

MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
Marine Aircraft Group 16  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology, period 1-29 February 1968

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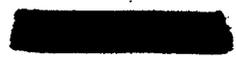
Encl: (1) Command Chronology  
(2) Daily Sitreps (Original Only)

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) and (2) are hereby submitted.
2. This letter becomes UNCLASSIFIED upon removal of enclosures (1) and (2).

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## PART I Organizational Data

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| a. Commanding Officer     | Maj W. L. WHELAN      | 1-29 Feb |
| b. Executive Officer      | Maj R. L. YANKE       | 1-29 Feb |
| c. Operations Officer     | Maj J. P. KIZER       | 1-29 Feb |
| d. Administrative Officer | Capt D. W. ARISS      | 1-29 Feb |
| e. Logistics Officer      | Capt G. R. EMERSON    | 1-29 Feb |
| f. Material Officer       | WO. F. D. OWENS       | 1-29 Feb |
| g. Maintenance Officer    | Capt W. W. OGLE       | 1-29 Feb |
| h. Intelligence Officer   | Capt E. C. DESAUSSURE | 1-29 Feb |
2. Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 265                      1-29 Feb  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac  
 FPO San Francisco, California 96602
3. Average Monthly Strength: 48 Officers 180 Enlisted
4. HMM-265 had no important visitors during the month of February.

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PART II Narrative Summary

1 Feb 1968: With several areas of Danang still under attack during the NVA/VC Tet Offensive, HMM-265 launched a section of two aircraft in support of the 1st Recon Battalion. In an attempt to insert recon team DUBLIN CITY in an enemy staging area nine miles west of Danang, the lead aircraft came under heavy enemy fire during final approach. Small arms, automatic weapons, and .50 cal machine gun fire was received. When a flat trajectory rocket impacted in the tail pylon of the stricken aircraft, the helicopter made a forced landing and burned. The second aircraft of the section landed under fire in a nearby zone and picked up the survivors. One member of the recon team was killed, and all remaining recon members and the crew of the aircraft received wounds.

2 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

3 Feb 1968: HMM-265 aircraft flew a total of 56 sorties in support of Operation Flying Dragon. The section of two CH-46A's lifted 58 troops, two ROK Marine medevacs, and 20.7 tons of cargo coming under hostile fire on two occasions while receiving mortars in the zone on another. No injuries were received and both aircraft completed the mission.

In support of Operation Wheeler-Wallowa, three HMM-265 aircraft lifted eight tons of cargo into unsecure zones. The aircraft came under enemy .50 cal fire on one occasion but no hits were sustained.

4 - 5 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown these days. See daily SITREPS.

6 Feb 1968: HMM-265 launched two CH-46A's which flew a total of seven medevac missions throughout the day. Both aircraft came under fire four times, the lead aircraft finally making a forced landing at coordinates AT 934663. A total of 56 wounded Marines, ARVN, and Vietnamese civilians were transported from the field to hospitals in the Danang area.

7 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

8 Feb 1968: During the afternoon Americal Division's units were engaged by a large VC/NVA force located  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of Danang. A section of two CH-46A's escorted by a flight of two Huey gunships and two flights of fixed-wing landed by besieged units in the field and picked up a total of 13 medevacs, four of which were emergencies. In one of the zones, the lead aircraft came under mortar fire. While departing the zone the aircraft came under automatic weapons and .50 cal fire. A total of 15 hits were received. There were no injuries and the mission was completed.

In the same area, a Combined Action Platoon which had exhausted its ammunition supplies was surrounded on three sides by a numerically superior enemy force. A section of two HMM-265 aircraft supported by three flights of Marine and Army Hueys, and numerous flights of fixed-wing, landing in the midst of the besieged CAP unit and departed with 38 men, every surviving member of the team.

9 - 10 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown these days. See daily SITREPS.

11 Feb 1968: HMM-265 launched a section of two CH-46A's in support of the 1st Recon Battalion. During the day, recon teams LUCKY LARK and GOLD LEMON were inserted and teams RUMMAGE and GUNSMOKE were extracted. In an attempt to insert SADDLE BAG, the lead aircraft was shot out of the zone. One hit was received. There were no injuries.

12 Feb 1968: Five aircraft were launched by HMM-265 in support of the Americal Division on a combat troop lift. During the day the CH-46A's flew a total of 107 sorties lifting 745 U.S. Army troops and 3950 pounds of cargo.

13 Feb 1968: During the day HMM-265 aircraft in support of the 1st Recon Battalion inserting DUBLIN CITY and BARKLEP and extracted BURLAP. Later in the day BARKLEP was extracted due to local enemy action. The aircraft came under fire on two occasions and expended 300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition into enemy positions.

14 Feb 1968: In support of the ROK Marines located near the Hoi An peninsula, a section of two CH-46A's flew 60 sorties lifting 183 troops and 31.3 tons of cargo. Both aircraft came under fire upon several occasions sustaining a total of seven hits from enemy automatic weapons fire. The aircraft continued to fly and completed the assigned mission.

15 Feb 1968: HMM-265 launched a total of seven aircraft on a troop lift to coordinates AT 988606. Heavy fire was encountered in the zone with the aircraft receiving 21 hits. EP-17 experienced a power failure and had to be left in the zone. The pilots and crew were evacuated to Marble Mountain.

16 Feb 1968: EP-5, in an attempt to insert a recovery team at the site of EP-17, took heavy fire and made a forced landing at Hill 55.

EP-9 landed at Hill 55 with aircraft parts to repair EP-5. After the repairs were made, both aircraft lifted out. At that time EP-9 experienced a power failure and made a semi-hard landing at Hill 55. EP-5 returned to NMAF. EP-9 could not be flown out. It was stripped and externalized out by a CH-53A.

17 Feb 1968: HMM-265, after previously unsuccessful attempts, launched a section of aircraft to recover EP-17, still in the field. Encountering intense fire in the zone, EP-6 waved off his approach. Upon losing an engine the pilot attempted to fly the aircraft back to Marble Mountain.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles southwest of the field, the second engine failed and the pilots made a successful autorotative landing. After the crew was extracted, an Army CH-54 from Danang externalized the aircraft to the Air Facility.

A second was launched with the aircraft recovery team to strip down EP-17 prior to having it externalized home. Though heavy fire was taken on final approach, the team was inserted.

18 Feb 1968: EP-17 was externalized out of the field to MAF by a CH-53A.

19 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

20 Feb 1968: HMM-265 launched a section of two CH-46A's in support of the 1st Recon Battalion. The aircraft inserted recon teams ICE BOUND and GOLD LION, extracted RUMMAGE, and conducted a flyover of DUBLIN CITY.

21 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

22 Feb 1968: A section of two CH-46A's launched in support of the ROK Marine Corps. During the day they flew a total of 59 sorties lifting 30.1 tons of cargo, 162 troops, and one emergency medevac. Injure 3-2 lost an engine while airborne and was forced to jettison cargo over the ocean in a successful attempt to return to Marble Mountain.

23 - 24 Feb 1968: Two HMM-265 aircraft launched in support of Operation DINOSAUR in the ROK TAOR lifted 8.2 tons of cargo and 49 troops. During the afternoon they performed an emergency extraction of recon team DUBLIN CITY. Upon receiving enemy fire from coordinates AT 853701 the lead aircraft expended 20 rounds of .50 cal ammunition into the enemy positions.

25 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

26 Feb 1968: In support of the 1st Recon Battalion, HMM-265 aircraft inserted recon teams SAILFISH, ELFSKIN, extracted RUMMAGE and LUCKY LARK, and resupplied GRIM REAPER and FLAG DIP.

27 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

28 Feb 1968: HMM-265 aircraft in support of Operation DINOSAUR lifted 41.1 tons of cargo, 152 troops, and two Vietnamese civilians into ROK Marine outposts near Hoi An. Enemy fire was encountered on three occasions with the CH-46A's returning 750 rounds of .50 cal fire into the hostile positions. No hits were received and the aircraft completed their assigned mission.

29 Feb 1968: Routine missions flown this day. See daily SITREPS.

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PART III Significant Events

1. Personnel:

a. Joined 41 personnel and transferred 13 personnel during the month of February.

b. One First Lieutenant was promoted to Captain, three Second Lieutenant's to First Lieutenant, and one Private to Private First Class.

2. Awards:

a. One Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded to Captain M. R. MILLER for his actions on 20 July 1967. Also Corporal R. S. TURNER was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal.

b. 92 Air Medals and six Purple Hearts were awarded during the month of February.

3. Casualties:

a. Cpl Charles R. MOORE 2192894, received wounds 9 miles west of Danang on 1Feb68. Condition excellent. Treated and released to duty.

b. Lcpl James H. BROWN 2220865, received multiple wounds 9 miles west of Danang on 1Feb68. Condition good. Treated and released to 24 hours no duty.

c. Cpl Brad A. BLAYLOCK 2218192, received wounds 8 miles south of Danang on 15Feb68. Condition excellent. Treated and released to 24 hours no duty.

d. Cpl Ernest J. TURNER 2180596, received a gunshot wound through the rear of the neck. Condition good (16Feb68). Admitted to NSA Danang and medevac to USNH Guam, M.I. 19Feb68.

e. Sgt Marvin F. BROWN 1999284, received wounds 7 miles south of Danang on 16Feb68. Condition excellent. Treated and released to duty.

f. Cpl Brad A. BLAYLOCK 2218192, again received wounds 10½ miles NNW of Danang on 19Feb68. Condition excellent. Admitted to NSA Danang and medevac to CamRanH Bay RWN 20 or 21Feb68.

g. Cpl Joseph P. D'EUFEMIA 2169793, received wounds 10½ miles NNW of Danang on 19Feb68. Condition excellent. Treated and released to duty.

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h. Cpl John C. WOLFE 2139551, fractured thumb on right hand at MMAF on 20Feb68. Condition good. Admitted to NSA Danang 22Feb68 and medevac to Camp Drake, Japan 24Feb68.

i. Cpl Arthur M VUYOVICH 2206591, fractured left heel at MMAF on 25Feb68. Admitted to NSA 25Feb68.

j. Pfc Jerry W. SUMP 2239837, received wounds 10 miles south of Danang. Condition excellent. Treated and released to duty.

4. Civic Action: None

5. Morale/Welfare Programs: Red Cross Ladies visited HMM-265 on 22Feb68.

6. Informational Services:

a. 163 News releases were sent out during the month of February.

7. Intelligence/Counter-Intelligence:

a. Briefings were given by the Intelligence section prior to each flight and debriefings were given after the termination of each flight as applicable.

8. Air Operations, HMM-265:

a. Total Hours Flown: 1238.8

b. Number of Sorties: 4338

c. Tons of Cargo: 1208.5

d. Number of Pax: 9595

e. Number of Medevac: 816

9. Major Operations Supported:

a. Operation Wheeler/Wallowa

b. " Flying Dragon

c. " Dinosaur

10. Ground Defense:

a. This squadron has five enlisted personnel assigned to Zulu Company, MMAF, for purpose of perimeter guard during the month.

  
11. NBC Warfare:

a. The M5A3 Protective Ointment Kits were issued to each man, along with instructions on it's use.

b. Water Proofing Bags were issued to each man for use with the M17 Protective Mask.

c. The M24 Aircraft Protective Mask was checked out from MAG-16. HMM-265 received four. The correct usage and care of the mask was given by the Squadron NBC NCO.

## 12. Training:

a. Five Crew Chiefs were trained while three Aerial Gunners were trained. 17 Crew Chiefs and 15 Aerial Gunners were NATOPS Qualified.

b. Five hours of First Aid and Safety lectures were given, during the month.

## 13. Logistics: None

## 14. Supply: None

## 15. Maintenance:

a. An average daily availability of 64.7% was maintained with an average of 19.3 aircraft possessed. Aircraft down due to NORS 2.8% and aircraft down due to NORM 32.5%.

b. During the month of February HMM-265 changed 30 engines for battle damage and FOD.

## PART IV Supporting Documents:

1. Documents supporting this report are the daily SITREPS, enclosure (2).

MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MACV, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

1 February 1968

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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SITREP 010001H to 012400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 74 sorties for 47.0 hours lifting 224 troops/pax, 2 Emergency and 13 Priority medevacs and 3.5 tons of cargo. Four hits received and 1200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended. INJUNE 1-0 crashed and burned at AT854676. Recon team DUBLIN CITY received 1 KIA and 5 MIA.

2. FLYING DRAGON

a. At 312125H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #39 flying a total of 20 sorties lifting 24 EMERGENCY medevacs and 3.0 tons of cargo from BT167587 to BT015570 and various other coordinates. No troops/pax carried. A/C received Automatic S/A fire at 312200H at BT205575 and at 312300H at BT045512 receiving no hits and expending 100 rounds of .50 cal ammunition.

b. At 010750H 4 CH-46A launched on MSN #32/24 flying a total of 16 sorties lifting 52 troops/pax. No medevacs and no cargo carried. A/C flew from MACAF to BT126637 and various other coordinates receiving four (4) hits from .50 cal fire at 011145H at BT045515 with 300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

c. At 011620H 4 CH-46A launched on MSN #35/35A flying a total of 27 sorties lifting 97 troops/pax, 2 Priority medevacs and .8 tons of cargo from BT065583 to BT103529 and various other coordinates. A/C received Automatic weapons fire at 011700H and 011945H at BT103529 receiving no hits and expending 400 rounds of .50 cal ammunition.

3. HIGHLIGHTS: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #17. A/C flew from MACAF to LZ401 to VR of DaNang to LZ401 to AT898868 inserting HAROVR-SUB to AT841788 extracting GOLD INJUN to LZ401 to AT 854676 (INJUNE 1-0 shot down attempting to insert DUBLIN CITY - A/C crew escaped with minor injuries) to 1st MAB carrying recon team DUBLIN CITY casualties then back to MACAF flying a total of 8 sorties for 3.6 hours lifting 35 US troops/pax and 2 Emergency and 11 Priority medevacs. No cargo carried. A/C received S/A fire at 011130H at AT854676 expending 500 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C flew in support of 1st MABDIV.

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4. LATE ENTRY: During the period from 310001H to 312400H HMM-265 flew an additional 64 sorties lifting 42 US troops/pax, 24 ROKMC and 4 US Emergency and 1 US Priority medevacs and 3.0 tons of cargo. No hits received and 100 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.
  5. LATE ENTRY: HMM-265 flew an additional 7.6 hours from the period 310001H to 312400H. Change the daily total from 40.5 to 48.1.
  6. HMM-265 completed all fragg missions.
  7. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

D. C. FINEST  
2ndLt USMC  
SQUADRON EMPT OFFICER

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NAVALY MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

2 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 020001H to 022400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 83 sorties for 30.2 hours lifting 68 troops/pax, 1 HOKIC Priority and 59 Routine medevacs and 19.5 tons of cargo. Two hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. FLYING DRAGON

a. At 021530H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #33/37 flying a total of 26 sorties lifting 8 US troops/pax, 1 HOKIC Priority and 3 HOKIC routine medevacs and 13.3 tons of cargo from LZ413 to BT088657 and various other coordinates. Two hits received at 021705H at BT110550 from S/A and at 021840H at BT103528 from mortars with no ammunition expended.

3. 020815H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #11. A/C flew from IMAF to DaNang to Chu Lai then back to IMAF on an admin/liaison run flying a total of 11 sorties for 5.9 hours lifting 41 US troops/pax and 6300 pounds of cargo. No medevacs carried, no hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAW.

4. 021340H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #35. A/C flew from IMAF to G-4 to USS Repose to G-4 to USS Repose BP-4-0 returned to IMAF and BP-4-2 flew to G-4 to USS Repose then back to IMAF on a shuttle of medevacs from G-4 to USS Repose. A/C flew a total of 14 sorties for 4.4 hours lifting 53 US Routine medevacs and 100 pounds of cargo. No troops/pax carried, no hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

5. 021416H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #19. A/C flew from IMAF to DaNang to AT932883 and various other coordinates on a logistics troops/cargo run flying a total of 73 sorties for 6.1 hours lifting 18 US and 1 ARVN troops/pax. No medevacs and no cargo cargo carried. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.

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6. 021715H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #35. A/C flew from MMAF to G-4 to CHARLIE WGD then to MMAF on a medevac run flying a total of 3 sorties for 1.3 hours lifting 3 US Routine medevacs. No troops/pax and no cargo carried. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAW.
  7. 021830H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #34. A/C flew from MMAF to I CORPS PAD to MMAF on a combat cargo run flying a total of 6 sorties lifting 6000 pounds of cargo. No troops/pax and no medevacs carried. A/C flew in support of AAW.
  8. LATE ENTRY: During the period from 010001H to 012400H HMM-265 flew an additional 64 sorties lifting 287 US troops/pax, 3 US Priority medevacs and 3.5 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.
  9. LATE ENTRY: HMM-265 flew an additional 20.2 hours during the period from 010001H to 012400H. Change the daily total from 47.0 to 60.9.
  10. HMM-265 completed all fringed missions with the exception of MSN #34 due to weather.
  11. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

M. E. FLAHER  
1stLt USMC  
OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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MAHINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

3 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SIEMEP 030001H to 032400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 144 sorties for 39.9 hours lifting 157 troops/pax, 33 Priority medevacs and 42.7 tons of cargo. Three hits received and 1300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition and 100 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition expended.

2. FLYING DRAGON

a. At 030855H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #21 flying a total of 56 sorties lifting 30 US and 23 ROMIC troops/pax, 2 ROMIC Priority medevacs and 20.7 tons of cargo from BT104584 to various other coordinates. A/C received the following fire: 031250H at BT103523 from S/A fire; 031418H at BT074515 from S/A fire; 031745H at BT016570 from Mortar fire. No hits received and 100 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

MEBELIN/MALLOVA

a. At 031655H 3 CH-46A launched on MSN #38 flying a total of 19 sorties lifting 8.0 tons of cargo from BT032769 to BT037342 and various other coordinates. No medevacs and no troops/pax carried. A/C received fire at 031925H at BT193548 from .50 cal receiving no hits and expending no ammunition.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 030810H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #32. A/C flew from NMAF to DaNang to LZ401 to AT976660 to LZ401 then back to NMAF on a combat troop run flying a total of 7 sorties for 1.4 hours lifting 14 US troops/pax. No medevacs and no cargo carried receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. A/C flew in support of 1st MAFIV.

b. 030855H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #31. A/C flew from NMAF to BT177584 to BT084576 and various other coordinates on a combat troop/cargo and medevac run flying a total of 6 sorties for 4.0 hours lifting 8 US troops, 31 MAFIV Priority medevacs and 5.0 tons of cargo. A/C took fire as the following: 030922H at BT177584 from S/A fire; 030930H at BT043621 from Automatic fire; 031041H at BT043621 from Automatic fire. A/C received no hits and expended no ammunition. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

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c. 030935H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on USN #15. A/C flew from MAF to LZ401 to AT965921 extracting GUNSMOKE to AT930532 to AT998463 inserting LUCKY LANK and extracting HULLAGE to An Hoa to LZ401 then back to MAF flying a total of 18 sorties for 6.6 hours lifting 33 US troops/pax. No medevacs and no cargo carried. A/C received fire at 031540H at AT938511 from S/A fire and at 031550H at AT930522 from S/A fire. A/C received two hits at 031525H and 031630H at AT998463 from heavy automatic fire with 800 rounds of .50 cal and 100 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAADV.

4. HMM-265 completed all fraged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/SCA's during the regular reporting period.

M. B. MILLER  
CAPT USMC  
OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

4 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 040001H to 042400H

1. HM-265 flew a total of 132 sorties for 45.3 hours lifting 502 troops/pax and 29.3 tons of cargo. No medevacs carried, no hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. FLYING DRAGON

a. At 041305H 2 CH-46A aircraft launched on MSN #27 flying a total of 6 sorties lifting 26 ROKIC troops/pax and 23.7 tons of cargo from LZ411 to BT074515 on a resupply of LATIN BENTEL 14. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

b. At 041525H 6 CH-46A aircraft launched on MSN #33/34 flying a total of 66 sorties lifting 205 ARVN and 157 ROKIC troops/pax from BT163575 to BT018576 and various other coordinates. No cargo carried. A/C received fire enroute receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. Mission was an Emergency Troop Lift.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. Highlights referred to in Paragraph 2.

4. CORRECTION: Delete 9.4 hours from monthly total due to error on 1Feb68.

5. HM-265 completed all fraggod missions with the exception of MSN #3/29 due to A/C being diverted back to MAF for an Emergency mission.

6. HM-265 flew no INST/CCA's during the regular reporting period.

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 CAPT USMC  
 OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 HSO, San Francisco, California 96602

5 FEB 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SPOTREP 050001H to 052400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 92 sorties for 29.5 hours lifting 138 troops/pax and 35.2 tons of cargo. No medevacs carried, no hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. FLYING DRAGONS

a. At 051300H 4 CH-46A aircraft launched on MSN #25 flying a total of 44 sorties lifting 88 troops/pax (ROMAG) and 25.6 tons of cargo from LZ411 to BT 043577 on a resupply of LARVIN DISTRICT 14. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. Highlights referred to in Paragraph 2.

4. HMM-265 completed all frogged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no MRE/SCA's during the regular reporting period.

A. P. GURRIN  
 2ndLT USMC  
 SQUADRON DEPUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDICAL HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

6 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SIGREP 060001H to 062400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of <sup>185</sup> 68 sorties for <sup>64.1</sup> 50.7 hours lifting <sup>253</sup> 196 troops/pax, ~~304~~ Emergency and 57 Priority medevacs and <sup>21.7</sup> 12.4 tons of cargo. Four hits received with no ammunition expended.

2. No major operations supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 061230H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #32/52/5AF/5AC/5AF/5AG/36. A/C flew from MMAP to BM140500 (32) to ARVN Hospital (32) to BT023645 (52) receiving fire enroute to L2412 (5AF/5AC) receiving fire in zone to BT029690 (32) receiving fire enroute to BT026659 (5AF) to ARVN Hospital to BT065584 to AE954677 (5AF) receiving fire in zone to ARVN Hospital to L2401 to AE918583 (36) to AE934663 (INJURE 6-0 forced landing in zone) then back to MMAP on a medevac run. A/C flew a total of 15 sorties for 6.3 hours lifting 1 US and 37 ARVN troops/pax, 21 US and 9 ARVN and 26 VNGIV medevacs (Priority) and 1500 pounds of cargo. Four hits received at 061525H at AE954677 from S/A fire expending no ammunition. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

b. 062000H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #41. A/C flew from MMAP to G-4 MFD to "C" MFD then back to MMAP on an Emergency medevac lift flying a total of 6 sorties for 1.4 hours lifting 15 US Emergency medevacs. No troops and no cargo carried. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

4. HMM-265 completed all fringed missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no HHEE/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

A. D. ROSS  
 CAMP USMC  
 OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

7 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 070001H to 072400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 203 sorties for 46.3 hours lifting 505 troops/pax, 57 Priority medevacs and 33.4 tons of cargo. Two hits received with 450 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. No major operations supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 070810H: HMM-265 launched 1 GE-46A on MSN #23/37/50/5AE/11. A/C flew from HMAF to Hoi An to ARVN Hospital to HMAF (50); MMAP to LZ411 to XRO02623 to LZ411 to BTO43577 to BS153583 (5AE); HMAF to LZ411 to BTO49513 to HMAF (23); HMAF to HILL 37 to AT975582 to LZ495 (3 rounds trips) to AT934633 to HMAF (37); HMAF to LZ411 to BTO74515 to LZ11 to BTO49513 to HMAF (23); MMAP to LZ23 to Chu Lai to HMAF (11). A/C flew a total of 34 sorties for 10.8 hours lifting 40 US, 3 ROYAL and 4 VNGIV troops/pax, 13 ARVN and 2 VNGIV Priority medevacs and 1800 pounds of cargo. A/C received the following fire: BS1261 GS(enroute); AT9758 GS (lifting); AT9759 GS (lifting) and BS153583 (orbiting). A/C received two (2) hits at 070810H/UNK at BS126165/UNK from S/A fire expending 200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C flew in support of III MAF/ROYAL.

4. HMM-265 completed all fringed missions with the exception of MSN #36 due to WX.

5. HMM-265 flew no INSE/CSA's during the regular reporting period.

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 CAPT USMC  
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HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 HHC, San Francisco, California 96602

8 Feb 1968

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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SUMMARY 010001Z to 062400Z

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 269 sorties for 94.4 hours lifting 658 troops/pax, 32 Emergency, 163 Priority and 10 Routine medevacs and 29.9 tons of cargo. Three aircraft received three hits with 400 rounds of .50 cal and 200 of 7.62mm ammunition expended.

2. No major operations supported.

3. INCIDENTS

a. 030805Z: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MON #28. A/C flew from HMMAF to BU 578961 to Chu Lai to HMMAF to LZ410 to BU 578961 to LZ410 to HMMAF to BU 227319 to HMMAF to BU 227319 to LZ410 and back to HMMAF (Received fire enroute) to BU 227319 to LZ410 to HMMAF to BU 227319 to LZ410 to HMMAF to BU 227319 to LZ410 to HMMAF. A/C flew 42 sorties for 20.2 hours lifting 171 troops/pax, 7000 pounds of cargo, no medevacs and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of AMERICAN DIV on an emergency troop lift.

b. 081610Z: HMM-265 launched one CH-46A on THU #31/5A/5A0. A/C flew from HMMAF to 3-4 Med to Sanctuary carrying 12 Emergency medevacs to 3-4 Med to CMed carrying 10 Emergency medevacs and 1 Priority to 3-4 Med (Mission 5A0 complete) to HMMAF to BU 934688 to GA Med to HMMAF Hospital (Mission 5A0 complete) to LZ22 to US 411 to HMMAF flying 12 sorties for 2.5 hours lifting 5 troops/pax, 100 pounds of cargo, 22 Emergency medevacs, 1 Priority medevacs and 2 VHSIV (VC) Routine medevacs carried. No hits and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of III MAF on emergency medevac mission.

4. HMM-265 completed all assigned missions with the exception of HMM 16 due to weather.

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5. FMM-265 flew no FMM/SGA's during the regular reporting period.

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MARINE MEDICAL HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 HHO, San Francisco, California 96102

9 Feb 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 090001H to 092400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 176 sorties for 51.0 hours lifting 249 troops/pax, 9 US Priority medevacs and 51.5 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. No major operations supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 091345H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #42/43. A/C flew from III MAF to LZ22 to III MAF to LZ401 to AT 999621 to LZ22 to Hill 65 to III MAF flying 14 sorties for 4.4 hours lifting no troops/pax, 12250 pounds of cargo and no medevacs. A/C flew in support of III MAF on an emergency resupply of INVADER 06K.

b. 091850H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #44/55. A/C flew from III MAF to LZ401 to BE 033687 to C-4 to III MAF flying 8 sorties for 0.8 hours lifting no troops/pax, 3000 pounds of cargo and one Priority (US) medevac. A/C flew in support of III MAF on an emergency resupply.

4. HMM-265 completed all frogged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GOA's during the regular reporting period.

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

10 February 1966

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

**Subj:** SIEREP 100001H to 102400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 89 sorties for 22.0 hours lifting 97 troops/pax, 1 Priority medovac and 26.5 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.
2. No major operations were supported.
3. HIGHLIGHTS
  - a. 100750H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #26. A/C flew from MIAF to LZ410 to BX033688 then back to MIAF on an emergency resupply of AMPROV 14"U". A/C flew a total of 5 sorties for 1.4 hours lifting 3000 pounds of cargo. No troops/pax and no medevacs carried. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.
  - b. 101850H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #32. A/C flew from MIAF to LZ23 to Rue Phu Bai then back to MIAF on an emergency resupply run flying a total of 3 sorties for 1.3 hours lifting 9 UStroops/pax and 600 pounds of cargo. No medevacs carried. A/C flew in support of 3rd MARDIV.
4. LATE ENTRY: HMM-265 flew an additional 1.1 hours during the period from 090001H to 092400H. Change daily total from 51.0 to 52.1.
5. HMM-265 completed all fringed missions with the following exceptions: MSN #9 which was cancelled by Marine Aircraft Group 16 and MSN #14 which was cancelled due to weather.
6. HMM-265 flew no INST and two (2) GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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 CAPT USMC  
 OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE CORPUS INTELLIGENCE ESTABLISHMENT 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 WFO, San Francisco, California 96602

11 Feb 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SUMMARY 110001H to 112400Z

1. HU-265 flew 140 sorties for 43.2 hours lifting 286 troops/pax, 34 Priority medevacs and 44 tons of cargo. One hit received and 200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. OPERATIONS

a. 111130H: HU-265 launched 2 CP-46A on ICHN #19. A/C flew from MARS to IZ401 to Pt HI (orbit only) to IZ401 to AF 797523 inserting LUCKY BARK and extracting HUSKAR to IZ401 to ICHN to An Hoa to AF 837378 GOLD BEACH and extracting HUSKAR to An Hoa to AF 837378 to An Hoa to IZ401 to AF 848864 were shot out of zone on attempting to insert BATTLE BAG to IZ401 to ICHN flying 28 sorties for 8.2 hours lifting 63 troops/pax, 1550 pounds of cargo and no medevacs. EP 10 feet one hit. A/C flew in support of LtB HUSKAR on insertions and extractions of Recon Teams.

4. HU-265 completed all fringed missions except Line B of ICHN #9.

5. HU-265 flew two ICHN and no GCMs during the regular reporting period.

R. W. THOMPSON  
 CAPTAIN  
 OPERATIONS BATTAL OFFICER

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, USAF, Pacific  
 FM, San Francisco, California 96608

12 February 1968



From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: STATREP 120001H to 120400H

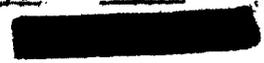
1. HEB-265 flew a total of 254 sorties for 79.3 hours lifting 888 troops/pax, 30.1 tons of cargo and no medevacs. No hits received and no ammunition expended.
2. No major operations were supported.
3. INCIDENTS

a. 121043H: HEB-265 launched 5 OH-46A on 1751/20. A/G flew from 1147 to 11410 to MM32453 and various other coordinates on a combat troop/cargo lift then back to 1147 flying a total of 107 sorties for 39.7 hours lifting 745 US troops/pax and 3950 pounds of cargo. No medevacs were carried. A/G received S/A fire at 11202515 receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. STATREP A/G returned to 1147 at 121730 due to maintenance trouble with HEB-265 C-2 collecting his plane. A/G flew in support of 1147 STATREP.

4. STATREP: HEB-265 flew an additional 1.4 hours during the period from 110001H to 112401H. Change the daily total from 45.2 to 45.6.
5. HEB-265 completed all assigned missions with the exception of 111719 due to fine in area and 111124 which was cancelled by 1 STATREP.
6. HEB-265 flew no STATREP/CSMs during the regular reporting period.

W. STEPHENSON  
 1stLt CDJR  
 COMMANDING OFFICER

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MARINE MEDICAL HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

13 Feb 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SITREP 130000H to 132400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of <sup>151</sup>~~145~~ sorties for <sup>52.4</sup>~~49.8~~ hours lifting <sup>32.6</sup>~~288~~ troops/pax, 249.7 tons of cargo and 37 Priority medevacs. One A/C received two hits with 300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. WHEELER/WALLONA

a. At 130715H 4 CH-46A aircraft launched on MSN #25 flying a total of 22 sorties lifting 92 troops/pax, 4 tons of cargo from LZ 410 to BT 025346 and various other coordinates. No medevacs and no ammunition expended. No hits received.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 130715H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #16. A/C flew from LZ401 to LZ401 to AT 999463 inserting DUBLIN CITY and extracting DUNLAP to An Hoa to ZC 199473 inserting BARKERP and extracting BARKERP to LZ401 to An Hoa inserting BARKERP and back to LZ401 flying 22 sorties for 8.0 hours lifting 42 troops/pax, 5300 pounds of cargo and no medevacs carried. A/C received no hits while expending 300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C flew in support of 1st MAF DIV on and emergency extracting of BARKERP.

4. HMM-265 completed all fragged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no DME/CCA's during the regular reporting period.

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 CAPT USMC  
 OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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STATION REPORT OF HAWAIIAN AIRCRAFT GROUP 265  
 Station Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 37th, San Francisco, California 94602

14 February 1969

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: STREP 1400013 to 1424001

1. VMF-265 flew a total of 110 sorties for 27.6 hours lifting 272 troops/cargo; 1 Priority medevac and 42 Routine medevacs and 49.8 tons of cargo. Seven hits received with no ammunition expended.
2. No major operations were supported.
3. INCIDENTS
  - a. 140105Z: VMF-265 launched 2 OV-10A on ISM 16. A/C flew from ISM to BOV CV to 14411 and various other operations on a combat troop/cargo lift then back to ISM flying a total of 60 sorties for 42.9 hours lifting 10 HC and 173 ROUTIC troops/pax, 1 ROUTIC Priority medevac and 31.2 tons of cargo. A/C received seven hits: three hits received at 141820Z at ZEO30605 from Automatic weapons fire and four hits received at 141615Z at ZEO74515 from Automatic weapons fire. A/C expended no ammunition and flew in support of FORM.
4. VMF-265 completed all assigned missions with the exception of ISM 15 Line 2, which was cancelled by the unit to be supported.
5. VMF-265 flew no INTC/ROA's during the regular reporting period.

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HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

15 Feb 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SITREP 150001H to 152400Z

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 280 sorties for 55.0 hours lifting 335 troops/pax, 7 Priority and 25 routine medevacs and 72.3 tons of cargo. Seven A/C took 35 hits received with 1050 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 151613H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #3. A/C flew from MAF to Hill 55 to AT 989603 to Hill 55 to MAF flying 10 sorties for 3.1 hours lifting 36 troops/pax, no cargo carried and no medevacs. A/C received 12 hits with 700 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAF DIV. Injuro 2-3 down in zone at AT 989603.

b. 151647H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #51. A/C flew from MAF to LZ495 to AT 862672 to C-4 to AT 862672 to C-4 to MAF to AT 864673 to C-4 to MAF flying 9 sorties for 2.9 hours lifting no troops/pax, no cargo and 7 US Priority. No hits received with 150 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAF on emergency medevac mission.

c. 151758H: HMM-265 launched 4 CH-46A on MSN #3. A/C flew from MAF to Hill 55 to LZ412 to AT 988606 to LZ412 to AT 988606 to MAF flying 24 sorties for 5.2 hours lifting 96 troops/pax, no cargo, no medevacs and no ammunition expended. A/C received 4 hits. A/C flew in support of 3rd MAF DIV on an emergency troop lift.

4. HMM-265 completed all trapped missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no MSN/CCA's during the regular reporting period.

C. P. WOODRUFF  
 CAPT SMC  
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MARINE MEDICAL HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

16 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 160000H to 162400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 115 sorties for 20.7 hours lifting 284 troops/pax, 1 Emergency and 1 Routine medevacs and 29.4 tons of cargo. Two A/C took 12 hits expending 200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. INJURE 5-0 was shot down at HILL 55 and remained in zone. INJURE 4-0 was recovery for INJURE 5-0 which was fixed and returned to MAF while INJURE 4-0 remained at HILL 55 due to maintenance trouble. INJURE 8-3 still remains in zone at AT989603.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. INCIDENTS

a. 161255H: HMM-265 launched 2 OH-46A on MSL #33. A/C flew from MAF to DaNang to HILL 37 to AT990605 (no landing) to HILL 55 (INJURE 5-0 shot down with two MIA and remained at HILL 55) then 9-2 took MIA to NSA Hospital then returned to MAF. A/C received 12 hits at 161315H at AT991600 from S/A Automatic fire. A/C expended 200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition and flew in support of 1st MARDIV.

b. 160930H: HMM-265 launched 1 OH-46A on MSL #24/26. A/C flew from MAF to USB Sanctuary to DaNang to MAF to HILL 55 to Anson to HILL 55 to LZ432 to Anson to HILL 55 to MAF to HILL 55. INJURE 4-0 received landing at HILL 55 due to maintenance trouble.

4. HMM-265 completed all fringed missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/CGA's during the regular resupplying period.

P. J. BRANT  
 2ndLT USMC  
 SQUADRON DUTY OFFICER

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 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

17 Feb 1968

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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SITREP 170001H to 172400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 183 sorties for 45.2 hours lifting 474 troops/pax, 3 US Priority medevacs and 33.2 tons of cargo. One A/C took one hit while expending 150 rounds of .50 cal and 100 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition. INJURE 4-0, which went down at Hill 55 on 16 Feb 1968, was externalized back by a CH-53. INJURE 7-0, which was on recovery team for INJURE 8-0, lost an engine and limped back to Hill 55. A/C attempted to fly back to MAF on single engine but lost the other engine and landed 1½ miles southeast of Danang. A/C was recovered by an Army CH-54 "CRANE" and returned to MAF external. INJURE 8-0 still remains in zone at AT 989603.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 171310H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #15. A/C flew from MAF to SP Forces Pad to Drop Zone to SP F Pad to BT 0773 to SP F Pad to Drop Zone to SP F Pad to Drop Zone and back to MAF flying 9 sorties for 1.3 hours lifting 64 troops/pax, no cargo and no medevacs. No ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of SPECIAL FORCES on Paratroop Training.

b. 171530H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #31. A/C flew from MAF to AT 959608 to BT 039715 to MAF flying 6 sorties for 3.1 hours lifting no troops/pax, no cargo and no medevacs. No ammunition was expended. INJURE 7-0 was forced to land do to engine failure and was brought back to MAF externally by an Army CH-54 "CRANE". A/C flew in support of MAG-16.

4. MM-265 completed all fraged missions.
5. MM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

E. R. MILLER  
CAPT USMC  
OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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HAWKINS HILL, HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 Hq, San Francisco, California 96602

13 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: ~~STATREP~~ 180001H to 182400H

1. ~~HAWKINS~~-265 flew a total of 95 sorties for 27.5 hours lifting 310 troops/pax, 1 ~~HAWKINS~~ emergency medevac and 12.2 tons of cargo. One A/C received one hit and expended no ammunition. INJURED 3-0 was lifted out of AF 989603 by CH-53 and was returned to MAF.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 180730H: ~~HAWKINS~~-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #31. A/C flew from MAF to HILL 55 to AF990600 to HILL 55 to AF990600 th HILL 55 then back to MAF flying a total of 9 sorties for 2.1 hours lifting 9 US troops/pax and 7000 pounds of cargo. A/C received one hit at 180930H at AF942611 from .30 cal fire with no ammunition expended. A/C retrieved maintenance crews and maintenance gear from downed A/C site. A/C flew in supported of 1st ~~HAWKINS~~.

4. ~~HAWKINS~~-265 completed all fraged missions with the exception of MSN #20 which was incomplete due to lack of hook on A/C.

5. ~~HAWKINS~~-265 flew two (2) GCA's and no INST's during the regular reporting period.

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 2ndLt USMC  
 SQUADRON DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

19 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: MISSION 190001H to 192400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 98 sorties for 24.4 hours lifting 106 troops/pax, 1 RCMC emergency, 16 US Priority and 2 RCMC and 1 AMWV routine medevacs and 34.9 tons of cargo. One A/C received one hit and one A/C expended 25 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. One crew member was MIA.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 191240H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #19. A/C flew from MIAF to LZ401 to AT998463 to AT8376 to LZ401 then back to MIAF on a combat troop lift flying a total of 5 sorties for 2.0 hours lifting 7 US troops/pax and 500 pounds of cargo. No medevacs were carried. A/C received one hit at 191350H at AT8473 from explosive .50 cal fire and expended no ammunition. A/C also received S/A fire at 191335H at AT998463. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.

b. 191329H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #5K. A/C flew from MIAF to AT916910 to G-4 and then back to MIAF. A/C flew a total of 3 sorties for .9 hours. A/C carried no troops/pax, no medevacs and no cargo. Mission was an Emergency medevac lift but was aborted due to hostile fire injuring one crew member. A/C received no hits and expended 25 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

4. HMM-265 completed all frugged missions with the exception of MSN #5K which was incompleted due to hostile fire which injured one crew member.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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 2nd Lt USMC  
 SQUADRON DUTY OFFICER

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, MAF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

20 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 200001H to 202400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 96 sorties for 25.2 hours lifting 408 troops/pax, 3.9 tons of cargo and no medevacs were carried.
2. No major operations were supported.
3. HIGHLIGHTS
  - a. 201310H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSS #24. A/C flew from MAF to LZ401 to AT884345 inserting ICS BOUND and extracting HMM-265 to AN HQ to LZ401 to AT835739 inserting GOLD LION to AT8367 (fly over of DUBLIN CITY) to LZ401 then back to MAF on a combat troop lift flying a total of 13 sorties for 4.3 hours lifting 38 US troops/pax and 500 pounds of cargo. No medevacs were carried. A/C received no hits and expended no ammunition. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.
  4. LATE ENTRY: At 192305H HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSS #3A. A/C flew from MAF to 360°15 NM CH94 then back to MAF flying a total of 2 sorties for a total of 1.4 hours lifting no troops/pax, no medevacs and no cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAF. Mission was attempted SAN for downed H-53; mission was aborted due to inability to navigate.
5. HMM-265 completed all fraged missions with the exception of MSS #25 which was incomplete due to weather.
6. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

A. D. ROSS  
 CAPT USMC  
 OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER

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NAVAL AVIATION HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

21 February 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SITREP 210001H to 212400H

1. HML-265 flew a total of 199 sorties for 45.8 hours lifting 338 troops/pax, 21 US Priority and 1 US Routine medevacs and 37.8 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.
2. No major operations were supported.
3. HIGHLIGHTS:
  - a. 210750H: HML-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSG #9. A/C flew from HMAP to LZ411 to BT104532 and various other coordinates then back to HMAP on a combat cargo lift flying a total of 62 sorties for 9.6 hours lifting 16 US and 77 RCMHC troops/pax and 35.2 tons of cargo. No medevacs carried, no hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of RCMHC.
4. HML-265 completed all fraged missions with the exception of the following: MSG #15 which was incomplete due to A/C being diverted by CASUALTIES 1 and MSG #18 Line A which was aborted due to weather.
5. HML-265 flew no INST/COA's during the regular reporting period.

T. M. LINDSEY  
 1stLt USMC  
 SQUADRON DUTY OFFICER

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NAVINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

22 February 1968

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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SITREP 220001H to 222400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 120 sorties for 35.5 hours lifting 253 troops/pax, 3 US Routine medevacs and 31.8 tons of cargo. Three hits received by three A/C with 550 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. No major operations were supported.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 220740H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #9. A/C flew from MMAF to BT142618 to LZ411 and various other coordinates on a combat cargo and medevacs then back to MMAF flying a total of 59 sorties for 13.2 hours lifting 13 US and 149 RORMC troops/pax, 1 US Routine medevac and 30.1 tons of cargo. A/C received two hits at 221400H at BT026603 from S/A fire expending 50 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C also received sniper fire at 221415H at BT078517. INJUNE 3-2 had an engine failure while airborne and was forced to jettison the cargo which consisted of C-Nations then returned to MMAF. A/C flew in support of RORMC.

4. LATE ENTRY: HMM-265 flew an additional 0.5 hours during the period from 210001H to 212400H. Change daily total from 45.8 to 46.3.

5. HMM-265 completed all fraged missions with the exception of MSN #17 which was incompleated due to weather.

6. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265  
 Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, IAW, Pacific  
 FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

23 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 230001H to 232400H

1. ~~MM~~-265 flew a total of <sup>155</sup>~~149~~ sorties for <sup>44.6</sup>~~42.8~~ hours lifting 258 troops/pax, 21 US Priority medevacs and 32.5 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. DINOSAUR

a. At 230927H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #17 flying a total of 43 sorties lifting 12 US and 69 KORMIC troops/pax and 21.0 tons of cargo from LZ411 to ETO29605 and various other coordinates. A/C received fire at ETO23584 and ETO16570 receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. No medevacs were carried. A/C flew in support of KORMIC.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 230330H: ~~MM~~-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #31. A/C flew from MAF to Hue Phu Dai on an emergency blood run then back to MAF flying a total of 2 sorties for 2.4 hours lifting 450 pounds of cargo, no troops/pax and no medevacs. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 3rd MARDIV.

4. ~~MM~~-265 completed all fraged missions with the exception of Missions #5I/5J, #19 and #30 which were incompleted due to weather.

5. ~~MM~~-265 flew two (2) GCA's and no INST's during the regular reporting period.

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24 February 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SITREP 240001H to 242400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 89 sorties for 26.2 hours lifting 135 troops/pax, 3 emergency and 9 Priority medevacs and 11.3 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

2. DINOSAUR

a. At 241030H 2 CH-46A launched on mission #18 flying a total of 38 sorties lifting 9 US and 73 ROKMC troops/pax and 9.8 tons of cargo from LZ411 to BT104532 and various other coordinates. A/C received fire at BT074515 receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. No medevacs were carried. A/C flew in support of ROKMC.

3. HIGHLIGHTS

a. 240840H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #25. A/C flew from HMMF to ZD024024 on a weather recon for troop lift then back to HMMF flying a total of 1 sortie for 1.2 hours lifting no cargo, no troops/pax and no medevacs. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MAABIV.

4. HMM-265 completed all fraged mission with the exception of missions #5C and #15/5F lines D, G, and H which were incomplete due to weather.

5. HMM-265 flew one (1) GCA and one (1) INST during the regular reporting period.

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25 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: SITREP 250001H to 252400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 127 sorties for 49.3 hours lifting 273 troops/pax, 5 US, 5 ARVN and 5 ROKMC Priority medevacs and 30.6 tons of cargo. Two hits received and 180 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. DINOSAUR

a. At 251055H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #25/32 flying a total of 25 sorties lifting 13 US and 36 ROKMC troops/pax and 8.2 tons of cargo from LZ411 to LZ411 to AT853701 (emergency extraction of DUBIN CITY) then to LZ401. A/C received fire at AT853701 receiving no hits and expending 20 rounds of .50 cal ammunition. A/C flew in support of ROKMC.

b. At 251803H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #33 flying a total of 3 sorties lifting 1.4 tons of cargo from LZ411 to BT018570 on an emergency resupply of ROKMC. A/C received 2 hits at 251830H at BT048584 from automatic weapons fire expending 160 rounds of .50 cal ammunition.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 250800H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #22. A/C flew from LZ411 to LZ23 to BT05143 and various other coordinates on a combat cargo lift flying a total of 34 sorties for 16.6 hours lifting 15 US troops/pax and 20.0 tons of cargo. A/C received fire at 251000H at BT1615 from S/A fire and at 251845H at BT0054 from S/A receiving no hits and expending no ammunition. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.

4. HMM-265 completed all fragg missions with the exception of MSN #22 Line A, which was incomplete due to unorganized fragg.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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26 February 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SITREP 260001H to 262400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 110 sorties for 41.6 hours lifting 323 troops/pax, 54 US and 5 W/CIV Priority medevacs and 36.7 tons of cargo. No hits received with 60 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

2. DIOSAUR

a. At 260803H 2 CH-46A launched on MS: #20 flying a total of 54 sorties lifting 21 US, 156 ROMMC and 1 W/CIV troops/pax and 26.5 tons of cargo from AT992578 to LZ411 and various other coordinates. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of ROMMC.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 261402H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MS: #19/5B. A/C flew from MMAF to LZ401 to AT797528 inserting SAILFISH to AT803871 inserting GIBSAIL to AT997463 resupplying GRIN DEAF to AT883345 resupplying FLAGDIP to Anhoa to ZC134708 extracting ROMMAGE to LZ412 (picking up 5 W/CIV Priority medevacs) to DaNang Civilian Hospital (dropping off medevacs) to AT9035 (overfly of PAIL JOLY) to AT845865 extracting LUCKY LAMB to LZ401 then back to MMAF flying a total of 21 sorties for 8.2 hours lifting 66 US troops/pax, 5 W/CIV Priority medevacs and 600 pounds of cargo. No hits received and 60 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

4. HMM-265 completed all fragged missions with the exception of MSN #21 lines D & E which were incomplete due to weather.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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27 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16

Subj: MISSIONS 270001H to 272400H

1. FMF-265 flew a total of 139 sorties for 44.1 hours lifting 265 troops/pax, 1 US Emergency medevac and 24.7 tons of cargo. Two A/C received three hits. A/C expended 500 rounds of .50 cal ammunition.

2. DUELOFAUR

a. At 270825H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #45 flying a total of 25 sorties lifting 13 US and 56 ROYAL troops/pax, 1 US Emergency medevac and 12.9 tons of cargo from LZ411 to resupply of the following: LATIN BUNH A; HIGHER COVER 14; LATIN BUNH C and HAM SALAD. A/C received three hits at 271035H at AE995500 from B/A automatic fire with 300 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

b. At 271340H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #45 flying a total of 10 sorties lifting 2 US and 12 ROYAL troops/pax and 7.5 tons of cargo from POST 14 to LZ411 to resupply of LATIN BUNH B and HAM SALAD (two trips receiving fire both times, receiving no hits and expending 200 rounds of .50 cal ammunition).

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 270955H: FMF-265 launched 3 CH-46A on MSN #23. A/C flew from MMAF to LZ58 to AE025020 and various other coordinates on a VIP lift then back to MMAF flying a total of 26 sorties for 9.4 hours lifting 13 US and 1 VIP pax and 500 pounds of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended. INJUNE 5-0 remains at Phu Bai due to maintenance problems. A/C flew in support of III MAF.

4. FMF-265 completed all fringed missions.

5. FMF-265 flew no INSR/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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23 February 1968

**From:** Commanding Officer  
**To:** Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
**Subj:** SITREP 280001H to 282400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 230 sorties for 57.4 hours lifting 254 troops/pax, 6 US Priority and 1 WNCIV Routine medevacs and 107.7 tons of cargo. No hits received and 750 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended. InJUNE 5-0 returned to MAAF from Phu Bai.

2. DINOSAUR

a. At 280835H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #21 flying a total of 66 sorties lifting 19 US and 143 ROMMC and 2 WNCIV troops/pax and 41.1 tons of cargo from BT125635 to LZ411 and various other coordinates. A/C received the following fire: At 280950H at BT104532 from S/A; at 281300H at AT993578 from S/A and at 281450H at BT016570 from S/A. No hits received and 750 rounds of .50 cal ammunition expended.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 280755H: HMM-265 launched 1 CH-46A on MSN #19/5H. A/C flew from MAAF to LZ23 to Anloa to various other coordinates to USS Repose then back to MAAF on a logistics cargo and medevac lift flying a total of 40 sorties for 3.7 hours lifting 10 US troops/pax, 1 WNCIV Routine medevac and 24.7 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of 1st MARDIV.

4. HMM-265 completed all fraged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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29 February 1968

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 16  
 Subj: SITREP 290001H to 292400H

1. HMM-265 flew a total of 128 sorties for <sup>37.6</sup>~~40.0~~ hours lifting 152 troops/pax, 3 ROKMC Priority and 1 ROKMC routine medevacs and 43.0 tons of cargo. Two A/C received two hits and no ammunition expended.

2. BINGSAN

a. At 290740H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #21/5E/5D flying a total of 47 sorties lifting 4 US and 77 ROKMC troops/pax, 3 ROKMC Priority medevacs and 16.1 tons of cargo from BT104533 to BT092538 and various other coordinates. A/C received one hit at 291100H at AT992578 from S/A fire and at 291155H at AT992578 from S/A fire with no ammunition expended.

b. At 291434H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #27 flying a total of 12 sorties lifting 4 US and 22 ROKMC troops/pax and 5.5 tons of cargo from LZ411 to BT104532 and various other coordinates. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

c. At 291527H 2 CH-46A launched on MSN #28/5N flying a total of 20 sorties lifting 6 US and 4 ARVN troops/pax, 1 ROKMC routine medevac and 1.0 tons of cargo from LZ411 to Quang Ngai and various other coordinates. No hits received and no ammunition expended.

3. HIGHLIGHTS:

a. 291402H: HMM-265 launched 2 CH-46A on MSN #21. A/C flew from MAF to BT032510 (6 trips) then back to MAF (6 trips) on a combat cargo lift flying a total of 24 sorties for 8.1 hours lifting 1 US and 14 ARVN troops/pax and 14.3 tons of cargo. No hits received and no ammunition expended. A/C flew in support of ARVN.

4. HMM-265 completed all fraged missions.

5. HMM-265 flew no INST/GCA's during the regular reporting period.

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