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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 262

LtCol G. S. PATE
1-30 June 1970

2. LOCATION

1-30 June 1970, Marble Mountain Air Facility, Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major James M. PERRYMAN, Jr.	1-30 June 1970
Operations Officer	Major Herbert F. LAWSON	1-30 June 1970
Logistics Officer	Major Harris J. FENNEL	1-30 June 1970
Administrative Officer	Capt Walter W. GUSTIN	1-30 June 1970
Aviation Safety Officer	1stLt Dean R. DAVIS	1-30 June 1970
Intelligence Officer	1stLt Arthur S. BRESNAHAM	1-30 June 1970
Aircraft Maintenance Officer	Capt Hubert D. DEJAYNES	1-30 June 1970
Sergeant Major	Sgt1aj Thomas E. DUKE 1Sgt Charles T. FRAZIER	1-12 June 1970 13-30 June 1970

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>	<u>Off</u>	<u>Enl</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. For the third consecutive month, HMM-262 met the CNO Flight Hour Utilization Factor of 60 hours per month per operational aircraft assigned. An average of 15 CH-46D's flew 1276.5 hours and 4950 sorties supporting the 1st Marine Division, Republic of Korea Marine Corps, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and III Marine Amphibious Force. During June HMM-262 transported 9341 passengers and 307.6 tons of cargo. Squadron aircraft flew 169 medical evacuation missions which accounted for the evacuation of 499 troops (122 emergencies, 164 priorities, 213 routines).

2. June's flight hours were flown in the 1st Marine Division and Republic of Korea Marine Corps TAOR's in Quang Nam and Quang Tin Provinces. Missions assigned consisted primarily of standard fragmentary orders involving routine command and control, troop movement, resupply, VIP support, medical evacuation and reconnaissance.

3. Fire incidents during June were two aircraft totally destroyed and five suffered minor damage as the result of small arms fire. The squadron incurred two fatalities and seven casualties.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel

- a. Transferred to HMM-262 - 3 Officers 8 Enlisted
- b. Transferred from HMM-262 - 4 Officers 19 Enlisted
- c. Promoted to present rank - 1 Officers 21 Enlisted

2. Awards. The Strike/Flight Air Medal was awarded to 17 enlisted men during June. 19 Crew Chiefs/Gunners were awarded Air Crew Wings.

3. Informational Services. HMM-262 published 47 hometown news releases for Air Crew Wings, Air Medals, Promotions and schools attended.

4. Operational Highlights.

1 June 1970

While on a emergency extract of a Division Recon Team, a team member stepped on a booby trap as he approached the aircraft. The resulting explosion severely damaged the aircraft causing it to crash in the zone. The aircraft commander was fatally injured and other crew members sustained minor injuries.

4 June 1970

While on a CON Recon Team extract the pick-up aircraft received heavy automatic weapons fire and crashed in the zone. The crew chief received fatal injuries, the aircraft commander major injuries and the rest of the crew minor injuries.

16 June 1970

HMM-262 launched nine Sea Knights to effect a strike force of 434 troops into Thong Duc Valley. The mission was in support of the 51st ARVN Regiment. The operation was executed with efficiency despite three incoming 82 mortar rounds landing near the zone. No aircraft were damaged.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. There were no supporting documents.

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