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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMFPac
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To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 15, (Rein)

Subj: Command Chronology

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Encl: (1) Command Chronology of Marine Attack Squadron 211,

period 1-30 September 1967.

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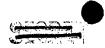
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## PART I

## A. Squadron Staff

Francis H. THURSTON	LtCol	Commanding Officer	<b>1-</b> 30	Sep	1967
Gerit L. FENENGA	Major	Executive Officer	<b>1-</b> 30	Sep	1967
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Garry HARLAN	Major	Aviation Safety Officer	1-30	Sep	1967
David A. BRIAN	Lt (MC)	Flight Surgeon	1-30	Sep	1967
James C. MILLER	GySgt	Squadron First Sergeans	1-11	Sep	1967
Charles H. DAY	MSgt	Squadron First Sergeant	12-30	Sep	1967

## B. Average Monthly Strength

USMC Officers 24

USMC Enlisted 182

USN Officers 1

USN Enlisted 4

## PART II

## A. Narrative Summary

- 1. The flight operations conducted for the month were conducted at both Chu Lai, Republic of Viet Nam, and MCAS, Iwakuni.
- 2. All combat sorties were conducted from Chu Lai, Republic of Viet Nam. VNA-211 ran a very vigorous schedule for the first four days of the month as one hundred and seventeen combat sorties were flown in that period for a total of 141.5 hours.
- 3. After transfer of operations to MCAS Iwakuni, VMA-211 began conducting training operations.
  - 4. The schedule of sorties was hampered at first by moving



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confidential activity and A/C availability. By the end of reporting period, operations were established and moving at a steady rate.

## PART III

## A. Significant Events

## 1. Personnel

- a, <u>Administration</u>. During the reporting period the squadron joined 6 officers and 16 enlisted. Three officers and 22 enlisted were detached or transferred during the month of September.
  - b. Promotions. The following promotions were effected:

PFC to LCpl 14 Cpl to Sgt 8

- 2. <u>Intelligence</u>. There were no intelligence briefings conducted during the month of September,
- 3. The following statistical data is submitted as a summary of air operations during the month of September 1967.

Combat Sorties	<u>117</u>
Mon-Combat Sorties	229.
Combat Hours	147,5
Non-Combat Hours	307.5
Night Hours	53.5
Actual Instrument Hours	<u> 29.1</u>
Total Hours	<u>440.1</u>
TPO Sorties	<u> 28</u>
Helicopter Escort Sorties	2
Tally-Ho Sorties	. <u>L</u> .
DAS/CAS Sorties	<u>_71</u>
Landing Zone Prep Sorties	2
Trampas Sorties	14
Visual Reconnaisance Sorties	6
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COMPT DENTITAL.	
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Test Sorties	_21_
Bombs And Rockets Sorties	_58_

Instrument Sorties <u>ho</u>

Fam Sorties <u>58</u>

Tactics Sorties 23

Sorties Receiving Hostile Fire 29

Total Tons of Ordnance 16%,790

## 4. Logistics.

- a. A new S-4 Officer, Major Wiedemann has been assigned, replacing Capt. Botnen, who has been transferred.
- b. During the month of September the Material section lost one man while gaining two. Both new men are 3071 school trained.
- c. This section is now in the process of re-ware-housing. All equipment will be marked and stored in their proper places. All tents and such will be checked for serviceability. Any excess or unserviceable equipment will be turned in to Group Supply.
- 5. Aircraft Maintenance. A summary of aircraft maintenance for the period as follows:
  - a. Not Operationally Ready Statistics

Operationally Ready	8768.0
Not Operationally Ready Supply	1258.0
Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	1778.0

Normal NOR Percentage (IAW OPNAVINST 5442.4A)

Operationally Ready	75% 15%
Not Operatinally Ready Supply	
Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	10%

NOR Percentage for VMA-211 SEPTEMBER 1967

Operationally Ready Supply Not Operationally Ready Maintenance

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b. AOCP'S. September saw 153 AOCP's being requested for a daily average of 28 AOCP's outstanding each day. A high of 47 AOCP's was reached on 20 September with a low of 12 on 12 September. The month ended with 36 AOCP's outstanding.

The "HI 5" items were:

	<u>FSN</u>	NOMENCLATURE	QUANTITY
ı	587-5610-ZGEC 441-0975-D336 863-4129-D210 PIN 100314 RG-5826-951-8189-FANN	ALTERNATOR DRIVE ASSEMBLY WING TIP LIGHT SIGHT ASSEMBLY ASQ-17 TACAN	3 8 24
	c. Present St.	atus of Aircraft.	

A10	A1B	D5	G2	<b>I2</b> 0
12	3	1	2	l <sub>i</sub>

The average aircraft availability for the daily morning launch during September was 10 aircraft for 59% of aircraft in A-1 status.

d. Aircraft Damage for September.

None

e. Personnel

On 30 September there were as follows:

138 on hand 124 effective

6. Aviation Ordnance. Ordnance expended during September was as follows:

NALC	NOMENCLA TURE	QTY
A806 A808 E144 E465 E482 E503 H546	20MM API 20MM H EI MK77 FIRE BOMB MK81 G. P. BOMB 250 lbs. MK82 G. P. BOMB 500 lbs. AN-M65A1 MK83 G. P. BOMB 1000 lbs. ROCKET POD LAU 10	168 332 80 422 236 40

TOTAL TONNAGE: 165.790

(331,580 lbs.)

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Robert K. HOBBS	Lt。(MC)	Flight Surgeon	5-31 Oct 1967
Charles H. DAY	MSgt	Squadron Sergeant Major	1-18 Oct 1967
Robert W. CARTER	SgtMaj	Squadron Sergeant Major	19.37 Oct 1967

## B. Average Monthly Strength

USMC Officers 28

USMC Enlisted 182

USN Officers 1

USN Enlisted 0

## PART II

#### A. Narrative Summary

- 1. The flight operations conducted for the month were conducted at both MCAS, Iwakuni and Naha AB, Okinawa.
- 2. Practice ordnance and instrument training flights were conducted from MCAS, Iwakuni. This training is sure to prove very beneficial after returning to the Republic of Viet Nam.
- 3. A detachment of eight aircraft and pilots was sent to Naha-AB, Okinawa the last week of the month. The detachment consisted of pilots in need of heavy ordnance training and a few experienced pilots as section leaders.

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4. The squadron was inspected as part of the MAG-15 inspection by FMFPAC on 26 - 28 October. All departments were found to be in satisfactory condition with only minor discrepancies.

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## PART III

#### A. Significant Events

#### 1. Personnal

a. Administration. During the reporting period the squadron joined 7 officers and 28 enlisted. Three officers and 23 enlisted were detached or transferred during the month of October.

b. Promotions. The following promotions were effected:

PFC to LOp1 2 LCp1 to Cp1 35

- 2. Intelligence. There were no intelligence briefings conducted during the month of October.
- 3. Operations. The following statistical data is submitted as a summary of air operations during the month of October 1967.

Ordnance Training	123	hours
Tactical Training	73	hours
Flight Training	144	hours
Committed Flight Hours	24	hours
Ferry/Test Hours	69	hours
TOTAL FLIGHT HOURS FOR OCTOBER	433	hours

## 4. Logistics

a. During the month of October the Materiel Section completely re-did the VMA-211 mount-out. The VMA-211 mount-out is now ready for deployment at anytime.

b. This section is now making a review of all of our allowance lists. Shortages are now being screened as they are noted. The "APA" items are being ordered. The "NSA" items will be budgeted for.

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- c. Materiel lost their officer-in-charge and Lt. Graham has been assigned as the temporary Materiel Officer until a new one is assigned.
- d. Three new men have been assigned to replace the ones who have rotated back to CONUS. Two of the three are school trained and one is OUT.
- 5. Aircraft Maintenance. A summary of aircraft maintenance for the period is as follows:

#### a. Not Operationally Ready Statistics

Operationally Ready Not Operationally Ready Supply Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	8598.0 1272.5 3545.5
Normal NOR Percentage (IAW OPNAVINST 5442.4A)	
Operationally Ready Not Operationally Ready Supply Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	75% 15% 10%
NOR Percentage for VMA-211 OCTOBER 1967	
Operationally Ready Not Operationally Ready Supply Not Operationally Ready Maintenance	64% 8% 27%

b. ACCP's. October saw 233 ACCP's being requested for a daily average of A8 ACCP's outstanding each day. A high of 68 ACCP's was reached on 16 October with a low of 20 ACCP's on 5 October. The month ended with 47 ACCP's outstanding.

The "HI 5" items were:

<u>FSN</u>			NOMENCLATURE	QUANTITY
28E-19 RG-105 544356	0-014-411	9~ZGEC	TACANS GENERATORS ADU's SCUTPER ASSY GYRO	27 5 5 4 5
	C.	Present Sta	tus of Aircraft	
Λ10	A1B	D5	<b>G</b> 20	
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The average aircraft availability for the daily morning launch during October was 10 aircraft for 50% of aircraft in A-1 status.

d. Aircraft Damage for October

None

## e. <u>Personnel</u>

On 31 October there were as follows:

154 on hand 135 effective

6. <u>Aviation Ordnance</u>. Ordnance expended during October was as follows:

NAIC	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	QTY
F563	MK-76 PRACTICE BOMB 25 lbs.	300
H498	2,75" ROCKET, INERT	118
A807	20MM TP	200
E465	BOMB, MK-81 250 lbs.	28
TOTAL TONNAGE: 1.111	TOTAL POUNDAGE: 20,332	