

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 13  
Marine Aircraft Group 13  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF  
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for October 1968

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D

Encl: (1) MABS 13 Command Chronology for 1-31 October 1968

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON 13, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13  
 CHU LAI, RVN  
 PERIOD 1-31 OCTOBER 1968

PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. Commander and Staff

| <u>NAME</u>                     | <u>BILLET</u>           | <u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u> |           |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
|                                 |                         | <u>From</u>            | <u>To</u> |
| LtCol Charles V.V. SMILLIE, Jr. | Commanding Officer      | 12Jul68                | Present   |
| Maj Edward R. BAILEY            | Executive Officer       | 12Jul68                | Present   |
| CWO2 Daniel F. DOUGHERTY        | Administrative Officer  | 7Aug68                 | Present   |
| Capt Patrick H. MCKINNIS        | Base Operations Officer | 19Sep68                | Present   |
| Capt George E. FRANKLIN         | Base Services Officer   | 21Sep68                | Present   |
| SgtMaj Raymond E. STEWARD       | Sergeant Major          | 10Oct68                | Present   |

2. Task Organization and Date.

| <u>Organization</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Commanding Officer</u>       | <u>Date in Country</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| MABS 13             | Chu Lai, RVN    | LtCol Charles V.V. SMILLIE, Jr. | 4Apr68 Present         |

3. Average Monthly Strength

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| a. Naval Aviators  | 5   |
| b. Aviation Ground | 14  |
| c. Enlisted        | 454 |
| d. Total Average   | 473 |

4. Important Visitors. NonePART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Marine Air Base Squadron 13 continued its support of Marine Aircraft Group 13 and the Air Base at Chu Lai, RVN.

PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. 74 enlisted and four officers were joined while 44 enlisted and 2 (two) officers were transferred.

2. Administration. There were eight enlisted promoted during this period.

3. Awards. One Distinguished Flying Cross, one Bronze Star, and one Letter of Appreciation were awarded during this period.

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4. Casualties. One HM2 died of gun shot wound; non-hostile.
5. Morale. Morale remains at a high level.
6. Informational Services. 479 Fleet Home Town News Releases were submitted during this period.
7. Air Operations.
  - a. Launch and Recovery arrested a total of 1,017 aircraft of which 35 were declared emergencies. This brings the total cumulative number of arrestments, M-21 and E-28 Arresting Gear to 20,174.
8. Ground Defense. The Alert Platoons continued to muster daily. The Perimeter Platoon is still used on the perimeter at night.
9. Training. On the job training is continued in all sections. GMST and technical training programs are being implemented in all sections.
10. Logistics. TAFDS received 3,400,037 gallons and issued 3,408,513 gallons of JP-4 fuel while refueling 1,810 aircraft.
11. Motor Transport.
  - a. The Maintenance Section completed 141 work orders yielding 426 man hours of work.
  - b. Licensing Section conducted driver licensing school for 30 students and gave 29 road tests; issued 30 new licenses for motor vehicles; issued 23 Heavy Equipment licenses during this period.
  - c. Operations Section compiled the following statistics while traveling 84,702 miles:
    - Cargo Hauled - 1,336 Tons
    - Passengers Hauled - 16,136
    - Water Hauled - 154,000 Gallons
    - Total Runs - 2,284
  - d. Refuelers Section totaled 6,723 miles traveled in delivery of the following:
    - Fuel - 1,375,367 Gallons
    - Oil - 2,485 Gallons