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MARINE AIRCRAFT

GROUP 12

CHU LAI REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

16 MAY 1965 - 30 APRIL 1969

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PART I

1. UNITS, COMMANDERS, AND STAFF BILLETSMARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12

Colonel T. H. NICHOLS 1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lieutenant Colonel Noah G. NEW 14 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69

ADJUTANT

Captain J. M. O'ROURKE Jr. 1 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69

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Lieutenant Colonel J. J. CAHILL 22 Jan 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-2

Major J. A. ROOKE 16 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-3Lieutenant Colonel R. L. CRITZ 1 Mar 69 - 10 Apr 69
Lieutenant Colonel P. K. GERMAN Jr. 11 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69S-4

Lieutenant Colonel D. A. KELLY 1 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69

MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 211COMMANDING OFFICER

Lieutenant Colonel E. T. GRAHAM Jr. 16 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major B. B. RUTHERFORD 16 Feb 69 - 30 Apr 69

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Captain J. O. BEEM 16 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

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Major N. L. DERICKSON	16 Feb 69 - 9 Apr 69
Major A. D. MILLER	10 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69

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First Lieutenant R. B. LAMBDIN	1 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69
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MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 223COMMANDING OFFICER

Major Leonard T. PRESTON	16 Oct 68 - 10 Apr 69
Lieutenant Colonel M. S. NEWBILL	11 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major Charles D. ROBINSON	26 Sep 68 - 10 Apr 69
Major Edward J. HEISE	11 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-1

First Lieutenant Larry G. SWENEA	22 Dec 68 - 19 Apr 69
Captain Gary E. REED	20 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-3

Major Richard S. ROBERTSON	22 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69
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First Lieutenant Peter D. WALTERS	1 Feb 69 - 30 Apr 69
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MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 311COMMANDING OFFICER

Lieutenant Colonel Charles O. HIETT	25 Sep 68 - 30 Apr 69
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major William H. SMITH	21 Nov 68 - 16 Apr 69
Lieutenant Colonel Thomas D. BROOKS	21 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69

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Major Richard L. UPCHURCH	15 Feb 69 - 30 Apr 69
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S-3

Major Lorin C. WALLACE Jr.

21 Nov 68 - 30 Apr 69

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First Lieutenant Charles F. DEPREKER

21 Oct 68 - 30 Apr 69

MARINE ALL WEATHER ATTACK SQUADRON 533COMMANDING OFFICER

Lieutenant Colonel George H. SHUTT Jr.

1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Major Fred R. JERRETT

11 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-1

Captain Nelson PALER

19 Feb 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-3

Major Allen R. EDENS

11 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-4

Captain Ray F. MILSAP

1 Nov 68 - 30 Apr 69

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 12COMMANDING OFFICER

Major Lawrence FURSTENBERG

9 Oct 68 - 30 Apr 69

S-1

CWO-2 C. M. NELSON

1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-3

Captain R. GNAZZO

1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

S-4

Major Miles E. MIXSON

1 Dec 68 - 30 Apr 69

MARINE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL UNIT 67OFFICER IN CHARGE

Major V. R. HUGHES

1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

HEADQUARTERS AND MAINTENANCE SQUADRON 12COMMANDING OFFICERLieutenant Colonel Clifford D. WARFIELD
Lieutenant Colonel John J. MCCARTHY29 Oct 68 - 9 Apr 69
10 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69EXECUTIVE OFFICERMajor William O. ROBERTS
Major Bobby H. FREEMAN1 Mar 69 - 19 Apr 69
20 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69S-1Major Martin C. BRUSH
First Lieutenant Larry G. SWINEA1 Mar 69 - 20 Apr 69
21 Apr 69 - 30 Apr 69FLIGHT OFFICER

Major John R. BEHM

1 Mar 69 - 30 Apr 69

MAINTENANCE OFFICER

Major Andrew G. MARUSHOK

7 Jan 69 - 30 Apr 69

2. MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12 CHU LAI AB, VIETNAM, RVN 16 MAY 65 - 30 APR 69.

3. Average Monthly Strength

	<u>USMC O</u>	<u>USMC ENL</u>	<u>USN O</u>	<u>USN ENL</u>
VMA-211	32	144	1	0
VMA-223	31	147	1	0
VMA-311	33	143	1	0
VMA(AW)-533	32	223	1	0
H&MS-12	61	457	1	0
MABS-12	23	503	3	25
MATCU-67	8	69	0	0

4. IMPORTANT VISITORS TO THIS COMMAND

a. 2 April 1969 - LTGEN L. W. WALT

LTGEN H. NICKERSON Jr.
MGEN G. J. QUILTER

22 April 1969 - LTGEN W. B. ROSSON (USA)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During April the MAG-12 Civic Action Team continued supporting local schools through scholarship contributions, construction materials and school books. MedCap teams treated over 1500 Vietnamese during April.
2. One A4E crashed and pilot KIA during April 1969. Direct enemy action.

PART III

1. PERSONNEL

During the month of April, MAG-12 joined 26 USMC Officers and 238 USMC Enlisted personnel and 1 USN Enlisted. Rotated during the month were 24 USMC Officers and 216 USMC Enlisted personnel.

Projected losses for the month of April 1969: 9 Officers and
198 Enlisted

2. AWARDS

	<u>RECOMMENDED</u>	<u>AWARDED</u>
Silver Star	1	4
Legion of Merit	1	6
Distinguished Flying Cross	30	3
Bronze Star	11	41
Air Medal	269	282
Single Mission Air Medal	0	1
Navy Commendation Medal	37	1
Purple Heart	7	14
Navy Achievement Medal	37	1
Navy, Marine Corps Medal	0	1

3. AIR OPERATIONS

a. MAG-12 flew 3001 sorties for a total of 3430.9 flight hours. Included were 2815 combat sorties which expended 5141.3 tons of ordnance for an average of 171 tons per day.

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b. Combat missions were flown in support of Free World Military Assistance Forces attached to the III Marine Amphibious Force, Seventh Air Force and ARVN Forces located in the I and II Corps Tactical Zone.

<u>OPERATION</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>FLIGHT HOURS</u>	<u>ORDNANCE (TONS)</u>
PURPLE MARTIN	243	323.8	473.9
MASS STRIKER	34	39.3	51.1
MAINE CRAG	99	142.9	208.9
KENTUCKY JUMPER	229	254.0	376.6
OKLAHOMA HILLS	124	142.3	271.0
VICTORY DRAGON	116	116.4	166.1

c. Take-offs and landings

	<u>A1</u>	<u>F4</u>	<u>A6</u>	<u>HELICO</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
West Rwy	5159	6377	2790	744	4472	19542
East Rwy	2	4	0	10598	3529	14127
X-Wing Rwy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5159	6377	2790	11344	8001	33671
May 65 - Apr 69	294343	118738	20265	311057	237292	981795

4. AIR CONTROL

a. <u>INSTRUMENT OPERATIONS TOTAL</u>	<u>APRIL</u>	<u>MAY 65 - APR 69</u>
Tactical Instrument Departures	452	35745
Radar Climbs	432	35134
Flight Following	188	3298
TACAN Approaches	54	8230
Radar Vectors	1117	53746
ADF	0	2

b. <u>RADAR APPROACHES</u>	<u>SURVEILLANCE</u>	<u>PRECISION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1-30 Apr 69 IFR	0	59	59
VFR	1	830	830
WO	0	47	47
TOTALS	1	936	937

5. LOGISTICS

a. MAG-12 expended the following ordnance during the month

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>TONS</u>
MK-81	574.6
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MK-82	3045.2
MK-84	187.5
MK-83	539.6
MK-77	456.7
FFAR (2.75)	2.6
FFAR (5.00)	45.8
ROCKEYE	31.7
OBU-24	226.4
MK-36	31.2
2CMM	1.7

6. CASUALTIES

a. 1stLt Ronald D. LAYTON 095583/7501 USMC, VMA-211 died of multiple and extreme injuries 041600H April 1969 when his A4E aircraft crashed after receiving enemy ground fire.

PART IV

1. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓ Appendix 1, VMA-211 } Filed
 ✓ Appendix 2, VMA-223 }
 ✓ Appendix 3, VMA-311 }
 ✓ Appendix 4, VMA(AW)-533 } Dep

✓ Appendix 5, H&MS-12 } Filed Dep
 ✓ Appendix 6, MABS-12 }
 ✓ Appendix 7, MAG-12 S-1

PART ONEORGANIZATION DATACOMMANDING OFFICER

COLONEL T. H. NICHOLS

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

LIEUTENANT COLONEL NOAH C. NEW

ADJUTANT

CAPTAIN J. M. OROURKE JR.

S-1

LIEUTENANT COLONEL J. J. CAHILL S-1
 2NDLT G. A. O'CONNELL S-1A
 MAJOR B. G. HALLIDAY LEGAL OFFICER
 CAPTAIN J. R. HAMMETT AWARDS OFFICER
 CAPTAIN J. M. MILLIGAN CAO 1-10Apr69
 CAPTAIN L. D. RUSSELL CAO 11-30Apr69
 CAPTAIN E. E. HASTINGS IRO

S-2

MAJOR J. A. ROOKE S-2
 CAPTAIN T. C. FLANAGAN S-2A

S-3

LIEUTENANT COLONEL R. L. CRITZ S-3 1-10Apr69
 LIEUTENANT COLONEL P. K. GERMAN S-3 11-30Apr69
 MAJOR W. D. BARNES S-3A
 MAJOR A. D. THOMPSON JR. WPNS/TRNGO 1-10Apr69
 CAPTAIN D. K. SCHNELL WPNS/TRNGO 11-30Apr69
 MAJOR B. M. GREELEY S-3 ODO 1-9Apr69
 MAJOR T. C. MCCLAY S-3 ODO
 CAPTAIN C. R. SAPPENFIELD S-3 ODO
 CAPTAIN T. L. HAMPTON S-3 ODO
 CAPTAIN T. W. CARTER S-3 ODO
 MAJOR D. E. BAKER NATOPS
 MAJOR D. T. SITES AVIATION SAFETY OFFICER 1-9Apr69
 MAJOR J. L. PYCIOR AVIATION SAFETY OFFICER 10-30Apr69

S-4

LIEUTENANT COLONEL D. A. KELLY S-4
 MAJOR G. F. BOEMERMAN S-4A
 MAJOR LENT J. W. JR. EMBARKO
 CAPTAIN R. J. STOCKING GROUND SAFETY OFFICER

LIEUTENANT COLONEL C. D. WARFIELD BASE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER 11-30Apr69
 CAPTAIN M. S. KELLEY FISCAL OFFICER
 CAPTAIN H. A. FRANZ ORDNANCE OFFICER
 MAJOR M. J. LENZINI 3M ANALYST

IMPORTANT VISITORS

2 Apr 69 LIEUTENANT GENERAL L. W. WALT FOR AWARDS PRESENTATION CEREMONY
 LIEUTENANT GENERAL H. NICKERSON JR. FOR AWARDS PRESENTATION CEREMONY
 MAJOR GENERAL C. J. QUILTER FOR AWARDS PRESENTATION CEREMONY
 22 Apr69 LIEUTENANT GENERAL W. B. ROSSON (USA) DEPUTY COMUSMACV FOR BRIEFING
 AND ORIENTATION

CASUALTIES

KILLED IN ACTION

1STLT RONALD D. LAYTON 095583/7501 USMC, VMA-211 DIED OF MULTIPLE AND
 EXTREME INJURIES 041600H APR69 WHEN HIS A4E AIRCRAFT CRASHED AFTER APPARENT
 LOSS OF CONTROL ON COMPLETION OF BOMBING RUN. SUSPECT ENEMY GROUND FIRE
 WHILE IN SUPPORT OF FIRST MARDIV OPERATIONS. BODY RECOVERED BY FIRST MED
 BN DANANG, POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION MADE BY 211 CO AND FLIGHT SURGEON.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL 1969, MAG-12 JOINED 26 OFFICERS, 238 USMC ENLISTED
 AND 1 USN ENLISTED. ROTATED FOR THE SAME MONTH WERE 24 OFFICERS AND 216
 USMC ENLISTED.

PROJECTED LOSSES OF MAY 1969: 29 OFFICERS
198 ENLISTED

AWARDS

THE FOLLOWING AWARDS WERE RECOMMENDED AND AWARDED DURING APRIL 1969:

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED</u>	<u>AWARDED</u>
SS	1	4
LofM	1	0
DFC	30	3
BS	11	41
AM (HEROIC)	0	1
AM (FLIGHT STRIKE)	269	282
NCM	37	1
PH	7	14
NAM	37	1
N/MCM	0	1

CIVIL AFFAIRS (SEE TAB B)

SPECIAL SERVICES (SEE TAB B)


L. T. PRESTON, JR.
MAJOR USMC
S-1 OFFICER