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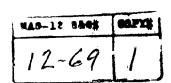
Encl: (1) Command Chronology of Marine Attack Squadron 211, period 1 December through 31 December 1968

1. (U) In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is herewith submitted.

2. (U) This letter is declassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 December 1968 TO 31 December 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. (U) UNIT

COMMANDER

Marine Attack Squadron 211

LtCol. J. R. WATERSTREET

2. (U) LOCATION

1-31 December 1968: Chu Lai, Air Base, Republic of South Vietnam

3. (U) STAFF OFFICERS

LtCol J.R. WATERSTREET COMMANDING OFFICER 1-31 December 1968 Maj R.C. BARRETT EXECUTIVE OFFICER 1-3 December 1968 Maj N.L. DERICKSON EXECUTIVE OFFICER 4-31 December 1968 CWO2 G.A. O'CONNELL ADMIN OFFICER 1-31 December 1968 Maj E.A. HOMER 1-31 December 1968 OPERATIONS OFFICER Maj M.J. LENZINI INTELLIGENCE OFFICER 1-31 December 1968 1stLT R.B. LAMBDIN MATERIAL OFFICER 15-31 December 1968 Maj W.F. NORDELL MAINTENANCE OFFICER 1-31 December 1968 SgtMaf I.J. GINSBURG SERGEANT MAJOR 1-31 Dewember 1968

4. (U) AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC OFFICERS ENLISTED 29 163 USN OFFICERS ENLISTED 1 0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

- 1. (U) All operations during the reporting period of 1 through 31 December 1968 were conducted from Chu Lai, Air Base, Republic of Vietnam.
- 2. (U) December was an active period for squadron personnel in Civic Action work at Khuong Long School which the squadron supports. There are presently 20 students being supported by scholarships, four of these were presented during December. Also work was completed on the tether ball and see-saw for the school playground. On Christmas day, squadron personnel had a party for the Khuong Long students. Presents were furnished by squadron personnel and residents of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The residents of Milwaukee after being informed of the needs of the children started a drive called "Operation Plane Load". Their goal was to collect enough items to fill one plane. Future plans are to assist in having a well dug and getting the much needed desks for the school.
- 3. (U) There were four Distinguished Flying Crosses recommended for squadron pilots for heroic combat service, while two Bronze Stars, four Navy Commendation Medals, and seven Naval Achievement Medals were recommended for meritorious service.
- 4. (U) The combat experience level for the pilots remains extremely high with 87% having flown over 100 combat missions. During the month Captain S.J. SEWELL and Captain G.W. PETERSEN flew their 300th combat mission while Major R.S. MIECZNIKOWSKI and Captain J.L. ADKINSON flew their 200th combat mission.
- 5. (C) During December the squadron flew 1,094 combat flights totaling 1,207.6 combat flight hours while delivering 1,682.89 tons of ordnance on enemy positions and in support of operations listed in Part III, paragraph 2.(c). It is also notable that 22 percent of the combat hours were flown during the hours of darkness and the squadron aviators averaged 50.2 flight hours each during the reporting period.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. (U) PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

(a) Promotions

Captain to Major
Lance Corporal to Corporal 1

(b) Awards

Air Medals earned 64
Good Conduct Medal 3

2. (U) AIR OPERATIONS

(a) Summary of Flight Hours

| Combat Sorties | 1094 |
|--------------------|--------|
| Combat Hours | 1207.6 |
| Non-combat Sorties | 39 |
| Non-combat Hours | 37.2 |
| Night Combat Hours | 266.7 |
| Total Flight Hours | 1244.8 |

(b) Summary of Flight Mission

| Type Mission | Sorties | Hours |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|
| TPQ | 207 | 206.7 |
| CAS | 367 | 413.1 |
| DAS | 207 | 229.4 |
| LZP | 56 | 54.0 |
| VR | 22 | 21.4 |
| DCS | 16 | 10.9 |
| Steel Tiger/Commando Hunt | 219 | 272.1 |
| Hostile Fire Received | 61 | |

(c) (C) Operations Supported

Name Number of Missions

Steel Tiger/Commando Hunt

87

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| | _ |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Taylor Common | 65 |
| Dawson River | 39 |
| Nevada Eagle | 37 |
| Henderson Hill | 29 |
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| Scotland II | 26 |
| Lancaster II | 19 |
| Mead River | 18 |
| Napoleon Saline | 8 |
| Vernon Lake | 6 |
| Nicolet Bay | 4 |
| Fayette Canyons | 4 3 |
| Kentucky | 11 |
| River Rhyme | 1 |
| Yearly Earning | 1 |
| DMZ | 6 |
| Miscellaneous | <u> 171</u> |
| | |

Total Missions

531

(d) (C) Casualties Inflicted on Enemy

| KBA | 112 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Structures Destroyed | 147 |
| Structures Damaged | 38 |
| Bunkers Destroyed | 91 |
| Bunkers Damaged | . 30 |
| Secondary Fires | 58 |
| Secondary Explosions | 37 |
| Trench Destroyed | 760 Meters |
| Trucks Destroyed | 4 |
| Bridges Destroyed | 2 |
| AAA Sites Destroyed | 2 |
| 50 Caliber Weapon Sites Destroyed | 1 |
| Boats Destroyed | 1 |
| Caves Destroyed | 1 |
| Island Destroyed | 1 |
| Trail Destroyed | 840 Meters |

(e) (C) Ordnance Delivered

| Type Ordnance | Quantity |
|---|-----------------|
| 2.75 inch folding fin A/C Rocket 5 inch Zuni Rockets Mk 77. with CS | 76 653 16 |

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| Mk 12, Smoke Tank with GS | 4 |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Mk 77, 5001b Napalm | 475 |
| Mk 81, 250 1b GP Bomb | 1401 |
| Mk 82, 500 lb GP Bomb | 4122 |
| Mk 84, 2,000 1b GP Bomb | 28 |
| M117A1, 750 1b GP Bomb | 205 |
| 20 MM Rounds | 20,086 |
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Total Tonnage

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