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MARINE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL UNIT 62
Provisional Marine Aircraft Group-39
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
FPO, San Francisco, Calif. 96602

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5700
5 December 1968

From: Officer in Charge
To: Commanding Officer, ProvMAG-39 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1

Encl: (1) Command Chronology for MATCU-62

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the enclosed Command Chronology is submitted for MATCU-62. The period covered is from 1 November 1968 thrpugh 30 November 1968.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DA TA:

1. Officer in Charge 1 November 1968 through 30 November 1968:
   Major H. L. CAUSEY 081148/6702 USMCR
   Asst. Officer in Charge Dong Ha: Capt R. W. NORTON

2. MATCU-62, Marine Dong Ha Combat Base and L. Z. Vandegrift, RVN.

3. Average monthly strength: 5 Officers, 64 Enlisted.

4. N.A.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

Total monthly operations were 10,094 at Dong Ha and 12,486 at LZ Vandegrift.

Arrival of three Staff NCO's with controller MOS's improved our operational stance in this field.

Approval of an adjusted TACAN approach and a 4 degree glide slope GCA to R/W 25 has increased the operational versatility of MATCU-62.

Approximately 90% of our E-5's and below have turned in their M-14 rifles and now are in possession of M-16's.

PERSONNEL:

During the month of November the following personnel changes were effected:

PERSONNEL JOINED

Capt E. P. BASHER
SSgt D. T. ESKAM
SSgt R. A. MARSHALL
SSgt R. E. MCCONNELL
Sgt T. E. MEADOWS
Cpl G. R. NYGAARD
Cpl G. H. DUGAN
LCpl R. N. AZNARAN

Med Evac - Non-Hostile
GySgt H. COUTEAU Jr. (Repose)

Special Leave
Sgt G. SELLERS
LCpl M. J. SORG

PERSONNEL DETACHED

Capt P. D. HAYNES - CONUS
GySgt T. F. CARROLL - MATCU-62 "A"
GySgt R. L. FAY - CONUS
SSgt G. F. HURSTON - MATCU-67
Cpl T. M. SCHANAMAN - CONUS
Cpl R. W. PACHECK - MATCU-62 "A"
Cpl J. P. STEVENS - MATCU-62 "A"
Cpl E. A. JORDAN - MATCU-62 "A"
Cpl D. W. ORCIUCH - CONUS
Cpl D. L. TAYLOR - CONUS
Cpl S. C. MONTGOMERY - CONUS
LCpl D. P. HEARTY - CONUS
LCpl T. A. FROELICH - MATCU-62 "A"

Emergency Leave
SSgt R. A. MARSHALL

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SUPPLY: We are at 71% ERPAL total line items.

CONSTRUCTION: Three sections of rivetment have been erected in front of the Air Field Operations - MATCU office.

PROBLEM AREAS:

Limited number of practice GCA's has retarded the training of student controllers.

We have experienced excessive down times on both the original and alternate land line/radio relay shots to Quang Tri RAPCON. The problem seems to become more acute during rainy periods.

Motor transport assets remain marginal.

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From: Officer in Charge
To: Commanding Officer, ProvMAG-39 (Attn: S-3)

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Encl: (1) Command Chronology for MATCU-62, Detachment "A"

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the enclosed Command Chronology is submitted for MATCU-62, Detachment "A". The period covered is from 1 November 1968 through 30 November 1968.

H. L. CAUSEY

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA:

1. Officer in Charge 1 November 1968 through 30 November 1968: Major H. L. CAUSEY 081148/6702 USMCR

2. MATCU-62, Detachment "A", Marine Quang Tri Combat Base, RVN.

3. Average monthly strength: 7 Officers, 51 Enlisted.

4. N. A.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

Total monthly operations were 17,247 of which 222 were GCA's. The low monthly GCA total was due mainly to the increase in artillery fire surrounding the area. Equipment wise we are in excellent condition. All equipment is operating satisfactorily including the UPS-1 Surveillance Radar. The difficulties encountered in the APA-125 Indicators and the IFF/SIF system have been rectified. A request for a flight check to certify this radar has been requested and partially completed.

The diesel generators have continued to operate satisfactorily with only minor problems which have been corrected during normal preventive maintenance.

MATCU-62 was represented by the OIC at the 24 Corps briefing at the 18th Aviation Group at Marble Mountain on 15 November 1968. The discussion covered Army helicopter operations during marginal weather conditions in 24 Corps area. Problem areas were covered and procedures utilized by Marine units in I CTZ outlined. A joint services committee was established to pursue the matter in greater detail.

PERSONNEL:

During the month of November the Unit has undergone many personnel changes. Many of these changes have been the exchange of personnel between MATCU-62 and MATCU-62, Detachment "A" to bring both Units to a more stable operational and maintenance status.

PERSONNEL JOINED

LT M. J. GREEN
MSGT R. G. BATHE
GYSGT T. F. X. CARROLL
SSGT J. N. BEAULIEU
SSGT T. W. RASA
SSGT G. R. SIMMONS
SGT P. A. SHERMAN
CPL T. G. DUNN
CPL E. A. JORDAN

PERSONNEL DETACHED

CAPT R. G. ZVOLERIN - Release from active duty
SSGT J. G. LAPAN - MATCU-72
SGT A. C. VITAS - CONUS DISCHARGE
CPL L. H. CHARLES - MCAS CHERRY POINT
CPL C. T. WILSON - 2d MAW

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PERSONNEL JOINED (Continued)

CPL R. W. PACHECK
CPL J. P. STEVENS
CPL D. L. THOMAS
CPL R. D. WOMACK
CPL J. L. WONG
LCPL T. AL FROELICK
LCPL J. R. JOHSON

Personnel promoted during November to rank indicated:

MAJOR H. L. CAUSEY
CAPTAIN S. D. DAVIS
CAPTAIN E. P. BASHER

Personnel assigned to LZ Vandergrift:

Capt E. P. BASHER
Cpl A. N. CARLSON
Cpl R. G. GIESIN
Cpl J. N. SPIERINGS

Personnel on Temporary Additional Duty in CONUS:

1stLT L. J. VAN SPRIELL - USMCR DETROIT
SSGT J. F. WHEELER - EMERGENCY LEAVE
SGT D. L. WATSON - Washington, D. C. - Federal Court Witness

SUPPLY: We are still 47% ERPAL total Line Items.

CONSTRUCTION:

The Diesel Generator Shed is near completion and the generators are being moved into the shed at this time. The completion of this shed will make maintenance of these generators easier and hopefully it will also decrease the maintenance required by having the generators out of the weather.

AIR CONTROL:

As previously mentioned GCA's have decreased this month due to surrounding artillery fire. Despite this handicap the Unit has Qualified three more GCA Controllers, they are:

Capt S. D. DAVIS GySgt D. P. VON HEMEL SSgt J. (n) MCCLURG.

It is expected that weather conditions shortly will decrease and we will see an increase in IFR traffic. With this in mind the above controllers becoming qualified are welcome additions.

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