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1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with the provisions of reference (a).

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"COMMAND CHRONOLOGY REPORT"

PART I. Organizational Data

1. Designation

Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-13

Location

Chu-Lai, Vietnam

2. Period Covered

1-31 December 1968

3. Task Organization

Not Applicable

4. Commander and Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Edgar A. HOUSE	CO	LtCol	Major
Howard W. MEISSNER	MO	Major	Major
Kenneth E. COOK	Flt Ops Off	Capt	Capt
Austin O. GANDY	A/G Maint Off	Major	LtCol
Austin O. GANDY	Avionics Off	Major	LtCol
James O. DEASE	Material Off	WO	CWO-2
Walter K. HEHNER Jr.	Admin Off	Lt	1stLt
Dorris A. DUNCAN	Asst Maint Off	Capt	Capt
	Power Plants Off		
John MARLINO	Shoehorn Off	Capt	1stLt
David B. CARVER	Ground Supp Equip Off	Lt	1stLt
	Motor Transport Off		
Robert G. LATHROP	3M Off	Capt	Capt
Christian J. ECK Jr.	Aviator Equip Off	WO	Capt
Christian J. ECK Jr.	Aviation Ord Off	Capt	Capt
Kenneth E. COOK	Flight Line Off	Capt	Capt
Donald P. GARCIA	EOD Off	WO	CWO-2

5. Average Monthly Strength

a. Marine Officers

(1) Naval Aviators	12
(2) Naval Flight Officers	6
(3) Aviation Ground Officers	29

b. Naval Officers	0
c. Marine Enlisted	476
d. Naval Aviation Pilots	0
e. Naval Enlisted.	0

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1. Flight Operations with the C-117D were curtailed during the month of December 1968 due to aircraft not returning from PAR until 18 December. During the last half of December the Pilot Training Implementation Program was resumed and one (1) NATOPS check for Plane Commander and three (3) NATOPS checks for T2P designations were conducted and all were completed with a satisfactory grade.

2. A message was sent out requesting authorization for a service change to rewire the C-117D in order to install the ARC 101 radio equipment. An ARC 101 is presently on hand although not installed due to a lack of a harness, also on order.

3. During the month of December H&MS-13 Maintenance and Flight Line Crews assisted a visiting Navy F-8 aircraft off the attack carrier USS Intrepid which encountered a Utility/Hydraulic failure. Hydraulic pumps were replaced.

4. Avionics during the month of December completed construction on their new Conference room.

5. The Ordnance Section of H&MS-13 completed the Missile/Armament Section and it is operationally ready. The MER/TER Missile section Gun Pod and Line section are now one consolidated facility. MAG-13 Bomb Dump built up in excess of 15,000 tons of ordnance.

6. Seabees are building additional office and working spaces for the arrival of VMFA-334 in the H&MS-13 hanger.

PART III. Significant Events**a. Administration**

- (1) Percentage of Savings Bonds in effect - 91.6%
- (2) One Summary Court-Martial was awarded during the month of December 1968.
- (3) The following promotions were effected during the month of December 1968.

One to 2nd Lieutenant

Luther A. BOLENBARKER 0108015/3060

One to GySgt

Ernest D. HANNON 1413981/6511

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One to Sgt

Fay G. SANFORD 2188212/6243

Four to Cpl

Curtis R. FRIDAY III 2213735/6311
 Joseph R. FEUCHTENBERGER 2271177/6216
 James L. VITORT 2192400/6351
 Thomas W. DUNLAP 2211727/6216

Two to L/Cpl

Ove M. NORHEIM 2243133/6243
 Aaron D. WETTERLING 2312804/6318

6. AwardsAir Medals Earned

1 Col N. W. GOURLEY 025560
 1 Capt G. R. GRIGER 089026
 3 Capt I. F. HUNSAKER 094799
 1 GySgt F. B. STAATS 1383312

BRONZE STAR W/"V"

GySgt J. McCLUNG 1232579

NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL W/"V"

GySgt G. VROOMAN 1228526
 Cpl R. H. SETTLES 2188053
 1stLt W. HAMLIN 096865

NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL W/"V"

Sgt R. B. ALSTON 2117119
 L/Cpl R. W. FOSTER 2346476

PURPLE HEART

PFC C. E. SHELTON 2401394

(1) During this reporting period 8 Officers and 53 Enlisted were joined and 9 Officers and 53 Enlisted were transferred.

c. Air Operations**CONFIDENTIAL**

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(1) During the month of December 1968, H&MS-13 conducted 30 T&F sorties for 34.0 hours. Types of missions were visual reconnaissance, TPQ, TACA, Direct Air Support and Close Air Support. Ordnance expended amounted to 19.422 tons with a percentage rate of 97.4%. The squadron's G-117D conducted 36 sorties for 37.9 hours. Types of flights flown were administrative, training and logistic flights. The G-117D was Fraggged only once for a Combat Support Flare Mission and was not launched.

d. Training

(1) Technical Training is being conducted by all sections within H&MS-13.

(2) A vigorous program has been implemented by H&MS-13 to improve the fortification of bunkers in the living area.

(3) All personnel within H&MS-13 are still having their M-17 Field Protective Masks inspected on a monthly basis. It is planned that during the month of January 1969 a Gas Chamber exercise will be conducted using agents CS and CL. An NBC Lecture is also planned during this exercise.

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