


MARINE LIGHT HELICOPTER SQUADRON 367  
Marine Aircraft Group 36  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPAC  
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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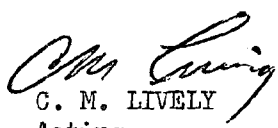
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Encl: ☒ (1) Part I Organizational Data  
☒ (2) Part II Narrative Summary  
☒ (3) Part III Significant Events

1. As directed by reference (a), the subject report is submitted as enclosures (1), (2) and (3).

2. Upon removal of the enclosures, this letter is down-graded to unclassified.

  
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PART I ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Staff Listing

a. Commanding Officer	LTCOL B. R. WILKINSON	1-31 AUGUST 69
b. Executive Officer	MAJOR C. M. LIVELY	1-31 AUGUST 69
c. Operations Officer	MAJOR J. M. COYKENDALL	1-31 AUGUST 69
d. Administrative Officer	MAJOR B. H. ADAMS	1-31 AUGUST 69
e. Aviation Safety Officer	MAJOR W. M. PETTIGREW	1-31 AUGUST 69
f. Intelligence Officer	CAPT R. E. YEEND	1-31 AUGUST 69
g. Material Control Officer	WO L. E. KOZAIN	1-31 AUGUST 69
h. Aircraft Maintenance Officer	MAJOR M. T. HORNSBY	1-31 AUGUST 69
i. Flight Surgeon	LT G. E. WETTACH	1-31 AUGUST 69

2. MARINE LIGHT HELICOPTER SQUADRON 367

Marine Aircraft Group Three Six  
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Hue/Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam  
1-31 August 1969

3. Average Monthly Strength: 43 Officers, 134 Enlisted.

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PART II NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1 August 1969 - A total of 35 tasks were accomplished with 61 sorties and 30.2 flight hours and 19 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 16 sorties and 8.2 flight hours carrying one passenger in support of Operation Prairie Fire, while expending 4,000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 22 sorties and 8.2 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered 8000 scattered, variable broken, high broken, visibility unrestricted, with scattered thunderstorms and rain showers in the local area after 1400.

1 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew a total of 13 sorties and 7 tasks in 2.2 flight hours, carrying fourteen passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. They also flew 40 sorties and 23 tasks in 10.2 flight hours, carrying 23 passengers in support of 1stMAW.

2 August 1969 - A total of 52 tasks were accomplished with 120 sorties and 57.4 flight hours and 104 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 18 sorties and 10.5 flight hours carrying one passenger in support of Operation Prairie Fire, while expending 1,000 rounds of 7.62 and 37 2.75 rockets. Four aircraft flew 28 sorties and 13.6 flight hours and carried one passenger in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. Three aircraft flew 37 sorties and 18.5 flight hours and carried ten passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar, while expending 28 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted.

2 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew 10 sorties and 4 tasks in 2.3 flight hours carrying twelve passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon.

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3 August 1969 - A total of 43 tasks were accomplished with 93 sorties and 46.5 flight hours and 25 passengers and .2 tons of cargo were carried. Two aircraft flew 4 sorties and 2.7 flight hours. Four aircraft flew 32 sorties and 15.6 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 4000 rounds of 7.62. Two aircraft flew 32 sorties and 12.1 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, 8000 scattered, visibility unrestricted, surface winds southwesterly at 4 to 8 knots.

3 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew 34 sorties and 16 tasks in 7.6 flight hours, carrying thirty passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon.

4 August 1969 - A total of 45 tasks were accomplished with 82 sorties and 45.5 flight hours and 8 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 4 sorties and 2.6 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Four aircraft flew 54 sorties and 24.0 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. Two aircraft flew 12 sorties and 7.5 flight hours in support of Operation Arlington Canyon. The weather was forecast to be 3000 to 5000 scattered, 8000 scattered variable broken, high broken, visibility unrestricted and surface winds southwesterly 6-10 knots with gusts to 30 knots by 1400.

4 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew 9 sorties and 5 tasks in 2.2 flight hours, carrying five passengers in support of 3rd MARDIV. They also flew 29 sorties and 15 tasks in 6.5 flight hours, carrying twenty passengers in support of 1stMAW.

5 August 1969 - A total of 24 tasks were accomplished with 45 sorties and 32.7 flight hours and 29 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 4 sorties and 1.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Two aircraft flew 3

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sorties and 4.3 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, 8000 scattered variable broken, high broken, visibility unrestricted with surface winds light and variable becoming 6-10 knots and scattered rain showers and thunderstorms in the local area.

5 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew 3 sorties and 2 tasks in 1.5 flight hours carrying four passengers in support of 1stMAW. They also flew 15 sorties and 12 tasks in 5.0 flight hours carrying 13 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. They also flew 12 sorties and 5 tasks in 4.6 flight hours, carrying 31 passengers and .1 tons of cargo in support of Operation Georgia Tar.

6 August 1969 - A total of 27 tasks were accomplished with 65 sorties and 43.2 flight hours and seventeen passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 12 sorties and 6.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Four aircraft flew 30 sorties and 19.4 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 10,000 rounds of 7.62 and 56 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 6-10 knots.

6 August 1969 - HML-367 Detachment "A" flew 12 sorties and 6 tasks in 2.1 flight hours, carrying 26 passengers and .1 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. They also flew 29 sorties and 8 tasks in 7.6 flight hours, carrying 21 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. In support of 3rd MARDIV they flew 4 sorties and one task in 1.5 flight hours, carrying three passengers.

7 August 1969 - A total of 101 tasks were accomplished with 188 sorties and 81.7 flight hours and 56 passengers were carried. Eight aircraft flew 80 sorties and 45.1 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 25,020

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rounds of 7.62 and 169 2.75 rockets. Three aircraft flew 76 sorties and 24.7 flight hours in support of Operation Victory Dragon 13, expending 4000 rounds of 7.62 and 27 2.75 rockets and carrying 34 passengers. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered, 10000 broken, highbroken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds southwesterly 4-6 knots becoming northeasterly 6-10 knots.

8 August 1969 - A total of 57 tasks were accomplished with 108 sorties and 46.1 flight hours and 57 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 4 sorties and 2.6 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Four aircraft flew 44 sorties and 22.0 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 6,200 rounds of 7.62 and 102 2.75 rockets. One aircraft flew 7 sorties and 1.7 flight hours, carrying 13 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. One aircraft flew 24 sorties and 6.1 flight hours, carrying 30 passengers in support of Operation Victory Dragon 13. The weather was forecast to be 5000 scattered, 8000 broken, high broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds southwesterly 6 to 10 knots with gusts to 25 knots.

9 August 1969 - A total of 121 tasks were accomplished with 223 sorties and 84.4 flight hours and 114 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 18 sorties and 9.1 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 2500 rounds of 7.62 and 32 2.75 rockets. Four aircraft flew 72 sorties and 25.2 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 200 rounds of 7.62 and 15 2.75 rockets. One aircraft flew 16 sorties and 4.5 flight hours, carrying 17 passengers in support of Operation Durham Peak. One aircraft flew 25 sorties and 6.4 flight hours, carrying 27 passengers in support of Operation Victory Dragon 13. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 broken, high overcast, visibility

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unrestricted, surface winds southwesterly 6 to 10 knots with gusts to 25 knots. 1stLt B. L. HARJUNG was transferred to CONUS. 1stLt R. JANOUSEK and CPL B. E. KANE were listed as missing in action.

10 August 1969 - A total of 72 tasks were accomplished with 140 sorties and 64.0 flight hours and 98 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 5 sorties and 7.4 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Nine aircraft flew 92 sorties and 42.2 flight hours, carrying 40 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 800 rounds of 7.62 and 30 2.75 rockets. One aircraft flew 15 sorties and 5.0 flight hours, carrying 21 passengers in support of Operation Dunham Peak. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 broken, high overcast, visibility 7 miles, surface winds southwesterly 6 to 10 knots with scattered rain showers.

11 August 1969 - A total of 67 tasks were accomplished with 138 sorties and 67.5 flight hours and 44 passengers with .1 tons of cargo were carried. Four aircraft flew 16 sorties and 17.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Five aircraft flew 96 sorties and 37.8 flight hours, carrying 32 passengers and .1 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 10,000 rounds of 7.62 and 38 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 5000 scattered variable broken, 8000 broken, high overcast, visibility unrestricted, surface winds southwesterly 6-10 knots with scattered rain showers.

12 August 1969 - A total of 75 tasks were accomplished with 128 sorties and 61.8 flight hours and 57 passengers were carried. Four aircraft flew 34 sorties and 19.9 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 6000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 14 sorties and 7.6 flight hours

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in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 300 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Five aircraft flew 61 sorties and 20.6 flight hours, carrying 54 passengers in support of Operation Dunham Peak. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted with scattered rain showers and the surface winds southwesterly 6 to 8 knots.

13 August 1969 - A total of 125 tasks were accomplished with 187 sorties and 57.9 flight hours and 101 passengers with .8 tons of cargo were carried. Two aircraft flew 14 sorties and 7.4 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 5000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Six aircraft flew 117 sorties and 30.9 flight hours carrying 52 passengers and .5 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. They also expended 4000 rounds of 7.62 and 31 2.75 rockets. Three aircraft flew 34 sorties and 10.9 flight hours, carrying 20 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, 9000 broken, high overcast, with scattered rain showers and the surface winds southwesterly 6 to 8 knots.

14 August 1969 - A total of 55 tasks were accomplished with 127 sorties and 59.2 flight hours and 21 passengers were carried. Two aircraft flew 22 sorties and 9.8 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Four aircraft flew 29 sorties and 14.2 flight hours, carrying 16 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 11 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 14 sorties and 10.7 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted and surface winds light and variable.

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15 August 1969 - A total of 25 tasks were accomplished with 67 sorties and 37.9 flight hours while carrying 20 passengers. Two aircraft flew 8 sorties and 6.7 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 2000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Five aircraft flew 23 sorties and 11.2 flight hours, carrying one passenger in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. Two aircraft flew 5 sorties and 7.0 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 28 2.75 rockets. Three aircraft flew 24 sorties and 7.8 flight hours, carrying 19 passengers in support of Operation Durham Peak. The weather was forecast to be 3,000 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 5 to 8 knots. Scattered thunderstorms are expected after 1500.

16 August 1969 - A total of 149 tasks were accomplished with 211 sorties and 66.9 flight hours while carrying 83 passengers. Two aircraft flew 3 sorties and 2.8 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Four aircraft flew 52 sorties and 21.8 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 5000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 80 sorties and 13.4 flight hours, carrying 28 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. Two aircraft flew 34 sorties and 9.6 flight hours, carrying 10 passengers in support of Operation Arlington Canyon. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered, high thin broken, visibility unrestricted, with scattered rain showers and surface winds southwesterly 4 to 6 knots becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots.

17 August 1969 - A total of 52 tasks were accomplished with 119 sorties and 66.2 flight hours while carrying 99 passengers and .4 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 20 sorties and 10.5 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire,

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expending 800 rounds of 7.62 and 7 2.75 rockets. Three aircraft flew 10 sorties and 7.6 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. Five aircraft flew 52 sorties and 31.8 flight hours, carrying 42 passengers and .4 tons of cargo in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 8000 rounds of 7.62 and 56 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, high thin broken, visibility unrestricted with scattered rain showers and surface winds southwesterly 4 to 6 knots becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots.

18 August 1969 - A total of 142 tasks were accomplished with 237 sorties and 68.1 flight hours while carrying 232 passengers and .6 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 2 sorties and 3.0 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Five aircraft flew 126 sorties and 35.8 flight hours, carrying 113 passengers and .6 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 100 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. One aircraft flew 27 sorties and 6.4 flight hours, carrying 12 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar. Two aircraft flew 37 sorties and 12.0 flight hours in support of Operation Durham Peak while carrying 36 passengers. One aircraft flew 36 sorties and 78 flight hours, carrying 54 passengers in support of Operation Victory Dragon 14. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered, high thin broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable with scattered rain showers.

19 August 1969 - A total of 133 tasks were accomplished with 256 sorties and 93.9 flight hours, while carrying 115 passengers and .3 tons of cargo. Nine aircraft flew 151 sorties and 55.0 flight hours while carrying 99 passengers and .3 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, while expending 34,000 rounds of 7.62 and 131 2.75 rockets. Seven aircraft flew 87 sorties and 31.8 flight hours while carrying 55 passengers in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending

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20,700 rounds of 7.62 and 98 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted and surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots.

20 August 1969 - A total of 72 tasks were accomplished with 151 sorties and 71.9 flight hours, while carrying 87 passengers and .2 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 16 sorties and 8.6 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 27 2.75 rockets. Eight aircraft flew 102 sorties and 45.1 flight hours while carrying 69 passengers and .2 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 13,000 rounds of 7.62 and 84 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 20 sorties and 11.4 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 20,000 rounds of 7.62 and 70 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, high thin broken, visibility unrestricted and the surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 6 to 10 knots.

21 August 1969 - A total of 88 tasks were accomplished with 188 sorties and 76.4 flight hours while carrying 82 passengers and .6 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 18 sorties and 9.6 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 10,000 rounds of 7.62 and 10 2.75 rockets. Twelve aircraft flew 152 sorties and 61.7 flight hours while carrying 71 passengers and .5 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 10,000 rounds of 7.62 and 56 2.75 rockets. The weather was reported to be 3500 scattered, 8000 scattered, high thin broken, visibility unrestricted with surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots and scattered thunderstorms in the area.

22 August 1969 - A total of 92 tasks were accomplished with 170 sorties and 73.9 flight hours while carrying 118 passengers and .2 tons of cargo. Two aircraft

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flew 32 sorties and 16.0 flight hours while carrying 4 passengers in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 8,000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Seven aircraft flew 95 sorties and 38.5 flight hours while carrying 95 passengers and .2 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 14,000 rounds of 7.62 and 56 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 24 sorties and 102 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 11,000 rounds of 7.62 and 38 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted and surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots.

23 August 1969 - A total of 94 tasks were accomplished with 172 sorties and 67.8 flight hours while carrying 61 passengers. Two aircraft flew 6 sorties and 8.5 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 2000 rounds of 7.62 and 24 2.75 rockets. Four aircraft flew 142 sorties and 45.0 flight hours, carrying 58 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted and surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots. 1stLt G. A. BLAKELY and 1stLt K. G. PETERSON joined the squadron from HMM 362.

24 August 1969 - A total of 73 tasks were accomplished with 143 sorties and 55.1 flight hours while carrying 46 passengers and .7 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 4 sorties and 2.7 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Nine aircraft flew 114 sorties and 38.5 flight hours, carrying 38 passengers and .7 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 5000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted with surface winds light and variable becoming easterly

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8-12 knots. Major G. W. LEE was transferred to 1st MARDIV.

25 August 1969 - A total of 58 tasks were accomplished with 167 sorties and 63.0 flight hours while carrying 72 passengers. Two aircraft flew 6 sorties and 3.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Eleven aircraft flew 103 sorties and 43.0 flight hours while carrying 34 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 12,000 rounds of 7.62 and 109 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, high broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable becoming easterly 8-12 knots with scattered thunderstorms.

26 August 1969 - A total of 61 tasks were accomplished with 155 sorties and 61.0 flight hours, while carrying 111 passengers. Two aircraft flew 24 sorties and 11.8 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Seven aircraft flew 73 sorties and 30.1 flight hours, carrying 26 passengers in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 10,000 rounds of 7.62 and 94 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable becoming easterly 8 to 12 knots and scattered thunderstorms in the area.

27 August 1969 - A total of 65 tasks were accomplished with 174 sorties and 59.2 flight hours while carrying 72 passengers. Two aircraft flew 14 sorties and 7.5 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Eight aircraft flew 129 sorties and 32.9 flight hours, carrying 55 passengers supporting Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 15,000 rounds of 7.62 and 67 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, high thin scattered, visibility unrestricted, winds light and variable becoming easterly 8 to 12 knots with scattered thunderstorms in the area.

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28 August 1969 - A total of 121 tasks were accomplished with 188 sorties and 60.0 flight hours while carrying 109 passengers and .1 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 12 sorties and 4.8 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Six aircraft flew 117 sorties and 36.0 flight hours in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, carrying 62 passengers and .1 tons of cargo and expending 5000 rounds of 7.62 and 56 2.75 rockets. Two aircraft flew 22 sorties and 10.2 flight hours in support of Operation Georgia Tar, expending 8000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3000 scattered, 8000 scattered, variable broken, high broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds light and variable becoming northeasterly 8 to 12 knots with scattered thunderstorms and rain showers in the local area.

29 August 1969 - A total of 111 tasks were accomplished with 178 sorties and 66.1 flight hours while carrying 97 passengers and .2 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 16 sorties and 8.8 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 4,000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Eight aircraft flew 126 sorties and 42.4 flight hours carrying 54 passengers and .2 tons of cargo while supporting Operation Idaho Canyon. They also expended 7,100 rounds of 7.62 and 84 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered 9000 scattered high scattered variable broken, visibility unrestricted, surface winds variable at 5 knots becoming northeasterly 10 to 14 knots by early afternoon.

30 August 1969 - A total of 72 tasks were accomplished with 160 sorties and 62.4 flight hours while carrying 87 passengers. Two aircraft flew 18 sorties and 9.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire. Twelve aircraft flew 132 sorties and 48.6 flight hours carrying 73 passengers in support of Operation Idaho

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Canyon, expending 8000 rounds of 7.62 and 55 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 4000 scattered, high scattered, visibility unrestricted with early morning and midmorning haze. The surface winds variable at 5 knots becoming northeasterly 10-14 knots by early afternoon. There will be scattered th understorms in the local flying area.

31 August 1969 - A total of 63 tasks were accomplished with 135 sorties and 50.7 flight hours while carrying 73 passengers and .1 tons of cargo. Two aircraft flew 18 sorties and 9.2 flight hours in support of Operation Prairie Fire, expending 7,000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. Eight aircraft flew 91 sorties and 28.9 flight hours, carrying 57 passengers and .1 tons of cargo in support of Operation Idaho Canyon, expending 8000 rounds of 7.62 and 28 2.75 rockets. The weather was forecast to be 3500 scattered high scattered, visibility unrestricted with some mid morning haze. The surface winds are light and variable becoming northeasterly 10-14 knots in the early afternoon. Scattered thunderstorms are expected in the local area by mid afternoon.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

During the month of August this squadron had 17 pilots who flew over 100 hours for the month. On the 7th of August our Detachment "A" from Quang Tri returned to Phu Bai.

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a. During this reporting period this squadron joined four (4) officers and fifteen (15) enlisted personnel. Two (2) officers and seventeen (17) enlisted men were transferred.

b. The below listed personnel were promoted to the rank indicated:

CPL J. M. ANDERSON	220 70 55	To SGT
LCPL D. N. CHENEY	234 79 39	To CPL
LCPL W. O. COFFEE	222 73 06	To CPL
LCPL J. M. COOPER	231 66 30	To CPL
LCPL J. J. DEAN	232 60 23	To CPL
LCPL J. A. DESEL Jr.	231 29 41	To CPL
LCPL E. EDWARDS	224 49 67	To CPL
LCPL M. W. HOGAN	233 50 55	To CPL
LCPL C. R. KNAPP	229 79 78	To CPL
LCPL R. E. HADISON Jr.	227 76 10	To CPL
LCPL J. W. PRATHER	232 63 05	To CPL
LCPL J. P. WOGEN	237 02 30	To CPL
LCPL T. J. ROCHE	228 46 50	To CPL
LCPL R. M. SMITH	234 79 54	To CPL
LCPL D. E. SPIGER	236 65 38	To CPL
LCPL D. A. THOMAS	235 21 40	To CPL
LCPL D. F. WHITNER	224 51 06	To CPL
LCPL W. M. WILSON	236 72 08	To CPL
LCPL K. J. WOLFF	238 65 31	To CPL
PFC M. E. SILER Jr.	235 38 24	To LCPL

b. The below listed personnel were listed as casualties:

CPL J. J. DEAN 232 60 23

2. Awards

a. There were 41 Air Medals presented under the Flight/Strike system.

b. There were no individual decorations presented during August 1969.

3. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence

a. There was a slight increase in enemy initiated anti-air activity for this reporting period. From a low of 16 individual incidents during the month of July to 35 reported for August. This is expected due to an increase of enemy

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activity throughout this squadron's area of operations.

b. Of the 35 individual incidents occurring this month, four resulted in hits; one aircraft crashed, not recoverable, with two crew-members reported MIA. RESCAP operations were begun immediately with no results and no communication from either missing individual.

c. There was a further decrease in "Spot Reports" from a low of four last month to three for August.

d. Enemy equipment/personnel/structures destroyed or damaged is as shown below:

1 Bunker partially destroyed

e. During the month this section conducted one hour of classes for enlisted and officers on intelligence subjects and area briefs.

#### 4. Safety

a. There was one aircraft accident during the month of August, which was the result of direct enemy action.

b. There were two aircraft incidents the month of August as a result of direct enemy action.

c. There were no ground accidents during August as a result of direct enemy action.

d. There was a total of three (3) DEA's during August.

(1) 7 August 1969 - one small arms round in main rotor blade. No injuries.

(2) 7 August 1969 - one small arms round in main rotor blade. No injuries.

(3) 9 August 1969 - A/C shot down, UNK hits. One Bravo, one Foxtrot, 2 MIA.

e. There were no Ground Safety meetings the month of August.

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- a. NATOPS held gunners school on 5, 25, 26 and 27 August 1969.

There was also FAM in-flight firing, a first for this squadron.

- b. NATOPS gave thorough training for six mechanics in crew chief training status.

- c. NATOPS administered two Naval Aviators NATOPS Evaluations.

- d. Three personnel, in crew chief training status, received their crew chief designations.

- e. One Naval Aviator received his PQM Designation in the UH-1E.

6. Maintenance

- a. Maintenance for the month of August was performed as to expectations.

- (1) Maintenance Control issued approximately 908 JCN's.

- (2) We had an average availability of 93% for the month.

- (3) Two aircraft received battle damage, one was destroyed and one was received.

- (4) Two aircraft were sent to PAR.

- (5) Aircraft assigned/aircraft on hand decreased. There are currently 26 aircraft assigned and 20 aircraft on hand.

7. Air Operations

Total Hours Flown	1932.9
Total Gun Hours	1040.1
Total Slick Hours	892.8
Total Sorties Flown	4786
Total Tasks Flown	2474
Total Medevacs	0
Total Passengers Carried	2518
Total Cargo Carried	5.0 tons
7.62 Rounds Expended	245,620
2.75 Rockets Expended	2,010

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Armed Helo Sorties	1885
Armed Helo Tasks	897
Prairie Fire Sorties	354
Prairie Fire Hours	208.8

8. Major Operations Supported. PRAIRIE FIRE, IDAHO CANYON, GEORGIA TAR, ARLINGTON CANYON, DURHAM PEAK, VICTORY DRAGON 14, VICTORY DRAGON 13.

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