

MARINE AERIAL REFUELER TRANSPORT SQUADRON 152
Marine Aircraft Group 36
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 36 (Attn: S-3)
Subj: Monthly Chronology; month of January 1973
Ref: (a) GruO 5750.3B
Encl: (1) VMGR-152 January Chronology of U. S. Operational Support for Vietnam

1. (U) In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.
2. (U) This letter can be downgraded to unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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SUBORDINATE UNITS

- (U) VMGR-152 Detachment Charlie 1 January 1973 - 27 January 1973
- (U) VMGR-152 Detachment Delta 1 January 1973 - 31 January 1973

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. (C) Location

- MCAS(H) Futema VMGR-152 1 January 1973 - 31 January 1973
- NAS Cubi Point, Republic of the Philippines (Detachment Charlie) 1 January 1973 - 27 January 1973
- Nam Phong AB, Thailand (Detachment Delta) 1 January 1973 - 31 January 1973

3. (C) Average Monthly Strength

	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
USMC	38	299
USN	0	0
OTHER	0	0

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(C) During the month of January 1973, VMGR-152 continued its support of Task Force Delta operations in Southeast Asia. On 5 January 1973, the VMGR-152 detachment at Task Force Delta was reduced to three (3) KC-130F aircraft and was further reduced to its present strength of two (2) KC-130F aircraft on 29 January 1973.

(C) The VMGR-152 detachment at NAS Cubi Point, Republic of the Philippines, was discontinued on 27 January 1973. The one KC-130F aircraft formerly assigned in support of the detachment has been returned to the OPCON of the CG 1st MAW.

(C) The squadron flew VIP missions and conducted local training to prepare co-pilots for their aircraft commander checks. VMGR-152 aircraft flew a total of 310 sorties, logging 856.9 hours, and carrying 2196 passengers and 969,262 pounds of cargo.

(C) Two (2) VIP missions were conducted during the month of January 1973. During the period 12 - 17 January, Major General L. E. BROWN and party were transported to deployed 1st MAW units. On 16 January 1973 Brigadier General F. W. TAYLOR and party were transported by squadron aircraft from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan to Nam Phong AB, Thailand. VMGR-152 aircraft were also responsible for Brigadier General TAYLOR's return trip to MCAS Iwakuni, Japan on 23 January 1973.

(C) On 20 January 1973 one (1) KC-130F provided aerial refueling in support of transpac Key Pilot for two (2) F4 aircraft enroute from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan to NAS Cubi Point, Republic of the Philippines. The total fuel give-away was 35,500 pounds.

(C) One (1) KC-130F aircraft served as an airborne standby tanker for transpac Key Pilot during the period 23 - 28 January 1973 between NAS Cubi Point, Philippines and MCAS Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. The transpac consisted of one (1) A-3, two (2) EA6A aircraft, and two (2) F4J aircraft from VMJ-1.

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- 1-5 January (C) Four (4) KC-130F aircraft of Detachment Delta provided aerial refueling operations and limited logistic support for Task Force Delta at Nam Phong AB, Thailand.
- 1-27 January (C) One (1) KC-130F aircraft provided support for VMCJ-1 electronic warfare operations at NAS Cubi Point, Republic of the Philippines and Danang AB, Republic of Vietnam.
- 4 January (U) First Lieutenant T. G. SEIFERT was upgraded to Transport Plane Commander.
- 6 January (C) Support of Task Force Delta was reduced to three (3) aircraft.
- 12-17 January (C) Transported Major General L. E. BROWN and party from MCAS Iwakuni to Bien Hoa, Nam Phong, Cubi Point, and returned to Iwakuni.
- 16 January (C) Transported Brigadier General F. W. TAYLOR and party from MCAS Iwakuni to Danang AB and Nam Phong AB.
- 20 January (C) Refueled two (2) F-4 aircraft in support of transpac Key Pilot enroute between MCAS Iwakuni and MAS Cubi Point.
- 23 - 28 January (C) One (1) KC-130F aircraft served as an airborne standby tanker for transpac Key Pilot from NAS Cubi Point to MCAS Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.
- 28 January (C) Support of VMCJ-1 at NAS Cubi Point was discontinued and OPCON of the KC-130F aircraft was returned to CG, 1stMAW.
- 29 January (C) Support of Task Force Delta reduced to two (2) KC-130F aircraft.

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