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Encl: √(1) MABS-11 Command Chronology

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 September 1970 to 30 September 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION
MABS-11

COMMANDER
Major Donald F. CROWE 1-30 September 1970

2. LOCATION
1-30 September 1970, DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major	C. F. DEFRIES	1-30Sep70
Administrative Officer	Capt	J. N. STEWART	1-30Sep70
Awards Officer	1stLt	M. L. KENT	1-30Sep70
Legal Officer	1stLt	M. L. COOK	1-30Sep70
Clubs Officer	1stLt	E. A. SAUNDERS	1-10Sep70
Ass't Clubs Officer	1stLt	J. F. MORAN	1-10Sep70
Clubs Officer	1stLt	K. M. JIMMERSON	11-30Sep70
Recovery Officer	WO1	R. C. NEWMAN	1-30Sep70
Motor Transport Officer	Capt	D. E. AMICK	1-30Sep70
Ass't Motor Transport O	WO1	V. E. BROWNING	1-30Sep70
Material Officer	1stLt	E. N. HOWELL III	1-30Sep70
Security Officer	1stLt	W. B. ZACKOWSKI	1-30Sep70
1st Platoon CMDR	1stLt	S. J. HUGHES	1-30Sep70
2nd Platoon CMDR	1stLt	M. L. KENT	1-30Sep70
3rd Platoon CMDR	1stLt	D. J. BOSSI	1-30Sep70
Communications Officer	1stLt	R. H. TODD	1-30Sep70
Base Services Officer	Capt	J. C. STIERS	1-30Sep70
Ass't Base Serv Officer	1stLt	C. L. RILEY	1-30Sep70
Ass't Base Serv Officer	1stLt	L. K. BURGESS	1-30Sep70
IRO Officer	Capt	D. E. SCHULTZ	1-30Sep70
Food Services Officer	Capt	D. E. SCHULTZ	1-30Sep70
Heavy Equipment Officer	1stLt	R. L. MAULDIN	1-30Sep70
Utilities Officer	1stLt	J. D. RUSSELL	1-30Sep70
TAFDS Officer	2ndLt	B. W. BODMER	1-30Sep70
Wing Fire Marshal	Capt	J. D. GUERIN	1-02Sep70
	Capt	R. SHERIDAN	15-30Sep70

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4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC		USN		ATTACHED	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
22	428	2	14	0	54

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. None

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Chronology

1 September 1970	Security provided 16 men for weekly MED-CAP and completed 200 meters of wire in MAG-11 living area. A shower, urinal and 75 feet of boardwalk were constructed at Security. Communications Radio section installed a base station for EOD and removed the PRC-25 and put in a AN/GRC-125 at Marine Air Freight.
2 September 1970	An F4-B Aircraft from VMFA-115 caught fire in the Southern Fuel Pits. Resultant Sparrow missile explosion resulted in the death of LCpl Rufo Santos San Nicolas 230 28 49 USMC, and two other USAF crash crew personnel. Injured were Captain James D. Guerin 09 68 37 USMC, Master Sergeant Delbert F. Bowman 117 09 42 USMC, and Corporal Gregory L. Theis 244 43 18 USMC of the MAG-11 Fire Department. Fueling operations were shut down at TAFDS Southern pits in preparation for soil stabilization projects.
9 September 1970	Memorial Services Conducted for the late LCpl Rufo Santos San Nicolas 230 28 49 USMC at the MAG-11 Fire Department.

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10 September 1970 — The Mess Hall transferred all embarkation boxes to permanent storage area behind MAG-11 theater. The Mess Hall served 51 Officers at the "Many Missions" Dinner. Soil stabilization complete at TAFDS southern pits. Utilities completed NCO Club Patio, completed the remodeling of Group CO's Office, and installed a television antenna in Group CO's hut. Mess Hall's total Rations by head count were 2161. During the period 6-12 September 1970, Security worked on posts # 7 and 14 in "C" area, and completed 50% of the bridge between posts 12 and 13 in "C" area. Motor Transport provided 10 Vehicles, including 6 tractor trailers for MAG-13 Chu Lai embarkation, and provided 3 tractor trailers and 9 6X6's for embarkation of 242. Communications Wire Section installed an extention in Ring Neck Briefing Room at Group. Direct Communication established between Combat Operation Central and Air Force Flight Control Agency at Monkey Mountain. Group Police built 460 feet of boardwalk in the Officers Billeting area and the MAG-11 Dispensary area.

15 September 1970 — Security removed 2 large bunkers for 1stMAW in the WERS-17 area. Utilities installed a drainage system outside the SNCO Mess.

21 September 1970 — Utilities installed a shower next to the old VMCJ-1 operations Office building, this building is presently occupied by Communications Section Personnel.

22 September 1970 — A concrete drainage ditch was poured around the concrete pad in front of the Mess Hall G. I. house, to prevent garbage and sour water from over flowing the ground. A Catapult Arresting Gear Fresnel Lens Service Unit Representive inspected the arresting gear at the 2000 ft. mark with satisfactory results. Recovery laid taxi way for C-130's (VMGR-152) at the old VMO Flight Line. Utilities constructed a fence through the Aviation Officer's living area from the old MWSG-17 living area.

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24 September 1970 Utilities completed screen door in Group Headquarters building, constructed and installed swing doors at Group Headquarters, built closet and paneled the Group CO's and Adjuant Office with mahogany. Throughout the month Utilities removed 45 air conditioners and installed 50. The section also reconstructed and rewired the Maintenance Control Office. The section installed cabinits, inlaid cutting board and shelfs in the Group CO's hut. MABS-11 Headquarters area was completely stained. Group Police continued police of MAG-11 Perimeter area 24-30 September 1970.

25 September 1970 Utilities erected new Squadron signs over the "A" Compound Gate.

26 September 1970 TAFDS moved their Office to the old VMO-2 area.

28 September 1970 Utilities with assistance from Recovery Personnel completed the MAG-11 PX roof. Utilities installed wheel light in Group CO's hut. The period 1-30 September 1970 Operations of Heavy Equipment hauled 998.55 tons of rock. They also hauled 1800 yards of sand to various job sites. Heavy Equipment operations section assisted H&MS-11 in retrieving a TA4-F downed Aircraft. The section committed 4 RT 6000 forklifts and 1 P&H crane with 3 operators to assist in embarkation of VMA-242.

2. Summary of Services Provided Air Group

a. Motor Transport

Vehicle requests filled	4,989
Miles Traveled	147,053
Passengers Carried	155,520
Cargo Carried (S/T)	14,239
Ordnance hauled (Tons)	6,250
Maintenance Completed	248
Vehicle Status	92%

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b. Fuel Delivered (Gallons)

Diesel	48,199
AvGas (115/145)	19,572
MoGas (80 Oct)	24,204
JP-4	228,230

c. Potable Water Delivered (Gallons) 347,200

d. Communications

Incoming Messages	4,863
Outgoing Messages	2,193
Switchboard Calls	7,000
Telephone Trouble Calls	141
Items Repaired	81

e. Aircraft Recovery

Arrestments this Month	413 (94 USAF)
Emergency Arrestments	13 (2 USAF)
Total Arrestments	25,144

f. Heavy Equipment

UNITS SUPPORTED

(1) H&MS-11 Bomb Dump
(2) H&MS-11 Power Plants (IMA)
(3) MAG-11 Group Supply and Marine Corps Property
(4) MABS-11 Recovery
(5) MABS-11 Security
(6) MAG-11 Exchange
(7) MABS-11 Material and Utilities
(8) MAG-11 Flightline with Sweeper and forklifts
(9) VMA-311
(10) VMFA-115
(11) Helo Staging
(12) Army PDO Yard
(13) 15th Aerial Port Squadron (USAF)
(14) Co. B, 361st, Signal Bn. (U. S. Army)
(15) 1stMP Bn.
(16) MACG-18

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

DATE	TYPE OF FIRE	LOCATION
2Sep70	A/C and Fuel	VMFA-115 Fuel Pits
8Sep70	Hootch	H&MS-17 Living Area
8Sep70	A/C Crash	11th Motors
12Sep70	Grass	1stMAW Rear Gate and Village
12Sep70	Grass	Utilities Lot, MAG-11 Compound
12Sep70	Dempster Dumpster	1stMAW Rear Gate
17Sep70	Grass	ASP-1 Back Gate
18Sep70	Head	VMO-2 Living Area
18Sep70	Head	VMA-242 Staff Living Area
22Sep70	Village	N. of Gate #12 on Hwy-#1 Near Div.
22Sep70	A-4 Collapsed Nose Gear	311 Flight Line
22Sep70	Electrical	VMGR-152 Living area
24Sep70	Village	Hwy-#1 West of Gate #12
24Sep70	Trash	Gate #12
25Sep70	Grass	Gunfighter Village
25Sep70	Storage Boxes	Gate #1-B Public Works

3. Personnel: During the period of this report, the unit joined (2) Officers and transferred (2). The Squadron also joined (54) Enlisted and transferred (60) for a net loss of (6) Enlisted.

The following Promotions were Effected

(a)	Private First Class	4
(b)	Lance Corporal	15
(c)	Corporal	31
(d)	Meritorious Sergeant	0

4. Training: The following correspondence courses were applied for:

(a)	Marine Corp Institute	0
(b)	U. S. Armed Forces Institute	7

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

No supporting documents maintained in this section

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