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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 November to 30 November 1972

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>STAFF OFFICERS</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Commanding Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	LTCOL. D. E. SCHNEIDER
Executive Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	MAJ H. A. MAKELVER
Operations Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	MAJ D. C. BRODIE
Administrative Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	CAPT N. A. LONG
Human Relations	1-30 Nov 1972	CAPT D. L. RUSSELL
Maintenance Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	MAJ F. S. BILL
Logistics Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	MAJ T. W. TOLK
Intelligence Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	1STLT M. T. DURNEY
NATOPS Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	CAPT B. B. COLE
Safety Officer	1-30 Nov 1972	CAPT G. J. BUNDA

Location: 1 Nov 72, Arrive Subic Bay, Republic of Philippines.
 2-19 Nov 72, Subic Bay, Republic of Philippines.
 20-21 Nov 72, Enroute and Arrive MR-1, RVN.
 22-28 Nov 72, MR-1 RVN.
 29-30 Nov 72, Enroute Okinawa, Japan.

Average Monthly Strength:	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>OFF/ENL</u> 52/228	<u>OFF/ENL</u> 1/2	<u>OFF/ENL</u> 0/0	<u>OFF/ENL</u> 53/230

Important Visitors: None.

Awards: Air Medals - Seventeen.

Promotions: To Sergeant - Two.

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

2 - 3 Nov - HMM-164 participated in Zambales 5-72 in support of ARG "B" and BLT 1/9. The squadron accumulated 77.3 hours of flight time, transported 1741 troops along with 27.8 tons of cargo/ artillery weapons. A mix of 2 CH-46's, 3 CH-53's, and 2 UH-1E's were used. A total of 183 day field and 136 day carrier landings were executed.

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4 Nov .. One CH-46 was used as VIP chase for VADM SALZER.

7,8, 9 Nov - The squadron supported BLT 1/9 on a training exercise. The BLT was flown into the field and flown out on the final day. During the exercise the squadron also lifted artillery and supplies. Two separate emergency Medevacs were picked up in the field and flown to the Naval Hospital at Cubi Pt.

8 - 9 Nov - During this period all three types of squadron aircraft, (UH-1E, CH-46D, CH-53D), test fired the ALE-29 flare dispenser.

15 - 16 Nov - Supporting BLT 1/9 troops in the field, the squadron flew three Medevacs to the Naval Hospital and flew resupply. The troops and their supplies were lifted from the training Landing Zones to the Lower MAU Camp.

21 Nov - Four CH-46's flew SAR for suspected man overboard although there was no pickup made.

22 Nov - One CH-53 and two CH-46's were used for day carrier qualifications.

24 Nov - Two CH-46's delivered by hoist, nineteen passengers and cargo to three ships on the gun line (USS MORTON, USS SCHOFFIELD, USS KEVES).

27 .. 28 Nov - HHM-164 aircraft flew LtGen. METZGER, CG, III MAF, to briefings in the DaNang-Hue area, and then returned the general to DaNang.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Significant Events

2 - 3 Nov - Zambales Exercise 5-72.

4 Nov - VIP Hcp.

7, 8,9 Nov - BLT 1/9 Field Exercise, Medevacs.

8 - 9 Nov - ALE-29 Tests.

15 - 16 Nov - BLT 1/9 Field Exercise, Medevacs.

21 Nov - SAR Mission.

22 Nov - Day Carrier Qualifications.

24 Nov .. Passenger delivery to Gun Line.

27 - 28 Nov - Flew LtGen. METZGER, CG, III MAF to DaNang-Hue Areas.

2. Marine of the Month - November 1972 - None presently assigned.

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

L. Appendix A - Statistical Summary for 1-30 November 1972.

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APPENDIX A

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR 1-30 NOVEMBER 1972

<u>A/C</u>	<u>TASKS</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>PAX</u>	<u>CARGO</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
CH-46	180	390	1713	11.0	251.1
CH-53	66	189	1896	70.3	109.6
JH-1E	54	77	84	0.2	74.7
TOTALS	300	656	3693	81.5	435.4

TOTAL NIGHT TIME - 70.8

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