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1. In accordance with reference (a) the following Command Chronology is submitted for the period 1 February 1967 to 28 February 1967.

2. Organizational Data

<u>BILLING</u>	<u>NAME/RANK</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
Commanding Officer	W. W. SHADRICK, LTCOL	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
Executive Officer	G. A. CORLISS, MAJ	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
Operations Officer	J. W. ALBER, MAJ	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
Aviation Safety Officer	T. D. SHEARY, CAPT B. T. LADD, MAJ	1 Feb 67 - 8 Feb 67 8 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
Maint. Officer	W. H. MARSHALL, CAPT	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
Logistics Officer	R. B. OREY, MAJ	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
"A" Flight Commander	F. H. KELLER, CAPT	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67
"B" Flight Commander	T. J. TOBEN, MAJ	1 Feb 67 - 28 Feb 67

3. Task Organization and Unit Location

a. HMM-262, MCAF KY HA, RVN, 1 Feb 67 thru 28 Feb 67

4. Average Monthly Strength of Squadron

	<u>Naval Aviators</u>	<u>AGO</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1 Feb 67 thru 28 Feb 67	53	5	197

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5. Important Vistors to Squadron

a. None

6. Narrative of Events

1 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 147 sorties for a total of 56.4 flight hours. Six hundred and seventy-six troops and 17 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Six point four flight hours were flown in support of this operation. Thirty-two troops were carried.

Operation Estuary - Four squadron aircraft received intense small arms fire. All aircraft were hit, with three pilots and two crewmen sustaining wounds.

2 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 227 sorties for a total of 89.6 flight hours. Nine hundred and forty troops, 20 tons of cargo and 21 med-evac's were carried.

While on mission H-0202-73, (recon extraction, emergency) one aircraft received intense small arms fire during landing. The pilot lifted out, observed no adverse effects, and returned once again to the zone. The recon team was extracted. No injury.

Sparrow Hawk Operation - One Sparrow Hawk Operation was flown for a total of 4.7 flight hours. Thirty-six troops were extracted from BS778826.

3 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 206 sorties for a total of 64.3 flight hours. Seventy-two passengers, 794 troops and 22 tons of cargo were carried.

Ten aircraft were utilized for mission H-0203-69, a ROKMC retraction. Six hundred and twenty-one troops and 4 tons of cargo were moved. It was accomplished in 38.7 flight hours and 93 sorties.

Operation Desoto - Forty-seven point two flight hours were flown in support of this operation. Six aircraft were utilized to carry 102 troops and 70 tons of cargo.

4 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 186 sorties for a total of 75.7 flight hours. Two hundred and twenty-nine troops and 81 tons of cargo were carried.

5 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 214 sorties for a total of 85.1 flight hours. Four hundred and fifty-five troops, 15 passengers and 47 tons of cargo were carried.

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Operation Desoto - Nineteen hours were flown in support of this operation. Ten aircraft were utilized, 323 troops were carried for a total of 57 sorties. Aircraft received hits while enroute to the zone. The hits were a result of automatic fire from the vicinity of BS838388, BS826384, and BS838392. This strike marked the first helicopterborne assault on a fortified position.

- 6 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 298 sorties for a total of 91.2 flight hours. One thousand and eighty troops, and 60 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Forty-four point two flight hours were flown in support of this operation. One hundred and thirty-six troops and 56 tons of cargo were transported for a total of 104 sorties.

Four aircraft returned from MMAF where they flew 27.7 flight hours in support of MAG-16.

Operation Independence - While at MMAF, two aircraft participated in this operation. A total of 6 sorties were flown for a total of 2.9 flight hours.

- 7 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 306 sorties for a total of 113.8 flight hours. Five hundred and eighty-four troops, 90 passengers and 119 tons of cargo were carried.

Sparrow Hawk Operation - Mission H-0207-53A was launched with two HMM-165 aircraft. Three point seven flight hours were flown and 37 ARVN troops were carried.

Operation Desoto - Fifty-six point five flight hours were flown in support of this operation for a total of 152 sorties, there were 163 troops and 62 tons of cargo carried.

- 8 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 126 sorties for a total of 76.2 flight hours. One hundred and forty troops and 48 tons of cargo were carried.

On mission 0208-69 (routine ARVN resupply) from Quang Tin to BT328082. Three aircraft moved 11 tons of cargo and 12 ARVN troops for a total of 20 sorties and 9.5 flight hours.

Operation Desoto - Thirteen point six hours were flown in support of this operation for a total of 32 sorties. Twenty-five passengers and 18 tons of cargo were carried.

- 9 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 194 sorties for a total of 67.5 flight hours. Two hundred and ninety-seven troops, 4 passengers and 75 tons of cargo were carried.

- 10 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 211 sorties for a total of 75.5 flight hours. Eighty-nine passengers, 107 troops and 113 tons of cargo were carried.

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Operation Desoto - Sixty point three flight hours were flown for a total of 172 sorties. One hundred and forty-three troops and 103 tons of cargo were carried.

12 Feb 67 - Operation Desoto - Eighteen point six flight hours were flown for a total of 37 sorties. Eighteen troops and 9 tons of cargo were carried.

13 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 92 sorties for a total of 38.3 flight hours. Three hundred and eighty-seven troops and 11 tons of cargo were transported.

On mission H-0213-62A - Two CH-46's were assigned to transport 21 US troops from BS731377 to BS844256. On climb out from pick-up zone at 700 feet AGL, 70 kts, both aircraft received light small arms fire. On post-flight inspection, after the completion of the mission, the lead aircraft was discovered to have received one hit. There were no injuries.

Operation Desoto - Fifteen point seven flight hours were flown for a total of 35 sorties. Twenty-seven troops and 11 tons of cargo were carried.

14 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 330 sorties for a total of 96.1 flight hours. The squadron carried 10 passengers, 452 troops and 135 tons of cargo.

Operation Desoto - Two missions were flown in support of this operation. The first utilized six aircraft and flew 145 sorties for a total of 33.4 flight hours. Fifty-six troops and 75 tons of cargo were carried.

The second mission utilized eight aircraft and flew 94 sorties for a total of 34.1 flight hours. Two hundred and ninety-one troops and 50 tons of cargo were carried.

15 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 260 sorties for a total of 79.0 flight hours. Three hundred and eighty six troops and 139 tons of cargo were carried.

While on mission H-0215-53A (emergency troop lift) the lead aircraft received two hits at BS540890. The aircraft was in level flight 400 feet AGL and 100 kts when small arms fire was received. Mission was continued until completion. Weather was approximately 400 ft and 1 mile.

The gunner of the aircraft, received minor shrapnel wounds.

Sparrow Hawk Operation - Sparrow Hawk Operation was launched with four other squadron aircraft on mission H-0215-55A at 0745H. Two hundred and eleven ROKMC were lifted from BS634909 to BS589833, for a total of 8.6 flight hours. Fifteen KMC (KIA) and 34 KMC (WIA) were also carried.

Sparrow Hawk aircraft were launched on H-0215-53A at 1255H, for a total of 4.2 flight hours. Fifty-one US Marines were lifted from LZ Dove to BS518872, and then to BS505902. One hour later they were returned to LZ Dove.

Operation Desoto - Mission H-0214-70 and H-0215-73. Forty-two point nine flight hours were flown in support of mission H-0214-70, for a total of 145 sorties. Twenty-nine troops and 10 tons of cargo were carried.

One point two flight hours were flown on mission H-0215-73 for a total of 4 sorties. No troops or cargo were carried.

16 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 224 sorties for a total of 68.8 flight hours. Four hundred and eighty two troops and 82 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Thirteen aircraft were utilized in support of this operation for a total of 55.5 flight hours with 182 sorties being flown. Four hundred and seventeen troops and 66 tons of cargo were carried.

While on mission H-0216-77 (Combat strike in support of Operation Desoto) six aircraft received hits approaching and departing both landing zones. Mission was completed.

17 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 392 sorties for a total of 109.5 flight hours. Eighty-seven tons of cargo and 1828 passengers were carried.

Operation Desoto - Eighty-six sorties for a total of 28.4 flight hours were flown. One hundred and ninety-seven troops and 37 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Rio Grande - One hundred and eleven sorties were flown for a total 25.1 flight hours. Fifty troops and 8 tons of cargo were carried.

One aircraft was in drop zone when it received one small caliber hit. No serious damage was done so pilot lifted off and continued mission.

Operation Giant Dragon - One hundred and nineteen sorties were flown for a total of 40.9 flight hours. Six hundred and six troops and 12 tons of cargo were carried.

One aircraft in the flight of ten received one .30 cal round through the yellow blade while making an approach to the landing zone. Aircraft continued mission.

Operation Lien Ket 81 - Forty-five sorties were flown for a total of 14.6 flight hours. Three hundred fifty-three troops and 16 tons of cargo were carried.

Support of MAC-16 - Four aircraft returned from detachment. Two hundred and forty-two sorties were flown for a total of 73.1 flight hours. Seven hundred and thirty-three troops and 76 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Chinook - Fourteen sorties were flown for a total of 3.8 flight hours. Thirty-five troops and 4 tons of cargo were carried.

18 Feb 67 - Two hundred and nineteen sorties were flown for a total of 66.0 flight hours. Thirty-seven passengers, 275 troops and 83 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - One hundred and six sorties were flown for a total of 26.3 flight hours. Fifty-eight troops and 74 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Giant Dragon - Six sorties were flown for a total of 2.2 flight hours. One troop and 3 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Lien Ket 81 - Six sorties were flown for a total of 3.4 flight hours. Thirty troops were carried.

19 Feb 67 - One hundred and forty-six sorties were flown for a total of 64.4 flight hours. Sixty-four passengers, 100 troops and 18 tons of cargo were carried.

On mission H-0218-75 one aircraft received light small arms fire from the vicinity of BS512743 and BS528722. Aircraft was in approach to drop zone passing 500 ft and 100 kts when two hits were received. Mission was completed and aircraft returned to home field.

Operation Desoto - Sixty-eight sorties were flown for a total of 25.5 flight hours. Thirty-four troops and 10 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Rio Grande - Eighteen sorties were flown for a total of 7.8 flight hours. Twenty-seven troops and 4 tons of cargo were carried.

While flying in support of this operation one aircraft received two hits from the vicinity of BS799419. Mission was completed.

20 Feb 67 - Two hundred and thirty seven sorties were flown for a total of 92.4 flight hours. Eighty-four troops, 128 passengers and 141 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - One hundred and fourteen sorties were flown in a total of 43.8 flight hours. One hundred and thirty-four troops and 97 tons of cargo were carried.

21 Feb 67 - One hundred and seventy sorties were flown for a total of 62.7 flight hours. Ninety-seven passengers, 140 troops and 102 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Eighty-one sorties were flown for a total of 28.6 flight hours. Fifty-two troops and 79 tons of cargo were carried.

22 Feb 67 - Two hundred fifty-three sorties were flown for a total of 87.2 flight hours. Thirty-seven passengers, 265 troops and 145 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Mission H-0221-70&70A, mission H-0222-70&73. The first mission flew 215 sorties, the second, 155 sorties. A total of 139 troops and 107 tons of cargo were carried in 55.0 flight hours.

HMM-262 under the command of LtCol U. W. SHADRICK broke their previous record of hours flown in country. As of this date the Squadron surpassed the last month's mark of 1706.8 flight hours.

23 Feb 67 - Two hundred ninety-six sorties were flown for a total of 106.8 flight hours. Thirty-one passengers, 831 troops and 98 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - One hundred and eighty-nine sorties were flown in a total of 49.6 flight hours. Three hundred and forty-six troops and 92 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Deckhouse Six - Detachment returned from Operation Deckhouse Six where 136 sorties were flown in 27.1 flight hours. Ninety-one tons of cargo and 300 troops were carried.

24 Feb 67 - One hundred thirty-eight sorties were flown for a total of 50.4 flight hours. Twenty-five passengers, 354 troops and 42 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Two reports were sent covering this operation. The first was for 11.6 flight hours, 27 troops and 8 tons of cargo carried.

The second was for 28.4 flight hours with 79 sorties flown. Three hundred and twenty-four troops and 19 tons of cargo were carried.

25 Feb 67 - One hundred fifty-two sorties were flown for a total of 58.1 flight hours. One hundred and twenty-one passengers, 272 troops, and 81 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Desoto - Two reports were sent covering this operation. The first had a total of 69 sorties in 17.0 flight hours. Sixty troops and 46 tons of cargo were carried.

The second reported a total of 32.9 flight hours with 86 sorties being flown. Sixty one passengers, 267 troops, and 35 tons of cargo were carried.

26 Feb 67 - At 0915H this day, the 2000th hour was logged for the month. The aircraft was flown by Major J. W. ALBER on mission H-0226-71, in support of the ARVN's.

This day 432 sorties were flown for a total of 177.0 flight hours. Ten passengers, 1022 troops, and 170 tons of cargo were carried. This time included late entries.

Operation Desoto - Sixty-six sorties were flown for a total of 55.9 flight hours. Four hundred and sixty-three troops and 42 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Deckhouse Six - For the period of 221600H to 251835H HMM-262 deployed two CH-46's to LPD-2 in support of their operation. One hundred and thirty-six sorties were flown in 34.9 flight hours.

27 Feb 67 - The squadron flew 54 sorties for a total of 32.2 flight hours. Seventy-two troops and 17 tons of cargo were carried. One aircraft, while flying on mission H-0227-70, 77, 79 in support of Operation Desoto/Deckhouse, received one hit from BS825384. The aircraft continued the mission.

28 Feb 67 - One hundred sixty-eight sorties were flown for a total of 57.3 flight hours. One hundred and two passengers, 289 troops and 68 tons of cargo were carried.

Operation Deckhouse Six - Two aircraft returned from detachment aboard the LPD-2 where they flew 122 sorties for a total of 28.8 flight hours. One hundred and twenty-two troops and 59 tons of cargo were carried.

While mission H-0227-69A both aircraft received hits from the vicinity of BS799480. The crew chief of one aircraft and a passenger in the second aircraft were wounded and the aircraft returned to the ship.

7. Listing of Significant Events

a. Personnel

(1) Reassignment of Officers and Enlisted personnel.

(a) 1 Feb 67, 3 officers to HMM-164.

- (b) 2 Feb 67, 2 officers, 3 enlisted from HMM-164.
- (c) 5 Feb 67, 1 enlisted man to HMM-164.
- (d) 9 Feb 67, 1 officer from HMM-164.
- (e) 12 Feb 67, 1 enlisted man from MABS-36.
- (f) 13 Feb 67, 4 officers and 9 enlisted men to HMM-265.
- (g) 13 Feb 67, 1 enlisted man from HMM-164.
- (h) 14 Feb 67, 2 officers and 8 enlisted from HMM-265.
- (i) 14 Feb 67, 1 enlisted man from H&MS-36.
- (j) 16 Feb 67, 1 officer to HMM-164.
- (k) 17 Feb 67, 3 officers TAD to HMM-165, returned 23 Feb 67.
- (l) 22 Feb 67, 1 enlisted man from MABS-36.
- (m) 23 Feb 67, 2 enlisted men from Stateside.

(2) 15 February 1967.

(a) P. C. PHILLIPS received temporary promotion to Gunnery Sergeant to rank as such from 1 February 1967.

(b) D. J. AUSTIN received temporary promotion to Staff Sergeant, to rank as such from 1 February 1967.

(c) E. H. ROBERTSON received temporary promotion to Staff Sergeant, to rank as such from 1 February 1967.

b. Operations

(1) HMM-262 exceeded its previous record breaking hours flown of 1706.8 by flying 2198.2 hours from 1 February to 28 February 1967. The Squadron also broke its previous record by carrying 18,039 troops, 1,093 passengers and 2,274 tons of cargo for the month.

(2) Operation Desoto - Eight hundred and fifty-one point six (851.6) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(3) Operation Rio Grande - Thirty-two point nine (32.9) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(4) Operation Giant Dragon - Forty-three point one (43.1) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(5) Operation Lien Ket 81 - Eighteen (18) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(6) Operation Deckhouse Six - Ninty (90) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(7) Operation Pueblo - Fifty-five point nine (55.9) hours were flown in support of this operation.

(8) Operation Estuary - One hundred and fifty-five point seven (155.7) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(9) Operation Independence - Two point nine (2.9) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(10) Operation Chinook - Three point eight (3.8) flight hours were flown in support of this operation.

(11) Support of MAG-16 - HMM-262 flew 156.5 flight hours in support of MAG-16 for the month of February 1967.

(12) Twelve Squadron pilots and 13 crew members exceeded 100.0 hours of flight time for the period 1 Feb 67 through 28 Feb 67.

c. Training

(1) LCPL SIELOFF and CPL BYOKAWSKI attended the Escape and Evasion School at NAS Cubi Point, P. I.

(2) SSGT STELLA and PFC PETERSON attended the T-58 Program at Cubi Point, P.I.

(3) LCPL A. FOX attended Corrosion Control School, Tachikawa, AFB, Japan.

(4) SSGT WALKER attended Vietnamese Language School, Camp Butler, Okinawa.

(5) 1/LT J. D. PURDY and SSGT P. C. PHILLIPS attended Wing Career Advisory Symposium at Da Nang.

d. Maintenance

(1) Average availability for the period 1 Feb 67 through 28 Feb 67 was 80.2%.

e. Awards

(1) Six (6) Combat Air Crewmember Wings were awarded.

(2) Forty-two (42) Air Medals were awarded.

(3) Nine (9) Purple Hearts were awarded.

d. Informational Services

(1) The third edition of "Tiger Tales" a monthly publication of HMM-262, was published. (Enclosure (1)).

U. W. Shadrick
U. W. SHADRICK

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WHERE EVERY DAY'S A HOLIDAY

Well TIGERS we've done it again. That's right! 2198.2 hours flown in the month of February 1967. It wasn't easy. It meant a lot of long nights of maintenance 'Sometimes all night.'). It meant a lot of cold "Cs" when didn't make it back to chow in time. And let's not forget that these hours were flown under (I should say over) the watchful eyes of your friend and mine "ole Vic Charlie." We're the first squadron of "46s" to cross 2 GRAND. This 2198.2 hours beats the old record (which incidently was our last month record of 1706.8 hours) by 491.4 hours. The record prior to this was 1200 hours held by Squadron Brand X. Every man in this squadron has "hacked the load." To all hands the Skipper sends a hearty WELL DONE TIGERS!

HINTS FROM HELOISE

1. Doc says, "take care of all cuts or scratches, no matter how small!" Don't become a casualty through neglect.
2. Keep all edibles locked up at night. Don't invite rats. We get shot at by enough of em.
3. Buy U. S. Savings Bonds. Its an investment in your country's future.
4. Keep your mess gear clean. You'll save yourself a lot of steps.

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THE PROFESSIONAL PRIVATE SPEAKS:

Ole Sol is with us once again! Now that the sun is here and the monsoons gone, precautions should be taken to prevent the excruciating pain of a sunburn. Being we are at a higher altitude than what we are used to, the magnitude of Infra-red rays, which cause a sunburn, reaching us enhances your chance of getting a sunburn. There are several precautionary measures that should be taken:

1. Avoid over exposure to the sun's rays. Allow yourself 15 minutes per day until you have a fairly good tan started.
2. Always use a sunburn preventitive ointment while sun-bathing.
3. If you ever get a bad sunburn, don't pamper it, see a Doctor. Burns are very serious here in Vietnam.

WELCOME ABOARD

The following men joined HMM-262 during the month of February 1967 from the places indicated next to their names:

Capt M. A. HOESCH - HMM-164, MAG-16	Capt G. W. CUMPSTON - HMM-265, MAG-16
Capt J. T. DANDREA - HMM-164, MAG-16	Capt W. A. VECCHITTO - HMM-265, MAG-16
1stLt C. D. BROWN Jr. - HMM-164, MAG-16	SSgt R. L. HORWATH - HMM-265, MAG-16
MSgt R. J. FILMORE - 164, MAG-16	SSgt F. RIVAS - HMM-265, MAG-16
CySgt C. C. HALE - HMM-164, MAG-16	Sgt A. O. MATTNER - HMM-265, MAG-16
SSgt N. F. ADAMSON - HMM-164, MAG-16	Sgt C. C. MIDKIFF Jr. - HMM-265, MAG-16
Sgt C. D. MERTZ - HMM-164, MAG-16	Sgt A. E. WERSCHING - HMM-265, MAG-16
Sgt D. E. ROARK - HMM-164, MAG-16	Sgt R. E. WILSON - HMM-265, MAG-16
Sgt J. P. SIELOFF - HMM-164, MAG-16	Cpl W. L. YEARICK - HMM-265, MAG-16
Sgt D. RAZO Jr. - HMM-164, MAG-16	LCpl F. MCLEELAND - HMM-265, MAG-16
Cpl J. L. ZMYSLOWSKI - HMM-164, MAG-16	Cpl J. AYALA Jr. - MABS-36, MAG-36
Cpl P. M. CAQUETTE - HMM-164, MAG-16	Pfc T. C. YATES - H&S Co, 4thRepl Co,
Cpl W. E. COOLEY - HMM-164, MAG-16	Staging Bn., MCB, Camp Pendleton, Calif.
Cpl E. L. DANTIN - HMM-164, MAG-16	Pfc J. L. PILLO - H&S Co, 1stRepl Co,
Cpl B. L. HOFFMAN - HMM-164, MAG-16	Staging Bn., MCB, Camp Pendleton, Calif.
Cpl G. A. MALONE Jr. - HMM-164, MAG-16	
Cpl C. H. PATRUM - HMM-164, MAG-16	
Major B. T. LADD - H&MS-36, MAG-36	
LCpl B. P. RAMIREZ - SU#3, H&SBn, FMFPac,	
Camp Smedley D. Butler	
Capt D. L. BUCK - HMM-164, MAG-16	
LCpl D. A. SNOWDEN - MABS-36, MAG-36	
SSgt E. STELLA - HMM-164, MAG-16	

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BON VOYAGE

The following men were transferred during the month of February 1967:

Capt P. T. LOONEY to HMM-164	SSgt O. D. SMITH to HMM-164
1stLt A. KIRK to HMM-164	Capt C. A. BARSKY Jr. to MWHG-1
1stLt J. W. MAHONEY to HMM-164	LCpl S. F. REMO to HMM-164
2ndLt D. F. GORS to HMM-164	Sgt C. A. TOTTY to Co. L., Marine Support Battalion
Sgt H. B. ONEAL to HMM-164	
Cpl D. L. GORSKI to HMM-164	1stLt D. A. MCPHERON to HMM-265
LCpl D. C. BONNER Jr. to HMM-164	1stLt S. A. REED III to HMM-265
LCpl J. L. YATES to HMM-164	2ndLt J. W. TUNNELL to HMM-265
LCpl R. SEMKOW to HMM-164	2ndLt D. S. ENGEL to HMM-265
LCpl S. K. BEAMON to HMM-164	SSgt R. R. GENTHNER to HMM-265
LCpl D. B. TROWER to HMM-164	SSgt G. L. LOGAN to HMM-265
LCpl L. D. LAGRAN to HMM-164	Sgt J. R. BERNAL to HMM-265
LCpl D. W. BATY to HMM-164	Sgt M. T. DIXON to HMM-265
Pfc S. A. VERBECK to HMM-164	Cpl J. A. MIHALICH to HMM-265
Pfc F. L. MARTINEZ to HMM-164	LCpl J. A. MICHAELSON to HMM-265
LCpl G. E. HORTON to HMM-164	LCpl E. J. LAWRENCE to HMM-265
LCpl K. C. FOSTER to HMM-265	MGySgt A. FARRIX to H&MS-36, MAG-36
LCpl R. G. KNIGHT to HMM-265	
2ndLt R. D. WILSON to HMM-164	

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

We've a new Gunny and two new Staff Sergeants in the Ol' Tiger Den. Congratulations on the new rockers!

GySgt Paul C. PHILLIPS SSgt Edward H. ROBERTSON SSgt Dennis J. AUSTIN

The following men have received the award of the Air Medal and subsequent awards of stars in lieu of the Air Medal. Congratulations and a "Job Well Done to ALL!"

Major J. W. ALBER - award of a gold star in lieu of the tenth Air Medal
 1stLt R. L. BYRNES - award of a gold star in lieu of the third Air Medal
 Major G. A. CORLISS - award of a silver star in lieu of the sixth Air Medal
 Capt R. K. FINCHAM - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 2ndLt W. H. GOTTSCHALK - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 2ndLt P. C. JAMES - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 1stLt R. J. KALATA - award of a gold star in lieu of the third Air Medal
 1stLt J. L. KIRSCHNIK - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 Capt H. L. KUNKEL - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal
 1stLt J. E. MURPHY - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 Capt J. W. NALL - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal

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AWARDS CONTINUED:

Major R. B. OREY - award of a gold star in lieu of the third Air Medal
 1stLt J. D. PURDY - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal
 Capt W. J. SAMBITO - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal
 1stLt G. L. SEPULVADO - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal
 LtCol U. W. SHADRICK - award of a gold star in lieu of the eighth Air Medal
 Major T. J. TOBEN Jr. - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal

LCpl B. E. ANDREWS - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 LCpl R. T. ASHBY - award of a gold star in lieu of the third Air Medal
 LCpl R. BUDA - award of the Air Medal
 Cpl M. F. BYOKAWSKI - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 LCpl W. F. CLOVER Jr. - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 SSgt R. R. COLEGROVE - award of a gold star in lieu of the third Air Medal
 LCpl M. B. FARLEY - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 SSgt O. A. FELDER - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 Cpl B. L. HOFFMAN - award of the Air Medal
 LCpl J. E. JACOBS Jr. - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 Sgt S. A. JONES - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 LCpl C. S. MCCONNELL - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 SSgt A. NASH - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 Cpl J. E. PAGE - award of a gold star in lieu of the fifth Air Medal
 Sgt L. P. ROSSI - award of a gold star in lieu of the second Air Medal
 LCpl R. J. SIELOFF - award of a gold star in lieu of the fourth Air Medal
 LCpl T. F. SULLIVAN - award of the Air Medal

The following personnel have received their Combat Air-Crew Wings during the month of February 1967:

LCpl R. BUDA
 Cpl M. G. KEEGAN

LCpl R. C. LANGSJOEN

THUMBS UP

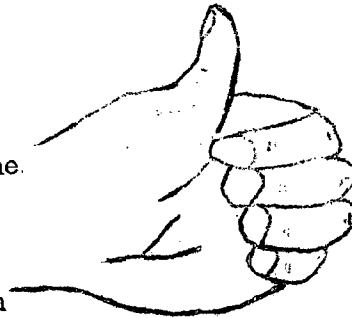
To the following men we pass the "Thumbs Up" to.
 They have flown in excess of 100 hours during the month of February 1967.

PILOTS

OF HOURS

1stLt J. R. CHAPMAN Jr - Leader of the pack with his 114.8 hours

1stLt T. F. O'MALLEY Jr - 109.2 hours
 Major B. T. LADD - 108.6 hours
 1stLt R. L. BYRNES - 108.2 hours
 1stLt G. H. GARDEN - 107.4 hours
 Major T. J. TOBEN Jr - 106.8 hours



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THUMBS UP (CON'T)

<u>PILOTS</u>	<u># OF HOURS</u>	<u>CREWS</u>	<u># OF HOURS</u>
1stLt D. R. HAMILL	- 106.3 hours	Sgt R. E. PARTRIDGE	- Leader of the
Capt W. A. JULIAN	- 102.8 hours		- pack with his
Capt T. D. SHEARY	- 102.6 hours	Sgt D. W. LANGLOIS	118.3 hours
Capt J. A. MITCHELL	- 102.2 hours	Cpl E. H. KRUGER	117.9 hours
2ndLt M. R. STAMM	- 102.2 hours	LCpl R. T. CARDENAS	- 116.1 hours
1stLt P. R. MATTOX	- 100.0 hours	LCpl R. C. LANGSJOEN	- 115.2 hours
		LCpl K. M. KYLLO	- 113.5 hours
		Pfc G. ROSSER	- 113.1 hours
		LCpl S. M. ARNOLD	- 111.8 hours
		SSgt J. E. AKERLEY	- 109.2 hours
		Cpl R. T. MCGETTIGAN	- 108.3 hours
		Cpl M. G. KEEGAN	- 103.5 hours
		LCpl K. M. ETTER	- 102.3 hours
			- 100.9 hours

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

The following men received a letter of Appreciation from the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion for the following action:

Capt W. H. MARSHALL	1stLt W. R. YOUNG
1stLt J. D. PURDY	2ndLt P. G. JAMES
LCpl R. J. SIELOFF	Cpl J. R. ANDERSON
SSgt J. E. AKERLEY	Cpl J. M. WICKLINE

"On behalf of the members of this command involved in the subject mission, I wish to express our deep appreciation for the courage and determination of the pilots and crews of Switch 5-6 (HMM-262) and Klondike 4-2 (WMO-6).

At about 1700, 28 December 1966 the Sparrowhawk was inserted in the vicinity of AP HAI (3) with the mission of locating the Chicken Pie reconnaissance patrol which had been without communications for 15 hours. Almost immediately upon insertion, the Sparrowhawk force comprised of 16 infantry marines and 7 reconnaissance marines began taking sniper fire. In the subsequent close combat of troops on the ground, the supporting helicopters remained in close proximity to provide suppressive fire as well as continuous communications and extraction support if required. The enemy sniper fire resulted in one Marine DOW and one WIA. Under heavy cloud cover, negligible light conditions and running dangerously low on fuel, the extraction helicopters unhesitatingly answered the call of the beleaguered unit and landed under fire in an insecure landing zone. Upon extraction several hits were scored on the helicopters as automatic weapons fire was received from an overlooking hill crest.

Through the efforts of these men, 22 marines are alive today to continue their mission. Again, please convey our appreciation to the officers and men of HMM-262 and WMO-6 for this superlative exhibition of skill and aggressiveness.

This letter was signed by the Commanding Officer, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, D. N. McKEON.

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THE MONTH IN REVIEW

Hey! Anybody scope out the way out helmets some of the pilots are wearing? Got both clear and dark visor all under one cover. Gives the effect of a space creature.

Check the foliage around our office spaces? Part of Lady Bird's Beautification Program.

Anyone using another blanket in this "tropical heat?" Last night it got so cold I had to break the flame off my candle to light it again.

We've compiled a pretty impressive number of awards this past month. We awarded 34 Air Medals, 2 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 1 Silver Star and 3 Combat Air-Crew Wings. Way to go Tigers.

Congratulations are in order to Cpl Rogers' family on the new baby in their home. Cpl Rogers works in the check crew. Have a cigar!

The Skipper designated a couple of new Aircraft Commanders in the month of February. Congrats to Lt Tom O'MALLEY and Lt Bill GOTTSCHALK. "YOU GOT IT."

I hear the fish are biting down at Ye Old S-2 Shoppe. How 'bout it SSgt WALKER?

Everyone should hear one of Happy George LINN's Intelligence Briefs. You come away with a new outlook on life. HOPELESS!!

The biggest news of course is our passing 2100 hours. Just for your information we flew 18,039 troops this month over January's 13,850. We hauled 2274 tons of cargo as compared with last month's 723 tons, and we transported 1093 passengers in a non-combat situation where as last month we lifted 635. Not bad for the new kids in school.

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