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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA. (U)

1.	(u) <u>TIMU</u> (u)		COMMANDING OFFICER
	Marine Attack Squadron TWO ONE ONE		LtCol D.G. RANNEY
2.	(U) LOCATION		
•	Bien Hoa AB, Republic Of Vietnam		
3.	(U) STAFF OFFICERS		
	Executive Officer		Major W.F. HORNER
	Administrative Officer		Captain S.T. SUNDERMAN
	Intelligence Officer	-	Captain J.M. MALONEY
	Operations Officer	-	Major M.V. GRIFFITH
	Logistics Officer	•	Captain M.C. ABAJIAN
. •	Maintence Officer	-	Captain R.M. DONAGHY
4•	(U) AVERAGE STRENGTH		
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY (S)

- 1. (U) During January, VMA-211 continued to conduct combat operation from Bien Hoa AB, Republic of Vietnam.
- 2. (U) Of 860.4 hours flown in January, 683 sorties for 785.6 hours were flown on CAS/DAS missions in MR III and MRIV in the Republic of Vietnam and in the Khmer Republic. There were no combat sorties flown on 1 January. The last combat sorties were flown on 27 January.
- 3. (U) Enemy activity directed toward Bien Hoa AB consisted of 3 attacks by fire. On 4, 22 and 26 January, the base received volleys of incoming 107MM and 122MM rockets. No damage or casualties were suffered by VMA-211.
- 4. (U) On 29 January all squadron aircraft departed Bien Hoa AB commencing retrograde to MCAS Iwakuni. All aircraft arrived at Iwakuni on 30 January. Retrograde of all squadron assets was completed on 2 Febbuary. The facility with which the retrograde execution was effected is considered worthy of mention in that the ease of movement was due, in large measure, to the availability and use of CONEX boxes.
- 5. (U) Ordnance delivered in December:

Bomb, MK-81 - 2,334

Bomb, MK-82 - 2,967

Bomb, MK-83 - 3

Rounds, 20MM - 10,000

Poundage - 2,080,000

Tonnage - 1040

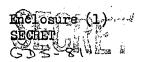
6. (S) Bomb damage assesments for January:

Killed by air - 426

Structures - 105 destroyed, 39 damaged

Bunkers - 431 destroyed, 69 damaged

Fortified Fighting Positions - 219 destroyed, 31 damaged



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2 destroyed Tunnels 6 destroyed .51 Cal Positions 32 Secondary Explosions 2 : -Roads Cut 560 meters Trenchline Destroyed 300 meters: Roads Destroyed 1 destroyed, 4 damaged Tanks. 13 destroyed, 1 damaged Sampans 3B Sustained Fires Secondary Fires 3 destroyed Ammunitions Caches 3 damaged Bridges 11 destroyed, 8 damaged Trucks 1 destroyed Pier 3 destroyed Supply Caches 3 destroyed Spider holes 60MM Mortar 1 destroyed 1 destroyed 82MM Mortar 3 destroyed Lambrettas

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (U)

1. (U) SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 27 January Ceased combat operations
 29 January Aircraft departed Bien Hoa
 31 January Aircraft arrived Iwakuni

(U) PERSONNEL

- a. Promotions: 2 CPL to SCT
- b. Reenlistments: 2 First 2 Career

C. AWARDS

Two DISTINGUISED FLYING CROSSES, four SINGLE MISSION AIR MEDALS, eighteen AIR MEDALS (STRIKE/FLIGHT AWARDS), two NAVY COMMENDATION MEDALS and three NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS were recommended in January.

The following medals were awarded:

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Staff Sergeant E.E. VONDENKAMP
Gunnery Sergeant J.L. BOWEN
Sergeant M.B. MATHIAS
Gorporal J.D. TOBIAS
Gorporal R.W. ROBERTS
Corporal J. OLIVAS
Sergeant G.G. HALL
Staff Sergeant R.M. BROWN
Gunnery Sergeant J.S. JAMES

Meritorious Masts were awarded to Gunnery Sergeant C.F. BEMIS, Sergeant J.D. PHOEBUS and Sergeant R.D. CLICK.

3. (U) INTELLIGENCE

VMA-211's S-2 continued to function at group level, having been consolidated with VMA-311's and MAG-12's Intelligence Sections.

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4. (U) AIR OPERATIONS

a.	Total Flight Time -	860.4 Hours
ъ.	Total Sorties -	722
C.	Combat Flight Time -	785.6 Hours
d.	Combat Sorties -	683
e.	Ordnance Delivered -	1040 Tons

5. (U) AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE

a. GENERAL

Due to the nonavailability of data for January, in the time frame allowed for this report, all information is for the month of December.

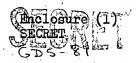
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There were 12,468 items processed and 15,064.7 man hours expended in direct support of flight operations. Man hours/flight hours were 15.6.

b. The high usage items were:

ITEM	NUMBER	MAN HOURS
AN/ASQ-17 Electrical Package	122	354•2
Wheel Brake Assembley	46	91.5
AWRS	27	65.6
AFCS	25	76•7
EGT Indicator	23	59•7

c. High NORS items information is not available due to a Data Processing error which caused all ASD machine reports to be inaccurate.



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d. Operational Readiness

- (1) OPREADY 86.8%
- (2) NORM 11.4%
- (3) NORS 1.8%

