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Marine Air Control Group 18  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF Pacific  
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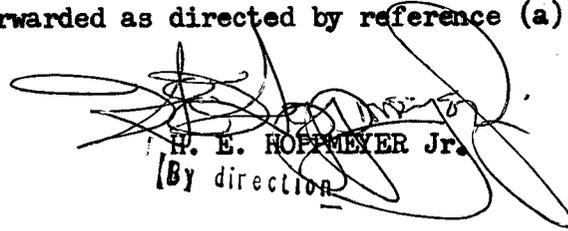
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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## COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Part I: Organizational Data1. Name and Rank of Commanding Officer and Executive Officer (U)

| BILLET             | DATE               | NAME                          |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Commanding Officer | 1-28 February 1970 | Maj. Herbert E. HOPFMEYER Jr. |
| Executive Officer  | 1-28 February 1970 | Capt. Albert I. HARTKOPF      |

2. Task Organization and Unit Location with Inclusive Dates (U)

The Squadron is under the organizational structure of T/O m-8615 and has been located at Danang, Republic of Vietnam During the period 1-28 February 1970.

3. Average Monthly Strength during the period 1-28 February 1970 (C)

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>USMC Officer/Enlisted</u> | <u>USN Officer/Enlisted</u> |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| H&HS-18     | 36 / 196                     | 3 / 7                       |

4. Important Visitor to this Command (U). None

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Part II Narrative Summary (C)

Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 18 continued to provide administrative and logistic support to Marine Air Control Group 18. The Tactical Air Direction Center continued in the performance of its mission of coordinating and supervising the utilization of fixed wing and helicopter resources of the First Marine Aircraft Wing. The Seventh Air Force continues to direct the weekly and daily pre-planned employment of all Marine fixed wing and tactical aircraft. The First Marine Aircraft Wing, through the TADC, is authorized to sortie "On-call" fixed wing tactical missions. The Airborne Strike-Back and Hot-Pad Alert remain in operation. The TADC provided support to operations FREDRICK HILL, IRON MOUNTAIN, NANTUCKET BEACH, GENEVA PARK, RANDOLPH GLEN, GREEN RIVER, and VICTORY DRAGON XIX.

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1. Administration. (U) An A&M inspection was conducted by 1stMAW during February.
2. Personnel. (U) None
3. Command Relations/Command and Control. (U) None
4. Air Control. (C)
  - a. During the month of February, the TADC coordinated a total of 3355 fixed wing tactical sorties. There were 2915 attack sorties broken down into 2344 in-country and 571 out-of-country sorties. There also were 170 ECM/ESM sorties; 113 photo sorties; and 18 IR/SLAR sorties.
  - b. The following units received the number of sorties and percentage of total air support:
 

|                               |      |       |
|-------------------------------|------|-------|
| 1st MARDIV                    | 762  | 26.2% |
| 1st MAW                       | 55   | 1.9%  |
| U. S. ARMY                    | 1434 | 49.2% |
| ROKMC                         | 16   | 0.6%  |
| ARVN                          | 77   | 2.6%  |
| 7th AF (Includes 18 B-52 ESC) | 520  | 17.8% |
| 7th FLEET (Barcap)            | 51   | 1.7%  |
  - c. A break-down of out-of-country sorties is as follows:
 

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Steel Tiger (7th AF)                | 449 |
| Rolling Thunder (Barcap, 7th Fleet) | 51  |
| Escort (7th AF)                     | 71  |
  - d. First Marine Aircraft Wing Helicopters flew a total of 7,340 tasks, moving a total of 5,224.5 tons of cargo and 60,463 passengers in a total of 27,878 sorties and 9,111.1 flight hours.
5. Special Operations. (U) None.
6. Civic Action. (U) None
7. Ground Defense. <sup>U</sup>(~~U~~) None

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8. Training. (U) A total of 50 hours of technical training was conducted with 138 personnel attending. Eighteen hours of basic training was conducted with 109 persons attending.
9. Logistics. (U) None.
10. Supply. (U) None.
11. Engineering. (U) None.
12. Maintenance. (U) None.
13. Communications/Electronics. (U) None.
14. Construction. (<sup>U</sup>/~~E~~) None
15. Motor Transport. (U) H&HS-18 vehicles were driven a total of 19,190 miles during February.
16. Embarkation. (U) None
17. Informational Services. (U) A total of 48 Fleet Home Town News Releases were submitted during February.
18. Casualties. (C)
- a. As a result of hostile action: None
- b. Not a result of hostile action: None
19. Awards. (U) The following awards recommendations have been submitted:
- Navy Commendation Medal - 4
- Navy Achievement Medal - 2

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20. Morale and Welfare. (U) One section party was held. A Special Services Operated tape facility became operational. H&HS-18 personnel participated in the following R&R flights:

|             |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| Hawaii - 4  | Sydney - 1    |
| Bangkok - 1 | Taipei - 1    |
| Okinawa - 1 | Hong Kong - 1 |

21. Air Defense. (U) None.
22. Base Development and Military Construction. (U) None

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