

MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 211
 Marine Aircraft Group 12
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
 FPO, San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12
 Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1C

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology of Marine Attack Squadron 211, period
 1-30 April 1967.

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. This letter is declassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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Appendix ✓(1) Operations Memo
 ✓(2) Squadron Officers Duty Assignments

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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Knowlton P. RICE	LtCol	Commanding Officer	1-30 April 1967
Jerome L. NORTON	Major	Executive Officer	1-21 April 1967
Gerit L. FENENGA	Major	Executive Officer	22-30 April 1967
James F. LLOYD	Major	Operations Officer	1-11 April 1967
Willis E. WILSON Jr.	Major	Operations Officer	12-30 April 1967
Ronald Y. ISA	2ndLt	Administration Officer	1-30 April 1967
James E. CAMPBELL	Major	Intelligence Officer	1-30 April 1967
Paul A. TREMBLAY	Major	Maintenance Officer	1-30 April 1967
Howard D. MAINES	Major	Aviation Safety Officer	1 April 1967
Edwin SAHAYDAK	Major	Aviation Safety Officer	2-30 April 1967
David A. BRIAN	Lt(MC)	Flight Surgeon	1-30 April 1967
James W. MORROW	1stSgt	Squadron First Sergeant	1 April 1967
William G. WOODRUFF	MGySgt	Squadron First Sergeant	2-30 April 1967

B. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	Officers	32
USMC	Enlisted	236
USN	Officers	1
USN	Enlisted	0

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1. During the reporting period Marine Attack Squadron 211 conducted all combat operations from Chu Lai, Republic of Viet Nam.

2. Combat missions were flown in support of III Marine Amphibious Force, I Corps, and Seventh Air Force. Specific units supported included the First and Third Marine Division. The ROK Marine Brigade and the Second ARVN Division as well as U. S. Army Special Force units. Major Operations supported included Prairie IV, and Shawnee.

PART IIIA. Significant Events1. Personnel.

a. Administration. During the reporting period the squadron joined six officers and eight enlisted. Eight officers and twenty-nine enlisted were transferred. On 12 April one officer was lost due to direct enemy action.

b. Promotions. The following promotions were effected:

4 1stLt to Capt

1 LCpl to Cpl

c. Awards. Twenty Air Medal awards were presented during the month of April.

d. Officer Assignments. Changes in squadron officer duty assignments are reflected in appendix (2). (Squadron Special Orders)

2. Intelligence. An intelligence brief was conducted for the SNCO's on 29 April. Two briefings were held for the officers during the reporting period. The Intelligence Bulletin Board was up dated daily.

3. Operations.

a. The following statistical data is submitted as a summary of air operations for April 1967:

Combat Sorties

837

Non-Combat Sorties

63

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Combat Hours	<u>1,091.1</u>
Non-Combat Hours	<u>67.0</u>
Night Hours	<u>306.9</u>
Actual Instrument Hours	<u>33.3</u>
Total Hours	<u>1,158.1</u>
TPQ Sorties	<u>264</u>
Armed Reconnaissance Sorties	<u>4</u>
Red Blazer Sorties	<u>53</u>
Helicopter Escort Sorties	<u>106</u>
Tally-Ho Sorties	<u>57</u>
DAS/CAS Sorties	<u>224</u>
Landing Zone Prep Sorties	<u>22</u>
SLTH Sorties	<u>76</u>
Visual Reconnaissance Sorties	<u>22</u>
Convoy Escort Sorties	<u>4</u>
MSQ Sorties	<u>5</u>
Sorties Receiving Hostile Fire	<u>78</u>
Number of Accidents (Direct Enemy Action)	<u>1</u>
Number of Incidents	<u>7</u>
Tons of Ordnance Dropped	<u>1,137.27</u>

b. During the month the Commanding General, Major General ROBERTSHAW flew two combat missions with the squadron, one of which resulted in the destruction of two automatic weapons positions, one structure, and one bunker.

c. Squadron Policy concerning Marginal weather pilot criteria was published. Appendix (1) (Operations Memo #16)

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d. Training. During the reporting period a new system was initiated to improve the technical training program being conducted by the various sections. Forms were distributed to all shops and a record of training completed will be kept on each individual. A consolidated monthly report will be maintained by the S-3.

e. Ground Defense. On the 12th of April at approximately 0020 the Chu Lai Complex was hit by a V. C. mortar attack. The reaction of the squadron personnel to this attack was considered excellent. During the reporting period, bunker improvement continued.

4. Logistics. During the reporting period all our allowance lists were reviewed. Shortages were screened with all the maintenance sections to see if they were required. The "APA" items required have been ordered. The "NSA" items will be budgeted for 8 May 1967. Material processed 112 AOCPI's, of which 83 were completed, and 32 ANFE's of which 18 were completed. The daily outstanding AOCPI's have increased from 17 to 29 during April. This month 148 line items were turned in as excess.

5. Aircraft Maintenance. During April two aircraft were transferred to VA-93 and two were accepted. One aircraft CF-15 was flown to Atsugi for battle damage repair.

a. Not Operationally Ready Statistics

Operational Ready	8,643
Not Operationally Ready Supply	1,958
Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	3,629
Normal NOR Percentages (IAW OPNAVINST 05442.4A)	
Operationally Ready	75%
Not Operationally Ready Supply	15%
Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	10%
NOR Percentage for VMA-211 April 1967	
Operationally Ready	61%
Not Operationally Ready Supply	14%
Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	25%

b. AOCPI's April saw 112 AOCPI's and 32 ANFE's being requisitioned for a daily average of 28.1 AOCPI's outstanding. A high of 42 AOCPI's outstanding on 20 April with a low of 14 on 4 April. The month ended with 27 AOCPI's outstanding.

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Average aircraft availability for daily morning launch during April was 13 Aircraft for 68% of aircraft assigned. We are presently AOCF for five (5) J52P-6A engines. Four engines were lost due to FOD.

d. Chronology Aircraft Damage

Date	BUNO	Damage
22 April 1967	150124	Bullet Hole through rudder - Repaired by H&MS-12, 30 man hours
25 April 1967	151096	Metal damage to left hand intake. Ninety man hours to repair
27 April 1967	151999	(a) Bullet hole right hand engine access door. One and one half man hours to repair. (b) Four bullet holes, three in right wing and one through aft fuselage. 325-350 man hours to repair.

6. Aviation Ordnance. Ordnance expended during April was:

<u>NAIC</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
E144	Fire Bomb, MK-77	215
E170	Fire Bomb, MK-79	10
E181	CBU 2A/C	8
E465	Bomb, 250# MK-81	2,173
E482	Bomb, 500# MK-82	2,394
E503	Bomb, 1000# AN-M55	86
E507	Bomb, 1000# MK-83	4
H539/H542	Rocket Pods, Lar 3A/Aero 7D	93
H546	Rocket Pod Lau 10A	9
H598	Rocket Pod Lau 56A	2
K705	FS Smoke	7 tanks
H343	JATO, MK-7	4

TOTAL TONNAGE 2,274,545 lbs (1,137.27)

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Operations Memo

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OPERATIONS MEMO #16

From: Operations Officer

To: Pilots assigned to or attached to the Squadron for flying

Subj: Marginal weather pilot criteria

1. 1stMAW directives (Op Order 303-67) require fixed wing groups to maintain a "scud alert" in addition to the normal alert, during periods of marginal weather. The following criteria will be used for determining "scud pilots":

- (a) 1800 Total hours
- (b) 200 hours in A4 aircraft
- (c) 50 missions this tour in RVN

2. In cases of marginal and/or IFR weather, when a VFR day turns bad, the following criteria will be used by ODO's for rescheduling "IFR pilots" on fragged missions.

- (a) 800 Total hours
- (b) 100 hours A4 aircraft
- (c) 35 missions this tour in RVN.

3. Operations duty officer (ODO's) will not hesitate to substitute "scud" or "IFR" pilots anytime they feel the weather is such that such action is warranted. If in doubt contact the operations officer, executive officer, or commanding officer in that order.

4. Pilots who meet the criteria listed herein as "scud" or "IFR" pilots will make themselves available to the ODO for rescheduling when the weather deteriorates, providing they have not flown 2 hops previously.

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Appendix 2

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Squadron Officers Duty Assignments

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MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 211
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SQUADRON SPECIAL ORDER
 NUMBER.....23-67

1. The following assignments/reassignments are effected.

NAME	ED	TYPE	ASSIGNMENT	REMARKS
Maj MAINES, H. D. JR.	2Apr67	Pri Du	Pilot	New asg
072146/7333/7337/7383	-do-	Add Du	AsstOpO	Vice Maj Searle, rel
	-do-	-do-	TrngO	-do-
	7Apr67	-do-	Historian	New asg
Maj SAHAYDAK, E.	2Apr67	Pri Du	AvnSafetyO	Vice Maj Maines, rel
072614/7333/7383/5715	-do-	Add Du	Pilot	New asg
	-do-	-do-	PriCensor	Vice Maj Maines, rel
Capt COATES, R. S.	29Dec66	Pri Du	CareerAdvisoryO	New asg
077874/7333	-do-	Add Du	Pilot	-do-
	8Mar67	-do-	SavingsBond/DepositO	Prev asg
	16Nov66	-do-	SplSvcO	-do-
	-do-	-do-	EducO	-do-
	7Apr67	-do-	AsstForeignClaimsO	New asg
Capt SCHEUREN, W. J.	26Dec66	Pri Du	Pilot	Prev asg
075256/7333/7337/5702	-do-	Add Du	FltO	-do-
	2Apr67	-do-	WpnO	Vice Maj Searle, rel
	-do-	-do-	SplWpnO	-do-
	7Feb67	-do-	InstrumentTrngO	Prev asg
	-do-	-do-	NuclearSafetyO	-do-

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NAME	ED	TYPE	ASSIGNMENT	REMARKS
1stLt LESNIK, M. E. 091186/7333/7337	8Mar67	Pri Du	Pilot	Prev asg
	28Mar67	Add Du	PlatLdr ProvRflCo	-do-
	17Mar67	-do-	S&C Off	-do-
	7Apr67	-do-	TechInfoCntlO	Vice Maj Service, rel
	17Mar67	-do-	VotingO	Prev asg
	-do-	-do-	CustPriCensorshipStamp	-do-
2ndLt BERUBE, K. A. 092823/7333	7Apr67	Pri Du	Pilot	New asg
	-do-	Add Du	FltEquipO	Vice Capt Maikis, rel
	-do-	-do-	Safety&SurvivalO	Vice Capt Shea, rel
WO FRANK, S. J.. 098677/6602	26Mar67	Pri Du	AsstAvionicsO	Prev asg
	7Apr67	Add Du	AltFlatLdr ProvRflCo	Vice Lt Isa, rel
WO WALDIE, W. E. 099493/6302	31Mar67	Pri Du	QualityCntlO	Prev asg
	7Apr67	Add Du	AltFlatLdr ProvRflCo	Vice Lt Kirin, rel
	31Mar67	-do-	GndSptEquipO	Prev asg

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SQUADRON SPECIAL ORDER
 NUMBER.....30-67

1. The following assignments are effected.

NAME	ED	TYPE	ASSIGNMENT	REMARKS
MAJ SANDERS, A. L.	31Mar67	Fri Dc	Pilot	Prev asg
068407/7501/7592	2May67	Add Dc	PersO	New asg
	12Apr67	-do-	PersAffairsO	Prev asg
	13Apr67	-do-	LegalO	-do-
	12Apr67	-do-	CensorshipRespO	-do-

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