

MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 2
Marine Air Control Group 18
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMP, Pacific
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✓TAB A - STATISTICAL DATA

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (d), enclosure (1) is submitted.

2. Upon removal of enclosure (1), this letter is downgraded to UNCLASSIFIED. Enclosure (1) is downgraded at 3 year intervals and automatically declassified after 12 years. DOD Directive 5200.10 applies.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October thru 31 October

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Marine Air Support Squadron 2

LtCol B.C. ROWE

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "B"
Detachment Phu Bai
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "C"
Detachment Dong Ha
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "D"

CAPT L.A. SOLIBERGER
LT. D.L. BAGLEY
CAPT J.P. EMBRY
CAPT J.P. EMBRY
LT. J.J. MINION
LtCol K.W. TOWNSEND
CAPT J.K. TAYLOR
LT. B.R. DADD JR.

2. LOCATION

a. Marine Air Support Squadron 2 (-)
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "B"

DANANG, RVN in direct support of the 1st Marine Division (-)

b. Detachment Phu Bai
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "C"

PHU BAI, RVN in direct support of the 3rd Marine Division (-)

c. Detachment Dong Ha
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team "D"

DONG HA, RVN in direct support of the 3rd Marine Division (FWD)

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer
Operations Officer
Administrations Officer
Communications Officer
Services Officer

LTCOL B.R. STANDLEY
MAJOR T.G. CSIK
1/LT L.T. CLARK
CAPT J.L. BELLE
CAPT J.J. FOSTER

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	
31	213	

<u>USN</u>
<u>ENL</u>
2

<u>OTHER</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY1. Operations.

a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month of October showed a decrease from the previous month. Total missions controlled by the DASC were 5726 of which 2612 were fixed wing and 3114 were helicopter missions with 756 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations. The MASS-2 detachments supported the following operations: Detachment "B"- operations Neutralize, Medina/Osceola, Kingfisher, Highrise, Ardmour; Detachment "C"- operations Formation Leader, Granite, Fremont.

b. Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT) conducted 1410 missions, controlled 1589 aircraft and struck 2313 targets. Additionally, the MASS-3 ASRT which is OP CON to Detachment "B", MASS-2 at Dong Ha conducted 835 missions, controlled 1106 aircraft, struck 959 targets delivering 2746 tons of ordnance for an average of 1.373 tons per target. These figures are not reflected in TAB A, PART III.

2. Civic Action. During the month of October the squadron Med Cap program provided assistance to one ARVN soldier and one Vietnamese woman seriously injured in a motor vehicle accident and provided assistance for 543 Vietnamese in Hoa My village where 856 bars of soap were distributed. In addition to the regular medical program 40 Vietnamese were examined and treated by dental personnel.

3. SUPPLY. The supply locator system was verified at Dong Ha and Phu Bai. Three supply personnel are presently attending drivers school. Banding, packing and shipment of the radar spares preparatory to assumption of full control of MASS-3 ASRT at Dong Ha by MASS-2 has been completed. In addition, the building of 150 mount-out boxes and banding of present boxes and material has been completed. MASS-2 is presently supporting MASS-3 Forward with billeting space and general supply items.

4. MOTOR TRANSPORT AND GENERATORS

a. The Motor Transport/Generators Officer inspected the assigned equipment at the detachments at Dong Ha and Phu Bai. Contact teams were sent to both detachments to perform quarterly inspections and scheduled maintenance on equipment.

b. A rough well has been dug in the Motor Transport Compound and a wash rack is now being utilized.

5. UTILITIES. The following reflects the status of projects undertaken by the Utilities Section during the past month.

- a. Completed construction of patio at rear of messhall
- b. Completed construction of SNCO shower
- c. Completed one (1) tropical hut in the Security Guard area
- d. Completed the foundation and building for an enlisted shower

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- e. Replaced the roof over the stage at the SNCO club
- f. Began construction of a drainage ditch along the road from the messhall to the "E" club
- g. Completed hot locker for weapons storage in the armory
- h. Completed building shelves in the Supply Clothing Room

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 October ASRT(Dong Ha- MASS 2) controlled 4, CH-53 resupply missions.
- 2 October ASRT(Phu Bai) hit 1 target in the Ashau Valley.
ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 3) controlled 1 CH-53 resupply mission.
- 4 October DASC(Phu Bai) visited by Maj. General HOCKMUTH.
- 5 October DASC(Da Nang) visited by Maj. General ROBERTSON and Brig. General LAHUE.
- 8 October ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 2) controlled 1, CH-53 resupply mission to Con Tien.
- 9 October DASC(Dong Ha) visited by Admiral HYLAND.
- 10 October DASC(Da Nang) visited by Maj. General ANDERSON, Maj. General ROBERTSON and Brig. General LAHUE.
- 11 October DASC(Dong Ha) visited by Maj. General ANDERSON.
- 14 October ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 2) reported secondary explosion at YD239867.
- 16 October ASRT(Da Nang) reported secondary explosion at AT858667.
- 17 October ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 2) reported secondary explosion and large fire at YD250800 and two secondary explosions at YD250824.
- 20 October DASC(Da Nang) MASS 3 assigned responsibility for operation and maintenance at 0001Z.
- 21 October DASC(Dong Ha) visited by Maj. General ANDERSON.
- 24 October ASRT(Dong Ha) reported large secondary explosion at ZC179921.
ASRT(Phu Bai) reported secondary explosion at YD875237.
- 27 October DASC(Dong Ha) Maj. General ANDERSON inspected new DASC bunker.
ASRT(Da Nang) reported 3 secondary explosions at AT852838 and 2 fires at AT861851.
ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 2) visited by Maj. General ANDERSON.
- 28 October DASC(Dong Ha) visited by Maj. General HOCKMUTH.
- 29 October DASC(Dong Ha) inspected by Brig. General METZGER.
- 30 October ASRT(Da Nang) visited by Brig. General LAHUE.

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31 October ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 2) reported one secondary explosion at YD071768 and one secondary explosion at YD061755.
ASRT(Dong Ha-MASS 3) reported one secondary explosion at YD131808.

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	Total missions			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Fixed-Wing</u>	<u>Helo</u>	<u>Med Evac*</u>	
DASC Da Nang	338	681	277	1296
DASC Phu Bai	630	537	195	1362
DASC Dong Ha	<u>1644</u>	<u>1131</u>	<u>293</u>	<u>3068</u>
TOTALS	2612	2349	765	5726

* MED EVAC missions are NOT included in helicopter totals.

2. Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT)

	<u>No. of Missions</u>	<u>No. of Targets</u>	<u>No. A/C Controlled</u>	<u>Tons of Bombs Dropped</u>
ASRT "B" - Da Nang	383	751	413	959.65
ASRT "C" - Phu Bai	448	954	469	1382.90
ASRT "D" - Dong Ha	<u>579</u>	<u>608</u>	<u>707</u>	<u>1723.00</u>
TOTALS	1410	2313	1589	4065.55

Target Coverage = $\frac{4065.55 \text{ tons}}{2313 \text{ targets}}$ = 2.033 tons/targets

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