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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer	LtCol J. R. DOBRATZ Jr.	1-31Aug68
Executive Officer	Major H. B. ROTH Jr.	1-2Aug68
	Major K. P. PALMER	3-31Aug68
Operations Officer	Major D. L. ELAM	1-31Aug68
Administrative Officer	Major E. C. CUNNINGHAM	1-31Aug68
Aircraft Maintenance Officer	Major L. P. REIMAN	1-23Aug68
	Major F. E. LACEY Jr.	24-31Aug68
Logistics Officer	Major F. E. LACEY Jr.	1-23Aug68
	Major J. C. MORRISON	24-31Aug68
NATOPS Officer	Major J. C. MORRISON	1-23Aug68
	Major J. E. HARVIN Jr.	24-31Aug68
Aviation Safety Officer	Captain P. R. HEMMING	1-31Aug68
Flight Surgeon	Lt. (MC) C. W. GREENWOOD	1-23Aug68
	Lt. (MC) C. E. LINKOUS	29-31Aug68
Intelligence Officer	1stLt. P. J. DUNEV	1-31Aug68
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt. W. R. CHOATE Jr.	1-31Aug68
First Sergeant	1stSgt C. STROUD	1-31Aug68

2. UNIT LOCATION

HMM-364 1-31 August 1968 Phu Bai, Republic of Viet Nam

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Officer	46	1	0	47
Enlisted	158	1	0	159

4. IMPORTANT VISITORS

General L. F. CHAPMAN, Jr.	Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps
Major General P. J. FONTANA	Assistant Commanding General, FMFPac

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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

## 1. Daily Summary of Events

- 1 August 1968 (A) HMM-364 flew 72 sorties for 26.2 flight hours. 115 troops/passengers and 2.3 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Routine evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV and HMM-364.
- 2 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 166 sorties for 49.8 flight hours. 549 troops/passengers and 19.95 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 2 Emergency and 3 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Kentucky, Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV and HMM-364.
- 3 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 128 sorties for 33.0 flight hours. 341 troops/passengers and 2.5 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Emergency evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Napoleon/Saline, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, HMM-364 and MAG-36.
- 4 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 85 sorties for 23.3 flight hours. 74 troops/passengers and 16.6 tons of cargo were carried. Operation and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 5 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 134 sorties for 41.1 flight hours. 255 troops/passengers and 27.0 tons of cargo were carried. Three Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 1 Priority, and 3 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, and HMM-364.
- 6 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 65 sorties for 15.2 flight hours. 74 troops/passengers and 0.3 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Routine evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Napoleon/Saline, Houston, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 7 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 77 sorties for 31.1 flight hours. 123 troops/passengers and 3.7 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Emergency evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.

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- 8 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 58 sorties for 16.9 flight hours. 121 troops/passengers and 1.9 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV, and HMM-364.
- 9 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 156 sorties for 56.8 flight hours. 171 troops/passengers and 36.6 tons of cargo were carried. Seven Med Evac mission carried 8 Emergency and 13 Priority evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Houston, Napoleon/Saline, Scotland II, Allen Brook, Mamaluke Thrust, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 10 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 113 sorties for 28.1 flight hours. 103 troops/passengers and 19.6 tons of cargo were carried. Two Med Evac missions carried 2 Emergency and 1 Priority evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 11 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 69 sorties for 26.4 flight hours. 234 troops/passengers and 2.6 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were: Allen Brook, 1st MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 12 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 93 sorties and 32.5 flight hours. 404 troops/passengers and 4.4 tons of cargo were carried. Three Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, and 4 Priority evacuees. Operations and units supported were Houston, Allen Brook, 1st MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364. During mission #76/16, in support of Operation Allen Brook, YK-24 received fire going into a zone at AT 899525. The Co-Pilot and one Gunner were wounded. On the same mission YK-5 took fire and one Gunner was wounded. Both aircraft returned fire, the aircraft then made precautionary landings at AT 875475. The aircraft were later returned to base.
- 13 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 60 sorties for 22.0 flight hours. 126 troops/passengers and 0.8 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were Napoleon/Saline, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 14 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 59 sorties for 26.0 flight hours. 86 troops/passengers and 1.1 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were Nevada Eagle, Kentucky, U. S. Army, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, and HMM-364.

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- 15 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 80 sorties for 28.8 flight hours. 156 troops/passengers and 7.4 tons of cargo were carried. Two Med Evac missions carried 1 Priority and 1 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were Houston, Napoleon/Saline, 1st MARDIV, ARVN, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 16 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 154 sorties for 46.8 flight hours. 429 troops/passengers and 42.4 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were: Mamaluke Thrust, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 17 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 172 sorties for 52.7 flight hours. 811 troops/passengers and 17.3 tons of cargo were carried. Three Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 1 Priority, and 1 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Houston, Lancaster II, 1st MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 18 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 166 sorties for 56.6 flight hours. Five Med Evac missions carried 17 Emergency, 10 Priority, and 2 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Lancaster II, Allen Brook, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-39, MAG-16, and HMM-364.
- 19 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 200 sorties for 73.5 flight hours. 733 troops/passengers and 36.1 tons of cargo were carried. Five Med Evac missions carried 14 Emergency, 12 Priority, and 1 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Kentucky, Lancaster II, 1st MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 20 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 195 sorties for 58.0 flight hours. 307 troops/passengers and 48.6 tons of cargo were carried. Four Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 12 Priority, and 4 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Houston, Kentucky, Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 21 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 190 sorties for 56.8 flight hours. 570 troops/passengers and 15.2 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 3 Priority evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Lancaster II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36 and HMM-364.

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- 22 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 130 sorties for 42.6 flight hours. 186 troops/passengers and 26.7 tons of cargo were carried. Four Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency and 9 Priority evacuees. Operations and units supported were Lancaster II, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 23 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 131 sorties for 44.5 flight hours. 209 troops/passengers and 23.9 tons of cargo were carried. Two Med Evac missions carried 3 Priority, and 7 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Lancaster II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364. At 1800 a Rocket attack was launched against the Phu Bai Air Base complex, HMM-364 area received one rocket on the flight line causing Echo damage to three CH-46D's and Delta damage to one CH-46D aircraft, part of the rocket motor went into the Flight Line Office destroying one 2X4 post. No personnel of HMM-364 were injured in this attack.
- 24 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 175 sorties for 41.1 flight hours. 327 troops/passengers and 43.5 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Emergency evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, Lancaster II, Houston, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 25 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 284 sorties for 79.8 flight hours. 1,458 troops/passengers and 6.4 tons of cargo were carried. Three Med Evac missions carried 3 Emergency, 6 Priority, and 5 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 26 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 122 sorties for 44.3 flight hours. 289 troops/passengers and 22.4 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were: Houston, Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 27 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 216 sorties for 60.0 flight hours. 1,074 troops/passengers and 1.8 tons of cargo were carried. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Routine evacuee. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364. YK-12 received Delta damage due to direct enemy action and was left in the zone at XD 915547, aircraft was later recovered and returned to base.

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- 28 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 134 sorties for 42.1 flight hours. 176 troops/passengers and 35.8 tons of cargo were carried. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, Kentucky, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 29 August 1968 (U) HMM-364 flew 148 sorties for 45.5 flight hours. 153 troops/passengers and 38.9 tons of cargo were carried. Three Med Evac missions carried 3 Emergency, 5 Priority, and 2 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Scotland II, Houston, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 30 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 162 sorties for 46.7 flight hours. 210 troops/passengers and 39.3 tons of cargo were carried. Two Med Evac missions carried 1 Priority and 2 Routine evacuees. Operations and units supported were: Houston, Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 31 August 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 64 sorties for 29.8 flight hours. 85 troops/passengers were carried. Operations and units supported were: Houston, 1st MARDIV, MAG-39, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
2. HMM-364 flew 871 sorties for 1,278.9 flight hours during the month of August with an average availability of 11 aircraft. 10,182 troops/passengers and 542 tons of cargo were carried in support of numerous operations which included, Lancaster II, Napoleon/Saline, Scotland II, Mamaluke Thrust, Kentucky, and Houston. A total of 172 medical evacuees were carried.

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PART IIISIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. Personnel Joined	2	9	11
b. Personnel Dropped	8	7	15

2. ADMINISTRATION

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. Personnel Promoted	2	3	5
b. Personnel Reduced	0	2	2

3. CASUALTIES FOR THE MONTH

## a. Officers

BULLARD, I. P.	094157	1st Lt.	USMCR	WIA
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## b. Enlisted

LINDNER, W. R.	2294919	LCpl	USMC	WIA
RYNEARSON, R. C.	2296946	Cpl	USMC	WIA

4. INTELLIGENCE

a. The Squadron Intelligence Section received and recorded Intelligence information on a daily basis for adjacent headquarters and higher headquarters, pilot debriefs, spot reports, and Intelligence documents.

b. During this reporting period, there was a total of 65 instances of hostile fire being directed against this units aircraft, which resulted in ten (10) aircraft being hit and three (3) personnel being wounded.

c. On 23 August, the Phu Bai Base came under a rocket attack, receiving approximately ten (10) 122MM rockets. This unit received one round in the flight line area, resulting in no WIA's, but five (5) aircraft were damaged by shrapnel.

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d. A narrative summary of this sections activity during the reporting period is as follows: Attended briefings at higher headquarters, conducted liaison with adjacent units, briefed and debriefed pilots, presented a weekly update of the general enemy situation at weekly AOM's, kept the Commanding Officer and Executive Officer abreast of the daily situation, and routed messages of Intelligence value to the appropriate sections and personnel.

#### 5. LOGISTICS

##### a. AOCF Resume

- (1) AOCF's submitted ..... 46
- (2) AOCF's completed ..... 37
- (3) AOCF's pending ..... 9 against 3 aircraft

##### b. ANFE Resume

- (1) ANFE's submitted ..... 11
- (2) ANFE's completed ..... 4
- (3) ANFE's pending ..... 7 against 6 aircraft

#### 6. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

##### a. Major Operations supported:

(1) Ten aircraft of HMM-364 flew 90 sorties, 28.8 flight hours, lifting 312 troops/passengers, 5.2 tons of cargo, 2 Med Evac missions, carried 1 Priority and 1 Routine evacuees, in support of Operation Napoleon/Saline.

(2) Sixteen aircraft of HMM-364 flew 209 sorties, 72.1 flight hours, lifting 655 troops/passengers, 46.8 tons of cargo, 9 Med Evac missions, carried 23 Emergency, 8 Priority, and 2 Routine evacuees, and expended 3300 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Allen Brook.

(3) Forty-two aircraft of HMM-364 flew 1,143 sorties, 302.2 flight hours, lifting 3,217 troops/passengers, 224.8 tons of cargo, 11 Med Evac missions, carried 6 Emergency, 13 Priority, and 12 Routine evacuees, and expended 650 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Scotland II.

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(4) Fifty-seven aircraft of HMM-364 flew 572 sorties, 169.3 flight hours, lifting 1,287 troops/passengers, 112.0 tons of cargo, 4 Med Evac missions carried 6 Emergency, 11 Priority, and 7 Routine evacuees, and expended 2400 rounds of .50 caliber, 9 rounds of M-79, and 200 rounds of 7.62 ordnance in support of Operation Mamaluke Thrust.

(5) Thirteen aircraft of HMM-364 flew 246 sorties, 80.0 flight hours, lifting 891 troops/passengers, 17.7 tons of cargo, 3 Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 11 Priority, and 3 Routine evacuees, and expended 1050 round of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Kentucky.

(6) Forty-four aircraft of HMM-364 flew 389 sorties, 110.1 flight hours, lifting 979 troops/passengers, 14.9 tons of cargo, 6 Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 4 Priority, and Routine evacuees, and expended 2300 rounds of .50 caliber and 250 rounds of 7.62 ordnance in support of Operation Houston.

(7) Four aircraft of HMM-364 flew 15 sorties, 4.4 flight hours, lifting 4 troops/passengers, 0.6 tons of cargo in support of Operation Nevada Eagle.

(8) Twenty-seven aircraft of HMM-364 flew 737 sorties, 202.2 flight hours, lifting 1,881 troops/passengers, 156.9 tons of cargo, 14 Med Evac missions carried 17 Emergency, 32 Priority, and 8 Routine evacuees, and expended 900 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Lancaster II.

b. Total flight hours ..... 1,278.9  
 c. Total tasks ..... 1,344  
 d. Total sorties ..... 4,058  
 e. Total troops/passengers ..... 10,182  
 f. Total tons of cargo lifted ..... 592.25  
 g. Total med evacs carried ..... 172

#### 7. AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

The following squadron aircraft received Battle Damage during the month of August 1968.

153371, 153364, 153361, 154796, 153987, 153993, 153990, 154797,  
 153370, 153397, 154018

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