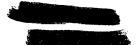
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Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 11 ,10%

Command Chronology for period 1-14 April 1971 Subj:

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1. In accordance with the provisions set forth in references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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# GOLDAND CHRONOLOGY Period 1-14 April 1971

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# PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation

Commander

Marine Attack Squadron 311

LtCol. J. T. HAGEN 1-14 April 1971

2. Location

1-14 April 1971: Danang, RVN

3. Staff Officers

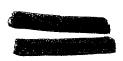
Executive Officer	Maj. R. E. BLANCHARD	1-14 April 1971
S-1 Officer	Capt. M. R. BUNKAR	1-5 April 1971
	Laj. R. D. BAKER	6-14 April 1971
S-2 Officer	Capt. W. R. BUNKER	1 April 1971
	1/Lt L. O. TURNER	2-14 April 1971
S-3 Officer	Maj. D. C. FITZGERALD	1-14 April 1971
S-4 Officer	Capt. H. F. WILLIAMSON	1-14 April 1971
Maintenance Officer	Maj. W. MARSHALL	1-14 April 1971

4. Average Monthly Strength

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OFF	ANL	OFF FAL	<u>off</u>
32	187	0 0	0 0

Joins: 7

Transfers: 5



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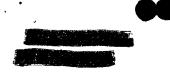
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#### <u>PART II</u> NARHATIVE SUHMARY

1. During the period 1-14 April 1971, VAA-311 continued to provide close and direct air support for all allied units operating in the northern provinces. The squadron also flew 224 Steel Tiger sorties in support of the Seventh Air Force. Noteworthy bomb damage assessments during this period include 17 confirmed KBMA, 9 trucks destroyed and one 23mm anti-aircraft gun destroyed. April also saw the squadron flying its 47,000th RVW combat sortie. The squadron's safety record continues to build showing 12,741.2 accident-free hours through 14 April.



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### PART III SE JUANTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT DEVENTS

1 April	1.	Event 6301 credited with 5 KBMA Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)
4 April	1.	Events 6302 and 6306 credited with 4 KBMA and 30 structures destroyed Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)
6 April	1.	Event 460 credited with 4 MBMA Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)
8 April	1。 2。	Event 468 destroyed 3 trucks Event 476 credited with 4 KBMA Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)
9 April	1.	Event 465 destroyed one 23mm antiaircraft gun Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)
12 April	1.	Squadron flew its 47,000th RVN combat sortie Ref: Daily Report of Air Operations (Group S-3)
14 April	1.	Event 214 destroyed 3 trucks Ref: Operational Sitreps (Group S-3)

#### 2. Summary of Air Operations

# a. Sorties

Day Sorties Scheduled 351

Night Sorties Scheduled 119

Total Sorties Scheduled 470

Sorties Cancelled 52

Non-Combat Sorties Flown 16

Day Sorties Flown 368

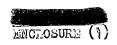
Night Sorties Flown 104

Total Sorties Flown 472

Write-in Sorties Flown 25

### b. Units Supported

1stAAN 30 Americal Division 29 1st of 5th Mechanized 12 2nd ARVN Division 2 7th Air Force 228 1st Marine Division 66 101st Airborne Division 97 51st ARVN Division 8









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### c. Types of Sorties

Close Air Support	120	Test	3
Direct Air Support	37	Ferry	9
TPQ-10 54		Abort	15
Landing Zone Prep	6	VR's	4
Steel Timer 221			

### d. Hours Flown

Combat Hours 523.1 Operational Hours 15.2 Total Hours 538.3

#### e. Ordnance

MK82 Gp Con 580.62/2191	MK77 Firebomb 56.68/218
MK82 Gp SE 137.01/485	CBU-24 21.17/51
MK82 Gp Q 5.30/20	MX45 Flare 3.40/272
Rockeye II 42.39/173	20mm 2.01/6325 Rds. Delivered
Total Tons:	848。58

### f. Bomb Damage Assessment

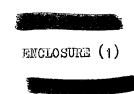
Secondary Explosions 23	Structures Destroyed 30
Trucks Destroyed 9	Bridges Destroyed 1
Trucks Damaged 18	Mortar Pits Destroyed 4
Secondary Fires 33	23mm Guns Destroyed 1
Bunkers Destroyed 23	Hootches Destroyed 1
Bunkers Damaged 2	MTRS Fords Destroyed 141
MTRS Road Cut, 878	MTR3 Trenchline Destroyed 20
MTRS Treeling 200	KBMA Confirmed 17
MTRS Road Slide 45	KBMA Probable 8

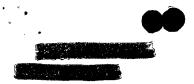
# 3. Summarization of Individual Sections

a. <u>Personnel</u>. During the reporting period one (1) 1stLt was promoted to his present rank.

### b. Awards. None

c. Aviation Safety. The squadron, to date, has accomplished it s mission of accident-free flying bringing the total accident-free time to 12,741.2 hours.





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d. <u>Maintenance</u>. The average daily availability for the period of 1-14 April was 54.3%. The average daily operational ready aircraft in accordance with MCO P3000.2B was 64.2%.

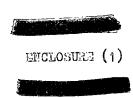
# (1) Aircraft Status

Aircraft Type	<u> Allowed</u>	<u>o/H</u>	% Ready	% Norm
<u> </u>	24	23	64.2	19.1

- (2) Presently one aircraft, bureau number 150085 is undergoing Progressive Aircraft Rework.
- e. <u>Logistics</u>. The squadron has 32 requisitions pending and 4 pending from previous submission. At present there are problems associated with unit maintenance/logistics. The following are critical items:

#### Nomenclature

Constant Speed Drive AJB-3 Stand By Gyro's TACAN Hounts







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PART IV SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE

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