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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16 (Code 3)
Subj: Command Chronology for the period 1 through 31 December 1969
Ref: (a) WgO 5750.4
(b) GruO 5750.I
(c) SqdnO 5750.I

Encl: (1) Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364 Command Chronology

1. In compliance with references (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. Downgrading Instructions. Group 4, unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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Commanding Officer	LtCol C. R. DUNBAUGH	1-31Dec69
Executive Officer	Major J. L. PIPA	1-31Dec69
Administrative Officer	1stLt H. B. LAMB II	1-31Dec69
Operations Officer	Major F. A. GULLEDGE, JR.	1-31Dec69
Aircraft Maintenance Officer	Captain L. L. SUTLER	1-31Dec69
Logistics Officer	1stLt J. W. DEVLIN	1-31Dec69
Aviation Safety Officer	1stLt L. C. CHRISTY	1-31Dec69
NATOPS Officer	1stLt C. K. BUTLER	1-28Dec69
	1stLt D. L. EARNEST	29-31Dec69
Flight Surgeon	Lt K. C. PETERSON JR.	1-31Dec69
Intelligence Officer	1stLt V. L. DUTTON	1-31Dec69
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt S. ERB	1-31Dec69
Sergeant Major	R. R. EBERT	1-31Dec69

2. Unit Location. Marble Mountain Air Facility, DaNang, Republic of Vietnam 1-31 December 1969.

3. Average Monthly Strength:

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Officer	52	1	0	53
Enlisted	156	0	0	156

4. Important Visitors: Group Captain Michael J. R. SWINEY, British Air Attachee; and Squadron Leader Stewart W. HOLMES, Assistant British Air Attachee, of the British Embassy, Saigon, Republic of Vietnam on 30 December 1969.

5. Personnel:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Joined	6	12	18
Detached	3 (2 DAI's)	14 (1 DAI)	17

6. Administrative:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Promoted	0	5	5
Reduced	0	1	1

7. Casualties:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>DAI</u>
BUTLER, C. K.	1stLt	0106227	USMCR			DAI
HIGGINS, W. P.	1stLt	0105125	USMCR			DAI
SWAIN, R. R.	SSgt	1496368	USMC			DAI

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PART II

1. (C) All flight operations were flown in support of the following Operations and Units: Victory Dragon XVIII, III MAF, 1st MarDiv, MAG-16, and HMM-364.

- 1-5 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 630 sorties for 159.7 flight hours, lifted 80.9 tons of cargo, 1,360 troops/passengers, and expended 1,725 rounds of .50 caliber and 60 rounds of 5.56mm ordnance. Thirty-six medevac missions carried 27 emergency, 28 priority, and 48 routine evacuees. One enemy fire incident was reported with YK-17 receiving seven hits.
- 6-10 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 683 sorties for 187.1 flight hours, lifted 103.3 tons of cargo, 1,592 troops/passengers, and expended 1,200 rounds of .50 caliber and 200 rounds of 5.56mm ordnance. Seventeen medevac missions carried 12 emergency, 26 priority, and 3 routine evacuees. Two enemy fire incidents were reported with YK-15 receiving one hit. One aerial gunner was WIA while on a strike mission, a hot .50 caliber round blew up in his hand while the aerial gunner was reloading his weapon.
- 11-15 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 633 sorties for 170.3 flight hours, lifted 124.5 tons of cargo, 979 troops/passengers, and expended negative ordnance. Twenty-four medevac missions carried 15 emergency, 12 priority, and 15 routine evacuees. Three enemy fire incidents were reported with YK-3 and YK-11 each receiving one hit.
- 16-20 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 586 sorties for 150.0 flight hours, lifted 124.5 tons of cargo, 1,401 troops/passengers, and expended 50 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance. Twenty-two medevac missions carried 6 emergency, 119 priority, and 49 routine evacuees. One enemy fire incident was reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 21-25 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 585 sorties for 159.5 flight hours, lifted 40.0 tons of cargo, 960 troops/passengers, and expended negative ordnance. Thirty-four medevac missions carried 23 emergency, 18 priority, and 14 routine evacuees. Two enemy fire incidents were reported with no aircraft receiving hits.

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- 26-27 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 234 sorties for 72.1 flight hours, lifted 3.8 tons of cargo, 436 troops/passengers, and expended negative ordnance. Thirteen medevac missions carried 7 emergency, 3 priority, and 8 routine evacuees. Two enemy fire incidents were reported with no aircraft receiving hits.
- 28 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 217 sorties for 52.6 flight hours, lifted 28.4 tons of cargo, 193 troops/passengers, and expended 200 rounds of .50 caliber ordnance and 80 rounds of 5.56mm ordnance. This squadron was not scheduled for medevac missions this date. At approximately 2030H, YK-13 crashed into a mountainside at AT 908921, while enroute from Phu Bai to MMAF. Three crew members and 7 passengers were killed in the accident. No enemy fire incidents were reported.
- 29-31 December 1969 (C) HMM-364 flew 317 sorties for 98.1 flight hours, lifted 23.0 tons of cargo, 357 troops/passengers, and expended negative ordnance. Thirteen medevac missions carried 7 emergency, 8 priority, and 10 routine evacuees. No enemy fire incidents were reported.
2. HMM-364 flew 3885 sorties for 1,049.4 flight hours during the period 1 through 31 December 1969, with an average aircraft availability of 13 aircraft lifting 513.1 tons of cargo and 7,278 troops/passengers in support of Communist insurgency operations.

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

b. During this period there were 11 enemy fire incidents directed against squadron aircraft resulting in 4 aircraft being hit with hostile fire.

c. The Squadron area received negative incoming fire.

d. A narrative summary of section activities is as follows: attended briefings at higher headquarters, conducted liaison with adjacent units, briefed and debriefed pilots, and the routing of messages and documents of intelligence value to appropriate sections and personnel.

2. Logistics

NORS "G" Resume

(1) AACP's submitted.....288

(2) AACP's completed.....265

(3) AACP's pending.....23 against 8 aircraft

NORS "N" Resume

(1) ANFE's submitted.....24

(2) ANFE's completed.....22

(3) ANFE's pending.....2 against 2 aircraft

3. Aircraft Damage

The following squadron aircraft received battle damage during this reporting period:

153355, 153368, 153377, 153994, 154027

The following squadron aircraft was destroyed in an aircraft accident at AT 908921:

153379

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Supporting Documents, None.

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