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1 January through 31 January

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<u>BILLET</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>RANK/NAME</u>
Commanding Officer	1-10 Jan 1969	Maj Edward F. DALEY JR.
Commanding Officer	11-31 Jan 1969	LtCol Robert A. KELLY
Executive Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Maj Charles W. JOHNSON
Administrative Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	1stLt Cecil W. ATKINSON
Operations Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Capt Michael S. SHAW
Services Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	1stLt Jerome M. CHASE
Comm-Elect Officer	1-31 Jan 1969	Maj Frank MANN JR.
OIC, Detachment 1	1-31 Jan 1969	Maj Eugene R. TRENTHAM
OIC, DASC Long Ha	1-26 Jan 1969	Capt Jeffery W. TAYLOR
OIC, DASC Dong Ha	27-31 Jan 1969	Capt Michael R. OSHORN
OIC, DASC An Hoa	1-15 Jan 1969	Capt Tommy C. BEAVERS
OIC, DASC Vandegrift	15-31 Jan 1969	Maj Charles H. MANAKER
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	1-23 Jan 1969	1stLt Michael F. NEWCOMB
OIC, ASRT Dong Ha	24-31 Jan 1969	1stLt Walter T. HUTTER
OIC, ASRT Vandegrift	1-31 Jan 1969	1stLt Theodore T. BEAN
OIC, ASRT Da Nang "C"	1-10 Jan 1969	Capt John H. STERLING
OIC, ASRT Da Nang "G"	11-31 Jan 1969	Capt Jon G. JONES

2. LOCATION

- a. Marine Air Support Squadron 2 (-) Da Nang RVN
- b. Detachment 1 Dong Ha/Vandegrift, RVN
Direct Air Support Center in support of the 3rd Marine Division
Dong Ha Air Support Radar Team
- c. Vandegrift Vandegrift RVN in support of Task Force Hotel
Direct Air Support Center
Air Support Radar Team
- d. Da Nang Air Support Radar Team "C" Da Nang RVN in support of the 1st Marine Division

3. AVERAGE HOURLY STRENGTH

<u>MAR OFF</u>	<u>MAR FML</u>	<u>NAV OFF</u>	<u>NAV FML</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
39	244	0	2	TECH REP

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a. Direct Air Support Center (DASC) operations for the month of January indicated a statistical increase for the second consecutive month. The DASC's controlled 4092 missions of which 2383 were fixed wing and 1709 were helicopter missions with 397 of the helicopter missions being Medical Evacuations.

b. Air Support Radar Team (ASRT) operations indicated a slight increase from the previous month. The ASRT's controlled 846 missions, 1075 aircraft, and delivered 5,526,460 pounds of bombs on 851 targets.

c. Operations supported by MASS-2 were as follows: Detachment 1 - Operations Marshall Mountain, Kentucky, Scotland II, and Dawson River (terminated 27th Jan 69); Vandegrift - Operations Marshall Mountain, Kentucky, Scotland II, Dawson River and Dewey Canyon; DaNang ASRT "C" - Operations Taylor Common, Fayette Canyon, and Linn River.

d. On 7 January operational control of Vandegrift DASC was shifted from MASS-3 to MASS-2. At the same time operational control of An Hoa DASC was shifted to MASS-3 from MASS-2. The entire transfer was completed by 31 January.

e. On 23 & 24 January a training airborne DASC was on station from 0800 - 1300. This ADASC replaced An Hoa DASC for the time it was airborne controlling 31 fixed wing sorties and 64 helo sorties. Twenty one (21) of the helo missions were Medical Evacuations.

f. From 25 - 31 January the airborne DASC was on station from 0800 - 1300, 1430 - 1900 in support of operation Dewey Canyon. During this period the ADASC controlled 89 fixed wing sorties.

g. As of 31 January 1969, MASS-2 AN/TPQ-10 system operations hours were as follows:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Since REHS</u>	<u>Jan 69</u>
Dong Ha ASRT (A-8)	10177	6312	692
Vandegrift ASRT (A-2)	18298	3220	633
Da Nang ASRT "C" (A-3)	18611	18246	672

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- 2 Jan Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at XD 848648 and one (1) secondary explosion at XD 842646
- 3 Jan Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary fire at XD 888583
- 10 Jan Dong Ha ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at XD 104035
- 20 Jan Da Nang ASRT "C" reported one (1) secondary explosion at ZC 027115
- 29 Jan Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at XD 285025
- 30 Jan Vandegrift ASRT reported one (1) secondary explosion at XD 233033
- 1 - 31 Jan Squadron total IFR sorties ASRT controlled 27.
Squadron total VFR sorties ASRT controlled 803.

Motor Transport. During the month of January MASS-2 Motor Transport logged a total of 12,961 miles. 1,356 miles of these were rough rider convoys carrying approximately 110 tons of supplies to our outlying detachments.

Supply. MASS-2 Supply processed a total of 319 incoming requisitions during the month of January.

Utilities. During January the Utilities section built two (2) new houses in the CP area along with other minor camp construction projects.

Civic Action. MASS-2 Civic Action treated a total of 345 patients on MEDCAPs and 148 bars of soap were passed out during the month of January.

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TAB A STATISTICAL DATA FOR JANUARY 1969

1. Direct Air Support Center (DASC)

	Total missions												Total	
	USMC	USA	USAF	USN	USA	USMC	USA	USAF	USN	USA	USMC	USA	USN	USA
DASC Dong Ha	975	165	55	191	902	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	110	Ø	Ø	Ø	2398
DASC An Hoa	104	6	Ø	Ø	91	Ø	Ø	3	81	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	285
DASC Vandegrift	514	131	1	121	266	4	Ø	3	185	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	1225
DASC Airborne	120	Ø	Ø	Ø	42	Ø	Ø	Ø	21	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	184
TOTALS	1713	302	56	312	1302	4	Ø	6	397	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	4092

* MED EVAC Missions are NOT included in helicopter totals.

2. Air Support Radar Teams (ASRT)

	Tons of Bombs Dropped												Total			
	No. of Missions	No. of Targets	No. of Controlled	No. of A/C	USMC	USA	USAF	USN	USMC	USA	USAF	USN	USMC	USA	USN	
ASRT Dong Ha	124	Ø	43	119	Ø	112	157	Ø	78	125,795	Ø	130,180				
ASRT Vandegrift	202	137	46	189	17	43	240	31	91	735,875	51,870	156,410				
ASRT Da Nang "G"	389	7	18	412	8	21	432	14	32	1171,310	25,550	55,290				
TOTALS	715	244	107	720	25	106	829	45	201	2333,980	87,370	341,880				

Target Coverage = 2763.230 = 3.2147 tons/targets~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
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