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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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| 1. DESIGNATION | COMMANDER |
| Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 | LtCol Rondell K. WOOD(1-30Sep69) |
| Executive Officer | Maj Jack L. MAXWELL(1-30Sep69) |
| Operations Officer | Maj Lamar V. PHILLIPS(1-4Sep69) Maj Thomas W. AMIS (5-30Sep69) |
| Maintenance Officer | Maj Darcy L. CLASEN (1-30Sep69) |

2. LOCATION

MMH-462 1-30 September 1969 HUE/PHU BAI RVN

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

| USMC | | USN | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|
| OFF | ENL | OFF | ENL |
| 36 | 165 | 1 | 0 |

4. IMPORTANT VISITORS

None

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 logged 531.0 hours during the month of September 1969. Once again the heaviest commitment was in the Northern I Corps area. Operations Georgia Tar, Idaho Canyon, Arlington Canyon, and Iroquois Grove demanded the majority of the 1,837 sorties and 1,356 tasks flown by the squadron. The squadron also had light commitments in the Southern I Corps area, where it flew in support of the Republic of Korea Marines in Operation Victory Dragon XIV.

HMH-462 continued their support of the Phu Loung and Kim Loung orphanages throughout the month of September 1969. Members of the squadron visited both orphanages bringing with them items of clothing, canned juices, and various food condiments. In addition, the Squadron Coffee Mess Committee voted to donate \$100.00 to the Phu Loung Orphanage to enable Pastor JONAH to continue the much needed repairs being made on the buildings. The squadron's civic contribution for the month of October will be aided by a money order which a Catholic Seminary sent to LtCol WOOD "ear-marked" for the Kim Loung Orphanage.

HMH-462 was instrumental in the pull out of the 3rd MARDIV. The squadron flew 761 sorties in lifting 961 passengers and 846.1 tons of cargo from Fire Support bases Cates, Signal Hill, Russell, and Hill 950.

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PART III

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL: No significant events.
2. ADMINISTRATION: No significant events.
3. CIVIC ACTION: During the month of September 1969, HHM-462's Civic Action program consisted of two separate trips to the orphanages the squadron helps support. In the early part of this month several personnel of the squadron visited the Protestant orphanage in Phu Loung. Various items of clothing, canned juices and other items such as salt were distributed. At the monthly Coffee Mess Committee meeting it was decided that the squadron donate \$100.00 to Pastor JONAH so as to help enable him to continue his work with the orphanage. This donation will be delivered prior to the departure of the squadron.
Toward the end of the month, several personnel of the squadron visited the Kim Loung Orphanage in Hue. Again several items of clothing were distributed along with several food stuffs. The Commanding Officer received a contribution from a Catholic Seminary in the states and this will be delivered to the orphanage shortly.
4. AWARDS: No significant events.
5. INTELLIGENCE: No significant events.
6. HHM-462 logged 531.0 flight hours, comprising 1,837 sorties to complete 1,356 tasks. A total of 2,159.3 tons of cargo and 2,634 troops were transported. A breakdown of air operations consists of:

| <u>UNITS SUPPORTED</u> | <u>FLT HOURS</u> | <u>SORTIES</u> | <u>TASKS</u> | <u>TONS LIFTED</u> | <u>TROOPS LIFTED</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 3RD MAR DIV | 383.2 | 1,554 | 1,126 | 1,969.2 | 2,231 |
| 1ST MAW | 133.7 | 227 | 192 | 124.5 | 360 |
| ARVN'S | 10.9 | 36 | 21 | 48.0 | 3 |
| ROKMC | 3.2 | 20 | 17 | 17.6 | 40 |

7. SPECIAL OPERATIONS BREAKDOWN:

| <u>a. OPERATIONS</u> | <u>SORTIES</u> | <u>PASSENGERS</u> | <u>TONS</u> | <u>HOURS</u> |
|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|
| GEORGIA TAR | 1216 | 1,732 | 1,576.9 | 281.5 |
| IDAHO CANYON | 206 | 309 | 218.5 | 60.2 |
| ARLINGTON CANYON | 79 | 149 | 83.7 | 21.4 |
| IROQUOIS GROVE | 34 | 2 | 45.3 | 8.4 |
| VICTORY DRAGON | 20 | 40 | 17.6 | 3.2 |

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b. Three Tactical Aircraft Recovery missions were flown during September 1969.

c. HMH-462 evacuated 34 priority Med-evac's, comprising 7 Med-evac missions.

8. LOGISTICS: No significant events.

9. MAINTENANCE: During the month of September, HMH-462 had substantial decreases in documented NOR scheduled maintenance, unscheduled maintenance, and NOR supply time. NOR'S "G" items increased to approximately 19 items per day.

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