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1. In accordance with reference (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby forwarded.

  
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MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, VIETNAM, MABS-16 1-31 OCTOBER 1967

PART ONE

Organization Data

1. LtCol Charles E. WYDNER Jr., Commanding Officer, 10Oct67
- LtCol Frederick M. KLEPPSATTEL Jr., Commanding Officer, 2-24Oct67
- LtCol Samuel J. FULTON, Awaiting Assignment, 22-24Oct67
- LtCol Edward R. MODZELEWSKI, Executive Officer, 1-31Oct67
- LtCol Joe G. WALKER, Base Operations Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Maj Casey R. NIX, Communication Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Maj David V. HOLLES, Ground Defense Officer, 1-20Oct67
- Capt William G. SEYMOUR, Assistant Base Operations Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Capt Bennet CHAPPEL, Clubs Officer, 1-9Oct67
- Capt Kenneth P. MOTT, Clubs Officer, 10-31Oct67
- Capt William EVERETT, Provost Marshall, 1-31Oct67
- Capt Richard L. PHILLIPS, Commanding Officer, Zulu Co., 1-31Oct67
- Capt Charles M. HAVICAN, Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 1-21Oct67
- Capt Gerald C. SMITH, PX Officer, 1-25Oct67
- Capt James T. MAGEE Jr., Awaiting Assignment, 26-31Oct67
- 1stLt Gary G. MEYERS, Aerology Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Ralph A. MILLTON, Motor Transport Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Charles R. WILEMAN, Ordnance Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Robert C. ANDERSON, Assistant Communication Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt George E. LENHART, Base Services Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Edward RICK III, Legal Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Cary C. SMITH, Awaiting Assignment, 31Oct67
- 1stLt Dale F. CORS, Assistant Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 2-21Oct67  
Clubs Officer, Phu Bai, 22-30Oct67
- 1stLt Michael L. SCHOTT, Assistant Base Operations Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt Delano C. WEATHERFORD, Industrial Relations Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 1stLt John B. GOGULSKI, Crash Crew Officer, 1-31Oct67
- 2ndLt James F. RAY, Assistant Communication Officer, 1-30Oct67
- 2ndLt Richard J. KERCH, Administration Officer, 1-31Oct67
- CWO-3 Charles H. DOWLING, Motor Transport Officer, Phu Bai, 1-29Oct67  
MT Maintenance Officer, Phu Bai, 30-31Oct67
- CWO-2 George E. WALKER, Camp Maintenance Officer, 1-29Oct67  
Assistant Aerology Officer, 30-31Oct67
- WO-1 Winfred B. HENSON, Maintenance Officer, 1-29Oct67  
Engineer Equipment Maint Officer, 30-31Oct67
- WO-1 Arthur W. BARKER Jr., Materiel Officer, 1-31Oct67
- WO-1 Jean B. HALL, Assistant Base Services Officer, 1-19Oct67
- WO-1 Ralph PALMER, Assistant Base Services Officer, 17-31Oct67
- LtCdr George E. HAROLDSON, Protestant Chaplain, 1-31Oct67
- Lt Dennis L. RANDALL, Group Medical Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Lt Dennis B. DIERENFIELD, Dental Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Lt Jay N. ROSENBERGER, Dental Officer, 1-31Oct67
- Lt Cecil D. HARPER, Catholic Chaplain, 1-16Oct67
- Lt John W. WISHARD, Catholic Chaplain, 1-31Oct67

2. Marine Officers - 25  
Navy Officers - 5

Marine Enlisted - 688  
Navy Enlisted - 37

PART TWO

Narrative Summary

1. This report covers the period 1-31 October 1967. During this period MABS-16 continued to support the facilities at Marble Mountain, Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe Sanh. Effective 18 October 1967, MABS-36 assumed administrative and logistical control of Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe Sanh. New construction and improvements are continually in progress at Marble Mountain Air Facility.

PART THREE

Significant Events

1. Personnel. Five Marine Officers, 88 Marine Enlisted and 3 Navy Enlisted were joined. Eight Marine Officers, 278 Marine Enlisted and 1 Navy Enlisted were dropped.

2. Awards. The following awards were presented:

- a. 27th Air Medal; Captain Edward RICK III, 092664, USMCR
- b. 22nd through 25th Air Medals; Captain Kenneth P. MOTT, 090211, USMCR
- c. 24th Air Medal; Captain William E. EVERETT, 079407, USMC
- d. 5th Air Medal; Lance Corporal Phillip L. JOHNSON, 2129659, USMC
- e. Navy Commendation Medal; HM3 Russell J. GIVLIANO, 6868017, USN
- f. Purple Heart; HM3 Joe W. COLLINS, 5904282, USN
- g. 3rd Good Conduct Medal; Staff Sergeant Robert D. GIBSON, 1837109, USMC
- h. Good Conduct Medal; Corporal Kenneth ORBES, 2030268, USMC

3. Civic Action. The Med-Cap held a total of 34 sick calls between the Stella Maris Dispensary, Stella Maris Orphanage and the W.E.C. Orphanage. The following number of patients were treated:

Men	114
Women	393
Children	1999
TOTAL	2506

4. Ground Defense. During the month of October at Marble Mountain Air Facility, additional bunkers and fighting holes were built and observation towers were under construction. At Phu Bai, Dong Ha and Khe

Sanh defense positions were constantly being worked on and improved. Enemy contacts were as follows:

MMAF	0
Phu Bai	0
Dong Ha	1
Khe Sanh	0

5. Supply/Materiel. On 31 October 1967, the accounts of MATCU-62 and MATCU-68 were transferred to MAG-36. Many invoices were cut during the month transferring equipment to MAG-36.

6. Motor Transport. During the month of October the Marble Mountain Air Facility Motor Transport Section traveled 87,128 miles, hauled 1,247,000 gallons of water, 22,800 gallons of MOGAS, 58,500 gallons of diesel fuel, 4,888 gallons of A/C oil, 100,019 gallons of JP-4 fuel, 2,097 short tons of cargo and transported 52,905 passengers.

7. TAFDS. During the month of October 1967, this section issued the following amounts of fuel:

	<u>115/115</u>	<u>JP-4</u>
MMAF	247,552 gal	564,510 gal
Dong Ha	* 96,516 gal	116,601 gal
Phu Bai	*119,596 gal	330,971 gal
TOTAL	<u>463,664 gal</u>	<u>1,012,082 gal</u>

\* Totals for Dong Ha and Phu Bai are for the period 1-18 October. For accounting purposes, MAG-36 assumed control of those bases after 18 October 1967.

For accounting purposes, MAG-16 assumed control of An Hoa and the Republic of Korea (ROK) Command Post on 18 October 1967. Fuel receipts collected by MAG-36 through 18 October will be processed by MAG-36.

8. Base Operations. During the first half of October, the Operations Section continued supporting all Marine Aircraft Group 16 operations in the Phu Bai, Dong Ha, Khe Sanh, and Marble Mountain areas. On 18 October, Base Operations relinquished its supporting role of the Khe Sanh, Dong Ha, and Phu Bai airfields to MAG-36.

a. The MATCU-68 Detachment at MMAF recorded 2,499 fixed wing operations, 15,472 helicopter operations, and 66 IFR operations.

b. The Air Freight and Passenger Section loaded freight and passengers as follows:

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>FREIGHT IN POUNDS</u>	<u>PASSENGERS</u>
MMAF	404,082	1,983
Phu Bai	359,871	1,166
Dong Ha	61,781	<u>244</u>
TOTAL	825,734	3,393

c. The Crash Crew responded as follows:

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>AC STANDBYS</u>	<u>STRUCTURAL</u>	<u>MED-EVACS</u>	<u>AC FIRE</u>	<u>AC CRASH</u>
MMAF	25	1	0	2	0
Phu Bai	9	1	63	1	0
Dong Ha	3	1	0	0	1
Khe Sanh	2	0	11	0	1

d. The Weather Section continued supporting all MAG-16 aircraft operations in the Hue/Phu Bai, Dong Ha, Khe Sanh, An Hoa, and Marble Mountain areas.

e. The Photo Section processed a total of 34 work orders during the month. The section produced 250 finished prints and 86 contact sheets during the month.

#### 9. Food Services

a. MMAF. There were approximately 216,372 meals fed at the mess during the month of October. Bakery products utilized approximately 24,000 pounds of flour.

b. Phu Bai. There were approximately 26,400 A-ration meals and 14,700 B-ration meals served at the Phu Bai Mess Hall.

c. Dong Ha. Hot meals are being provided for MAG-16 personnel at Dong Ha in the Ninth Marines messhall.

#### 10. Base Services/Utilities

a. Water Point. The Water Point personnel processed 1,479,000 gallons of water during the month of October. Of this, 137,000 gallons were non-potable.

b. Paint Shop. During the month of October, the Paint Shop personnel completed some twenty (20) projects. A total of seventy (70) signs were painted during the month.

c. Electric Shop. The Electric Shop personnel completed fifty-five (55) projects and numerous trouble calls during the month of October.

d. Plumbing Shop. The Plumbing Shop personnel completed twenty-eight (28) work requests and numerous trouble calls during the month of October.

e. Refrigeration Shop. Refrigeration personnel answered twelve (12) work assignments during the month of October.

f. Generator Shop. During the month of October, the Generator Shop personnel performed all first and second echelon maintenance with a minimum amount of breakdown.

g. Carpenter Shop. During the month of October, the Carpenter Shop personnel completed fifty-one (51) trouble calls and work assignments.

h. Laundry. During the month of October, the Base Laundry processed 25,050 pounds of clothing and collected organizational gear to turn over to the civilian laundry service.

12. Exchange. During the month of October, the exchange sales were \$63,217.60. Sales for James S. Lee were \$2,410.25. Sales for Saehon Photo Service were \$1,546.85. Kim Young Portrait Sales were \$36.00.

13. Ordnance. During the month of October, MABS-16 Ordnance Section issued 519,396 rounds of small arms ammunition, 6,240 rounds of 2.75" White Phosphorus and high explosive rockets, and over two tons of assorted chemical and smoke agents.

Documentation: None