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- ✓(2) Photo of MASS-3 (REIN) CP, Hill 327
- ✓(3) Photo of Baldy HDC, 7th Marines CP, LZ Baldy
- ✓(4) Photo of Chu Lai ASRT
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON-3 (REIN)
1-31 July 1970
DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Command and Staff Officers for the reporting period include:

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Executive Officer	1-31 July	Maj Charles R. KEITH
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Operations Officer	1-31 July	Maj George S. PRESCOTT
Services Officer	1-12 July 13-31 July	Maj Paul K. FARMER Capt Thomas O'SHIELDS
Comm/Elect Officer	1-31 July	Capt Harvey E. GREENAWALT
OIC Da Nang DASC	1-31 July	Maj Charles M. McCAIN
OIC Da Nang ASRT	1-31 July	Capt Jerry R. GERMAN
OIC Chu Lai ASRT	1-2 July 3-31 July	Capt Craig GALLAN 1stLt Samuel V. KIRK
OIC An Hoa ASRT	1-13 July 14-23 July	1stLt Jerry N. DENNARD Capt John WETTER
OIC Quang Tri ASRT	1-10 July 11-31 July	1stLt Eric LEWIS Capt Craig GALLAN
OIC Birmingham ASRT	1-2 July 3-10 July 11-31 July	1stLt Samuel V. KIRK Capt Craig GALLAN 1stLt Eric LEWIS
OIC Baldy HDC	1-24 July 25-31 July	1stLt John BRODERICK 1stLt John ANTKOWSKI

2. Marine Air Support Squadron-3 (REIN), Da Nang, RVN, 1-31 July 1970

- a. CP, Da Nang ASRT, Da Nang DASC, Da Nang, RVN, 1-31 July 1970
- b. Chu Lai ASRT, Chu Lai, RVN, 1-31 July
- c. An Hoa ASRT, An Hoa Combat Base, RVN, 1-23 July 1970
- d. Birmingham ASRT, Birmingham FSB, RVN, 1-31 July 1970
- e. Quang Tri ASRT, Quang Tri, RVN, 1-31 July 1970
- f. Baldy HDC, Landing Zone Baldy, RVN, 1-31 July 1970

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3. Average monthly strength of the Squadron:

Marine Officers	33
Marines Enlisted	203
Naval Officers	0
Naval Enlisted	2

4. The following distinguished persons visited MASS-3 and its detachments:

a. 2 July, 1970, MGen A. J. ARMSTRONG, CG of the 1st MAW, visited the Birmingham and Quang Tri ASRT's.

b. 3 July, 1970, BGen R. F. CONLEY, Asst 1st MAW Commander, and BGen L. H. SIMMONS, Asst 1st MAR DIV Commander, visited Hill 327.

c. 8 July, 1970, BGen R. F. CONLEY visited the Da Nang DASC.

d. 16 July, 1970, Col H. R. SMITH, CO MAG-16; 1st MAW, and LtCol R. E. HOWARD, Asst G-3 1st MAW, visited the Da Nang DASC.

e. 17 July, 1970, Col R. F. McELROY, 1st MAW General Services Officer, and Col L. T. ERICKSON, 1st MAW Inspector, visited the Da Nang DASC.

f. 21 July, 1970, Col E. M. YOUNG, CO, HQ Btn; 1st MAR DIV, visited Hill 327. Col E. M. RUDZIS, 1st MAR DIV Deputy G-3, visited the Da Nang DASC.

g. 22 July, 1970, Col R. L. WILLIS, III MAF Comm/Elect Officer, visited the Da Nang DASC.

h. 23 July, 1970, Capt J. H. CARNES, CHC, USN, 1st MAW Chaplain, visited Hill 327. BGen R. F. CONLEY visited the An Hoa ASRT.

i. 24 July, 1970, LtCol W. C. SIMANIKAS, XO, MACG-18; 1st MAW, visited the Birmingham and Quang Tri ASRT's.

j. 28 July, 1970, Col S. J. WILSON, 1st MAW Comm/Elect Officer, visited Hill 327.

k. 30 July, 1970, Col E. H. LILLISTRAD, 1st MAW Supply Officer, visited Hill 327.

l. 31 July, 1970, LtCol W. C. SIMANIKAS visited the Chu Lai ASRT and the Baldy HDC.

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of July MASS-3 continued to effectively operate a DASC, and five ASRT's until 23 July at which time the An Hoa ASRT was dis-established. Stand down of the An Hoa ASRT was accomplished with the assistance of three CH-53 helicopters from HMH 463, the 5th Marine Regt. Services Section, and "C" Company, 1st Shore Party Btn.

On 28 June, 1970, MGen C. F. WIDDECKE, CG 1st MAR DIV (REIN), FMF sent a letter of commendation to MGen A. J. ARMSTRONG, CG 1st MAW, citing the DA NANG DASC for "the perception, technical competence and personal pride consistently displayed by (its) officers and men." The letter noted also that the DA NANG DASC coordinated and controlled an average of two hundred fixed wing missions, four hundred helicopter missions and provided artillery and naval gunfire warning information to more than two thousand aircraft operating in or transiting the Division TAOR each week.

On 27 June, 1970, MGen A. E. MILLOY, CG U. S. Army Americal Division sent a letter commending the Chu Lai ASRT for its support of the Division in directing air strikes against more than one thousand eight hundred targets during the period January to 15 June 1970. The letter noted, "Many targets have been hit during periods of reduced visibility and under conditions which would normally preclude the use of air power. Ordnance has been consistently delivered within a target area at ranges which far exceed the normal operating limits of the radar equipment."

Squadron ASRT's supported operations Texas Star, Geneva Park, Nantucket Beach, Iron Mountain, Frederick Hill, Green River and Eagle Mountain. The DASC coordinated emergency extractions of sixteen Reconnaissance Battalion Teams. In addition, it coordinated four hundred and twenty-six medevac missions for eight hundred and sixty-three casualties and completed 93,9% of the 1st MAR DIV's requests for helicopter missions: 648 completions out of 690 requests. The Asst. OIC of the DASC and one NCO participated as the DASC liaison in field operations with the 7th Marines, and their experience in the operation resulted in maintaining one operator with the 7th Marines' forward CP to augment the TACP. The ASRT's controlled 509 missions with 593 sorties to strike 767 targets with 2,346.4 tons of ordnance.

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PART III

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

(U) 1. Administration. None.

(C) 2. Personnel. 1stLt M. WASIUTA joined MASS-3 from H&HS-18, MACG-18; 1st MAW. 1stLt T. J. ALLEN joined from "B" CO, 7th Engineers; 7th Marines; 1st MAR DIV.

(C) 3. Command Relationships / Command Control. MASS-3 personnel gave briefings pertaining to Squadron operations to BGen R. F. CONLEY, Assistant 1st MAW Commander; and BGen L. H. SIMMONS, Assistant 1st MAR DIV Commander.

On 23 July, 1970, 1stLt J. A. CRAWFORD was transferred to I DASC for duty as the MACG-18 Marine representative.

(C) 4. Air Control. MASS-3 continued to operate five Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT's), A Direct Air Support Center (DASC) and a Helicopter Direction Center (HDC) through 22 July, 1970, at which time the An Hoa ASRT was disestablished.

(C) 5. Special Operations. The Da Nang DASC coordinated the emergency extractions of 1st Reconnaissance Bxn teams: "Quizmaster" (twice), "Bagshaw", "Serviceman", "Report Card", "Bad Actor" (twice), "Paddleboat", "Lucky Lark", "Offspring" (twice), "Adult Group" (Twice), "Ala King", "Donahue" (three times), "Aunt Mabel", "Moondash", "Fudgecake", "Mush Ox", and "Thin Man" (twice).

Other DASC activity included coordination of the recovery of one CH-46 damaged during the emergency extraction of reconnaissance team "Report Card"; an emergency resupply for "H" 2/7, reconnaissance team "Forgery", and the 5th Mobile Strike Force; the recovery of the crew of two UH1E gunships on mission 74; the recovery of the crew of a down USAF A1; the recovery of a AH1G which was shot down south of LZ Ross; and emergency gun cover for reconnaissance team "Mayfly". The DASC coordinated 426 med&vac missions for 863 casualties and completed 93.90% of the 1st MAR DIV's requests for helicopter missions. 648 completions out of 690 requests.

On 17 July, 1970, Capt R. F. GIBSON, Asst OIC of the Da Nang DASC, and Cpl J. G. LEWIS of the Baldy HDC, participated as the DASC liaison in field operations with 7th Marines in operation "Pickens Forest". Experience gained in the operation resulted in the DASC maintaining one operator with the 7th Marines forward CP to augment the TACP.

Chu Lai ASRT strikes were in support of operations Geneva Park, Nantucket Beach, Iron Mountain and Frederick Hill. The ASRT also supported the 2nd ARVN and the U. S. Special Forces. One strike resulted in an extremely large secondary explosion. Another strike on the same target resulted in seven more secondary explosions.

Birmingham ASRT Operations were in support of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Mobile) and operation Texas Star. Several targets were struck near FSB Ripcord. During the month, Birmingham received an observed BDA of eleven secondary explosions and fires.

The Quang Tri ASRT supported operations Green River and Eagle Mountain.

(U) 6. Civic Action. The MASS-3 Civic Action program was limited to liaison with the MACG-18 Civic Action Team and its operations. During the month a total of 16 MASS-3 personnel participated in the Personal Response program.

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(C) 7. Ground Defense. Benches were bulldozed around Hill 327 from bunker 1 to bunker 2, a distance of four hundred meters, and from bunker 8 to bunker 10, a distance of three hundred and fifty meters. The cuts average from fifteen to twenty feet wide, and they will provide excellent areas for installing additional wire. The bulldozer also leveled an area three hundred meters by one hundred meters between bunkers 7 and 8. Two hundred meters of tanglefoot wire was laid between bunkers 8 and 9. More stakes were installed for laying wire in the bench cut between bunkers 8 and 10.

A squad size patrol from the Security Platoon reconnoitered Hill Romeo and Rumor Valley.

(U) 8. Training. Four hours of general military subjects training covered Administrative Discharges; Enemy Weapons and Tactics; Career Planning; and Venereal Disease. Forty-five people attended each of these lectures. MACG-18 personnel gave a lecture on drug abuse attended by sixty-nine people.

(C) 9. Logistics. The Squadron Services Section provided logistical support for five ASRT's, the Da Nang DASC, Baldy HDC and the CP on Hill 327. The support ensured reliable execution of all operations. Helicopter support from MAG-16 afforded rapid replacement of electrical generators, air conditioners, electronic spare parts and also expedited administrative support for the ASRT's. On one occasion a CH-47 helicopter from the U. S. Army 101st Airborne Division transported generators to and from the Birmingham ASRT.

(U) 10. Supply. The Supply Section processed ninety-five formal requisitions and filled six hundred orders from stock. The following were the priority distributions during July:

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
02	33%
05	08%
12	11%
17	48%

(U) 11. Engineering. The Engineering Equipment Section provided generators for tactical power to the outlying ASRT's. Only one 700 series generator and one PU-239 generator had to be replaced. Several times the commercial power at the Squadron CP failed, but in all cases emergency tactical power was immediately employed until power was restored.

All deadlined generators have been moved from the Squadron CP and staged for cleaning and agricultural inspection at the MASS-3 Motor Transport Section.

Civilian technicians from FLC have instructed Utilities Section personnel in operating and maintaining 700 series generators. LTI's have been performed on all of the generators except those used at the outlying ASRT's, and contact teams are presently preparing to visit the ASRT sites to complete the inspections. All generators that have been on loan to the Squadron have been either returned to the units responsible for them or evacuated for higher echelon repairs.

A construction contact team of four men was sent to the An Hoa ASRT to assist in its stand down activities on 22-23 July 1970. In anticipation

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of future Squadron stand down activity, the section embarkation readiness has been brought up to 80%, and twenty-two mount out boxes were constructed. Approximately fifty per cent of the electrical power facilities for the Hill 327 west ASRT bunker have been completed with the help of two men from the 7th Engineers.

(U) 12. Maintenance. The timely repair of water trucks and light vehicles for administrative support contributed greatly to the effectiveness of the Squadron. Minor repairs were made throughout billeting and office areas.

(C) 13. Communications/Electronics. During the month representatives from the section visited all of the ASRT's to provide technical assistance and on-site inspection of all communications and electronic equipment. On-site inspections of ASRT's totaled ten man-days.

Six pieces of test equipment and five subassemblies were repaired and returned to service. One Radio Set, AN/GRC-112 (Ser. No. 0215), was received from Electronic Communications, INC. Radar Set AN/UPS-1C (Ser. No. A-8) was returned to MASS-3 Supply for shipment and rebuild. UHF Electronics Shop AN/GRM-98 was invoiced to MWCS-1 and will provide all third and fourth echelon support for the AN/TYA-11, GRC-135, GRC-112 and the GRC-134 Radio Sets. One AN/GRC-48 Radio Set was invoiced to MAG-13. A new switchboard, SB-86, on loan from MWCS-1 was installed in the DASC. Four EDPL's (Electronic Down Pilot Locators) were returned from the ASRT's and stored pending further disposition instructions.

AN/TPQ-10 shelter for system A-14 and the antenna for system A-11 were removed from the Hill 327 west ASRT bunker to MASS-3 Supply for storage. After the stand down of the An Hoa ASRT on 22 July, system A-1 was helilifted from An Hoa to LZ 11 by CH-53. Later A-1 was brought to Hill 327 for an LTI and use as a check out set for maintenance float items recently repaired.

In preparation of future Squadron stand down activities AN/TPQ-10 secondary repairables were inventoried and sorted. MACG-18, S-4 gave the Comm/Elect embarkation status a satisfactory rating.

(U) 14. Construction. The S-1 and S-4 offices were refurbished, and air conditioning was installed in the S-1 office. A central air conditioning system was also installed in the Staff NCO Club. Construction and sand bagging of the west ASRT bunker in preparation for system AN/TPQ-10 RCDC (system B-1) was continuing at the month's end.

(U) 15. Motor Transport. The Motor Transport Section hauled seventy-eight tons of cargo; one thousand six hundred gallons of POL; three hundred thousand gallons of water; two thousand six hundred and forty-three passengers, and the section logged a total of eight thousand six hundred and seventy-eight miles to support Squadron operations. To maintain high standards of performance twelve quarterlies and four annual PM's were completed on schedule.

(U) 16. Informational Service. Regular news releases, totaling fifty-one were sent to hometown newspapers during July.

(U) 17. Casualties. None.

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~~"CONFIDENTIAL"~~(U) 18. Awards.

The following were promoted during July:

To First Lieutenant:	B. B. McCLAIN
To Sergeant:	W. G. KELLEY
To Corporal:	R. W. HARRIS T. S. MARKHAM T. L. McARTHUR
To Lance Corporal:	C. E. DENARD R. W. GOERY D. M. HOPKINS D. M. KOVANDA R. J. LePAGE B. D. MILLER J. J. O'BRIEN G. S. SVETKOVICH L. WILLIAMS
To Private First Class:	R. W. CANALES

The following received Meritorious Masts:

Sgt R. J. SINNOTT
Sgt S. F. CARR
Cpl C. GALATE

The following received Letters of Appreciation:

Cpl A. M. ALVARADO
Cpl T. C. PARISH

The following were recommended for awards:

Maj C. R. KEITH	Bronze Star
1stLt R. W. GORE	Navy Commendation Medal
1stLt J. F. RHODES	Navy Commendation Medal
GySgt G. C. BEYMER	Navy Commendation Medal
SSgt R. G. FONTAINE	Navy Commendation Medal
SSgt L. A. BABB	Navy Commendation Medal
Cpl A. W. DANGLEMAIER	Navy Achievement Medal
Cpl J. M. FLAHERTY	Navy Achievement Medal
Cpl C. B. MAHONEY	Navy Achievement Medal
1stLt W. F. ATWATER	Purple Heart Medal
LCpl A. BARRIENTES	Purple Heart Medal
Sgt G. B. MURRAY	Certificate of Commendation
LCpl B. L. SCOTT	Certificate of Commendation

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(U) 19. Morale and Welfare. Transportation was provided to and from China Beach each Sunday. In addition, four floor shows were presented in the Staff NCO Club, and three shows were presented at the Enlisted Club. Movies were shown nightly at both clubs. Squadron parties were held at China Beach on 7 and 8 July.

MASS-3 provided the following R & R quotas:

Sidney	5
Hawaii	4
Okinawa	1
Bangkok	1
Taipei	1

The following RCM flight quotas were provided:

Ubon	10
Korat	3
Udorn	2
Hong Kong	1

(U) 20. Air Defense. N/A

(C) 21. Base Development and Military Construction. Mentioned previously.

(C) 22. The operational statistics for the month of July 1970 include:

A. DA NANG DASC

<u>DA NANG DASC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fixed Wing Missions	982	10	34	16	1042
Helo Missions	1082	0	0	0	1082
MEDEVACS	722	0	0	0	722

B. ASRT 1-31 July 1970 Inclusive (USMC)

	<u>A 1</u>	<u>A 8</u>	<u>A 11</u>	<u>B 1</u>	<u>B 2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>AN HOA</u>	<u>QUANG TRI</u>	<u>DA NANG</u>	<u>CHU LAI</u>	<u>BIRMINGHAM</u>	
Bombing Missions	59	75	44	113	108	399
Targets Hit	76	131	62	265	115	649
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	255.167	363.700	224.809	595.409	524.444	1,963.529
Sorties	60	77	56	122	118	433

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	<u>A 1</u> <u>AN HOA</u>	<u>A 8</u> <u>QUANG TRI</u>	<u>A 11</u> <u>DA NANG</u>	<u>B 1</u> <u>CHU LAI</u>	<u>B 2</u> <u>BIRMINGHAM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Bombing Missions	0	16	2	3	26	47
Targets Hit	0	23	2	4	26	55
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	0	63.504	8.086	12.622	107.232	191.444
Sorties	0	30	3	8	54	95

D. ASRT 1-31 July 1970 Inclusive (USAF)

Bombing Missions	3	20	3	5	32	63
Targets Hit	3	19	4	5	32	63
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	8.384	66.862	9.205	13.150	93.662	191.263
Sorties	2	21	3	7	32	65

E. ASRT 1-31 July 1970 Inclusive (VNAF). None.F. ASRT 1-31 July 1970 Inclusive (RAAF). None.G. ASRT 1-31 July 1970 Inclusive (Totals)

Bombing Missions	62	111	49	121	166	509
Targets Hit	79	173	68	274	173	767
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	263.551	494.066	242.300	621.181	725.338	2,346.436
Sorties	62	128	62	137	204	593

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	<u>A 1</u> <u>AN HOA</u>	<u>A 8</u> <u>QUANG TRI</u>	<u>A 11</u> <u>DA NANG</u>	<u>A 14</u> <u>DA NANG</u>	<u>B 1</u> <u>CHU LAI</u>	<u>B 2</u> <u>BIRMINGHAM</u>
Hours In July	501*	705	724	10	727	728
Since Rehab	22,016	16,349	12,903	1,455	N/A	N/A
Total Hours	34,349	23,774	17,500	UNK	5,482	5,020

*A 1 stand down was 22 July 1970.

During the month of July 1970 MASS-3 participated in the following operations:

<u>Operation</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Texas Star	Birmingham ASRT
Geneva Park	Chu Lai ASRT
Nantucket Beach	Chu Lai ASRT
Iron Mountain	Chu Lai ASRT
Frederick Hill	Chu Lai ASRT
Green River	Quang Tri ASRT
Eagle Mountain	Quang Tri ASRT

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PART IV - SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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MASS-3 (REIN) C.P.-HILL 327 - JULY 1970

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CHU LAI ASRT - JULY 1970

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BIRMINGHAM ASRT - JULY 1970

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BIRMINGHAM ASRT - JULY 1970

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QUANG TRI ASRT - JULY 1970

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QUANG TRI ASRT - JULY 1970

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3. Average monthly strength of Squadron:

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4. a. On 3 June, 1970, Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE, CO of MACG-18 visited the Da Nang DASC; Col L. T. ERICKSON, 1st MAW Wing Inspector, visited the Quang Tri and Birmingham ASRT's.

b. On 8 June, 1970, Col N. E. HEFFERMAN, G-3 of III MAF visited the Quang Tri ASRT.

c. On 10 June, 1970, Col L. T. ERICKSON visited the Quang Tri ASRT.

d. On 12 June, 1970, BGen R. F. CONLEY, the incoming Assistant Wing Commander, visited the Da Nang DASC.

e. On 16 June, 1970, BGen R. F. CONLEY visited Hill 327.

f. On 17 June, 1970, Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE visited Hill 327.

g. On 18 June, 1970, Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE visited the Da Nang DASC.

h. On 19 June, 1970, BGen R. F. CONLEY visited the Birmingham and Quang Tri ASRT's; Col HOLMAN, the 1st MAR DIV Staff Judge Advocate, visited the Da Nang DASC.

i. On 20 June, 1970, Col R. W. TELLER, 1st MAW Chief of Staff, visited Hill 327.

j. On 24 June, 1970, Col J. R. SLOAN, incoming 1st MAW Chief of Staff, visited the Da Nang DASC; Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE and Col C. T. WESCOTT, incoming CO of MACG-18, visited the Birmingham and Quang Tri ASRT's.

k. On 25 June, 1970, Col J. R. SLOAN, Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE and Col C. T. WESCOTT visited the MASS-3 CP on Hill 327 and the Da Nang ASRT. Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE and Col C. T. WESCOTT visited the Da Nang DASC.

l. On 27 June, 1970, BGen W. F. DOEHLER and BGEN E. H. SIMMONS, outgoing and incoming 1st MAR DIV Assistant Division Commanders, visited the Birmingham ASRT; MGen C. F. WIDDECKE, 1st MAR DIV Commander, and Col F. H. WALDROP, 1st MAR DIV G-3, visited the Da Nang DASC.

m. On 29 June, 1970, MGen A. J. ARMSTRONG, CG of the 1st MAW, and BGen R. F. CONLEY visited Hill 327. Col S. G. DUNWIDDIE visited the Chu Lai and An Hoa ASRT's and Baldy HDC.

n. On 30 June, 1970, Col C. H. LUDDEN, incoming G-3 of III MAF, visited the Da Nang DASC.

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of June MASS-3 continued to effectively operate a DASC, an HDC and five ASRT's and began installation of a sixth AN/TPQ-10 in a newly constructed bunker on Hill 327. The Squadron provided control and coordination for fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft in support of operations in I Corps. Squadron ASRT's supported Operations Texas Star, Nantucket Beach, Frederick Hill, Geneva Park, Iron Mountain, Green River and the 1st ARVN Lam Son 355, 356, 359 and 360. The DASC coordinated emergency extractions of twenty-three Reconnaissance Battalion Teams. The DASC also coordinated massive napalm drops in Operation "Thrashlight" near Thuong Duc. Distinguished visitors inspected various MASS-3 units on twenty different occasions. MASS-3 welcomed aboard Maj G. S. PRESCOTT as the new Operations Officer. Maj C. M. McCAIN replaced Maj J. J. McNAMARA as OIC of the Da Nang DASC. The arrival of six magnetrons for the AN/TPQ-10 radars significantly augmented the Squadron's capability of replacing this vital component. Utilities has augmented their training program for maintaining engineer equipment and has also developed an effective maintenance contact team for the ASRT's. The Motor Transport Section hauled 385,000 gallons of water in June to provide a reliable supply of potable water.

PART III

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

(U) 1. Administration. None.

(C) 2. Personnel. Maj G. S. PRESCOTT joined MASS-3 from HQ BN HQMC, and Capt J. K. WETTER joined the Squadron from MATCU-74; MABS-56; MAG-56; MCAS El Toro. Capt H. E. GREENAWALT and Capt J. A. SPINKS III both joined the Squadron from H&HS-18; MACG-18. 2ndLt C. H. HULLINGER joined from MWCS-1; MHHG-1; 1st MAW.

(C) 3. Command Relationships / Command Control. During June, MASS-3 personnel gave orientation briefings pertaining to Squadron operations to MGen A. J. ARMSTRONG, 1st MAW Commander; BGen R. F. CONLEY, Assistant 1st MAW Commander; BGen E. H. SIMMONS and BGen W. F. DOEHLER, the new and old 1st MAR DIV Assistant Division Commanders, and Col J. R. SLOAN, 1st MAW Chief of Staff.

(C) 4. Air Control. MASS-3 continued to maintain five Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT's), a Direct Air Support Center (DASC) and a Helicopter Direction Center (HDC).

(C) 5. Special Operations. On 7 June, 1970, the Da Nang coordinated a large napalm drop west of Thuong Duc in an operation nicknamed "Thrashlight". Ninety-six CH-53 sorties, twenty-four F4 and A4 sorties and fourteen A6A sorties dropped a total of two thousand 55 gallon drums of napalm. On 16 June, 1970, the DASC coordinated another "Thrashlight" west of Thuong Duc. The DASC also coordinated the emergency extraction of reconnaissance teams including: "Cherry Jam" (twice), "Delivery Boy", "Fig Newton", "Ip-switch", "Chili Pepper", "Flaky Snow" (twice), "Forefather", "Pickwick Papers", "Swampland", "Terrapin", "Elfskin", "Policy Game", "Pony Boy", "Head Cold" (twice), "Adult Group", "Lynch Law" (twice) and "Date Palm". The DASC's efforts in extracting "Pony Boy" on 21 June were highly commended by Col J. R. SLOAN, 1st MAW Chief of Staff. On 9 June the DASC coordinated the successful recovery operation of Cattlecall 16, mission number 41 medevac lead, which was shot down south of LZ Ross. The DASC also met and completed 92% of the 1st MAR DIV's requests for helicopter missions: 632 completions out of 697 requests.

1stLt F. E. LEWIS reported that the Quang Tri ASRT received an observed BDA of five destroyed bunkers, five secondary fires and four secondary explosions. Quang Tri's missions have been in support of Operations Green River, Texas Star and the 1st ARVN Lam Son 355, 356, 359 and 360.

1stLt S. V. KIRK reported that the Birmingham ASRT missions in support of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Mobile) are also in support of Operation Texas Star.

Capt C. D. GALLAN reported that the Chu Lai ASRT supported Operations Nantucket Beach, Frederick Hill, Geneva Park and Iron Mountain.

(U) 6. Civic Action. The MASS-3 Civic Action program during the month of June was limited to liaison with the MACG-18 Civic Action Team and its operations.

(c) 7. Ground Defense. Improvements were made on bunkers and fighting positions. Approximately one thousand meters of wire was installed to improve the security of about three hundred meters of the perimeter.

(U) 8. Training. Four hours of general military subjects training were presented covering personal response, organization of the 1st MAW, map-reading, and civic action. MACG-18 personnel gave a lecture on drug abuse attended by sixty-one people. Forty-three people attended the GMS classes.

(C) 9. Logistics. The Squadron Services Section gave logistical support for five ASRT's, the DASC, an HDC and the CP on Hill 327. Supplies and material were provided in a manner which insured reliable execution of all operations. Helicopter support from MAG-16 afforded rapid replacement of vital electrical generators, air conditioners, electronic spare parts, while expediting administrative support for the ASRT's. On one occasion a CH-47 helicopter from the U. S. Army, 101st Airborne Division, transported generators to and from the Birmingham and Quang Tri ASRT's. The logistical highlight was the arrival of six magnetrons for the AN/TPQ-10 radars which will help to insure maximum availability for the ASRT's.

(U) 10. Supply. The Squadron Supply Section processed 494 formal requisitions and filled 655 orders from stock. Due to proper planning and sound management, at the end of FY 70, the Squadron accounts had no overexpenditures and minimal remaining funds. The priority distributions during June were well within accepted standards and reflect excellent management:

PRIORITY	PERCENTAGE
02	5%
05	6%
12	15%
17	74%

(U) 1. Engineering. The Engineering Equipment Section provided reliable tactical power to the Squadron. The Utilities Section has established a program for training generator operators, and eight generator operators have been trained so far. A generator maintenance contact team has been organized to provide technical assistance for repairing generators at the ASRT's. The Generator Section continued a vigorous program of evacuating equipment to higher echelons for maintenance. The contact team from FLC made numerous visits to Hill 327 to give technical assistance on the PU-719 and PU-648 generators. The team's visits resulted in the completion of eight work orders and in much needed technical training to section personnel. A commercial 400 HZ power converter was damaged during a power failure, but another unit was soon provided to the Squadron on temporary loan. Also, instruction concerning the installation of the air conditioner for the RCDC vans was given to the ASRT teams.

(U) 12. Maintenance. The arrival of additional mechanics in the Motor Transport section will improve the already adequate support the section has given the Squadron in the past. The timely repair of water trucks and light vehicles for administrative support contributed greatly to the effectiveness of the Squadron.

(C) 13. Communications/Electronics. Items of electronic equipment repaired by C & E personnel include the AN/FPS-6, seven pieces of test equipment,

one AN/TPQ-10 major unit and eleven subassemblies. C & E received and made operational a Communications Central, AN/TSC-15 which had been repaired and modified. C & E also received and made operational the Electronic Maintenance Shop, AN/GRM-98. The S-455/TP Radome was erected for another Da Nang ASRT. A sufficient number of 10 db isolators was delivered, and now all ASRT's have new isolators. One Test Set, AN/UPM-32 was also received. Delivery to the Squadron of AN/TPQ-10 maintenance float items has enabled C & E to consolidate all TPQ-10 float items in one place, and facilitate expeditious delivery of needed replacement items. The Squadron AN/UPS-1C was set up as a static display for the recent MACG-18 Change of Command Ceremony on 27 June 1970.

(U) 14. Construction. The Utilities Section, with the help of working parties from Security and under the supervision of GySgt JAMES, H&HS-18 Utilities Chief, constructed a reinforced timbered bunker, including a concrete deck. The bunker, situated on Hill 327, will house an ASRT RCDC van and provide crew spaces for sustained operations. Construction of the bunker, including sand bagging, was continuing at the month's end. The Utilities Section built a retaining wall against the hill in their office area, and, with a Euclid 7231 (scooploader) borrowed from H&HS-18, Utilities also filled in their working space to increase the parking area for generators. Minor construction included pouring concrete pads for erecting a radar antenna shelter, screening portions of the mess hall and installing outside lighting. Utilities erected a new set of fuel stands and moved the diesel and gasoline fueling point to enhance operations. Utilities also disassembled the old sick bay and gave it to the MACG-18 Civic Action Program.

(U) 15. Motor Transport. The Motor Transport Section continued its huge task of supplying Hill 327 with water. In the month of June alone the section hauled 385,000 gallons of potable water to the top of the hill. In addition it hauled fifty tons of cargo, delivered 3500 gallons of POL, transported 3670 passengers, and drove a total of 9226 miles to support Squadron operations. Assistance in supplying the hill with water was given by tankers provided by H&HS-18 and WERS-17.

(U) 16. Informational Service. Regular news releases, totaling thirty-six, were sent to home town newspapers during this month.

(U) 17. Casualties. None.

(U) 18. Awards. The following men received awards for personal recognition:

Capt W. D. KEITH	1-14 Air Medals
Cpl M. L. BEARD	Good Conduct
Cpl A. W. DANGELMAIER	Good Conduct
Cpl P. A. KNOCK	Good Conduct
Cpl W. D. McCELLAND, Jr.	Good Conduct

The Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation Gallantry Cross, with Palm has been awarded to all personnel who had been in III MAF between 8 March 1965 and 20 September 1969. Many MASS-3 personnel will qualify on the basis of previous tours with III MAF.

The following were recommended for awards:

Maj J. J. McNAMARA	Bronze Star
Maj P. K. FARMER, Jr.	Navy Commendation Medal
Capt R. L. POLLARD, Jr.	Navy Commendation Medal
1stLt A. E. PELHAN	Navy Commendation Medal
CySgt L. W. BROWN	Navy Commendation Medal
1stLt R. E. McCORMACK	Navy Achievement Medal
CWO 3 K. K. KELLER	Navy Achievement Medal
Sgt L. L. KLEIST	Navy Achievement Medal
Cpl K. F. BILYEU	Navy Achievement Medal
Cpl C. W. SALLES	Navy Achievement Medal
Cpl T. L. GOURLEY	Certificate of Commendation

The following were promoted during June:

To First Lieutenant:	J. A. CRAWFORD
To Staff Sergeant:	R. G. FONTAINE
To Sergeant:	C. J. BARNES
	M. P. BEBICH
	J. G. BOND
	L. L. KLEIST
	J. H. LANGSTON
	J. A. MARTIN
	J. W. SANDERS
	R. T. SINNOTT
	R. D. SMITH
	D. L. WOOD
	C. A. CLAYSON

(U) 19. Morale and Welfare. Transportation was provided to and from China Beach each Sunday. In addition, four floor shows were presented in the Staff NCO Club and three were presented at the Enlisted Club. Movies were shown nightly at both clubs.

MASS-3 provided the following R & R quotas:

Sidney	3
Bangkok	3
Hawaii	5
Manila	1
Taipei	3
Okinawa	1

The following RON flight quotas were provided:

Hong Kong	1
Udorn	3
Ubon	13

(U) 20. Air Defense. N/A

(C) 21. Base Development and Military Construction. Mentioned previously.

(C) 22. The operational statistics for the month of June 1970 include:

A. DA NANG DASC

<u>DA NANG DASC</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USAF</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fixed Wing Missions	999	8	45	32	1084
Helo Missions	1058	0	0	0	1058
MEDEVACS	859	0	0	0	859

B. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (USMC)

	<u>A 11</u> <u>DA NANG</u>	<u>A 1</u> <u>AN HOA</u>	<u>B 1</u> <u>CHU IAI</u>	<u>B 2</u> <u>BIRMINGHAM</u>	<u>A 8</u> <u>QUANG TRI</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Bombing Missions	42	65	81	56	45	289
Targets Hit	58	72	148	64	62	404
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	205.949	371.012	351.217	231.092	178.472	1,337.742
Sorties	51	73	81	65	52	322

C. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (USN)

Bombing Missions	3	3	2	34	59	101
Targets Hit	3	3	2	32	64	104
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	15.780	16.244	7.100	82.984	211.222	333.331
Sorties	5	7	4	68	116	200

D. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (USAF)

Bombing Missions	5	2	3	5	40	55
Targets Hit	5	2	7	5	41	60
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0

Ordnance Dropped	9.468	9.432	9.205	15.732	119.079	162.916
Sorties	5	3	3	6	42	59

E. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (VNAF)

Bombing Missions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Targets Hit	0	0	0	0	0	0
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sorties	0	0	0	0	0	0

F. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (RAAF)

Bombing Missions	0	0	0	10	0	1
Targets Hit	0	0	0	3	0	3
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	0	0	0	2.460	0	2.460
Sorties	0	0	0	1	0	1

G. ASRT 1-30 June 1970 Inclusive (Totals)

Bombing Missions	50	70	86	95	144	445
Targets Hit	63	77	157	101	167	565
Visual Targets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordnance Dropped	231.197	396.688	367.523	329.808	508.773	1,833.989
Sorties	61	83	88	139	210	581

H. ASRT Operating Hours as of 30 June 1970

	A 1	A 8	A 11	B 1	B 2	A 14
	An Hoa	Quang Tri	Da Nang	Chu Lai	Birmingham	Da Nang
Total Hours	33,848	23,069	16,776	4,757	4,292	UNK
Since Rehab Hours	21,515	15,644	12,179	N/A	N/A	1,445
Hours In June	714	711	702	716	708	8

During the month of June 1970 MASS-3 participated in the following operations:

<u>Operation</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Green River	Quang Tri ASRT
Texas Star	Quang Tri and Birmingham ASRT
Lam Son 355, 356, 359 and 360	Quang Tri ASRT
Nantucket Beach	Chu Lai ASRT
Frederick Hill	Chu Lai ASRT
Geneva Park	Chu Lai ASRT
Iron Mountain	Chu Lai ASRT