

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

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Group-17
Subj: Monthly Command Chronology

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.4
(b) GruO 5750.1D w/Change 1

Encl: √(1) Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17 Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 December 1969 to 31 December 1969

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA.

1. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17.

NAME	RANK	T/O BILLET ASSIGNMENT	INCLUSIVE DATES
LEWIS, S. P.	LtCol.	Commanding Officer	1-31 December 1969
TUCKER, R. W.	Major	Executive Officer	1-9 December 1969
McCAUGHAN, F. A.	Major	Executive Officer	10-31 December 1969
HOEKSTRA, J. R.	Major	Operations Officer	1-31 December 1969
WILLIAMS, A. W.	1/Lt.	Adjutant	1-31 December 1969
FORSYTH, J. E.	1st Sgt.	First Sergeant	1-31 December 1969

2. Task Organization and Unit Location.

ORGANIZATION	LOCATION	INCLUSIVE DATES
Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17	Danang RVN	1-31 December 1969

3. Average Strength for Month.

OFFICER: 34
ENLISTED: 673

4. Important Visitors.

British Naval Officers, Group Captain Michael J. R. SWINEY and British Air Attache Squadron Leader Stuart W. HOLMES visited the In-Country Calibration Complex during the reporting period.

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During the month of December the Squadron joined 4 Officers while dropping 3, and joined 74 Enlisted while dropping 71. There were 1580 hours of GMS Training accomplished.

Special 30 day leave was approved for 27 personnel. There were 2 overseas extensions approved and 50 personnel went on R and R trips. Non-judicial punishment was awarded to 16 personnel. There were 2 Air Medals and 3 Good Conduct Medals awarded during the month. There were 11 promotions to Sergeant, 3 to Corporal, and 8 to Lance Corporal.

The Aircraft Maintenance section maintained a 50.9% availability on three C-117D aircraft, while flying a total of 162.0 hours. Availability on three US-2B aircraft was 52.8%, while flying 165.3 hours.

Aircraft staging received a total of 19 aircraft and transferred a total of 13 aircraft. A total of 21 aircraft remained on hand at the end of the month.

The Photographic section completed 131 work requests consisting of 2230 Black and White Films processed, 184 Color Film processed, 6307 Black and White Prints processed, and 300 feet of Motion Picture processed.

The SOAP Lab was down during the month due to shortage of disc-electrodes. There were a total of 72 special oil samples analyzed and results forwarded to squadron concerned.

The In Country Calibration Complex inducted a total of 689 items, while 374 items were carried forward from the previous reporting period, giving a total of 1063 items. There were 757 of these items returned to custodian in a repaired calibrated status. A total of 306 items were carried forwarded, of which 63 are awaiting parts, 58 are awaiting maintenance, and 185 are at out of country labs. Visitors during the reporting period included British Naval Officer's Captain SWEENEY and Commander HOLMES.

The Operations section flew a total of 327.3 hours. There were a total of 983 passengers transported and a total of 7.6 cargo tons airlifted. A total of 123 flares were dropped. The total number of missions ran to 89.

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a. Total Flight Hours	<u>327.3</u>
b. Total Passengers	<u>983</u>
c. Total Cargo Tons	<u>7.6</u>
d. Total Flares Dropped	<u>123</u>
e. Total Missions Completed	<u>89</u>

2. Administration.

a. Officers Joined	<u>4</u>
b. Officers Dropped	<u>3</u>
c. Enlisted Joined	<u>74</u>
d. Enlisted Dropped	<u>71</u>
e. Total Promotions	<u>22</u>

3. Aircraft Maintenance.

a. Number and Type Aircraft

3 C-117D
3 US-2B

4. Photographic Section.

a. Work Requests	<u>131</u>
b. Film, Black and White Processed	<u>2230</u>
c. Film, Color Processed	<u>184</u>
d. Prints, Black and White Processed	<u>6307</u>
e. Motion Picture Forwarded to HQMC in feet	<u>300</u>

5. In Country Calibration Complex.

a. Items Inducted	<u>689</u>
b. Items Carried Forward From Previous Reporting Period	<u>374</u>
c. Total Workload	<u>1063</u>
d. Items Returned to Custodian	<u>757</u>
e. Items Awaiting Parts	<u>63</u>
f. Items Awaiting Maintenance	<u>58</u>
g. Items in Out of Country Labs	<u>185</u>

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IV. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

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

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1 Jan 1970

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From: Officer in Charge
To: Commanding Officer, MMSG-17 (Attn; S-3)
Subj: Command Chronology Report covering month of December 1969
Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1D
Encl: 1(1) Chronology Report

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

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<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>T/O Billet</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates</u>
Capt	W. L. BANGS	Wing Fire Marshal OIC, Fire Department	1-31 Dec 1969 "
SSgt	C. F. CAMPBELL	NCOIC/Fire Chief	"
SSgt	G. E. HORNE	Ass't NCOIC	"

2. Task Organization Assignment and Unit Location

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates</u>
MWSG-17 Fire Department	DA NANG AB, RVN	1-31 Dec 1969

3. Average Strength

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
1	29

4. Important Visitors: None.**PART II**

Awards: Commander, NSA 1tr 4020 Ser N456592 of 21Nov69: Commendatory on NSA NW POL Fire of 10Nov69 to Capt BANGS and MWSG-17 Fire Department for heroism.

Technical Training (Fire Fighter, MOS 8811)

<u>Subject</u>	<u>No. Attending</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Employment of Various Fire Nozzles.	16	1
Duties of Crew Chiefs and Fire Crewmembers.	19	1
Use of K-12 Rescue-saw.	16	1
Twin-Agent-Unit.	19	1

Basic Military Training

Motor Vehicle Accident Prevention.	19	1
Riot Control	21	1
Interior Guard	16	1
Nature of the Viet Cong.	20	1

Fuel Spills and Washdowns

MWSG-17	1	VMA(AW)-225	2	VMCJ-1	4
MABS-11	7	VMA(AW)-242	1	Others	7
VMGR-152	13	VMFA-542	6		

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location/Unit</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Agent</u>
1Dec	0909	H&MS-17 "4/5" Club. Electrical fire.	"C"	None.
2Dec	1326	ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning.	"A/B"	
6Dec	1350	NW POL & PW. Oil fire in swamp.	"B"	PKP & H2O
9Dec	1354 2100	ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning. VMFA-542 Enlisted "Hootch" Area.	"A/B" "A"	H2O
10Dec	1810	MABS-11 Enlisted Head. Heater fire.	"C"	
11Dec	0040	Rocket impact on USAF area.	"B/D"	Foam
12Dec	1930	1st MP. Water heater fire.	"B"	H2O
17Dec	1305	ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning.	"B"	
20Dec	0840	ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning.	"A/B"	
22Dec	0731 1407 1535	Gate #12. Navy bus on fire. TADC. Heater fire. ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning.	"B" "C" "A/B"	CO2
23Dec	0737 1000 2246	MWHG-1 Enlisted Head. Heater fire. ARVN Rifle Range. Controlled burning. VMA(AW)-225 Enlisted "Hootch". WP grenade explosion.	"B" "A/B" "A/B/D"	CO2 & H2O CO2, PKP, & H2O
24Dec	1930	Rocket Alert.		
25Dec	0137	Rocket Alert.		
26Dec	2024	Rocket Alert.		
27Dec	2315	MWHG-1 Enlisted Head. Heater fire.	"B"	CO2 & H2O
30Dec	1705	F4J with ordnance and hung ordnance landing on foamed runway.		
31Dec	0104 0145	Rocket Alert. Rocket Alert.		

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

EDD:rcm
 1 January 1970

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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

<u>Name</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>T/O BILLET Assigned</u>	<u>Dates</u>
DUNCAN, Emmett D.	Capt	OIC, EOD Section	1-31 December 1969
ENGLEHART, Richard	CWO-2	EOD Officer	1-31 December 1969
BROOKS, Harold G.	MgySgt	NCOIC, EOD Section	1-31 December 1969
SHOW, Kenneth C.	MSgt	EOD Technician	1-31 December 1969
NUNN, David L.	SSgt	-do-	1-31 December 1969
DRENNEN, Earl F.	SSgt	-do-	1-31 December 1969
ABY, Harry C.	Sgt	-do-	1-10 December 1969
McCRACKEN, Richard C.	Sgt	-do-	1-31 December 1969
JORDAN, Nickey W.	Sgt	-do-	1-31 December 1969
EDWARDS, Paul S.	Sgt	-do-	1-11 December 1969

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates</u>
Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section, H&MS-17, MWSG-17	DaNang, RVN	1-31 December 1969

3. Average Strength

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
Explosive Ordnance Disposal Section, H&MS-17, MWSG-17	2	7

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Part II. Narrative Summary of Significant Highlights

1. 11 December 0115 - DaNang AB came under attack by enemy rockets. All areas of impact and subsequent detonation were checked. 140mm rockets were used.
2. 22 December 2050-2130. A Marine A-6 which had blown a tire on take-off attempted a landing on 17R. Aircraft broke overrun moreset cable and burst into flames. Capt DUNCAN, CWO ENGLEHART, MGySgt BROOKS, SSgt HANEY (USAF EOD) and Sgt McCRACKEN responded rendering safe 2 Mk82 500 lb bombs and pinning 2 seats.
3. 25 December 1000-1800. Capt DUNCAN, CWO ENGLEHART, MSgt SHOW, SSgt DRENNEN, Sgt McCRACKEN, and Sgt SHOVA along with Marine EOD personnel from FLC swept the area that was to be utilized by the Operational Holly USO Show. Personnel remained on the scene until 1800 hours. Collected numerous small arms ammo, 3 M26 hand gernades, and 1 81mm mortar fuze.

Part III. Significant Events

1. This section held two (2) orientation lectures on land mines and boobytraps both U. S. and foreign for members of MWSG-17.
2. In accordance with MCO 3571.2A, technical training of 8 hours was held. Subjects included all types of conventional ordnance both U. S. and foreign.

Part IV. Supporting Documents

Appendix A: Copy of monthly report to MACV Staff EOD Officer (MACV Dir 75-1)


E. D. DUNCAN
Capt USMC

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EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL

MONTHLY REPORT

TO:

STAFF EOD OFFICER
HQ MACV (J3-06)
APO 96222

FROM:

EOD OFFICER
H&MS-17 MWSG-17 1stMAW
FPO 96602

FOR MONTH OF:

~~December~~ 19 ~~69~~

NUMBER OF: Requests for Assistance

- A. Explosive Hazard Found 74
- B. No Explosive Hazard Found 71

NUMBER OF ITEMS OR TONNAGE OF US ORDNANCE RECOVERED:

3 Tons

NUMBER OF ITEMS OR TONNAGE OF FOREIGN ORDNANCE RECOVERED:

- A. CACHE
- B. OTHER 9 Items

NUMBER OF CLASSES PRESENTED:

2

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL TRAINED OR BRIEFED:

76

NUMBER OF ROUNDS OR TONNAGE OF UNSERVICEABLE OR OBSOLETE AMMO DESTROYED:

25 Tons

NUMBER OF ROUNDS OR TONNAGE OF SMALL ARMS AMMO DESTROYED:

11,000 rds

REMARKS:

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