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- 1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 September 1970 - 30 September 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463

LtCol C. A. BLOCK 1-9
September 1970
LtCol ROBERT R. LEISY 10-30
September 1970

2. LOCATION

1-30 September 1970: Marble Mountain Air Facility, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

X _• O _•	Maj J.E. CARROLL		1-30 September 1970
S=1	Maj R.L. PHILIIPS		1-30 September 1970
S -2	lstLT D.N. PERSKY	•	1-30 September 1970
S=3	Maj R.F. VALLUZZI	•	1=30 September 1970
S-4	Maj M.F. STONE		1-30 September 1970
Aviation Safety	1stLT W.R. JONES	•	1-30 September 1970
NATOPS	1stLT R.E. CHIESA		1=5 September 1970
NATOPS	CAPT H. HALL	4	6-30 September 1970
Flight Surgeon	LT (USN) R.H. BADE		1-30 September 1970

4. AVERAGE MONTH STRENGTH

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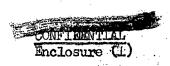
PART II

On 10 September 1970 the command of HMH-463 was assumed by LtCol ROBERT R. LEISY.

During September EMH-463 flew 3485 sorties and 548 tasks in a total of 1024.9 hours. Of the 3971.7 tons of cargo carried, 3614.9 was external and 356.8 internal. A total of 25,439 passengers were carried (19,491 US, 4568 ROK Marines, 1002 ARVN's, and 308 other).

HTH-463 was responsible for completing 8 Tactical Aircraft Recoveries (TAR's); 2 administrative and 6 field.

The squadron participated in 4 strikes with 13 aircraft, and 2 napalm drops with 5 aircraft. The squadron also participated in 10 Tri-service missions in denied access areas.









Two aircraft were shot down suffering strike damage and seven crew members were WLA in denied access areas.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Awards: 16 Aircrewman wings

1SEP70: Five CH-53D's participated in a strike mission.

2SEP70: Two CH-46 TAR+s were flown, one field and one administrative.

One of the CH-53D's took one hit; suffering limited damage.

3SEP70: One administrative TAR was flown, a UH-1E.

4SEP70: Three CH-53D's participated in a napalm drop; one of the CH-53D's took one hit.

5\$EP70: One field TAR was flown, a CH-46.

6SEP70: One CH-53D took one hit on a priority troop lift, suffering limited damage.

7SEP70: Six CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area.

8SEP70: Six CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area and two in a napalm drop. One field TAR was flown, an AH-iG.

9SEP70: Three CH-53D's participated in a strike mission and six in a tri-service mission in a denied access area.

10SEP70: Three CH-53D's participated in a strike mission and five in a tri-service mission in a denied access area. LtCol ROBERT R. LETSY assumed command of the squadron from LtCol C. A. BLOCK.

11SEP70: Five CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area. They took a total of 15 hits with all five aircraft suffering limited damage.

128EP70: Five CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area.

13SEP70: Five CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area. One aircraft suffered strike damage and was a total.

14SEP70: Six CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied access area. Two aircraft took a total of four hits suffering limited damage. A triangle of the damage and was

aa a total less. Six crowncabers were 1885 155EP70: Two CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied

16SEP70: Two CH-53D's participated in a strake massion.

19SEP70: One field TAR was flown a CH-46.



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Two CH-53D's participated in a tri-service mission in a denied

access area. One field TAR was flown, a CH-46.
21SEP70: One field TAR was flown, a CH-46.
29SEP70: One CH-53D took one hit from a mortar round on priority resupply,

suffering limited damage.

30SEP70: No flights this date due to weather conditions.

PART IV

DOCUMENTS SUPPORTING

None.