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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer	LtCol M. V. STATZER	1-30 Nov68
Executive Officer	LtCol D. E. ELAM	1-5 Nov68
	Major E.W. GRAHAM	6-30 Nov68
Operations Officer	Major K. P. PALMER	1-6, Nov68
	Major F. E. LACEY	7-20 Nov68
	Major G. H. GROSSFUSS	22-30 Nov68
Administrative Officer	Major E. C. CUNNINGHAM	1-30 Nov68
Aircraft Maintenance Officer	Major F. E. LACEY	1-5 Nov68
	Major O. C. BAKER	6-30 Nov68
Logistics Officer	Major J. C. MORRISON	1-2 Nov68
	Major R. D. SCHREIBER	3-30 Nov68
NATOPS Officer	Major J. E. HARVIN	1-22 Nov68
	Capt J. A. CANTRELL	23-30 Nov68
Aviation Safety Officer	Major E. W. GRAHAM	1-5 Nov68
	Major J. E. HARVIN	6-22 Nov68
	Capt J. A. CANTRELL	23-30 Nov68
Flight Surgeon	Lt (MC) C. E. LINKOUS	1-30 Nov68
Intelligence Officer	1stLt P. J. DUNEV	1-4 Nov68
	1stLt M. K. NICKERSON	5-30 Nov68
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt J. E. FLETCHER	1-30 Nov68
First Sergeant	1stSgt C. STROUD	1-15 Nov68
	SgtMaj P. H. STEPHENSON	16-30 Nov68

2. UNIT LOCATION

HMM-364 1-30 November 1968 Phu Bai, Republic of Viet Nam

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Officer	51	1	0	52
Enlisted	169	0	0	169

4. IMPORTANT VISITORS

None.

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Daily Summary of Events

- 1 November 1968 (C) Flight Operations were not hampered by weather or enemy action. HMM-364 flew 140 sorties for 39.4 flight hours, lifting 334 troops/passengers, 22.2 tons of cargo and expending 150 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operations and Units: Scotland II, Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39 and HMM-364.
- 2 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 167 sorties for 48.2 flight hours, lifting 446 troops/passengers and 31.3 tons of cargo. Two Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 2 Priority, and 7 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: Weller/Wallawa, Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39 and HMM-364.
- 3 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 93 sorties for 24.8 flight hours, lifting 157 troops/passengers and 20.7 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Routine evacuee, in support of the following Operations and Units: Henderson Hill, Scotland II, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39, and HMM-364. One enemy fire incident was reported with one aircraft (YK-16) receiving one hit.
- 4 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 114 sorties for 39.8 flight hours. Lifting 247 troops/passenger and 28.1 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Routine evacuee, in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364. One enemy fire incident was reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 5 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 149 sorties for 36.6 flight hours lifting 219 troops/passengers and 54.3 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 3 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: ROKMC, Scotland II, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, MAG-39 and HMM-364.

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6 November 1968

(C) Flight Operations during the day were hampered by weather resulting in HMM-364 flying only 72 sorties for 25.2 flight hours, carrying 14 troops/passengers and 10.4 tons of cargo. Three Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency evacuee in support of the following Operation: and Units: Hendersen Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364. One enemy fire incident was reported with one aircraft (YK-2) receiving 12 hits.

7 November 1968

(C) HMM-364 flew 132 sorties for 44.1 flight hours, lifting 256 troops/passengers, 32.5 tons of cargo, and expending 200 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. One Med Evac mission carried 1 routine evacuee in support of the following Operation: and Units: Hendersen Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.

8 November 1968

(C) HMM-364 flew 120 sorties for 33.3 flight hours, lifting 397 troops/passengers, 10.5 tons of cargo, and expending 50 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Two Med Evac missions carried 1 Priority and 1 Routine evacuee in support of the following Operations and Units: Hendersen Hill, Dodge Valley, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364. One enemy fire incident was reported with one aircraft (YK-25) receiving two hits and one crew member wounded.

9 November 1968

(C) Flight Operations during the day were severely hampered by low ceilings and adverse weather conditions resulting in HMM-364 flying only 7 sorties for 4.9 flight hours carrying no troops/passengers or cargo in support of the following Units: MAG-36 and HMM-364.

10 November 1968

(C) Flight Operations were hampered by low ceilings resulting in HMM-364 flying 117 sorties for 39.1 flight hours. Lifting 159 troops/passengers and 26.9 tons of cargo in support of the following Operation and Units: Scotland II, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-36, MAG-39, and HMM-364.

11 November 1968

(C) HMM-364 flew 92 sorties for 24.3 flight hours. Lifting 142 troops/passengers and 9.0 tons of cargo in support of the following Operation, and Units: Daring Endeavor, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.

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- 12 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 44 sorties for 16.1 flight hours, lifting 70 troops/passengers and 4.0 tons of cargo. Two Med Evac missions carried 7 Emergency evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 13 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 65 sorties for 18.6 flight hours lifting 104 troops/passengers and 15.4 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 2 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 14 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 112 sorties for 14.7 flight hours lifting 371 troops/passengers and 14.7 tons of cargo, and expending 500 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Two Med Evac missions carried 2 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Nicollect Bay, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 15 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 52 sorties for 26.7 flight hours lifting 45 troops/passengers and 6.3 tons of cargo, One Med Evac mission carried 2 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 16 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 96 sorties for 33.1 flight hours lifting 246 troops/passengers, 3.1 tons of cargo, and expending 480 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Four Med Evac missions carried 2 Emergency, 2 Priority and 4 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 17 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 159 sorties for 46.9 flight hours lifting 336 troops/passengers, 31.3 tons of cargo and expending 325 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. One Med Evac mission carried 2 Emergency evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: Scotland II, Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39, and HMM-364.
- 18 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 189 sorties for 49.6 flight hours lifting 1050 troops/passengers, 10.6 tons of cargo and expending 500 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Three Med Evac missions carried 2 Emergency and 2 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: Henderson Hill, Napoleon/Salin, 1st MARDIV, 3rd MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39, and HMM-364.

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- 19 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 67 sorties for 23.0 flight hours lifting 232 troops/passengers, 2.8 tons of cargo and expending 650 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16 MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 20 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 96 sorties for 39.0 flight hours lifting 409 troops/passengers, 0.5 tons of cargo and expending 3800 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Four Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency and 4 Priority evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Meade River, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36 and HMM-364. All aircraft took intense enemy fire, and seven aircraft received heavy battle damage with three pilots wounded. One pilot Maj. J. E. HARVIN was Med Evaced to CONUS with wounds to the right and left legs and right hand.
- 21 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 78 sorties for 30.8 flight hours lifting 271 troops/passengers, 1.3 tons of cargo and expending 1050 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16 MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 22 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 83 sorties for 30.1 flight hours lifting 262 troops/passengers, 6.1 tons of cargo, and expending 650 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operation and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36 and HMM-364. Two enemy fire incidents were reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 23 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 43 sorties for 17.7 flight hours lifting 20 troops/passengers, 6.1 tons of cargo and expending 200 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operations and Units: Meade River, Daring Endeavor, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36 and HMM-364. One enemy fire incident was reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 24 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 89 sorties for 23.7 flight hours lifting 83 troops/passengers, 23.4 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Emergency evacuee in support of the following Operations and Units: Henderson Hill, Nicolle Bay, 1st MARDIV, MAG-16, MAG-36 and HMM-364.

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- 25 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 109 sorties for 31.4 flight hours, lifting 85 troops/passengers and 21.0 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 1 Priority evacuee in support of the following Operations and Units: Scotland II 3rd MR-DIV, MAG-39, MAG-36 and HMM-364. Three enemy fire incidents were reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 26 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 136 sorties for 38.3 flight hours, lifting 247 troops/passengers, 36.4 tons of cargo, and expending 2000 rounds of 50 caliber ordnance. Four Med Evac missions carried 3 Priority and 1 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: Henderson Hill, Scotland II, 1st MR-DIV, 3rd MR-DIV, MAG-16, MAG-39 MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 27 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 50 sorties for 15.8 flight hours, lifting 119 troops/passengers, 1.2 tons of cargo and expending 3170 rounds of 50 caliber ordnance in support of the following Operations and Units: Henderson Hill, 1st MR-DIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, and HMM-364.
- 28 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 144 sorties for 41.8 flight hours, lifting 119 troops/passengers and 34.9 tons of cargo. One Med Evac mission carried 2 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operation and Units: Scotland II, 3rd MR-DIV, MAG-36, MAG-39, and HMM-364.
- 29 November 1968 (C) Flight Operations were considerably curtailed due to weather throughout ICTZ area, resulting in HMM-364 flying only 24 sorties for 9.3 flight hours, lifting 53 troops/passengers in support of the following Units: MAG-36 and HMM-364.
- 30 November 1968 (C) HMM-364 flew 135 sorties for 37.8 flight hours lifting 353 troops/passengers, 23.1 tons of cargo and expending 600 rounds of 50 caliber ordnance. Two Med Evac missions carried 3 Routine evacuees in support of the following Operations and Units: Scotland II, Meade River, 1st MR-DIV, 3rd MR-DIV, MAG-16, MAG-36, MAG-39 and HMM-364.

2. HMM-364 flew 2,927 sorties for 927.3 flight hours during the month of November with an average availability of 7 aircraft. 6,898 troops/passengers and 487.2 tons of cargo were carried in support of the various Operations which included; Scotland II, Henderson Hill, Meade River, Daring Endeavor, Wheeler/Wallawa, Dodge Valley, Nicolleci Bay, and Napoleon/Saline.

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PART IIISIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. Personnel Joined	13	35	48
b. Personnel Dropped	18	58	76

2. ADMINISTRATION

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. Personnel Promoted	4	2	6
b. Personnel Reduced	0	0	0

3. CASUALTIES FOR THE MONTH

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERVICE NO.</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>KIA/WIA</u>
HARVIN, J. E. Jr.	MAJ	073929	USMC	WIA
GRAHAM, E. W.	MAJ	066068	USMC	WIA
QUINLAN, M. J.	1stLT	0100607	USMCR	WIA
DOMZALSKI, S. R.	LCPL	2305530	USMC	WIA

4. INTELLIGENCE

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

b. During this reporting period, there were 42 incidents of hostile fire being directed against this units aircraft, which resulted in 10 aircraft sustaining hits and 4 WIAs.

c. The HMM-364 Squadron Area received negative incoming during this reporting period.

d. A narrative summary of this Sections activity during the reporting period is as follows: Attending briefings at higher headquarters, conducting liaison with adjacent units, briefing and debriefing pilots, presenting a weekly update of the general enemy situation, and the routing of messages and documents of Intelligence value to the appropriate sections and personnel.

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5. LOGISTICS

a. AACP Resume

- (1) AACP's submitted.....137
- (2) AACP's completed.....99
- (3) AACP's cancelled.....9
- (4) AACP's pending.....29 against 11 aircraft

a. ANFE Resume

- (1) ANFE's submitted.....13
- (2) ANFE's completed.....6
- (3) ANFE's pending.....7 against 6 aircraft

6. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

a. Major Operations Supported:

(1) Twenty-nine aircraft of HMM-364 flew 761 sorties, 194.3 flight hours lifting 1133 troops/passengers, 198.6 tons of cargo, 6 Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 1 Priority, and 33 Routine evacuees in support of Operation Scotland II.

(2) Sixty-three aircraft of HMM-364 flew 1044 sorties, 297.7 flight hours lifting 3043 troops/passengers, 143.6 tons of cargo, 21 Med Evac missions carried 5 Emergency, 13 Priority, 12 Routine evacuees, and expended 1970 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Henderson Hill.

(3) Sixteen aircraft of HMM-364 flew 209 sorties, 59.9 flight hours lifting 718 troops/passengers, 22.7 tons of cargo, 6 Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency, 4 Priority, 3 Routine evacuees and expended 3900 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Meade River.

(4) Six aircraft of HMM-364 flew 99 sorties, 23.8 flight hours lifting 189 troops/passengers and 12.0 tons of cargo in support of Operation Daring Endavor.

(5) Two aircraft of HMM-364 flew 75 sorties, 19.1 flight hours lifting 134 troops/passengers, 12.1 tons of cargo, 1 Med Evac mission carried 2 Priority and 7 Routine evacuees in support of Operation Wheeler/Wallawa.

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(6) Three aircraft of HMM-364 flew 58 sorties, 11.8 flight hours lifting 154 troops/passengers, 3.5 tons of cargo, 2 Med Evac missions carried 1 Priority, 1 Routine evacuees and expended 50 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance in support of Operation Dodge Valley.

(7) Five aircraft of HMM-364 flew 165 sorties, 20.8 flight hours lifting 381 troops/passengers, 37.2 tons of cargo, 2 Med Evac missions carried 1 Emergency and 1 Routine evacuees in support of Operation Nicollect Bay.

(8) Two aircraft of HMM-364 flew 6 sorties, 2.4 flight hours lifting 27 troops/passengers and 0.5 tons of cargo in support of operation Napoleon/Saline.

b. Total flight hours	927.3
c. Total tasks	1474
d. Total sorties	2927
e. Total troops/passengers	6898
f. Total tons of cargo lifted	487.2
g. Total Med Evac carried	62

7. AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

The following Squadron aircraft received battle damage during the month of November 1968.

153332, 154797, 153366, 154018, twice, 153985, 153346, 153347, 154796 twice.

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