

MARINE ALL WEATHER FIGHTER SQUADRON 312
 Marine Aircraft Group 11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing
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Subj: Command Chronology for January 1966 (U)

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Encl: ✓(1) Marine All Weather Fighter Squadron 312 Command Chronology for
 January 1966

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. This letter is downgraded to unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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ENCLOSURE (24)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR JANUARY 1966Part I - Organizational Data

- a. Designation Location
VMF(AW)-312 Da Nang, AB, RVN
- b. Period Covered
1-31 January 1966
- c. Task Organization
N/A
- d. CO and Executive Staff

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
NEWPORT, R. B.	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
SMITH, C. E.	XO	MAJ	MAJ
HARRIS, R. I.	S-1	LT	CAPT
MAVRETIC, J. L.	S-2	LT	CAPT
ERTIMEIER, G. J.	S-3	MAJ	MAJ
MANZ, J. W.	S-4	WO	CAPT

e. Average Strength

NA-18
NG-3
MAR ENL - 174
NAVY ENL - 1

f. Visitors to Command - None.

Part II - Highlights. At the end of the reporting period the squadron completed its overseas tour. During the thirteen month tour the squadron moved from El Toro to Atsugi, from Atsugi to Iwakuni and finally from Iwakuni to Da Nang. The squadron flew total of four thousand forty eight sorties for six thousand seven hundred twenty eight accident free hours. The squadron was replaced in Marine Aircraft Group Eleven by VMF(AW)-235 from Beaufort, S. C.

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- a. Personnel - An advanced party of four officers and eight enlisted from VMF(AW)-235 arrived 11 January to prepare for a smooth transition of material and equipment when the squadron rotates 1 Feb.
- b. Administration - All squadron pilots completed the requirements for their first Air Medal during the reporting period.
- c. Civil Affairs/Military Government - N/A
- d. Moral/Welfare Programs - N/A
- e. Public Information - N/A
- f. Casualties - N/A
- g. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence - N/A
- h. Air Operations - During the reporting period the squadron flew six hundred fifteen combat sorties for a total of seven hundred seventy eight hours. These sorties consisted of Air to Ground Missions in the I and II Corps areas, Helicopter Escorts and TPQ-10 Missions in support of III MAF Forces plus special missions. Additionally the squadron conducted briefings and flew Familiarization Flights with the pilot in VMF(AW)-235's advanced echelon.
- i. Air Defense - The squadron flew limited GCI Sorties to provide controller training for Local Agencies.
- j. Ground Defense - N/A
- k. Special Operations - N/A
- l. ECM - N/A
- m. Photo - N/A
- n. Command and Control - As of 011121Z Feb VMF(AW)-235 changed OPCON/ADCON to MAG-11 and relieved VMF(AW)-312. VMF(AW)-312 moves to MCAS Beaufort S. C. with 1/LT Dennis A. PANZER escorting the colors.

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- o. Training - N/A
- p. NBC - N/A
- q. Logistics - N/A
- r. Supply - Inventory and change of custody between the squadron and VMF(AW)-235 was smoothly executed. No major discrepancies were noted.
- s. Motor Transport - N/A
- t. Engineering - N/A
- u. Maintenance - All but two ^{OF} ~~for~~ the squadron aircraft have been marked with VMF(AW)-235 Insignia. Average daily aircraft availability rate, based upon on-hand aircraft strength, has been above seventy percent.
- v. Communications/Electronics - N/A