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MARINE FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON 314
Marine Aircraft Group 13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
FPO San Francisco 96602

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

A. DESIGNATION

MARINE FIGHTER/ATTACK SQUADRON-314
 Marine Aircraft Group-13
 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac

COMMANDER

LTCOL. Charles G. FREDERICK
 26 June 1969 - Present

B. LOCATION

1 - 30 June 1969, Chu Lai Air Base, Republic of Vietnam

C. STAFF OFFICERS

James P. MOODY	Maj.	Executive Officer	16May69-25June69
John W. BLACK	Maj.	Executive Officer	26June69-Present
Donald D. BERGMAN	Maj.	S-1 Officer	15April69-Present
Bobby D. COLE	Capt.	S-2 Officer	16April69-Present
James H. VANDEVER	Maj.	S-3 Officer	16May69-Present
Frank A. HUEY	Maj.	S-4 Officer	11Mar69-Present
Michael P. SULLIVAN	Maj.	Maintenance Officer	16May69-Present
Richard L. KNERR	SgtMaj.	Sergeant Major	01June68-21June69
Edwin L. STOLTZ	MSgt.	Sergeant Major	22June69-Present
Edwin L. STOLTZ	MSgt.	Maintenance Chief	12Sept68-Present

D. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH1. OFFICER

a. Naval Aviator 27
 b. Naval Flight Officer 20
 c. Aviation Ground Officer 6

2. ENLISTED

a. Marine Corps 251

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The "Black Knights" performance for the month of June was once again indicative of the long hours and hard work on the part of every Squadron member. Squadron pilots averaged 25 combat sorties and RIO's 35 combat sorties while amassing a total of 627 combat missions and 678.7 combat hours.

Ordnance totaling 1427.5 tons was accurately delivered on target resulting in a Bomb Damage Assessment of 308 bunkers destroyed, 97 structures destroyed, 1 bridge destroyed, 22 military pack animals killed and two fifty caliber machine guns destroyed. Squadron aircraft ignited 47 secondary fires and touched off 32 secondary explosions. Enemy KBM for the month totaled 49.

During the month of June VMFA-314 supported the Third Marine Division in Operations Virginia Ridge, Massachusetts Bay, Herkimer Mountain, Cameron Falls, Tennessee Pride and Utah Mesa. The Squadron supported the First Marine Division in Operations Pipestone Canyon and Bold Pursuit. In support of the Army's 101st Airborne Division VMFA-314 participated in Operations Kentucky Jumper, Montgomery Rendezvous, Lamar Plain and Apache Snow. In southern I Corps the Black Knights aided the Americal Division in Operations Russell Beach, Iron Mountain, Geneva Park and Frederick Hills. VMFA-314 also supported the NOK Marines in Operation Victory Dragon XII. For the 7th Air Force the Squadron flew 88 CAS missions for 92.3 hours and 6 air to air sorties for 7.8 hours. Covering Task Force 77 in the Gulf of Tonkin 16 BARCAP missions were flown for 30.6 hours.

On 25 June the Black Knights held a change of command ceremony at which LTCOL. Charles G. FREDERICK assumed command from Maj. John W. BLACK. Major General Lloyd B. RAMSEY, CG of the Americal Division along with other distinguished guests were present.

The following officers completed the indicated number of missions during the month in their current tours:

Major M. P. SULLIVAN	200	Captain J. E. HANKINS	500
Major A. GILLESPIE	100	Captain S. R. McCOMB	300
Major D. D. BERGMAN	200	1stLt K. J. HERR	400
Captain J. A. DAVIS	300	1stLt R. C. KINDSPATER	400
Captain J. S. GARZIK	300	1stLt M. A. RIETSCH	300

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PART III

A. Personnel Administration. During the month of June VMFA-314 joined 14 officers and transferred 8. The Squadron joined 38 enlisted and transferred 41.

B. Awards. The Squadron presented 3 single mission Air Medals, 1 Navy Achievement Medal, 5 Certificates of Commendation and 5 Meritorious Acts during June.

C. Casualties.

Combat: None Non-Combat: 2

D. Air Operations.

1. Flight Hours and Sorties:

Hours		Sorties	
Combat	Total	Combat	Total
678.7	709.4	627	647

2. Bomb Damage Assessment Breakdown

Bunkers	308 destroyed, 20 damaged
Hootches	18 destroyed
Structures	97 destroyed, 25 damaged
Pack Animals	22 killed
KBMA	49
Bridges	1 destroyed
Treelines	2,657 meters destroyed
Trenchlines	1,055 meters destroyed
Secondary Explosions	47
50 Cal Machine Guns	2 destroyed
Tunnel Exit	1 destroyed
Trails	40 meters destroyed
Trucks	1 destroyed

E. Training. One JEST Refresher Course, one NCO Leadership School, one SERE Course and one JEST Course

F. Ordnance. Total ordnance dropped for the month was 1427.5 tons.

G. Promotions. Major: 1 Sergeant: 2 Corporal: 9 Lance Corporal: 1

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