

MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON 314
Marine Aircraft Group 13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
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1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

A. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

MARINE FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON 314
 Marine Aircraft Group 13
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac

LTCOL Charles G. FREDERICK
 26 June 1969 - Present

B. LOCATION

1-31 October 1969, Chu Lai Airbase, Republic of Vietnam

C. STAFF OFFICERS

Donald WOJCIK	Maj	Executive Officer	15Aug69 - Present
Lyle P. CREADICK	Maj	S-1 Officer	15Sept69 - Present
Howard E. KERR	Capt	S-2 Officer	25Aug69 - Present
Robert C. JOHNSON	Maj	S-3 Officer	14Aug69 - Present
Allen W. MASSEY	Capt	S-4 Officer	16Aug69 - Present
Michael P. SULLIVAN	Maj	Maintenance Officer	16May69 - 29Sept69
Byron H. HOGUE	Maj	Maintenance Officer	30Sept69 - Present
Rodney R. BURNS	SgtMaj	Sergeant Major	20July69 - Present
Jack L. PHILLIPS	MSgt	Maintenance Chief	5Sept69 - Present

D. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH1. OFFICER

a. Naval Aviator	20
b. Naval Flight Officer	20
c. Aviation Ground Officer	6

2. ENLISTED

a. Marine Corps	235
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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

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The "Black Knights" continued the Crusade during the month of October, once again leading Marine Aircraft Group 13 in all categories including total sorties flown, total combat sorties flown and tons of ordnance expended. Again, this accomplishment was made possible through the esprit de corps exhibited by all Black Knights.

Flying time for the month was again reduced from the level of previous months, primarily due to the reduction in enemy activity. A total of 449 sorties were flown of which 404 were combat missions. A total of 788.8 tons of ordnance was accurately delivered on target resulting in the BDA shown in Part III. The most significant item of this is the KBMA for the month, (42) which is the highest since June of this year.

The Black Knights continued their support of Marines in operation Pipestone Canyon. In addition, we also supported the Army's Americal and 101st Airborne Divisions as well as ARVN and ROK forces in operations Frederick Hill, Geneva Park, Iron Mountain, Republic Square, and Victory Dragon XV.

In response to the tasks laid down by the 7th Air Force and 7th Fleet, the Squadron flew 42 sorties and 99.0 hours on MIGCAP and BARCAP missions. Of these, approximately 75% were flown at night.

The Squadron celebrated the completion of 600 combat missions by 1/LT R. C. KINDFATER, which is a new record for combat missions flown during a single thirteen month tour. In addition, the following officers completed the below indicated number of missions during their current tour:

LTCOL FREDERICK	200	CAPT KERR	200
MAJ WOJCIK	100	LT McDUFFEE	100
MAJ JOHNSON	100	LT BOSEMAN	100
MAJ SULLIVAN	300		
LT HOLDEN	100		

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A. Personnel Administration. During the month of October 1969 VAFA-314 joined 9 Officers and transferred 5. The squadron joined 20 enlisted and transferred 22.

B. Awards. The squadron awarded 1 Distinguished Flying Cross, 3 Good Conduct, 2 Certificates of Commendation, 5 Meritorious Mast

C. Casualties.

Combat: None

Non-Combat: None

D. Bomb Operations

1. Flight Hours and Sorties

HOURS		SORTIES	
COMBAT	TOTAL	COMBAT	TOTAL
486.2	532.2	404	449

2. BUNKERS	78 Destroyed, 15 Damaged
HOOTCHES	34 Destroyed
STRUCTURES	92 Destroyed, 26 Damaged
PACK ANIMALS	None
BRIDGES	None
TREELINE	1,960 Meters Destroyed
TRENCHLINE	1,389 Meters Destroyed
SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS	16
SECONDARY FIRES	22
GUN INSTALATIONS	3 Destroyed
TUNNELS	4
FIGHTING HOLES	5 Destroyed
TRAILS	400 Meters Destroyed
STORAGE AREAS	None
KEMA	42
RIVER FORDS	5
TRUCKS	5

E. Training. Squadron personnel attended the following courses: PACAF, FAC course JEST course and Basic Training.

F. Ordnance. Total ordnance dropped for the month was 788.8 tons

G. Promotions. 1 Corporal, and 2 Lance Corporals.

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