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HEADQUARTERS AND MAINTENANCE SQUADRON 17
Marine Wing Support Group 17
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO, San Francisco 96602

3A:GWG:rem
5750
4 June 1969

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Group 17 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Monthly Command Chronology

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1_
(b) WgO 5750.1_

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the following report is submitted for May 1969.

G. W. GERAGHTY
By direction

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Operations Officer

HMMS - 17

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May 1969

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## PART ONE

### I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17.

| NAME | RANK | T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT | INCLUSIVE DATES |
|---|---|---|---|
| COSTELLO, F. P. Jr. | LTCOL | Commanding Officer | 1-31 May 1969 |
| DANIELS, C. E. Jr. | MAJOR | Executive Officer | 1-31 May 1969 |
| BARBER, R. W. | MAJOR | Operations Officer | 1-24 May 1969 |
| GERAGHTY, G. W. | MAJOR | Operations Officer | 24-31 May 1969 |
| GOODALL, G. M. | 1stLt. | Material Officer | 1-31 May 1969 |

2. Task Organization and Unit Location.

| ORGANIZATION | LOCATION | INCLUSIVE DATES |
|---|---|---|
| Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17 | DaNang AB, RVN | 1-31 May 1969 |

3. Average Strength for Month.

OFFICER: 44
ENLISTED: 653

4. Important Visitors.

None.



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PART TWO

II. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

1. Operations.

| | |
|---|---|
| a. Total Flight Hours. | 407.1 |
| b. Total Passengers. | 619 |
| c. Total Cargo Tons. | 9.7 |
| d. Total Flares Dropped. | 2053 |
| e. Total Missions Completed. | 123 |

2. Administration.

| | |
|---|---|
| a. Officers Joined. | 1 |
| b. Officers Dropped. | 7 |
| c. Enlisted Joined. | 39 |
| d. Enlisted Dropped. | 73 |
| e. Total Promotions. | 92 |

3. Aircraft Maintenance.

a. Number and Type Aircraft:

2 C-117D
3 US-2B
3 C-1A

4. Photographic Section.

| | |
|---|---|
| a. Work Requests Completed. | 180 |
| b. Black and White Negatives Processed. | 823 |
| c. Black and White Prints.Processed. | 3812 |
| d. Color Transparancies Processed. | 260 |
| e. Color Motion Footage Processed. | 2000 |



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PART THREE

III. NARRATIVE.

1. Training.

There were 1232 man hours of GMS training accomplished during the reporting period.

2. Awards.

There were 6 Air Medals, 17 Good Conduct Awards, 4 Navy Commendation Medals, 1 Distinguished Flying Cross, 1 Navy Achievement Medal and 4 Combat Action Ribbons awarded during the reporting period.

3. Morale and Welfare.

Special 30 Day Leave was approved for 12 while 39 others went on R&R trips. Non-judicial punishment was given to 19 people while 2 others were awarded Special Court Martials.

4. Aircraft Maintenance.

During the reporting period two C-117D aircraft were on hand and a 82.7% availability was maintained while flying 228.6 hours.

The three C-1A aircraft maintained a 71.0% availability while flying 61.3 hours.

The three US-2B aircraft maintained a 40.6% availability while flying 117.2 hours.

5. Photo Lab.

The photographic section had 100.0% of it's motion picture production sent to Headquarters Marine Corps.



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IV. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS.

Administrative Section Report

Photographic Section Report



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HEADQUARTERS AND MAINTENANCE SQUADRON 17
Marine Wing Support Group 17
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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5740
3 June 1969

From: Commanding Officer
To: Operations Officer, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17

Subj: Command Chronology Report

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following report is submitted:

a. Officers Joined: 1
b. Officers Dropped: 7
c. Enlisted Joined: 39
d. Enlisted Dropped: 73
e. Overseas extensions approved: 14
f. Men promoted to First Lieutenant: 0
g. Men promoted to Gunnery Sergeant: 0
h. Men promoted to Staff Sergeant: 1
i. Men promoted to Sergeant: 5
j. Men promoted to Corporal: 84
k. Men promoted to Lance Corporal: 2
l. Men sent on 30 days Special Leave: 12
m. Men sent on R&R: 39
n. Men awarded NJP: 19
o. Men awarded Special Court: 2
p. The following Medals were awarded:

Air Medals: 6
Good Conduct Award: 17
Navy Commendation Medal: 4
Distinquished Flying Cross: 1
Navy Achievement Medal: 1
Combat Action Ribbon: 4

2. Average Strength for Month of May 1969:

| OFF | ENL |
|---|---|
| 44 | 653 |

R. L. Carpenter
R. L. CARPENTER
By direction

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

57/DML:wfr
5750
24 May 1969

MEMORANDUM

From: Photographic Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17

Subj: Command Chronology Report, submission of

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1d

Encl: ✓(1) Photographic Section Chronology Report

1. In accordance with reference (a) enclosure (1) is submitted.

Darrell M. Lowe
Darrell M. LOWE

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1. Wing/Group Photographic Section

2. Major Darrell M. LOWE , Officer-in-Charge 1-31 May 1969

3. Organization: Marine Wing Support Group-17, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17

4. Average strength: 1 Officer and 4 Enlisted

5. Significant events:

(a) All significant events during the month of May, within the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, were covered by photographers of this section.

(b) Highlights of photographic coverage:

(1) Civic Action

| | |
|---|---|
| (a) Marine Wing Headquarters Group-1 | 1 |
| (b) Marine Aircraft Control Group-18 | 1 |

(2) Change of Command Ceremonies

| | |
|---|---|
| (a) 11th Dental Company | 1 |

(3) Awards Presentations and Promotions

| | |
|---|---|
| (a) Marine Wing Headquarters Group-1 | 10 |
| (b) Marine Wing Support Group-17 | 12 |

| | |
|---|---|
| (4) Investigations: CID and Legal Dept. | 8 |
| (5) Accidents; Aircraft | 4 |

(6) Remaining photographic requests were operational in nature and routine in support of unit commnaders of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. Work units performed are broken down under units production report.

(7) Production Report

| | Work Units |
|---|---|
| Work requests | 180 |
| Black and White negatives processed | 823 |
| Black and White prints processed | 3812 |
| Color negatives processed | NONE |
| Color transparencies processed | 260 |
| Black and White motion pictures taken (in feet) | NONE |
| Black and White motion pictures forwarded HQMC (in feet) | NONE |
| Color motion pictures taken (in feet) | 2000 |
| Color motion pictures forwarded HQMC (in feet) | 2000 |

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(8) Percentage of photographic work produced

| | |
|---|---|
| (a) Still | 25% |
| Routine photo ( Operational and Progress) | 3% |
| Photo copy (Charts, etc.) | 3% |
| Accidents (Aircraft and Vehicle) | 25% |
| Identification ( ID, SRB, Passport, etc.) | 4% |
| Test and Evaluation (Equip. and Material) | 10% |
| Intelligence (Aerial and Ground, etc.) | 10% |
| Publicity and Public Information | 25% |
| Training | 5% |
| (b) Motion Pictures | |
| Photo report to HQMC | 100% |

ENCLOSURE (1)

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Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17
Marine Wing Support Group 17
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96602

4F:WJC:dek
2 June 1969

From: Officer In Charge, MWSG-17 Fire Department
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Group 17

Subj: Command Chronology Report, May 1969

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D

1. The Command Chronology Report required by reference (a) is submitted as enclosure (1).

W. J. CIPPERIX
Capt. USMC

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1. Organizational Data

a. MWSG-17 Fire Department

| RANK | NAME | T/O BILLET | INCLUSIVE DATES |
|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. | W.J. CIPPERLY | OIC/WING FIRE MARSHALL | 1-31 May 1969 |
| GySgt. | W.C. YOUNG | NCOIC/FIRE CHIEF | 1-18 May 1969 |
| GySgt. | E.E. MANGUM | Asst NCOIC/Asst FIRE CHIEF | 1-18 May 1969 |
| GySgt. | E.E. MANGUM | NCOIC/FIRE CHIEF | 19-31 May 1969 |

2. Task Organizational Assignment and Unit Location

| Organization | Location | Inclusive Dates |
|---|---|---|
| Marine Wing Support Group 17 Fire Department | Da Nang, RVN | 1-31 May 1969 |

3. Average Strength

| Organization | Officer | Enlisted |
|---|---|---|
| Marine Wing Support Group 17 Fire Department | 1 | 31 |

4. Important Visitors: None

PART II

Awards: Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V", Cpl. O.K. SMITH, Cpl. J.A.WOMACK, Cpl. R.D. CABE, and LCpl. T.E. FOLSKE

Technical Training

| Subject | No. Attending | Hour |
|---|---|---|
| MB-5 | 25 | 1 |
| Rescue Tools | 25 | 1 |
| Hose Lays and Care and Maintenance | 25 | 1 |
| F-10B | 25 | 1 |
| TA-4F | 25 | 1 |

Basic Training

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Civic Action | 25 | 1 |
| Vietnam Training Tips | 25 | 1 |
| Interior Guard | 25 | 1 |
| Individual Responsibilties | 25 | 1 |

Construction

(a) Building Storage Area
(b) Building Recreation Area
(c) Rebuilding Bunkers



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Fuel Spills and Washdowns

| | |
|---|---|
| WERS-17 | 0 |
| H&MS-17 | 1 |
| TAFDS | 2 |
| MAG-11 | |
| H&MS-11 | 0 |
| VMCJ-1 | 4 |
| VMA-242 | 4 |
| VMFA-225 | 0 |
| VMA-542 | 4 |
| VMGR-152 | 31 |
| VQ-1 | 5 |
| OTHERS | 18 |

Breakdown of Calls

| | |
|---|---|
| Fire at north-west side of field | 1 May |
| Fire at Gate #12 | 1 May |
| Fire at H&MS-17 Flight Line Shack | 2 May |
| Round went off at MAG-11 Bomb Dump | 3 May |
| Aircraft weel fire | 5 May |
| Aircraft crash on runway | 7 May |
| Bingo 6 called for mutual aid | 8 May |
| Control burning at VMGR-152 living area | 9 May |
| Fire at Public Works | 10 May |
| Fire at North-west POL at 1615 | 11 May |
| Fire at North-west POL at 1720 | 11 MAy |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0115 | 12 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0346 | 12 May |
| CH-46 Helocopter crash at Landing Zone 11 at 1920 | 12 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 1935 | 12 May |
| Fire at Navy POL at 2220 | 12 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0150 | 14 May |
| Fire in MAG-11 bomb dump at 1545 | 14 May |
| Fire in MAG-11 bomb dump at 1630 | 14 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump | 15 May |
| Bingo 6 called for mutual aid | 16 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0254 | 17 May |
| Fire at Tango Water Point | 17 May |
| DaNang Air Base under attack at 0125 | 18 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0156 | 18 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0253 | 18 May |
| Control burning at package POL | 18 May |
| Smoke in MAG-11 bomb dump | 19 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 2400 | 19 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0300 | 20 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0319 | 20 May |



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|---|---|
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0403 | 20 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0410 | 20 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0445 | 20 May |
| Fire at Gate 6 | 21 May |
| Fire at 1st FSR | 21 May |
| Control burning by MAG-11 "E" Club | 22 May |
| Fire by Wing Post Office | 22 May |
| Fire at MAG-11 bomb dump | 22 May |
| Fire by MWSG-17 45 Club | 22 May |
| Control burning by MAG-11 "E" Club | 23 May |
| Fire at MWSG-17 Supply area | 23 May |
| Fire at MAG-11 bomb dump | 23 May |
| Fire ar ASP-1 bomb dump | 23 May |
| Fire at north end of MAG-11 living area | 23 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump at 1450 | 24 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump at 1606 | 24 May |
| Fire at MAG-11 IRO | 24 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump at 1125 | 25 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump at 1504 | 25 May |
| Fire at MWSG-17 Sick Bay | 25 May |
| Da Nang Air Base under attack at 0100 | 28 May |
| Fire at ASP-1 bomb dump at 0330 | 28 May |
| Control burning by USO | 28 May |
| Fire at MWSG -17 Messhall | 30 May |

At approximately 1720 hours three 530C's and one MB-5 responded to Landing Zone #11 where one CH-46 had crashed. Upon arrival at the scene, I noticed approximately four (4) rows of barbwire between the equipment and the aircraft. The aircraft had 800 rounds of 30cal. ammunition aboard which was exploding in the fire. Total extinguishment was obtained by using 100gal. of Foam Concentrate, 140gal. Light Water and 3,700gal. of water.



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EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL SECTION
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron - 17
Marine Wing Support Group - 17
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

RJM:rdf
1 June 1969

From: Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer

To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Group - 17 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1D

Part I Organizational Data

1. Listing of Section Personnel

| NAME | RANK | T/O BILLET ASSIGNED | DATES |
|---|---|---|---|
| McMANUS, Raymond J. | 1stLt | OIC, EOD Section | 1-31 May 69 |
| FUQUA, Steve M. | 2ndLt | AOIC, EOD Section | 1-31 MAY 69 |
| TINNEY, Leon S. | MSGT | NCOIC, EOD Section | 13-31 May 69 |
| PACKLAR, Richard E. | SSGT | EOD Technician | 1-31 May 69 |
| MORGAN, Ralph F. | SSGT | EOD Technician | 1-31 May 69 |
| ABY, Harry C. | SGT | EOD Technician | 14-31 May 69 |
| SANTA CRUZ, Javier | SGT | EOD Technician | 1-31 May 69 |
| EDWARDS, Paul S. | SGT | EOD Technician | 1-31 May 69 |

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

| ORGANIZATION | LOCATION | INCLUSIVE DATES |
|---|---|---|
| Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section, H&MS-17, MWSG-17 | Da Nang, RVN | 1-31 May 1969 |

3. Average Strength

| ORGANIZATION | OFFICER | ENLISTED |
|---|---|---|
| Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section, H&MS-17, MWSG-17 | 2 | 6 |

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Part II Narrative Summary of Significant Highlights

1. During the month of May, this section responded to (205) calls. These calls were of a routine nature, ranging from picking up ordnance fallen off aircraft, to hydraulic failures, blown tires, and battle damage entered in the log as aircraft emergencies. Assisted Ground E.O.D. in cleaning up AGM's and calls in the surrounding areas.

2. This sections calls amounted to a total (11) tons of Bombs and (14.5) tons of Assorted Explosive Ordnance, such as Projectiles, Rockets, Mortars and Grenades, which some of was ChiCom and VC ordnance.

3. 1850-1900 2 May SSGT PACKLER and SSGT MORGAN answered Bomb scare at Bldg. 1466. Results (1) bottle of Bleach was removed.

4. 0345-0415 11 May SMSGT SCHWINCKERT and SSGT MORGAN checked out (2) 18omm hits.

5. 0130-0530 12 May Capt. McILNAY, 1stLt. McMANUS, SSGT BYRD went to "C" Battery 1st LAAMS on top of Hill 327. At 0200 Lt. McMANUS requested MED. EVAC. HELIO. to pick up (3) WIA, at 0530 they removed (1) KIA to 1st Med. BN. and returned to CP with (1) RPG-2 and (1) ChiCom Grenade.
0600-0800 2ndLt. FUQUA, SSGT PACKLER and SGT SANTA CRUZ went to "C" Battery 1st LAAMS and picked up (15) ChiCom Grenades,(1) Bangalore Torpedo (VC), (1) RPG-2.

6. 1800-2000 13 May 2ndLt. FUQUA and GYSGT MAINVILLE went to "C" Battery LAAMS. Checked a NVA Body for Booby Traps, negative results. Recovered (5) M-26 Grenades and (1) ChiCom Grenade.

7. 0205-0235 13 May SSGT MILLER and SGT SANTA CRUZ checked a house which took a direct hit from a 122mm Rocket.

8. 0300-0415 16 May SSGT LOGIC and SGT SANTA CRUZ checked impact holes in MAG 11 area and one on road by Navy Barracks. Could not confirm type of Rocket.

9. 0700-0900 27 May MSGT TINNEY and SSGT MORGAN checked out VIP Area for Secretary Of Navy.

Part III Significant Events

1. In accordance with MCO 3571.2A, technical training of 8 hours was held. Subjects included all types of conventional Ordnance both US and Foreign.

Part IV Supporting Documents

Appendix A: Copy of the Monthly Report to MACV STAFF MCO OFFICER (MACV Dir 75-1)

Raymond J. McManus

Raymond J. McManus

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EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL

MONTHLY REPORT

| TO: | FROM: |
|---|---|
| STAFF EOD OFFICER<br>HQ MAGV (COC-)<br>APO 96222 | EOD Officer<br>HMMS-17 MMBG-17<br>1st MAW<br>FPO S.F. Calif. 96602 |

FOR MONTH OF

MAY 1969

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS

205

NUMBER OF ITEMS OF US ORDNANCE

429

NUMBER OF ITEMS OF FOREIGN ORDNANCE

41

NUMBER OF FALSE ALARMS

57

NUMBER OF ROUNDS OF UNSERVICEABLE OR OBSOLETE AMMO DESTROYED

11 TONS of BOMBS
14.5 TONS of ASSORTED ORDNANCE

NUMBER OF ROUDS OF UNSERVICEABLE OR OBSOLETE SMALL ARMS AMMO DESTROYED

1,200

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