1st MAW and supported SLF BRAVO from 1 to 13 June 1969. BLT 3/26 was helo lifted ashore on 10 June and was replaced by BLT 2/26 on 12 June. On 13 June the USS Valley Forge (LST-8) left the IJTF with both the squadron and BLT aboard for rehabilitation and training at Okinawa and the Republic of the Philippines. Prior to the squadron's departure, a FM-164 detachment of 21 officers and 19 enlisted men with 8 aircraft and limited support equipment was off-loaded at Hue-Phu Bai Airfield. This detachment, headed by Major G. D. WILSON, augmented the 1st MAW. While at Okinawa the squadron supported SLF BRAVO and BLT 2/26, flying primarily, training and admin/liason missions. On 27 June the squadron left Okinawa aboard the USS Valley Forge for the Philippines, arriving on 29 June. Once again training and admin/liason missions were flown in support of SLF BRAVO and BLT 2/26. During this same period, the FM-164 detachment conducted flight operations in support of the 1st MAW and 1st MAW. Missions flown were resupply, (U.S. Army, ROKMC, and USMC Forces), medevac and mortar watch. During the 16 day period at Hue-Phu Bai, the FM-164 detachment amassed a total of 506.8 flight hours with an average availability of four aircraft per day.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

10 June 69 BLT 3/26 was off-loaded, primarily by helicopter, from the USS Valley Forge to positions ashore.

12 June 69 BLT 2/26 was brought aboard LPH-8.

13 June 69 The USS Valley Forge, with both F4U-164 and BLT 2/26 aboard sailed for Okinawa. An F4U-164 detachment of 21 officers and 69 enlisted with 8 aircraft was off-loaded at Hue-Phu Bai.

14 June 69 The F4U-164 detachment began flight operations from Hue-Phu Bai, augmenting the 1st MAW.

15 June 69 The squadron arrived at Okinawa. The BLT was off-loaded to Camp Hansen and the squadron at MCAF Futema.

19 June 69 Squadron flight operations (at Okinawa) were restricted by poor weather.

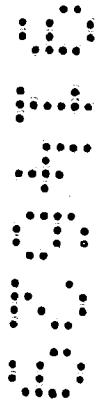
22 June 69 Lt J. C. J. COFFERT, flying YT-15, took automatic weapons fire at coord AT 969450, receiving one hit. No major damage resulted and the mission was completed.

23 June 69 Maj C. E. LARSON, flying YT-3, took automatic weapons fire at coord AT 774450, receiving 12 hits. An emergency landing was made at coord AT 969450 and the aircraft was externalized to MAF. No injuries resulted.

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- 25 June 69 Capt. R. J. BLANCHFIELD, flying VT-17, made a forced landing due to engine failure on a rural farm road 3 miles from MACAF Futema. After repairs the aircraft was flown back to Futema. No injuries or damage resulted.
- 26 June 69 The squadron and BMT onboard LPH-8 and sailed to the Republic of the Philippines.
- 27 June 69 Lt. E. R. THURBER, flying VT-11, lost power on an approach to LZ 495 due to a transmission failure. Minor aircraft damage and no injuries resulted. The aircraft was externaled to MACAF for repairs.
- 29 June 69 The squadron arrived in the Philippines and off-loaded from the LPH-8 to NAS Cubi Point.



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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

STATISTICAL SUMMARY (Taken from after actions reports, corrected daily flight schedules, and daily situation reports)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>ARTIES</u>	<u>TASKS</u>	<u>PASSENGERS</u>	<u>MEDEVAC</u>	<u>CARGO (TONS)</u>
1	33.4	131	14	472	8	21.4
2	41.7	216	19	609	1	27.2
3	37.3	228	16	651	0	30.5
4	44.9	253	25	662	8	19.5
5	50.5	281	18	548	9	37.0
6	34.7	193	17	508	14	23.3
7	47.8	258	19	617	31	40.7
8	25.8	194	25	398	7	23.6
9	13.3	69	10	320	0	5.5
10	37.9	230	21	958	4	3.6
11	12.3	66	8	266	0	6.8
12	22.4	133	17	361	0	4.6
13	13.8	41	13	79	0	15.1
14	25.6	110	10	140	0	1.3
15	26.8	135	11	133	0	3.9
16	71.8	304	21	825	1	57.4
17	47.2	300	22	183	4	23.5
18	50.7	220	27	323	4	14.7
19	32.9	147	22	165	0	6.5
20	27.4	116	12	178	0	2.8
21	40.6	179	23	260	23	2.7
22	39.4	159	19	307	4	14.1
23	38.5	153	21	238	1	0
24	28.8	116	14	208	0	11.0
25	43.0	186	16	305	1	19.1
26	66.0	299	26	354	3	43.6
27	21.7	106	11	131	0	0
28	30.0	197	17	142	6	17.1
29	38.8	176	22	241	10	16.5
30	43.0	208	27	351	1	15.0
TOTALS	1098.0	5444	543	10,933	140	507.7

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From: Officer In Charge
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology, 13 - 30 June 1969

Ref: (A) GruO 5750.1C

Encl: ✓(1) HMM-164 Command Chronology for 13 June to 30 June 1969

1. In accordance with Reference (a), Enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.
2. This letter downgraded to unclass upon removal of Enclosure (1).

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PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

OIC MAJOR D. D. WILSON 13-30 JUNE 1969

ASS'T OIC MAJOR G. M. LARSON 13-30 JUNE 1969

PART II NARRATIVE SUMMARY

On 13 June 1969, a detachment of 21 officers and 89 enlisted men from HMM-164 offloaded from the USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8) to Hue - Phu Bai Airfield. Major D. D. Wilson was designated Officer In Charge. The detachment brought eight (8) aircraft and limited support equipment. On 14 June flight operations, primarily in support of the 1st MarDiv and 1st MAF, were begun. Missions flown were resupply (in support of Korean, Army and USMC Forces), C&C, Medevac and Mortar Watch. During the month of June the detachment flew 506.8 hours and maintained aircraft availability of over 60%.

PART III SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

13 June 69	A detachment of 21 officers and 89 enlisted men, headed by Major D. D. Wilson, offloaded from the USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8) to Hue-Phu Bai with eight aircraft.
14 June 69	The detachment began flight operation from Hue-Phu Bai, augmenting 1st MAF.
22 June 69	Lt Connery, flying YT-15, took small arms fire at coordinates AT979450. One hit was received. No major damage resulted and the mission was completed.
23 June 69	Major G. M. Larson, flying YT-3, took automatic weapons fire at coordinates AT979450, receiving 12 hits. An emergency landing was made at coordinates AT969450 and the aircraft was externalized back to MAF. No injuries resulted.
27 June 69	Lt K. R. Stuber, flying YT-11, lost power on an approach to LZ 495 due to a transmission failure. The aircraft was externalized to MAF for repairs.

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PART IV STATISTICAL SUMMARY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>TASKS</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>PAX</u>	<u>MEDEVAC</u>	<u>TONS CARGO</u>
13	15	6	5.7	51	Ø	7.6
14	88	9	23.0	116	Ø	1.3
15	133	10	26.0	133	Ø	3.9
16	187	13	34.8	250	1	20.4
17	269	16	35.2	132	4	22.5
18	156	18	33.2	277	4	13.7
19	132	17	29.8	127	Ø	6.5
20	92	9	21.1	129	Ø	2.3
21	130	17	29.9	227	23	Ø
22	131	14	32.8	192	3	14.1
23	95	16	27.0	60	1	Ø
24	106	12	25.0	184	Ø	11.0
25	153	11	34.4	246	1	19.2
26	204	15	37.1	227	3	5.3
27	102	8	20.1	125	Ø	Ø
28	196	16	29.5	142	3	17.1
29	162	14	32.0	140	10	13.0
30	173	17	32.2	211	1	15.0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2,424</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>506.8</u>	<u>2,969</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>172.8</u>

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