

MARINE FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON-542
Marine Aircraft Group-15 (Rein)
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMFPac
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-15 (Rein) (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology; period of 1-31 January 1968

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) GruO 5750.1A

Encl: (1) VMFA-542 Command Chronology for period 1-31 January 1968

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c),
Enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.

2. Upon removal of Enclosure (1), this letter is downgraded to
UNCLASSIFIED.

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PART I. ORGANIZATION DATA

1. Commander and Staff

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>OH</u>
Richard C. MARSH	CO	1-26 Jan 1968	LtCol	LtCol
Robert N. HUTCHINSON	CO	26-31 Jan 1968	LtCol	LtCol
Robert N. HUTCHINSON	XO	1-26 Jan 1968	Maj	LtCol
James W. HASKELL	XO	26-31 Jan 1968	Maj	Maj
Philip L. ELLIOTT	S-3	1-31 Jan 1968	Maj	Maj
Norman A. SMITH	MaintO	1-31 Jan 1968	Maj	Maj
Norman A. SMITH	S-4	1-31 Jan 1968	Maj	Maj
Paul A. COLE	S-1	1-26 Jan 1968	Lt	Maj
Steven R. FOULGER	S-1	26-31 Jan 1968	Lt	Maj
Williams C. STEWART	S-2	1-31 Jan 1968	Lt	Capt

2. Task Organization and Data

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>COMMANDING OFFICER</u>	<u>DATE OF OFFICE</u>
VMFA-542	MCAS Iwakuni, Japan	LtCol R. N. HUTCHINSON	26 Jan 1968

3. Average Monthly Strength

A. Marine Officers	45
(1) Naval Aviators	20
(2) Naval Flight Officers	22
(3) Aviation Ground Officers	3
B. Naval Officers	1
C. Marine Enlisted	268
D. Naval Enlisted	0
E. Total Average Strength	314

4. Important Visitors to this Command - NONE

PART II. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1-31 January 1968, VMFA-542 conducted normal training operations in both air-to-air and air-to-ground delivery techniques. During the period 1-20 January 1968, a detachment of 50 per cent of squadron officers and enlisted personnel deployed to

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Naha AB and conducted practice and live ordnance delivery and a sidewinder firing exercise. Continued emphasis was placed upon General Military Training for officers and enlisted personnel.

PART III. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel - 1 officer and 40 enlisted personnel were joined and 5 officer and 62 enlisted personnel were transferred.
2. Administrative - The following promotions were made: First Lieutenant to Captain - 3; Staff Sergeant to Gunnery Sergeant - 1; Sergeant to Staff Sergeant - 1; Corporal to Sergeant - 1.
3. Awards - NONE
4. Casualties - NONE
5. Air Operations

A. During the period 1-31 January 1968, VMFA-542 flew sorties/ hours as indicated below:

Total Sorties:	234
Total Hours:	299.8

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