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MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON 323
Marine Aircraft Group 13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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31 January 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 13
Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) WgO 5750.1B
(c) GruO 5750.1C

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is submitted for the period 1-31 January 1967.

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ENCLOSURE (5)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Unit: Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323

Location: MCAS Chu Lai, RVN

Period: 1-31 January 1967

PART ONE - Organization Data:

1. <u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>DATES</u>
Aubrey W. TALBERT	Commanding Officer	LtCol	1-29
Gordon H. KELLER JR.	Commanding Officer	LtCol	30-31
Billy D. FRITSCH	Executive Officer	Maj	1-29
John L. THATCHER	Executive Officer	Maj	30-31
John (n) HUBNER	Operations Officer	Maj	1-31
Ronald C. ANDREAS	Administration Officer	Maj	1-31
Joesph B. WUERTZ	Logistics Officer	Maj	1-31
Jimmy L. PAPPAS	Maintenance Officer	Maj	1-24
Thomas WILLIAMS JR.	Maintenance Officer	Capt	24-31
Larry K. GRISSETT	Aviation Safety Officer	Capt	1-31

2. Unit Location and Inclusive Dates:

MCAS Chu Lai, RVN.....1-31 January 1967

3. Average Monthly Strength:

a. Officers: 50

(1) Naval Aviators.....22

(2) Naval Flight Officers.....20

(3) Aviation Ground Officers.....7

(4) Naval Flight Surgeons.....1

(5) Total.....50

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b. Enlisted: 275

(1) Marine Corps.....273

(2) Navy.....2

(3) Totals.....275

4. Important Visitors:

a. On the 1st of January Lieutenant General V. H. KRULAK, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific paid a brief visit to the squadron flight line.

b. On the 8th of January General Wallace M. GREENE, JR., Commandant of the Marine Corps briefly visited the squadron flight line.

c. On the 29th of January Major General L. B. ROBERTSHAW, Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing was present for the change of command ceremony.

PART TWO - Significant Highlights:

1. During the month of January the squadron contributed the following total BDA to the war efforts.

a. Structures.....185 Destroyed and 80 Damaged

b. Sanpans.....3 Destroyed and 1 Damaged

c. KBA's.....8 Confirmed and 27 Probable

PART THREE - Significant Events:1. Personnel:

a. During January the following personnel changes occurred:

(1) Joined: 7 officers/8 enlisted

(2) Dropped: 6 officers/7 enlisted

b. Total promotions for this month:

(1) Officer.....2

(2) Enlisted.....4

Enclosure (1)

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2. Administration: The most significant event of the month was the change of command ceremony held on 29 January 1967: LtCol G. H. KELLER JR. relieved LtCol A. W. TALBERT.

3. Awards: The month of January saw a total of 51 awards received by VMFA 323 personnel for combat support operations.

4. Flight Operations: The tempo of flight operations increased as the weather improved and Marine operations resumed their normal pace after New Year's Truce ended. The squadron flew 516 combat missions for 653.4 hours in support of III MAF and 7th Air Force. Pilots averaged 23 sorties and 29.7 hours while NFO's averaged 26 sorties and 32.6 hours. Total ordnance expended for the month of January was 1,105 tons.

5. Maintenance:

- a. One aircraft, BuNo 152258 returned from PAR on 17 January 1967.
- b. One aircraft, BuNo 150465 returned from PAR on 21 January 1967.
- c. One aircraft, BuNo 148387 was transferred to VMFA 115 at Da Nang on 30 January 1967.
- d. One aircraft, BuNo 151020 was transferred to VMFA 115 at Da Nang on 31 January 1967.

e. Monthly averages:

- (1) Aircraft assigned - 18
- (2) Aircraft on board - 15
- (3) Aircraft available - 9

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MAG-11 DEBRIEFING FORM

16 JAN
DATE OF FRAGDEFC
CONTROLLER323
SQUADRON

MSN# 0116-182 CONDOLE#

MSN TYPE

TPR

FLT CODE 152 TYPE A/C F-4B

A/C#	CALL SIGN	CREW MEMBERS	T/O	LAND	FLT TIME	T/O POINT	LAND POINT
WS	7	P. GRISSET	1719	1850	1.5	CHULAI	DNB
		NFO DOUGLAS					
		P					
		NFO					
		P					
		NFO					
		P					
		NFO					

WX TARGET AREA

CEILING/COFS	CLOUD COVER	VIS	OBS TO VIS	INTEN OF OBST	TYPE TERRAIN	PERIOD OF DAY
a 9,000	UNDERCAST	10+	N/A	N/A	MOUNT	MORNING
b						DAY
c						EVENING
d						NIGHT

TARGET INFORMATION

TARGET COORDINATES	COUNTRY	PROVINCE	CORPS#	TARGET DESCRIPTION (PRIMARY/SPECIFIC)
a 4D 589285	SUN	THIEN	E	NONE GIVEN
b				
c				
d				
e				
f				
g				
h				

TIME ON TGT	TIME OFF TGT	TGT	SUPT ACTIVITY	OFN SUPPORTED	TGT# / ROUTE	PACKG#	AIMING POINT
a 1745	1746	3RD MAR DIV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
b							
c							
d							
e							
f							
g							
h							

ATTACK INFORMATION

TYPE CONTROLLER	TACTIC	# OF PASSES	A/C INTERVAL	RELEASE ALT (AGL)	MINIMUM ALT
TAC(A)	LEVEL	a 1	N/A	15,500	15,500
PAC(A)	ORBIT	b			
TTC/RSO	DIVE	c			
GCI		d			

SYSTEMS (SEE ATTACHED SYSTEMS DEBRIEF)	MAX YAS	TYPE TARGET HIT	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT	SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS # / COLOR / HEIGHT
a 350	NOT GIVEN	NO	N/A	
b				
c				
d				

ORD CARRIED	120-24	ORD EXPENDED	a 120-24	b
ORD JETTISONED	N/A		a	d
ORD DUDS	a N/A	c	e	f
	b	d	g	h

FIRE INCIDENTS

TYPE & NUMBER WENS	RSF TIME	TYPE/INTENSITY	FLAK/MISSILE	BURST ALTITUDE	ALT OF OBS
a					
b					
SOURCE OF FIRE	COORD	O'CLOCK DIR	FORMATION		
RANGE	OBSERVED? YES NO	HEARD? YES NO	PASS NO.	OF	PASSES
FRIENDLY FIRE EFFECTIVE	YES OR NO	HOW?			

FRAG N/A

SUMMARY N/A

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A/C INCIDENT INFORMATION
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a _____
 b _____

EVASIVE MANEUVER: a _____
 b _____

ENRTE ALT TGT ENRY ALT BASE STRIKE ALT TGT EXIT ALT RETURN ALT ACCURACY TIME INTER

a _____
 b _____

A/C INCIDENT INFORMATION

1. LOSS: DAMAGE: AIR ABORT: AIR DIVERT: _____ (AUTHORITY)
 2. COMBAT/OPERATIONAL: _____ (REASON)

3. COORD/LAT-LONG: a _____ ALT/SPEED: a _____
 b _____ b _____

4. INCIDENT TIME: a _____ ELAPSED TIME a _____ PASS# a _____ TACTIC a _____
 b _____ OVER DEFENSE b _____ b _____

A/C OPERATIONAL TIME AFTER INCIDENT: a _____ & b _____

5. CREW STATUS: KIA _____ WIA _____ MIA _____ RECOVERED _____

6. A/C BUREAU# _____

7. DAMAGE RESUME: _____

DECM INFORMATION

A/C POS COORD _____ TIME _____ H EQUIPMENT _____

WARNING INDICATIONS: _____

ACTION TAKEN: _____

REMARKS: _____

MISC:

HONEST? ☒ YES ☐ NO HAWK RUN? YES ☐ NO FLIGHT LEADER PRESENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO

OPREP# 4? YES ☐ NO FIRE INCIDENT REPORT? YES ☐ NO

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REMARKS:

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