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Encl: ✓(1) MAG-13 Command Chronology for period 1-31 October 1966

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PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Commanders and Staff:

a. Headquarters, MAG-13 (1-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DOUGLAS D. PETTY JR.	CO	COL	COL
FREDRIC T. WATTS JR.	XO	LTCOL	LTCOL
MICHAEL O. BOSS	ADJ	MAJOR	CAPT
HARRY D. STOTT	S-1	MAJOR	LTCOL
GLYDE C. SIMON	S-2	MAJOR	CAPT
WILLIAM H. HEINTZ	S-3	LTCOL	MAJOR
KENNETH G. FIEGENER	S-4	LTCOL	LTCOL

b. H&MS-13 (1-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
WALTER E. DOMINA	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
REECE J. WOODARD	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
JIMMY L. PAPPAS	A/C MAINTO (1-250ct)	MAJOR	CAPT
LOUIS F. GAGNON	OPSO	CAPT	MAJOR
RONALD C. ANDREAS	ADMINO (1-250ct)	LT	CAPT

c. MABS-13 (1-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
OWEN L. OWENS	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
JAMES L. SHANAHAN	XO (1-150ct)	MAJOR	MAJOR
RAY B. STICE	XO (15-310ct)	MAJOR	MAJOR
JOHN L. LOHR	ADMINO	CAPT	2NDLT
WALTER C. SERVICE III	BASEOPSO	MAJOR	MAJOR
JAMES F. NEWELL	BASESERVO	MAJOR	CAPT

d. VMFA-542 (1-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DONALD L. MAY	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
WALTER O. POITEVENT	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
JAMES J. MORIN	S-1	LT	CAPT
VINCENT M. LEVITSKY	S-2	LT	1STLT
EDDIE R. MAAG	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
ROBERT L. DANIELS	S-4	WO	CAPT
MICHAEL P. CADY	MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR

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e. VMFA-323 (5-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
AUBREY W. TALBERT	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
BILLY D. FRITSCH	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
CAREY B. CONNELL	S-1 (1-26 Oct)	LT	CAPT
RONALD C. ANDREAS	S-1 (27-31 Oct)	LT	CAPT
HUGH J. JULIAN	S-2	LT	CAPT
ROBERT J. DIVOKY	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
RICHARD J. SKELTON	S-4 (1-26 Oct)	WO	CAPT
JOSEPH B. WUERTZ	S-4 (27-31 Oct)	WO	MAJOR
DAYTON A. LEWIS	MAINTO (1-26 Oct)	MAJOR	CAPT
JIMMY L. PAPPAS	MAINTO (27-31 Oct)	MAJOR	MAJOR

f. VMFA-314 (21-31 October)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DARREL E. BJORKLUND	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
ROBERT R. SHEAHAN	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
HARRY COLLINS II	S-1	LT	CAPT
DAVID E. FRITZ	S-2	LT	LSTLT
ROBERT D. MILLER	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
HERBERT F. STROMAN	S-4	WO	CAPT
JOHN T. TYLER	MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

MAG-13	MCAS CHU LAI
H&MS-13	MCAS CHU LAI
MABS-13	MCAS CHU LAI
VMFA-542	MCAS IWAKUNI (1-9 Oct)
	MCAS CHU LAI (10-31 Oct)
VMFA-323	DANANG AB (1-5 Oct)
	MCAS CHU LAI (6-31 Oct)
VMFA-314	DANANG AB (1-20 Oct)
	MCAS CHU LAI (21-31 Oct)

3. Average Monthly Strengths

<u>MAG-13</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NFO</u>	<u>AG</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>USN</u>	
					<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
H&MS-13	24	0	22	350	0	0
MABS-13	7	0	12	435	0	0
VMFA-542	22	21	5	255	1	2
VMFA-323	16	16	10	225	1	2
VMFA-314	19	17	5	228	1	2
TOTAL	88	54	54	1493	3	6

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4. Important Visitors to the Command.

Admiral MAC DONALD	CNO
LtGen KRULAK	CG FMFPAC
LtGen WALT	CG III MAF
MajGen ROBERTSHAW	CG FMAW
MajGen NICKERSON	CG FIRSTMARDIV

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PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

On 5 October MCAS Chu Lai (West Field) was officially opened with Col. D. D. PETTY JR, CO MAG-13, making the first landing in a TF9J. Col. D. D. PETTY was greeted by MajGen. ROBERTSHAW, CG First MAW. LtCol. A. W. TALBERT, CO VMFA-323, made the first F4B landing as he led the transfer of VMFA-323 from MAG-11, DaNang AB to MAG-13 at MCAS Chu Lai. The next day Col. D.D. PETTY JR, and LtCol. A. W. TALBERT flew the first phantom combat mission for MAG-13.

On 10 October VMFA-542 arrived at MCAS Chu Lai from MCAS Iwakuni. Two days later the tiger squadron started flying combat missions. VMFA-314 was the next squadron to arrive at MCAS Chu Lai on 21 October after detaching from MAG-11, DaNang AB.

During the month of October H&MS-13 and MABS-13 were busy with the construction of support and base facilities. Ground Defense was established with the formation of provisional rifle companies and the building of defensive positions for security of the men, aircraft and equipment of MAG-13.

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PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. During this reporting period, one Private First Class, 89 Lance Corporals, 84 Corporals, two Sergeants, 12 Staff Sergeants, 11 Gunnery Sergeants, one Master Sergeant, one First Lieutenant, 34 Captains, 10 Majors and one Lieutenant Colonel were promoted to their present ranks.

2. Awards. Awards presented:

23 - Air Medals

3 - Good Conduct Medals

CNO Safety Award for FY 1966 to VMFA-542

3. Casualties. On 13 October Cpl. Anthony J. NIGRO, 2078515/USMC was accidentally killed by a gun shot wound in the head. Also wounded by the same accidental discharge was Pvt. Donald L. DADLER, 2189035/USMC.

On 17 October PFC. Edward E. ANDERSON, 2144079/USMC and LCpl. James C. LAMBERT, 2128882/USMC were accidentally killed by an A4 during its take-off roll. The two Marines were crossing the East Field runway at night and apparently did not see the jet taking-off.

4. Morale/Welfare Programs.

With the assignment of the hamlet of An Tan as the MAG-13 civic action area, the Group Chaplain inherited from the 11th Marines Regimental Chaplain the responsibility for coordinating construction of the An Tan Evangelical Church. This is a cooperative venture among the Protestant Chaplains of the Chu Lai area.

The Group Chaplain initiated and directed a Protestant Rally for military personnel of this area. The first rally was held on 9 October and was the first rally of this type to be held in the Chu Lai area.

5. Intelligence/Counterintelligence.

a. Activities

(1) Commenced briefing and debriefing aircrews of VMFA-323 on 5 October, H&MS-13 on 6 October, VMFA-542 on 12 October and VMFA-314 on 21 October.

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(2) Most significant damage incurred against the VC/NVN forces on 17 October with two confirmed and six probable killed by air; six structures destroyed and 15 structures damaged.

b. Training

(1) Intelligence briefs were presented to the Commanding Officer, his Staff and Squadron Commanders at the regularly scheduled weekly CO's conference.

(2) On-the-job-training conducted by all intelligence personnel within the Group during this period.

c. Administration

(1) Classified files were maintained in accordance with OPNAVINST 5510.1C and current applicable directives.

(2) Personnel security clearances were processed in accordance with current directives.

(3) Unclassified files were maintained in accordance with SECNAVINST P5213.1 (Naval Filing System).

6. Air Operations

a. H&MS-13. During the month of October 88 TF9J sorties (125.9 hrs) and 59 C117D sorties (111.6 hrs) were flown. Type flights flown by the TF9J were visual recon, helo escorts, DAS, TPQ calibration and TAC(A). The C117 conducted normal scheduled Marlog flights plus the flare drop missions.

b. MABS-13. The Launch and Recovery unit has installed two M-21 arresting gear units, 3500 feet from each approach end of the runway. During the month the Crash Crew responded to 27 emergencies, two of which required the field to be closed until salvage operations were completed. The Crash Crew was able to salvage two F4B's with no further damage than had occurred due to the incidents.

c. Phantom Squadrons. The onset of the monsoon season, coupled with the normal flight deterrent of transitioning between locations and parent groups, slowed the normally high pace of the squadrons' flight operations. The combat missions flown were largely in support of Operation Prairie. The other combat missions being helo escort, DAS, TPQ, Air-to-Ground Alert and Air-to-Air Alert.

The following sorties and hours were flown during October:

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	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
VMFA-542	273	411.9
VMFA-323	472	624.4
VMFA-314	470	617.8

7. Logistics.

a. The first 15 days of October saw a continuation of the build up of MAG-13 in Chu Lai. Unloading of LST 1165, USS Washoe County continued until 3 October. At Iwakuni, VMFA-542 and VMA-211 advance echelon, departed via C-130 with continual loading of LST 1157, USS Terrell County containing the Tactical Squadron's gear. From 4 through 10 October Air Force C-130s from the 315th Air Division Tachikawa lifted VMA-211 and VMFA-542 to Chu Lai in a highly professional manner. On 11 October the USS Terrell County arrived and with the assistance of the 7th Motor Transport Battalion all embarked supplies were off loaded and delivered to the MAG-13 cantonment. By 15 October all elements of MAG-13 were bedded down and operating, including VMFA-323 which had transferred to MAG-13 from MAG-11 on the 5th of October.

b. The period of 16 through 31 October saw the arrival of two more F-9s to augment the H&MS-13 aircraft inventory. From the 17th through the 21st liaison was conducted with MAG-11 to coordinate the transfer of equipment attendant to the move of VMFA-314 from DaNang to Chu Lai. The 22nd saw the arrival of VMFA-314 and setting up in temporary quarters on the northwest turnup ramp. The inconvenience was necessary due to construction of additional parking ramp space. The remainder of the month settled down to the more routine type S-4 business.

8. Motor Transport. The total number of miles traveled by vehicles in MAG-13 was 60,623 carrying 22,672 passengers and hauling 843,144 lbs of cargo. The amount of fuel utilized was 837,145 gallons. The Heavy Equipment Section operated vehicles for a total of 3,594 hours. The Motor Transport Maintenance Section conducted 245 preventive maintenance inspections and repaired 105 tires. The Heavy Equipment Section conducted 272 preventive maintenance inspections.

9. Base Development/Military Construction. On 5 October an additional 32 huts were occupied by VMFA-542 personnel and by 12 October another 32 huts were occupied by VMFA-323 personnel. Also on 12 October the 75' wide, 10,000 foot taxiway was completed by RMK-BRJ. On 15 October, the 7,500' 8" POL line from bulk fuel storage to TAFDS was completed by MCB-3 and put into operation. On 20 October the ARMCO steel aircraft revetments were started on the parking apron by MCB 40. On 21 October, the Group Headquarters moved into the new 5600 square foot Command Post. On 26 October, the new 1600 man messhall/galley was occupied, although the full 15,000 square foot building was not complete. On 22 October, VMFA-314 occupied an additional 27 huts. By 31 October 242 huts were

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completed, or 90% complete, and all were occupied. This included the Group Dispensary which was 95% complete at this time but not occupied, and the five squadron CP's.

10. Communications/Electronics. During October the wire section installed a permanent switch board, 152 telephones, 52 miles of wire and three miles of telephone poles. Also an emergency crash alert phone circuit was installed. A test radio net using encrypted voice transmission was established with the First Marine Aircraft Wing. Communications Guard was assumed on 22 October when the message center established a transmit and receive top secret teletype circuit with Wing Headquarters. Traffic for the month included 198 outgoing and 1363 incoming messages.

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MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13
Marine Aircraft Group-13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
FPO San Francisco, 96602

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5 Jan 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for 1-31 December 1966

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1B

Encl: ✓(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-31 December 1966

1. In accordance with instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

O. L. Owens
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Part I - Organizational Data

- | <u>1. Name</u> | <u>Billet</u> | <u>T/O</u> | <u>Actual</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Owen L. OWENS | Commanding Officer | LtCol | LtCol |
| Ray B. STICE | Executive Officer | Major | Major |
| John L. LOHR | Administrative Officer | Capt | 2ndLt |
| Walter C. SERVICE III | Base Operations Officer | Major | Major |
| Bernard H. THOMAS | Base Services Officer | Major | Major |
| George R. FULDA | Sergeant Major | SgtMaj | 1stSgt |
2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, RVN 1-31 December 1966
3. Average Strength
- | | |
|-----|-----|
| NA | 6 |
| AG | 14 |
| ENL | 591 |
4. Important Visitors - General Westmoreland, Senator Strom Thurman, LtGen Chapman, MajGen Robertshaw and BGen Stiles.

Part II - Narrative Summary

1. During the period covered by this report MABS-13 continued its efforts in improving the Chu Lai Airfield and the MAG-13 living facilities and working spaces. The personnel strength on 31 December 1966 was 20 officers and 656 enlisted, 3 Naval Officers and 22 Naval enlisted. 34 Vietnamese civilian laborers were employed.

Part III - Personnel

1. Personnel and Administration - 144 men joined the squadron and 13 were transferred. One 1stSgt, One MSgt, one SSgt, 16 Sgts and 2 PFC's were promoted to their present rank. Four men extended their overseas tour.

2. Awards - Major Ray B. STICE, Major Walter C. SERVICE III, Major Bernard H. THOMAS, and Captain Edward T. SONNTAG were awarded their first Air Medals.

3. Casualties - none

4. Civic Action - The Group Medical Department treated 138 Vietnamese civilians in 9 visits to the village of ANTAN near the Chu Lai Airfield. The MAG-13 Chaplain delivered some building material to a Protestant mission in ANTAN and participated in the dedication of a church there. The Chaplain also contributed \$50.00 and 90 lbs. of candy to the Mission at QUANG NAI and the church at ANTAN respectively. A Christmas program was conducted for the Vietnamese children at ANTAN.

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5. Morale/Welfare Program - A Squadron Party was held during the month of December. An exceptionally well prepared meal was served on Christmas day. The enlisted, Staff NCO, and Officers Clubs all participated in bringing out the holiday spirit to the extent possible.

6. Informational Services - none

7. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence - N/A

8. ECM - N/A

9. Photo - The photo section provided MAG-13 with a total of 768 8x10 prints, 339 5x7 prints, 52 4x5 prints, 133 2 1/2x3 1/2 prints, and 109 2 1/4x2 1/4 prints. These included both operational and administrative photographic subjects.

10. Air Operations - A total of 259 aircraft arrestments were made by the launch and recovery section. 100 Portable Runway Lights were placed on order. The Crash crew responded to 82 emergencies, 3 of which involved aircraft damage.

11. Air Control - MABS-13 does not have an Air Control function. This responsibility rests with MATCU-67; however, close liaison is maintained with MATCU-67 in conjunction with airfield operations.

12. Air Defense - N/A

13. Special Operations - N/A

14. Ground Defense - Improvement of Ground Defense has been a continuing process. The Group Guard has consolidated its living spaces so that they are compatible with their Duty sections.

15. Command Relationship/Command and Control - N/A

16. NBC Warfare - none

17. Training - none

18. Logistics - The MABS-13 Ordnance Section assembled and delivered a daily average of 76.3 tons of ammunition during the month of December. 2,406,980 gallons of jet fuel was dispensed through the TAFDS. In excess of 150,000 meals were served and the Mess Hall was open at all hours to late fliers and watch standers.

19. Motor Transport - During the period of this report a Marine Aircraft Group-13 courtesy shuttle bus was established between Marine Aircraft Group-13 and Marine Aircraft Group-36 serving all units between. The service commenced on 13 Dec and terminated on 22 Dec when Naval Support Facility assumed the responsibility. During the period 13 to 22 Dec, Marine Aircraft Group-13 hauled 1,251 passengers. On 10 Dec 1966 this section was commended by

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Lt. General WALT CG in III Marine Amphibious Force msg 100916Z Dec 66 for outstanding service provided by the refueler team during the period 31 Oct to 8 Dec 1966, during which time Marine Aircraft Group-13 refuelers hauled 31 million gallons of aircraft fuel over 40,000 miles during extreme adverse weather and road conditions.

Other items of interest are:

Miles traveled	56,581 miles
Cargo hauled	5,431,327 lbs.
Passengers hauled	27,027
Fuel used (Mogas & Diesel)	629,617 gals.

20. Engineering - N/A

21. Avionics - N/A

22. Maintenance - Continued construction of camp. Constructed eight (8) 16x32 Huts, Dental Building erected, Group Flag Pole erected and numerous small type operational buildings. Preventive maintenance continues to be a work task for MABS-13 as does the constant repair of malfunctioning and inoperative equipment.

23. Communications - The communications network in the MAG-13 complex continued to expand. Twelve miles of communications wire was installed. An increase of 130% in message traffic was experienced during the month of December bringing the total messages processed to 8,789.

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Part I - Organizational Data

1. <u>Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Actual</u>
D.W. MORRILL*	Commanding Officer	LtCol	Major
R.B. STICE	Executive Officer	Major	Major
J.L. LOHR	Administrative Officer	Capt	2ndLt
R.L. BAINBRIDGE*	Base Operations Officer	Major	Major
B.H. THOMAS	Base Services Officer	Major	Major
G.R. FULDA	Sergeant Major	SgtMaj	1stSgt

* Major Morrill relieved LtCol O.L. Owens on 25 Jan 1967 and assumed command on that date. Major Bainbridge relieved Major W.C. Service III on 15 January.

2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, R.V.N. 1-31 January 1967

3. Average Strength

NA 6
AG 14
ENL 677

4. Important Visitors - General Wallace M. Green, LtGen Krulak, BGen Stiles, and MajGen Robertshaw.

Part II - Narrative Summary

1. During the period covered by this report MABS-13 continued the improvement of the Chu Lai Complex and devoted a considerable amount of effort toward maintenance of assigned equipment. This maintenance effort was imposed by an exceptionally high amount of precipitation during the month of January. The personnel strength on 31 January was 21 officers and 699 enlisted men. 3 Naval Officers and 22 Naval enlisted men are assigned.

Part III - Personnel

1. Personnel and Administration - 59 men joined the Squadron and 17 were transferred. Two Gunnery Sergeants, one Sergeant, 45 Corporals, 43 Lance Corporals, and 5 PFC's were promoted to their present ranks. Seven men extended their enlistment, three men re-enlisted, and nine extended their overseas tour.

2. Awards - Major B.H. THOMAS received a gold star in lieu of a second Air Medal.

3. Casualties - None

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4. Civic Action - Five loads of scrap lumber were taken to the Protestant and Catholic Churches in the nearby village of ANTAN. The Group Chaplain visited the Christian Mission at QUANG NAI and delivered 120 pounds of candy and 50 pounds of clothing. The Group Flight Surgeon is making two visits each week to ANTAN and during January treated 105 Vietnamese for various ailments.

5. Morale/Welfare Program - MABS-13 Officers shared in contributing volunteer labor in the construction of an Officers Club and the Club opened during January. The Base Services section constructed a warehouse for the Post Exchange in 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours resulting in a considerable expansion of exchange facilities.

6. Informational Services - None

7. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence - N/A

8. ECM - N/A

9. Photographic Services - The MABS-13 Photo Section shot 190 exposures for 79 different job requirements. 1018 prints were processed during January. The Photo Section was erected one general purpose tent to shelter and centrally locate the equipment.

10. Air Operations - A total of 522 aircraft arrestments were made by the Aircraft Launch and Recovery Section, 3 of which involved declared emergencies. The Crash Crew responded to 54 emergencies, 5 of which involved aircraft damage. The Crash Crews' action in putting out an F-4B engine fire on the night of 26 Jan has been attributed as preventing an Airfield Accident. The mishap is being reported as an Aircraft Incident under the auspices of OPNAVINST 3750.6E.

11. Air Control - MABS-13 does not have an Air Control function. This responsibility rests with MATCU-67; however, close liaison is maintained with MATCU-67 in conjunction with airfield operations.

12. Air Defense - N/A

13. Special Operations - N/A

14. Ground Defense - MABS-13 has shared in the construction of a line of bunkers west of the runway enclosing considerable runway footage, and the Launch and Recovery Section is now contained in the perimeter of defense. MABS-13 also contributed to the flood lighting of these bunkers.

15. Command Relationship/Command and Control - N/A

16. NBC Warfare - The NBC Section of MABS-13 was inspected by the cognizant parties in MAG-13 in preparation for an inspection by the 1st MAW. The NBC NCO conducted an inventory of his equipment and manuals during January.

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17. Training - There was no formal training conducted during January that could be cited in this report; however, it would be erroneous to assume that training was not in progress. At all times, in all shops and sections, on-the-job training is in progress for those out of their field. For those in their field, and those personnel who are considered "experienced", each month brings a new level of trained personnel by virtue of working in support of combat operations.

18. Logistics - The MABS-13 Ordnance Section assembled and delivered to the tactical squadrons a daily average of 78 tons of ordnance. 2,968,279 gallons of jet fuel were dispensed during January. In excess of 150,000 meals were served and the Mess Hall was open at all hours to late fliers and watch standers.

19. Motor Transport - A classroom was built for driver and other training. The classroom is used at night as a TV and recreation room. Total cargo poundage carried by the Motor Transport Section was 3,583,899 pounds. Total Mileage during January was 51,698 miles. Approximately 1½ million gallons of fuel and oil was transported during January.

20. Engineering - N/A

21. Avionics - N/A

22. Maintenance - Continued in constructing and improving the Chu Lai Airfield. Preventative maintenance continues to be a prime target of the maintenance endeavor and by necessity is a task without completion.

23. Communications - Twenty-seven miles of wire were laid and incorporated in the land line network. Total traffic for January was 6883 messages.

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<u>1. Name</u>	<u>Billet</u>	<u>T/O Rank</u>
MAJOR David W. MORRILL	Commanding Officer	LtCol
MAJOR Ray B. STICE	Executive Officer	Major
2ND LT John L. LOHR	Administrative Officer	Capt
MAJOR Robert L. BAINBRIDGE	Base Operations Officer	Major
*MAJOR John T. RADICH	Base Services Officer	Major
1ST SGT George R. FULDA	Sergeant Major	SgtMaj

*Major RADICH relieved Major THOMAS on 10 February

2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, R.V.N. 1-28 February 1967

3. Average Strength

NA 4
AG 17
ENL 715

4. Important Visitors. Major General ROBERTSHAW, Brigadier General STILES

Part II - Narrative Summary

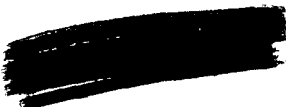
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6. Informational Services. None

7. Intelligence/Counter Intelligence. N/A

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5750
5 March 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for 1-28 February 1967

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1B

Encl: ✓(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-28 February 1967

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D. W. Morrill
D. W. MORRILL

MABS-13

CMD CHRON

FEB 1967

ENCLOSURE (3)

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*Major RADICH relieved Major THOMAS on 10 February

2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, R.V.N. 1-28 February 1967

3. Average Strength

NA 4
AG 17
ENL 715

4. Important Visitors. Major General ROBERTSHAW, Brigadier General STILES

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Marine Aircraft Group-13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
FPO San Francisco 96602

3:RLB:rcn
5750
5 April 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for March, 1967

Ref: (a) Group Order 5750.1B

Encl: √(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-31 March 1967

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a) enclosure (1) is submitted.

Kenny C. Palmer
KENNY C. PALMER

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Base Operations Officer

MABS-13

CMD CHRON

MAR 1967

ENCLOSURE (3)

COMMAND CHRONOLOGYPart I - ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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*At the commencement of this reporting period Major David W. MORRILL was the Commanding Officer. On 18 March 1967 the aircraft Major MORRILL was flying was shot down over unfriendly territory and he was declared Missing in Action that date. Major STICE being TAD, Major BAINBRIDGE acted as the Commanding Officer until Lieutenant Colonel PALMER assumed command on 23 March 1967.

2. Task Organization. MABS-13, Chu Lai, R.V.N. 1-31 March 1967

3. Average Strength

NA	4
AG	18
ENL	733

4. Important Visitors.

Major General ROBERTSHAW, Brigadier General STILES, and Lieutenant General KRULAK.

Part II - NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During March MABS-13 played a significant role in the development of the Chu Lai Complex by the installation of the wiring for the incorporation of a 700 KW generator into the Chu Lai (West) Airfield electrical system. The defense perimeter continued to expand and the defense posture of MAG-13 improves daily.

Part III - SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. The personnel strength on 31 March was 24 Marine Officers, 3 Naval Officers, 734 Marine Enlisted, and 29 Naval Enlisted men on board. 42 men joined and 43 were transferred. One Private First Class, 10 Lance Corporals, 50 Corporals, 19 Sergeants, and 2 Captains were promoted to their present rank. Thirty-five men extended their overseas tour. One man reenlisted and 2 men extended their enlistment.

2. Awards. During March 8 Marines were awarded Good Conduct Medals and 10 Marines received a Meritorious Mast. The Crash and Rescue Section received a 1st MAW Certificate of Achievement for exceptional performance of duty, and Majors STICE, BAINBRIDGE, GRIFFAY and RADICH received Gold Stars in lieu of Air Medals for subsequent awards of that medal. Major RADICH received a 1st MAW Certificate of Achievement for completion of 100 Combat Missions in Viet Nam.
3. Casualties. Battle Casualty - Major David W. MORRILL, MIA, 18 March 1967. Non-Combat Casualty - Staff Sergeant Percy L. WILFORD died on 28 March 1967 as a result of myocardial infraction with ventricular fibrillation and/or Berry aneurysm intercranial hemorrhage.
4. Welfare and Morale. Fifty-five men were sent on out of country Rest and Relaxation trips and 10 men received trips to the China Beach recreation area.
5. Civic Action. During March the Medical Department of MAG-13 made 9 visits to the village of AN TAN and in the course of these scheduled medical clinics a total of 445 Vietnamese civilians were treated for various ailments. The Chaplain accompanied the teams on their visits and 2 loads of scrap lumber were donated to the Protestant and Catholic Churches in AN TAN. Three Thousand pounds of food was taken to the Catholic orphanage in BINH SON. A "Personal Response" program has been initiated in MAG-13 sponsored by the MAG-13 Chaplain. All personnel are receiving guidance under the auspices of the "Personal Response" program to improve the humanitarian and rehabilitative treatment and relations between Marines and Vietnamese civilians.
6. Air Operations/Control. Two Hundred and thirty-eight arrestments were made on the MABS-13 M-21 arresting equipment during March. The Crash and Rescue section responded to 35 emergencies and 3 structural fires. The Chu Lai Air Freight Terminal processed 15,824 passengers, 2,975,007 pounds of cargo, and 70,522 pounds of mail during March. A tropical hut was completed to house the VAL line. During March there were 10,647 take offs or landings on the Chu Lai (West) Runway, 3,926 of which were F-4B Aircraft.
7. Ground Defense. At 0030 6 March 1967 approximately 20 82mm Mortar rounds fell on the Chu Lai Airfield. No Casualties were received. Seven miles of tactical barbed wire were laid, 3 towers were constructed, and 32 new bunkers were built in improving the Chu Lai Airfield ground defense posture.
8. Training. A small arms training and familiarization lecture was established. One Hundred and eighty-five men attended. Fifty men fired their T/O weapons. Technical Training continues and, by necessity, is a never ending task.
9. Logistics. MABS-13 Ordnance Section delivered over 110 Tons of ordnance daily to the operating squadrons. The TAFDS section pumped 4,470,628 gallons of jet fuel during March. The refueling section of the Motor Transport department of MABS-13 dispensed 531,650 gallons of 115/145 AVGAS and 78,000 gallons of jet fuel.

10. Motor Transport. The Motor Transport compound was improved with the completion of a first echelon maintenance garage. This structure was done on a self help basis and without assistance of skilled carpenters. MABS-13 vehicles traveled 60,940 miles hauling 10,048,675 lbs. cargo miles.

11. Maintenance. Preventive maintenance and improvement of existing facilities continued during the month. A very significant improvement and important task performed by the maintenance section was the installation of the wiring that will permit the new 700 KW generators to furnish electrical power to the Chu Lai Airfield. The "Guest House" plumbing was completed and the house was painted.

12. Communications. Three miles of type 25 pair cables were installed improving the reliability and maintainability of the MAG-13 land lines. A total of 7,266 messages were processed by the Communications section along with 3 HF/UHF circuits being continuously monitored. Considerable construction is underway in expansion of the Communications area.

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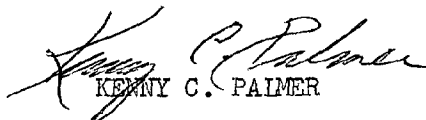
From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for May 1967

Ref: (a) GruO 5750.1B

Encl: ✓(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-31 May 1967

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.


KENNY C. PALMER

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Base Operations Officer

MABS-13

CMD CHRON

MAY 1967

ENCLOSURE (3)

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2. Task Organization. MABS-13, Chu Lai, RVN 1-31 May 1967

3. Average Strength

NA	4
AG	14
ENL	639

Part II - NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. MABS-13 continued its role in the expansion, improvement, and planning for the development of MCAS Chu Lai. With the designation of the Chu Lai Airfield complex as an MCAS, MABS-13 has acquired the support tasks normally performed by an Air Station. Plans are being made for MABS-13 to implement Station support ~~for~~ the tactical Squadrons.

Part III - SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. The personnel strength on 31 May was 18 Marine Officers, 3 Naval Officers, 638 Marine Enlisted and 30 Naval Enlisted men on board. 29 men were joined and 34 were transferred. 19 men extended their overseas tour and 1 Marine extended his enlistment in the Marine Corps.

2. Awards. A Gold Star in lieu of the 5th Air Medal was awarded to LtCol Kenny C. PALMER. A Gold Star in lieu of the 5th Air Medal was awarded to Major Ray B. STICE. A Gold Star in lieu of the 3rd Air Medal was awarded to Major Donnie M. GRIFFAY. A Gold Star in lieu of the 13th Air Medal was awarded to Major John T. RADICH.

3. Casualties. None

4. Civic Action. The Medical Department continued its practice of having a corpsman on duty during daylight hours in the village of An Tan. Two Med Cap visits were made to the village of Dong Binh. A total of 824 Vietnamese civilians were treated for various ailments and illnesses. 23,000 Piasters were donated to the Binh Son Orphanage.

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5. Air Operations/Control. During May there were 2⁴,566 takeoffs or landings from the Chu Lai Airfield (East and West Runways). There were 617 arrestments and 1²₉² simulated or Radar approaches made.

6. Logistics.

a. Tactical Aviation Fuel Dispensing System (TAFDS)

Received 4,719,459 gallons of fuel
Dispensed 4,8²₁,377 gallons of fuel

b. Liquid Oxygen Plant

Produced 11,555 gallons of LOX
Produced 79,400 cubic feet of gaseous nitrogen
Produced 2⁹₅,000 cubic feet of gaseous oxygen

c. Food Services

Served 2¹₀,000 hot meals

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6 JUL 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13
(Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for June 1967

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Ray B. Stice
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CMD CHRON

JUNE 1967

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2. Task Organization - MABS-13, Chu Lai, RVN 1-30 June 1967

3. Average Strength

NA	4
AG	14
ENL	616

Part II - NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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2. Awards. Major R.L. BAINBRIDGE and Major D.M. GRIFFAY were awarded a Gold Star in lieu of their 4th Air Medals.

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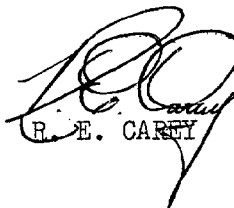
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Subj: Command Chronology Report for August 1967

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R. E. CAREY

MABS-13

CMD CHRON

AUG 1967

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
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| Major Charles S. ESTERLINE | Base Operations Officer | Major |
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3. Average Strength
- | | | |
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| NA | 6 | (including 1 NFO) |
| AG | 13 | |
| ENL | 570 | |

Part II - Narrative Summary

1. MABS-13 continued its support of MAG-13 in the development and maintenance of the MCAS Chu Lai Airfield.

Part III - Significant Events

1. Personnel
- | | |
|---------|--------|
| Joined | 98 ENL |
| | 04 OFF |
| Dropped | 54 ENL |
| | 04 OFF |
2. Administration - Nine meritorious masts and one meritorious promotion were awarded during this reporting period.
3. Casualties - Four casualties occurred, all due to motor vehicle accidents - one serious and three minor. Investigations are underway concerning the accidents.
4. Morale - Morale remains at a high level.
5. Civic Action. Seven boxes of misc. items were donated to the An Tan School.
6. Air Operations. Three aircraft accidents occurred on the West Runway resulting in one fatality to a civilian Tech Rep and two aircraft receiving strike damage. Four bombs were accidentally dropped while

aircraft were landing or launching resulting in no injuries or material damage.

7. Base Development. Preparation for the closing of the West runway was accomplished as scheduled on 3 September 1967. Two M-21 Arresting Gear have been installed on the cross wind runway and one set of M-21 Arresting Gear was installed on the south end of the 14-30 Taxiway. The new Base Chapel was completed, opening services conducted on 3 September 1967.

8. Motor Transportation. The Motor Transportation section complied a total of 72,400 miles traveled, 35,760 passengers carried and a total 7,750 tons of cargo hauled while expending 8,463 gallons of MOGAS and 8,756 gallons of Diesel fuel. The Maintenance section completed 170 work orders of 190 submitted. A driver training school was conducted during the reporting period.

a. Equipment Status. Received final endorsements for survey of one M-52, 5 ton tractor and one TUD-80, aircraft tow tractor. Three M35A1, 2½ ton 6x6, one M-49 Water Truck and two 100KW Generators were sent to Rehabilitation. The following equipment was nominated for rehabilitation; one D-4 Dozer, one M-60 crane, one 6000 lb RT Forklift and two lubrication trailers. All of the above equipment is Combat Essential.

9. Ground Defense. Continued normal security operations except for the period 28 through 31 August 1967 where increased alertness in security was established in anticipation of enemy activity preceding the VN national elections.

10. NBC Warfare. Training for Decontamination Teams by the First Marine Aircraft Wing has been scheduled for the latter part of September

Enclosure (1)

MARINE AIR BASE SQUADRON-13
Marine Aircraft Group-13
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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10 Oct 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report for September 1967

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Encl: ~~4~~(1) MABS-13 Command Chronology for 1-30 September 1967

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ENCLOSURE (3)

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. COMMANDER AND STAFF

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Richard E. CAREY	Commanding Officer	LTCOL	LTCOL
Ray B. STICE	Executive Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Harold E. WILSON	Administrative Officer	CAPT	CWO
Charles S. ESTERLINE	Base Operations Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Stephen R. FOULGER	Base Services Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Anthony B. KOUMA	Sergeant Major	SgtMaj	SgtMaj

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

MABS-13, Chu Lai, RVN - LtCol R. E. CAREY - 25 July 1967

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

a. Marine Officers

(1)	NA's	<u>5</u>
(2)	NFO's	<u>1</u>
(3)	AG's	<u>13</u>

b. Naval Officers 4c. Marine Enl 556d. Naval Enl 27e. Total Average Strength - 606PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Marine Air Base Squadron-13 continued its support of Marine Aircraft Group-13 in the development and maintenance of the MCAS Chu Lai Airfield, with specific attention directed toward the forthcoming Monsoon Season. During this period 299 enlisted men were promoted, contributing to the normal high degree of morale maintained by this squadron. The west runway repairs and installation of the centerline lights were completed as per schedule. The Crosswind Runway was used for the recovery of F-4 type aircraft with no major problems encountered.

PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. Joined 1 Officer and 11 Enlisted. Dropped 2 Officers and 89 Enlisted.

2. Administration. A total of 299 enlisted men were promoted during this period.

3. Awards. Two Air Medals and six meritorious masts were awarded.

4. Morale. Morale remains at a high level.

5. Civic Action. Nineteen boxes consisting mostly of clothes were donated to the An Tan School and Orphanage.

6. Air Operations

a. A total of 1,153 arrestments were made on the West Field with 11 declared emergencies. Since installation of the M-21 gear, in October 1966, a total of 6,732 aircraft have been recovered. The Crosswind runway (SATS) was utilized for the recovery of F-4 type aircraft during the period 3 September to 21 September 1967, with the exception of when emergencies prevailed on the SATS, at this time the F-4's were either recovered on the East Field or on the West Taxiway. A total of 1,092 aircraft were recovered during this period on the SATS.

b. The Visiting Aircraft Line (VAL) handled approximately 50 transit aircraft per day.

7. Base Development. The West Field was closed on 3 September for repairs and installation of the center line lights, this was completed on 21 September and the field was reopened. During this period the taxiway was used for limited flight operations.

8. Motor Transport. The following statistical data for the operation of the Motor Transport section is submitted.

a. Welding and Machine Shop. A total of 168 work orders were accomplished requiring 624 man hours for this accomplishment.

b. Heavy Equipment. This section received a total of 71 work orders and accomplished 43 with 28 still pending.

c. Licensing Section. A driver licensing school was conducted with 26 students attending, 2 students failed to complete the school.

d. Operations Section. This section accumulated 58,340 miles traveled while hauling 7,871,247 pounds of cargo and carrying 25,422 passengers and expending 6,440 gallons of diesel fuel and 7,283 gallons of mogas.

e. Refueler Section. Total fuel delivered - 426,891 gallons. Water delivered - 83,119 gallons. Oil delivered - 909 gallons, for a total of 3,048 miles traveled.

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ENCLOSURE (3)

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. COMMANDER AND STAFF

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Leroy A. MADERA	Commanding Officer	LTCOL	LTCOL
Ray B. STICE	Executive Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Harold E. WILSON	Administrative Officer	WO	WO
Charles S. ESTERLINE	Base Operations Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Stephen R. FOULGER	Base Services Officer	MAJOR	MAJOR
Anthony B. KOUMA	Sergeant Major	SGTMAJ	SGTMAJ

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

MABS-13, Chu Lai, RVN - LTCOL L. A. MADERA - 5-31 OCT 1967

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

a. Marine Officers

(1)	NA's	<u>5</u>
(2)	NFO's	<u>1</u>
(3)	AG's	<u>12</u>

b.	Naval Officers	<u>4</u>
c.	Marine Enlisted	<u>511</u>
d.	Naval Enlisted	<u>24</u>
e.	Total Average Strength	<u>556</u>

PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Marine Air Base Squadron-13 continued its support of Marine Aircraft Group-13 in the development and maintenance of the MCAS Chu Lai Airfield.

2. On 28 October 1967 the west runway was closed at 1900 hours for painting of the centerline. Painting was completed and the runway was opened for normal operations at 0300, 29 October.

3. Integration of MCAS Operational and Support Facilities is scheduled for 6 November 1967. The planning phase of this integration is presently in progress.

PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Personnel. Joined 2 Officers, 15 Enlisted. Transferred 2 Officers, 46 Enlisted.

2. Administration. Two Officers and 46 Enlisted were promoted during this period.

3. Awards. Nine air medals and six meritorious masts were awarded.

4. Morale. Remains at a high level.

5. Civic Action. The Chaplains' Office donated \$118.50 to the MAG-13 Civil Affairs Officer for new facilities in New Life Hamlet. Also donated were 5000 Plasters, two boxes of clothing and one trailer load of lumber to the An Tan Protestant Orphanage.

6. Air Operations.

a. Total arrestments for the month of October was 1,683; of this number 25 were declared emergencies. Since the installation of SBAG M-21 during the month of October 1966, a total of 8,673 aircraft have been recovered. Most noteworthy recovery occurred on 11 October 1967 when an F-4B with right landing gear stuck in wheel well recovered with minor damage to the aircraft. Reel stands were constructed and installed by the M-21 gear to aid in changing of tapes.

b. A total of 2,365 passengers arrived at Chu Lai and 2,220 passengers were transported out of Chu Lai. Cargo inbound totaled 959,336 pounds and 1,122,512 pounds of outgoing cargo was handled by the joint services Air Freight Section.

7. Motor Transport. The following statistical data for the reporting period was as follows:

a. Welding and Machine Shop. Completed 315 work orders yielding 1,004 man hours.

b. Heavy Equipment. Accomplished the following: Leveled foundation for the new "E" Club. Graded roads throughout the MAG-13 area. Graded roads and built ditches for FLSG-Bravo. Moved building for Mess Hall. Completed new bunker at south end of runway. Also completed 30 of 70 work orders received.

c. Licensing Section. Conducted a driver licensing school with 31 students attending. 3 students failed to complete the school. Issued 31 heavy equipment licenses and 15 motor vehicle licenses.

d. Refuelers Section. A total of 7,600 miles were traveled, in delivering the following amounts of fuel, oil and water:

Avgas	321,983
JP-4	17,174
Mogas	93,830
Diesel	64,015
Water	65,300
Av Oil	2,490

e. Operations Section. This section accumulated 56,085 miles traveled while hauling 2,147 tons of cargo and carrying 34,603 passengers. During this period 5,735 gallons of mogas and 4,433 gallons of diesel were expended.