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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
of
MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 311
Period 1-31 OCTOBER 1968

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Marine Aircraft Group 12
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From: Commanding Officer
To : Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 12 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1-31 October 1968

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Encl: ✓(1) VMA-311 Command Chronology for period 1-31 October 1968

1. In accordance with instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

2. This letter may be downgraded to unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Commanding Officer and Staff

LtCol. Charles O. HIETT, Commanding Officer 1-31 October 1968
LtCol. Charles D. OVERTURE, Executive Officer 1-31 October 1968
Major William R. SMITH, Operations Officer 1-31 October 1968
Major Donald S. CARR, Maintenance Officer 1-31 October 1968
Capt. Thomas L. HAMPTON, Logistics Officer 1-31 October 1968
Major Julius P. KISH III, Administrative Officer 1-31 October 1968
1stLt Richard L. VINCENT, Material Officer 1-20 October 1968
1stLt Charles F. DEPREKER, Material Officer 21-31 October 1968

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

- A. Task Organization. None
B. Unit Location. Chu Lai, RVN

3. Average Monthly Strength

USMC Officer - 30
USMC Enlisted - 159
USN Officer - 1

4. Important Visitors

A. LtGen. Lewis W. WALT, USMC, LtGen. H. NICKERSON, Jr., USMC, MajGen. C.J. QUILTER, USMC, and MajGen. CUSHMAN, USMC, and party of eight visited VMA-311, 1300 on 30 October 1968. LtCol. C.O. HIETT briefed V.I.P. Party on VMA-311 Operations in RVN.

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. VMA-311 has flown 26,045 combat sorties and over 31,656 hours in the Republic of Viet Nam.
2. During October 1968, VMA-311 flew a total of 1,020.5 flight hours of which 1,010.8 were combat hours. A total of 899 sorties of which 885 were combat sorties were flown during this reporting period.
3. Average aircraft availability was 78% with an average on board of 18 aircraft and 25 pilots.
4. Total tonnage dropped for this reporting period was 1321.9.
5. On 30 October 1968, VMA-311 flew its 26,000 combat sortie in RVN since its arrival in May 1965.

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PART III
SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel

A. Four (4) officers were joined and five (5) dropped during October. Thirteen (13) enlisted were joined and seven (7) dropped.

2. Air Operations

A. During October 1968, VMA-311 flew 899 sorties for a total of 1020.5 flight hours.

B. Three pilots were joined and four pilots were transferred during this reporting period.

3. Training

A. A General Military Subjects Quiz is made available to the troops on a daily basis to refresh their knowledge.

4. Material

A. Navy Property:

(1) The Material Section has a new Officer-in-Charge. 1stLT. R.L. VINCENT was transferred to Group Supply; here to replace him is 1stLT. C.F. DEPREKER.

(2) The Material Section has moved to the Marine Corps Property warehouse from the hanger area.

(3) The following Priority 02 Not Operational Ready Supply (NORS) requisitions were outstanding for the month of October:

a. Average Project Code 706 (ACCP) requisitions outstanding were 17.

b. Average Project Code 707 (ANFE) requisitions outstanding were 6.

(4) A reconciliation of all our outstanding requisitions was completed.

(5) A total of \$90,672.43 in Flight Operations Funds (BPN 01) were obligated during the month of October which supported 1020 flight hours.

a. Total funds for fuel and lubricants obligated was \$87,463.68.

b. Total funds for miscellaneous Navy Stock Account

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(NSA) material obligated was \$3,208.75.

(6) The average number of aircraft out of commission for parts as a result of AOCF's for the month of October was 2.

B. Marine Corps Property:

- (1) The Marine Corps Property was inventoried and rewarehoused.
- (2) Navy Property is now located in the Marine Corps warehouse.

C. Significant Problem Areas:

- (1) There are no significant problem areas at the present time.

5. Maintenance

A. The average daily availability for the month of October was 77.6 per cent. Total flight hours 1020.5; total combat hours 1010.8; non-combat hours 9.7; total sorties 899; total combat sorties 885. Total tonnage dropped during the month 1321.901.

(1) Aircraft Status:

<u>Acft Type</u>	<u>Allow</u>	<u>O/H</u>	<u>% Ready</u>	<u>% NORM</u>
A4E	20	19	78	22

(2) Critical Items:

NOMENCLATURE

FSN/PN

Fuel Transfer Valve
CSD
Fuel Control
Cable Assy

2RH2915-758-4-056 Y120
2RG1680-924-8093 Z150
2RG2915-918-6785 NHSC
2RM1680-8545-221 ADGA

(3) Presently, five aircraft (BuNo's 150028, 150041, 152002, 151124, 150002) are undergoing PAR.

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