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 Marine Aircraft Group 36  
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1. PART I Organizational Data

a. Commanding Officer	LTCOL Ralph THUESSEN	1-28Feb69
b. Executive Officer	MAJOR George M. SHIFFLER Jr.	1-28Feb69
c. Operations Officer	MAJOR George G. EVANS Jr.	1-28Feb69
d. Administrative Officer	CWO-1 Richard TYLER	1-28Feb69
e. Logistics Officer	MAJOR James W. BRIDGES	1-15Feb69
	CAPTAIN K. L. HOLM	16-28Feb69
f. Materiel Officer	1stLT James E. FLEMING	1-28Feb69
g. Maintenance Officer	MAJOR Charles A. CAREY	1-15Feb69
	MAJOR James W. BRIDGES	16-28Feb69
h. Intelligence Officer	1stLT William T. HITCHCOCK	1-28Feb69
i. Aviation Safety Officer	CAPTAIN Rodger J. CARLSON	1-28Feb69
j. Squadron Flight Surgeon	LTCMDR James WALTERMIRE	1-28Feb69

2. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265  
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3. Average Monthly Personnel Strength; 47 Officers, 165 Enlisted.

4. Distinguished Visitors

a. On 1 February 1969, the Squadron was visited by Brigadier General E. S. HILL, Deputy Wing Commander, 1st Marine Air Wing.

b. On 6 February 1969, Mr Gerhardt NEUMAN, Vice President, Aircraft Engine Division, General Electric Corporation visited the squadron.

5. Other

a. The squadron basketball team finished 4th in the MAG-36 Tournament and received a trophy.

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**PART II Narrative Summary**

1 February: HMM-265 launched a total of seven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 20.0 hours. 76 combat troops and 21.9 tons of combat cargo were transported in 79 sorties completing 13 tasks.

2 February: Due to inclement weather 1.6 hours and 7 sorties were flown in completion of 3 tasks.

3 February: HMM-265 launched a total of seven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 39.2 hours. 404 combat troops, 40 medevacs and 27.0 tons of combat cargo were transported in 154 sorties in completion of 19 tasks.

4 February: HMM-265 launched a total of ten aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 31.0 hours. 160 combat troops, 2 medevacs and 24.2 tons of combat cargo were transported in 110 sorties in completion of 19 tasks.

5 February: HMM-265 launched eight aircraft in support of III MAF and the ROKMC for a total of 33.4 hours. 119 combat troops and 36.2 tons of combat cargo were transported in 140 sorties in completion of 15 tasks.

6 February: HMM-265 launched ten aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 45.4 hours. 349 combat troops, 1 medevac and 54.2 tons of combat cargo were transported in 200 sorties in completion of 20 tasks.

7 February: HMM-265 launched nine aircraft in support of III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 31.1 hours. 73 combat troops, 38 medevacs and 17.4 tons of combat cargo were transported in 139 sorties in completion of 20 tasks.

8 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and the ROKMC for a total of 52.5 hours. 333 combat troops and 23.7 tons of combat cargo were transported in 166 sorties in completion of 19 tasks.

9 February: HMM-265 launched seven aircraft in support of III MAF and the ROKMC for a total of 48.4 hours. 240 combat troops, 15 medevacs and 55.7 tons of combat cargo were transported in 239 sorties in completion of 24 tasks.

10 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and the ROKMC for a total of 37.3 hours. 289 combat troops and 36.5 tons of combat cargo were transported in 153 sorties in completion of 22 tasks.

11 February: HMM-265 launched eleven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 40.5 hours. 222 combat troops and 24.1 tons of combat cargo were transported in 170 sorties in completion of 17 tasks.

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12 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 30.3 hours. 139 combat troops and 27.3 tons of cargo were transported in 125 sorties in completion of 15 tasks.

13 February: HMM-265 launched seven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 48.0 hours. 133 combat troops, 2 medevacs and 48.0 tons of combat cargo were transported in 187 sorties in completion of 22 tasks.

14 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 47.3 hours. 192 combat troops, 12 medevacs and 20.8 tons of combat cargo were transported in 151 sorties in completion of 29 tasks.

15 February: HMM-265 launched seven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 42.0 hours. 114 combat troops, 1 medevac and 34.2 tons of combat cargo were transported in 162 sorties in completion of 17 tasks.

16 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 57.8 hours. 210 combat troops and 44.7 tons of combat cargo were transported in 228 sorties in completion of 25 tasks.

17 February: HMM-265 launched ten aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 35.1 hours. 164 combat troops, 1 medevac and 35.1 tons of combat cargo were transported in 133 sorties in completion of 16 tasks.

18 February: HMM-265 launched fifteen aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, III MAF and ROKMC for a total of 40.0 hours. 127 combat troops, 2 medevacs and 18.3 tons of combat cargo were transported in 161 sorties in completion of 25 tasks.

19 February: HMM-265 launched six aircraft in support of the First Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 25.8 hours. 80 combat troops, 7 medevacs and 4.4 tons of combat cargo were transported in 67 sorties in completion of 13 tasks.

20 February: HMM-265 launched eight aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 38.9 hours. 116 combat troops, 9 medevacs and 11.9 tons of combat cargo were transported in 107 sorties in completion of 21 tasks.

21 February: HMM-265 launched one aircraft in support of III MAF for a total of 6.8 hours. 14 combat troops were transported in 23 sorties in completion of 5 tasks. All other flights were cancelled due to inclement weather.

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22 February: HMM-265 launched seven aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 20.7 hours. 55 combat troops, 11 medevacs and 1.4 tons of combat cargo were transported in 51 sorties in completion of 9 tasks.

23 February: HMM-265 launched eight aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 39.7 hours. 85 combat troops, 31 medevacs and 3.7 tons of combat cargo were transported in 109 sorties in completion of 16 tasks.

24 February: HMM-265 launched twelve aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 40.3 hours. 93 combat troops, 20 medevacs and 10.6 tons of combat cargo were transported in 142 sorties in completion of 25 tasks.

25 February: HMM-265 launched eleven aircraft in support of the First Marine Division, Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 42.3 hours. 227 combat troops, 99 medevacs and 12.5 tons of combat cargo were transported in 162 sorties in completion of 24 tasks.

26 February: HMM-265 launched eight aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 41.5 hours. 100 combat troops, 74 medevacs and 2.6 tons of combat cargo were transported in 118 sorties in completion of 23 tasks.

27 February: HMM-265 launched seven aircraft in support of the ROKMC and III MAF for a total of 18.1 hours. 43 combat troops and 16.5 tons of combat cargo were transported in 76 sorties in completion of 11 tasks. Inclement weather prevented support of the Third Marine Division.

28 February: HMM-265 launched ten aircraft in support of the Third Marine Division and III MAF for a total of 37.9 hours. 74 combat troops, 37 medevacs and 1.1 tons of combat cargo were transported in 121 sorties in completion of 15 tasks.

## PART III Significant Events

1. Air Operations:

a. Total Hours Flown	992.9
b. Number of Sorties	3,680.
c. Tons of Cargo	623.0
d. Number of Passengers	4,231.
e. Number of Medevacs	452.

2. Major Operations Supported

- a. TAYLOR COMMON
- b. VICTORY DRAGON VII
- c. VICTORY DRAGON VIII
- d. HARDIN FALLS
- e. DEWEY CANYON

3. Promotions: One First Lieutenant to Captain, One Sergeant to Staff Sergeant, One Lance Corporal to Corporal and Three Privates First Class to Lance Corporal.

4. Awards: Sergeant George T. MORRISON, III was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal, and Corporal John LOTOZYNSKI was awarded the Purple Heart Medal.

5. Disciplinary Affairs: None

6. Accidents: First Lieutenant Raymond E. GLOVER, First Lieutenant John A. MUMFORD and Gunnery Sergeant Wallace C. BERGSTROM, Jr. were killed in action on 7 February 1969. They were flying in support of "Operation Taylor Common" when their aircraft struck the water and sank in Da Nang Harbor.

7. Logistics

a. Material: Due to the new T/O the Materiel and Fiscal sections of S-4 are now located in the Maintenance Department.

b. Embarkation: On 12 February 1969, a Wing Inspection team inspected the Squadron Embarkation Section. A Satisfactory mark was assigned.

c. Buildings and Grounds: New bunkers were constructed for all the Enlisted barracks. New bunkers are being constructed in the Staff and Officer areas.

8. Maintenance Department

a. An average daily availability of 52.0% was maintained with an average of 20.0 aircraft possessed. Aircraft down to NORS 15.0% and aircraft down to NORM 33.0%

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