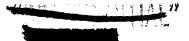
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Marine Aircraft Group-13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
FFO San Francisco 96602

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From: Commanding Officer

To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

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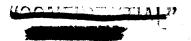
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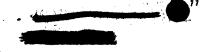
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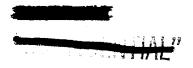


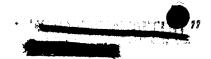




VMFA-314
COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
MAY 1969







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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

A. DESIGNATION
MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON-314
Marine Aircraft Group-13
lst Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac

COMMANDER
Major J. W. BLACK
10 March 1969 - Present

B. LOCATION

1-31 May 1969, Chu Lai Air Base, Republic of Vietnam

C. STAFF OFFICERS

Frederick J. SCHOBER	MAJOR	Executive Officer	06Apr69-15May69
James D. MOODY	MAJOR	Executive Officer	16May69-Present
Donald D. BERGMAN	MAJOR	S-1 Officer	15Apr69-Present
Bobby D. Coll	CAPT	S-2 Officer	16Apr69-Present
Alec GILLESPIE	MAJOR	S-3 Officer	15Apr69-15May69
James H. VANDEVER	MAJOR	S-3 Officer	16May69-Present
Frank A. HUEY	MAJOR	S-4 Officer	11Mar69-Present
James A. DAVIS	CAPT	Maintenance Officer	06Apr69-15May69
Michael P. SULLIVAN	MAJOR	Maintenance Officer	16May69-Present
Richard L. KNERR	SGTMA J	Sergeant Major	01Jun68-Present
Edwin L. STOLTZ	MSGT	Maintenance Chief	12Sep68-Present

D. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

1. OFFICERS

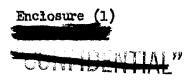
á.	Naval Aviators	24
b	Naval Flight Officer	- 18
c.	Aviation Ground Officer	6
đ.	Naval Flight Surgeon	7.

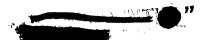
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Marine Corps

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

VMFA-314 performance in May was once again highly successful, flying 674 combat sorties and 727 combat hours. The aircrews averaged 28 combat sorties for pilots and 35 combat sorties for RID's.

Ordnance totaling 1,568,9 tons was delivered resulting in BDA of 194 structures destroyed, 210 bunkers destroyed, 52 huts destroyed, 4 Trucks destroyed, 5 water buffalo KBM and 40 enemy KBM.

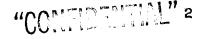
During May VMFA-314 supported the 3rd Marine Division in operations Purple Martin, Cameron Falls, Virginia Ridge, Massachusettes Bay, and Herkimer Mountain. The squadron supported the 1st Marine Division in operations Oklahoma Hills and Pipestone Canyon. In support of the 101st Airborne VMFA-314 participated in operations Kentucky Jumper, Lamar Flain, Apache Snow and Bristol Boots. In southern I Corps the squadron supported the Americal Division in operations Russell Beach, Iron Mountain, Geneva Park and Frederick Hills. VMFA-314 also supported our Allies, the Republic of Korean Marines, in operation Victory Dragon XI. In support of the 7th Air Force the squadron flew 91 CAS missions for 104.9 hours and 10 air-to-air sorties for 13.8 hours. In the Gulf of Tonkin in support of TASK FORCE 77 we flew 16 BARCAP missions for 38.3 hours.

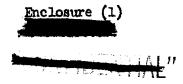
VMFA-314 flew 18 sorties for a successful participation in the 1st MAW FIREX 1-69 at Cubi Point in the Philippines. While at FIREX 1-69 on 16 May 1969 F-4B Buno. 153037 crashed on takeoff and the crew ejected safely.

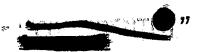
On 18 May 1969 while flying a CAP mission, Major J. D. MOODY and 1stLt R. R. GRIFFITHS flying F-4B Buno. 151450 and Major A. GRIFFITHS and 1stLt V. R. MADDUX flying F-4B Buno. 152270 were refueling from a ROw130 when it was struck by a VMFA-542 F-4B. Major GTLLESPIE's aircraft broke away and returned safely with minor damage. Major MOODY's aircraft crashed due to both engines recieving FOD damage in the mid-air collision. Major MOODY and 1stLt GRIFFITHS ejected safely. No injuries were sustained by the VMFA-314 crewmembers.

The following officers completed the indicated number of combat missions during the month: in their current tours:

Major J. D. MOODY	100	Capt J. G. THOMAS	100
Capt S. S. HALE	300	Capt V. M. BERDINE	300
Capt D. A. NICHOLSON	200	Capt J. E. WARD	100
Capt R. S. DEICHL	100	Capt F. L. MASSEY	400
lstLt M. ESTEIA	100	lstLt R. R. GRIFFITHS	300
lstLt W. H. HOTZ	300		5.00







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PART III

- A. Personnel Adminstration. During May VMFA-314 joined 1 Officer and transfered 4. VMFA-314 joined 25 enlisted and transfered 30.
- B. Awards. 6 Meritorious Masts were awarded this month.
- C. Casualties. None
- D. Air Operations.
 - 1. Flight Hours and Sorties:

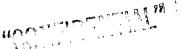
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Combat	Total	Combat	Total
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2. Bomb Damage Assessment Breakdown:

Bunkers	210 destroyed, 20 damaged
Secondary Explosions	45
Secondary Fires	50 j.j
Structures	194 destroyed, 22 damaged
Trench Line	500 meters destroyed
Trucks	4 destroyed, 1 damaged_
Huts	52 destroyed, 1 damaged
KBMA	40
Road	300 meters destroyed
Trail	365 meters destroyed
50Cal, Positions	2 destroyed
Tree Line	950 meters destroyed
Boats	1 destroyed
Bridges	l damaged
Fighting Holes	14 destroyed
37mm Positions	4 destroyed
Base Camps	l damaged
Ammo Stehes	l destroyed
Rocket Sites	l destroyed
Water Buffales	5 KBMA

- E. <u>Iraining</u>. One aircrewmember attended AIO/FAC school. One enlisted man attended embarkation school.
- F. Ordnance. Total ordnance dropped for the month was 1568.9 tons. A breakdown of the ordnance follows:

MK-82 Snakeye	3605	CBU/E173	40
MK-82 Conical	887	CBU/E184	15
MK-83 Conical	242	IAU 10/A	39
MK-77	814	5.0" Zuni	329



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G.	Promotions:	To Captain]
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		To Lance Corporal	7

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