

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA:

1. Officer in Charge 15-30 April 1968
Capt. Hubert L. Causey 081148/6702 USMCR
2. MATCU-66 Detachment Alpha Marine Quang Tri Airfield RVN
3. Average monthly strength: 3 Off. 26 Enlisted
4. N. A.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

MATCU-66 Detachment Alpha arrived at Marine Quang Tri Air Field on 15 April 1968 to relieve MATCU-70 Detachment Alpha. After initial indoctrination this Unit assumed operational control at 0001 20 April 1968. Since that time the Unit has been involved with the transition of the Air Force assuming the approach control responsibility for the Quang Tri area. This has necessitated the promulgation of an intermediate letter of agreement between the two facilities and all phases have been worked out to the best interests of safe and expeditious flight. More will be covered on this subject in the next part of this report. The Unit joined a detachment of Marines from MCAS Yuma and MCAS El Toro on 19 April to augment us. In total the new personnel represented one officer and twelve enlisted Marines. These more recent joinees were given a five day period of indoctrination/orientation and proceeded to make a smooth transition into the operational phase of the Units day to day functions.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

Personnel: Joined Sergeant EDWARDS, D. M., a 5951 from MATCU-66. This gave us our second badly needed ~~5951~~ 5951.

Engineering: Two new bunkers have been constructed and a third is under construction at this time. One of the new ones recently built was to replace an existing one that had been damaged during a rocket attack.

Supply: Inheriting only 52% ERPAL from the departed Unit we have had to conduct a complete inventory and are in the process of preparing requisitions to bring pur supply up to the required standards. Also at this time the Unit is preparing the budget for first quarter fiscal 1969 to be submitted prior to 15 May.

Construction: By obtaining a used G. P. tent and a small amount of used lumber the Unit is presently attempting to construct a recreation room for the troops. Its present state of repair is humble indeed but plans are formulated for finer things and hopes are high.

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AIR CONTROL: An SOP has been drafted and is presently being circulated among the Watch Officers and Crew Chiefs. This SOP will be published prior to 15 May 1968. The letters of agreement with the Air Force Approach Control have been reviewed and a new one drafted and promulgated dealing with their new responsibilities. The transition to the new system has smoothed itself out finally and has settled down to a co-ordinated well run effort by both parties.

All approaches for Marine Quang Tri are presently being reviewed by the unit for possible revision and resubmission to the Wing. This requirement must be completed prior to 18 May and poses the most ~~diff~~ difficult of all problems confronting the Unit at this time. The reason being that it requires a complete survey to determine the approach zone obstruction clearance as set forth in the U. S. Naval Aeronautical Shore Facilities Planning Standards (NAVAER OO-100-505). This is beyond the Units capability and co-ordination is being made with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Air Bases Staff at this time for assistance in the matter.

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