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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing (Attn: G-3)  
Subj: Command Chronology  
Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1A  
Encl: (1) Marine Air Control Group 18 Command Chronology

1. In compliance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted for the period 14 April-30 June 1971.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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## Part I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. (U) DESIGNATION

MACG-18	COL C. T. WESTCOTT	15 APR-27 MAY 1971
	LTCOL F. L. DELANEY	28 MAY-30 JUN 1971
	<u>SUBORDINATE UNITS</u>	
H&HS-18	MAJ L. E. OBENHAUS	15 APR-30 JUN 1971
MASS-2	LTCOL T. G. DAVIS	15 APR-30 JUN 1971
MACS-8	LTCOL M. S. JOLLEY	15 APR-15 JUN 1971
MACS-4	LTCOL R. D. MILLER	16 JUN-30 JUN 1971

2. (U) LOCATION

15 APR - 30 JUN 1971: MCAS, IWAKUNI, JAPAN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE OFFICER	LTCOL F. L. DELANEY	15 APR-27 MAY 1971
	LTCOL L. H. HOLMES	28 MAY-30 JUN 1971
S-1/ADJUTANT	CAPT J. L. JUDY	15 APR-30 JUN 1971
S-2	LT R. L. HAMANN	15 APR-27 JUN 1971
	LT E. R. PERKINS	28 JUN-30 JUN 1971
S-3	LTCOL L. H. HOLMES	15 APR-27 May 1971
	MAJ T. M. QUINLAN	28 MAY-21 JUN 1971
	MAJ H. J. PHELAN	22 JUN-30 JUN 1971
S-4	MAJ R. P. CAPATOSTO	15 APR-29 JUN 1971
	MAJ R. S. HOLMAN	30 JUN 1971
SUPPLY OFFICER	MAJ G. D. BRATCHER	15 APR-30 JUN 1971
CEO	CAPT C. CARLSSON	15 APR-19 APR 1971
	MAJ R. W. GREEN	20 APR-30 JUN 1971

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4. (C) AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
APRIL	108	624	∅	∅	∅	∅
MAY	105	640	∅	∅	∅	∅
JUNE	93	586	∅	∅	∅	∅

## Part II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Marine Air Control Group 18 continued to operate air control, anti-air warfare and air support facilities in support of the First Marine Aircraft Wing.

On 18 April 1971, Headquarters, Marine Air Control Group 18 arrived at MCAS Iwakuni, Japan from the Republic of Vietnam aboard the USS Washtenaw County (LST 1166). On 19 April 1971, Marine Air Control Group 18 became a functional group at Iwakuni.

During the period 23 April 1971-3 May 1971 the Inspector General of the Marine Corps conducted the IG inspection of Marine Air Control Group 18 and subordinate units.

On 21 May 1971, upon receipt of MCO 5440.19 the Group commenced planning in preparation for the group reorganization which would be executed on 1 July 1971. Involved is some internal organization adjustments plus the joining of the Marine Wing Communications Squadron.

On 24 May 1971, MACG-18 sent three officers to Misawa AFB to participate in ASWEX 3-71. They were tasked with establishing a tactical air control element in support of ASW forces in the Sea of Japan. On 2 June 1971 the three officers returned to this command after a satisfactory exercise with the Japanese Air Self Defense Forces. (Refer to Annex B, page 3).

On 15 June 1971 Marine Air Control Squadron 8 was redesignated as Marine Air Control Squadron 4. On this same date the MACS-8 colors were retired along with a change in Commanding Officer.

During the entire period covered extensive message traffic culminating in a visit to COMNAVFORJAPAN by members of the Group was conducted in an effort to obtain a site for relocating MACS-4. A physical survey of the sites available is being planned and will be conducted during July.

Additionally, during the period from April through 30 June 1971 extensive use has been made of training controllers from the Marine Air Control Squadron aboard CVA's in the Gulf of Tonkin.

## Part III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. 18 April - Headquarters Marine Air Control Group 18 arrived at MCAS, Iwakuni aboard the U.S.S. Washtenaw County from the Republic of Vietnam.
- 19 April - Marine Air Control Group 18 became a fully functional group aboard the air station.
- 23 April - Marine Air Control Group 18 was inspected by representatives of the Inspector General of the Marine Corps.
- 3 May
- 18 May - TACC activated at 1st MAW Headquarters by MACG-18.
- 28 May - Change of command ceremony as LtCol. DELANEY relieved Col C. T. WESTCOTT as Commanding Officer, MACG-18. (Annex F)
- 16 June - Representatives from MACG-18 met with representatives of COMNAVFORJAPAN to discuss the site search for relocation of MACS-4 from Okinawa to the Iwakuni local flying area (Annex E).
- 30 June - A cost reduction savings of \$141,190.93 was submitted by the group. This involved redistributing excess equipment held by H&HS-18.

2. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- a. ADMINISTRATION. Refer to Annex A page 2.
- b. PERSONNEL. Refer to Annex A page 2, Annex C page 5 and Annex D page 4.
- c. AIR CONTROL. The three Air Support Radar Teams and the DASC continued normal training operations. Refer to Annex B page 3.
- d. COMMAND RELATIONSHIP/COMMAND CONTROL. Refer to Annex A page 2, Annex C page 6, Annex D page 5 and Annex F.
- e. TRAINING. Refer to Annex B page 3, Annex C page 5 and Annex D page 4.
- f. SUPPLY. On 30 June a cost reduction saving of \$141,190.93 was submitted for MACS-18. This savings was achieved by redistributing excess equipment held by H&HS-18. The redistribution was completed prior to H&HS-18's retrograde movement from RVN to MCAS, Iwakuni.

- g. AWARDS. Refer to Annex C page 5 and Annex D page 4.
- h. INTELLIGENCE. The group processed 56 Secret security clearances, 4 Top Secret clearances, 22 Confidential clearances and established a graded security evaluation for office and work areas through the 7th Counterintelligence Team.

CHRONOLOGIES OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Annex A - Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron-18 Command Chronology, *24 Mar - Jun 71*

Annex B - Marine Air Support Squadron-2 Command Chronology, *15 Apr - Jun 71*

Annex C - Marine Air Control Squadron-8 Command Chronology, *14 Apr - 15 Jun 71*

Annex D - Marine Air Control Squadron-4 Command Chronology, *15 - 30 Jun 71*

Annex E - Trip Report of Maj. T. M. QUINLAN on MACS Site Selection of  
21 June 1971

Annex F - GruBul 5060 of 19 May 1971, "Change of Command Ceremony"





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1st Marine Aircraft Wing  
Fleet Marine Base, Parris  
MCAS Miramar, California 92034

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From Major W. H. QUINN, 1-3  
To Commanding Officer

Subj: MAB Site Selection; and report of

Ref: (a) SS and (b) SS

1. Reference (a) and (b) were a direct result of the...  
...to discuss the...  
...would be required to...  
...existing and... in the following paragraphs

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...and...

1. Availability of facilities for 501 and other facilities necessary for approximately 20 personnel and equipment.

2. Availability of land, air and recreational facilities.

The 501 personnel and equipment are to be located in a secure area which should be selected in the vicinity of the proposed site. It is noted that a suitable site was not available in the controlled area and would be selected from the Japanese controlled area of the island, six months to a year.

Existing U.S. controlled sites in southern Kure and Niijima Islands were considered and two possibilities were selected for further study.

I. Kure Island Station, Kure, Japan (containing 1000).

This site should provide facilities for approximately 20 personnel and equipment as required for the proposed mission.

The site is 100 miles SW of Kure and is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel.

It is 3 miles from Kure Island. Facilities for 20 personnel and equipment are available in the vicinity of the proposed site. The site is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel, however, the availability is doubtful.

Reconnaissance work has been completed and the site is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel. The site is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel.

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II. Kure Island Station, Kure, Japan (containing 1000).

This site should provide facilities for approximately 20 personnel and equipment as required for the proposed mission. The site is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel.

The site is 100 miles SW of Kure and is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel.

III. Kure Island Station, Kure, Japan (containing 1000).

This site should provide facilities for approximately 20 personnel and equipment as required for the proposed mission. The site is a suitable site for the proposed mission for 501/502 and other personnel.

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GROUP BULLETIN 5060

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Distribution List

Subj: Change of Command Ceremony

Ref: (a) LPM

Encl: (1) Formation Diagram  
 (2) Sequence of Events  
 (3) Inclement Weather Sequence of Events  
 (4) Inclement Weather Formation Diagram

1. Purpose. To publish information concerning a Change of Command Ceremony in which LtCol. Frank L. DELANEY will relieve Col. Charles T. WESTCOTT as Commanding Officer Marine Air Control Group 18.

2. General. The Change of Command will take place at 1500 28 May 1971 at the Station Athletic Field. Formation will be in accordance with reference (a) and Enclosure (1) of this Bulletin.

3. Action

a. LtCol. L. H. HOLMES is designated as Commanding Officer of Troops.

b. Marine Air Control Group 18

(1) S-1

(a) Issue invitations to ceremony and reception.

(b) Coordinate reception at Commission Officers Mess OPEN.

(c) Designate assigned seats for distinguished guests.

(2) S-3

(a) Provide overall coordination for ceremony.

(b) Mark off parade area.

(3) S-4

(a) Arrange for 60 chairs for distinguished and invited guests.

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(b) Arrange for transportation for approximately two hundred and twenty (220) personnel from billeting area to Station Athletic Field.

(4) CEO

(a) Arrange for Public Address System for ceremony.

c. Marine Air Control Squadron 8

(1) Provide MACS-8 COLORS

d. Marine Air Support Squadron 2

(1) Provide 3 platoons of 39 men (13 man squads) with Plt. Cmdr., Plt. Sgt. and right guide. H&HS-18 will provide the additional personnel.

e. Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 18

(1) Provide 3 platoons of 39 men (13 man squads) with Plt. Cmdr., Plt. Sgt. and right guide.

(2) Is designated as the Color Guard Squadron.

(3) Provide 27 men to MASS-2 and 1 man for MACS-8 color bearer.

f. Formation for troops for ceremony will be Group in line with squadrons in mass formation.

g. Rehearsal will be scheduled for Commanding Officers, (less C.O. MACS-8), Staff, Plt. Cmdrs., Guideon Bearers and Color Guard at 0830 26 May 1971 at the Station Athletic Field.

h. Personnel

(1) Commanding Officer of the Troops LtCol. L. H. HOLMES

(2) Adjutant Capt. J. L. JUDY

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(3) Squadron Commander MASS-2	LtCol. T. G. DAVIS
(4) Squadron Commander H&HS-18	Maj. L. E. OBENHAUS
(5) Group Staff	Maj. T. M. QUINLAN
	Maj. R. P. CAPATOSTO
	Maj. G. D. BRATCHER
	Capt. J. L. JUDY
	SgtMaj. R. M. OHMAN
	MGySgt. A. C. CANDELARIO
	MSgt. D. C. JENSEN
	GySgt. D. L. BIGGERS

4. All extra Officers and Staff NCO's will form platoons as indicated in enclosures (1) or (4).

5. Uniform

a. Officers. Summer Service "C" with garrison cap, short sleeve shirt with military creases, and ribbons.

b. Enlisted. Summer Service "A" with garrison cap, short sleeve shirt with military creases, and ribbons.

c. "Color Guard"

(1) Summer Service "A" with garrison cap, short sleeve shirt with military creases, and ribbons.

(2) Normal arms with cartridge belt.

6. Units will be in position by 1445.

7. Foul weather ceremony will be conducted in Hanger 292. See enclosure (3) and (4). Decision will be made by 1200 on 27 May 1971.

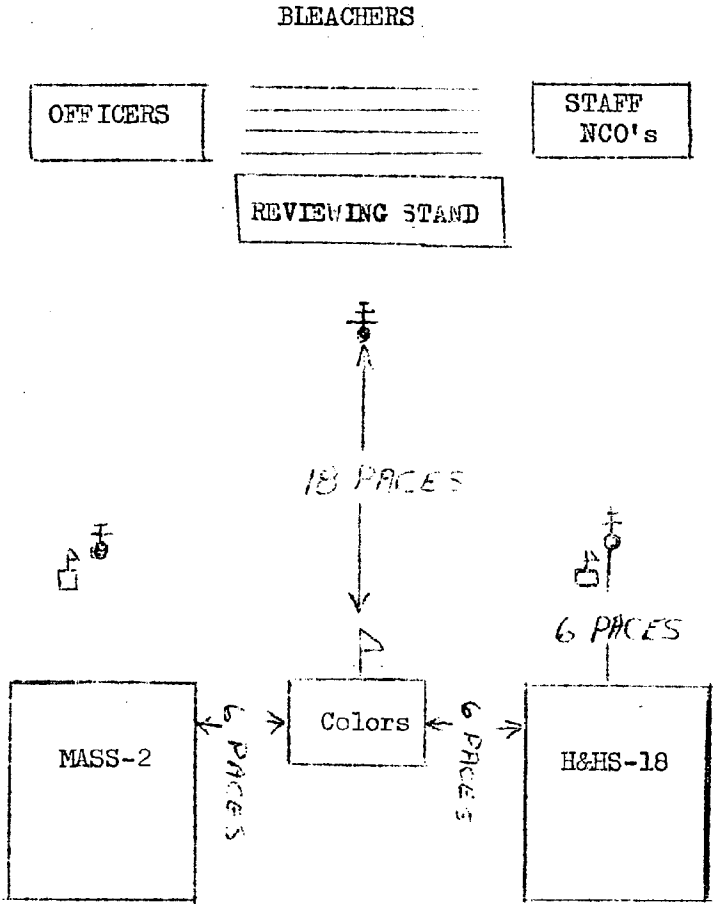
8. Self-cancellation. 31 May 1971

*F. L. Delaney*  
F. L. DELANEY  
By direction

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- ☛ CO of Troops
- ☛ Squadron CO
- ☛ Guideon



Group in line Squadron in mass formation

ENCLOSURE (1)

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## SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

When units are in position as shown in enclosure (1), Commanders will give "AT EASE" to await the arrival of the Commanding Officer.

Adjutant	ATTENTION PRESENT ARMS
Adjutant (salutes CO of Troops)	SIR THE PARADE IS FORMED
CO of Troops	ORDER ARMS
CO of Troops	RECEIVE THE REPORT
Adjutant	REPORT
Sqd CO's (right to left)	ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR
Adjutant (Returns salutes, faces about, salutes)	SIR ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR
CO of Troops (returns salute)	PUBLISH THE ORDERS
Adjutant (Lt. KORPORAL, over the PA. system reads portions of the orders.)	ATTENTION TO ORDERS
Adjutant	OFFICERS...CENTER.. MARCH
(he then marches to his post behind the CO of Troops)	

On the command "OFFICERS", guideon bearers execute Carry Guideon. On the command "CENTER", Squadron CO's and their guideon bearers face center. Plt. Cmdrs. move one pace and face inboard. Officer and guideon bearers close to the center at close interval, halt and individually face front. Officers, when closing to the center, must oblique slightly forward in order to close in on a line 4 paces in the front of that formed by the guideon bearers. Guideon bearers close on their own line and take position behind their respective Commanders.

ENCLOSURE (2)



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Senior Sqd CO

FORWARD MARCH

Senior Sqd CO

OFFICERS HALT

All officers salute on 3rd count following halt. Guideon bearers will present guideons in accordance with para 2-19(e) of reference (a) on 3rd count.

CO of Troops (Returns Salute)

READY TWO

On "READY" guideon bearers execute the 1st movement of carry guideon. On "TWO" carry guideon is completed and officers terminate salute.

CO of Troops

Posts... MARCH

Officers .. face about on "POST" and step off on "MARCH!"

Senior Sqd CO

OFFICERS, HALT  
POSTS...MARCH

On "POST" all personnel face their squadron. On "MARCH" all step off in succession at 4 pace intervals, halt at posts and face the front without command.

CO of Troops boxes his staff.

The outgoing and incoming Group Commander take their positions.

CO of Troops

PRESENT ARMS

CO of Troops (to staff)  
(Staff and CO of Troops execute together)

ORDER ARMS

CO OF Troops (faces about)

ORDER ARMS

CO of Troops

DELIVER THE COLOR  
TO THE COMMANDING  
OFFICER

Adjutant takes most direct route to a position 4 paces in front of colors, salutes, takes the organizational color, marches to a position 2 paces in front of Col. WESTCOTT.

CO of Troops

PRESENT ARMS

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(All officers render hand salute on command. Guideons are presented. Troops in formation do not salute.)

Adjutant delays slightly and then transfers color to Col. WESTCOTT.

Col. WESTCOTT passes the color to LtCol. DELANEY. Adjutant salutes as color is passing, and again accepts color. The new and old CO exchange salutes.

CO of Troops

ORDER ARMS

The Adjutant returns the colors

CO of Troops

PARADE REST

Old and new Commanding Officers remarks

CO of Troops

ATTENTION

CO of Troops

TAKE CHARGE OF  
SQUADRONS

ENCLOSURE (2)

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## INCLEMENT WEATHER PLAN

1. General. Hanger, bldg 292 will be used if inclement weather requires that the ceremony be held indoors. See enclosure (4) for diagram.
2. Information.
  - a. Date/Time - Will remain the same.
  - b. Participating units will remain the same.
  - c. Units will be in position by 1445, and at parade rest to await the arrival of the Group Commanding Officer.
3. Sequence of Events. Throughout the ceremony, the only movement of personnel will be the boxing of the staff by the CO of Troops, and the delivery of the color to the Commanding Officer. All commands will not be repeated by Squadron CO's.

CO of Troops and Staff.

Assumed positions immediately prior to 1500.

<u>Adjutant.</u>	ATTENTION PRESENT ARMS
<u>Adjutant.</u> (Salutes CO of Troops)	SIR THE PARADE IS FORMED
<u>CO of Troops.</u>	ORDER ARMS
<u>CO of Troops.</u>	RECIEVE THE REPORT
<u>Adjutant.</u>	REPORT
<u>Sqd. CO's.</u> (Right to left)	ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR
<u>Adjutant.</u> (Returns salutes, faces about, salutes)	SIR ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR
<u>CO of Troops.</u>	PUBLISH THE ORDERS
<u>Adjutant.</u> (At this time Lt. KORPORAAL will read over the Public Address system, portions of Col. WESTCOTT and LtCol. DELANEY's orders, effecting the change of command. The outgoing and incoming Group Commanders take their positions.)	ATTENTION TO ORDERS

ENCLOSURE (3)

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CO of Troops. (After orders are read) ADJUTANT TAKE YOUR POST  
CO of Troops. (Boxes staff) PRESENT ARMS  
CO of Troops. (To his staff) PRESENT ARMS  
CO of Troops. (To staff, executes together) ORDER ARMS  
CO of Troops. (CO of Troops faces about) ORDER ARMS  
CO of Troops. DELIVER THE COLORS TO THE  
 COMMANDING OFFICER

Adjutant takes the most direct route to a position 4 paces in front of the colors, salutes, takes the organizational color, marches to a position 2 paces in front of Col. WESTCOTT.

CO of Troops. (All officers render hand salute on command. Troops in formation do not.) PRESENT ARMS




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CO of Troops. ORDER ARMS  
CO of Troops. (After adjutant returns to his post) PARADE REST

Old and new Commanding Officer's remarks.

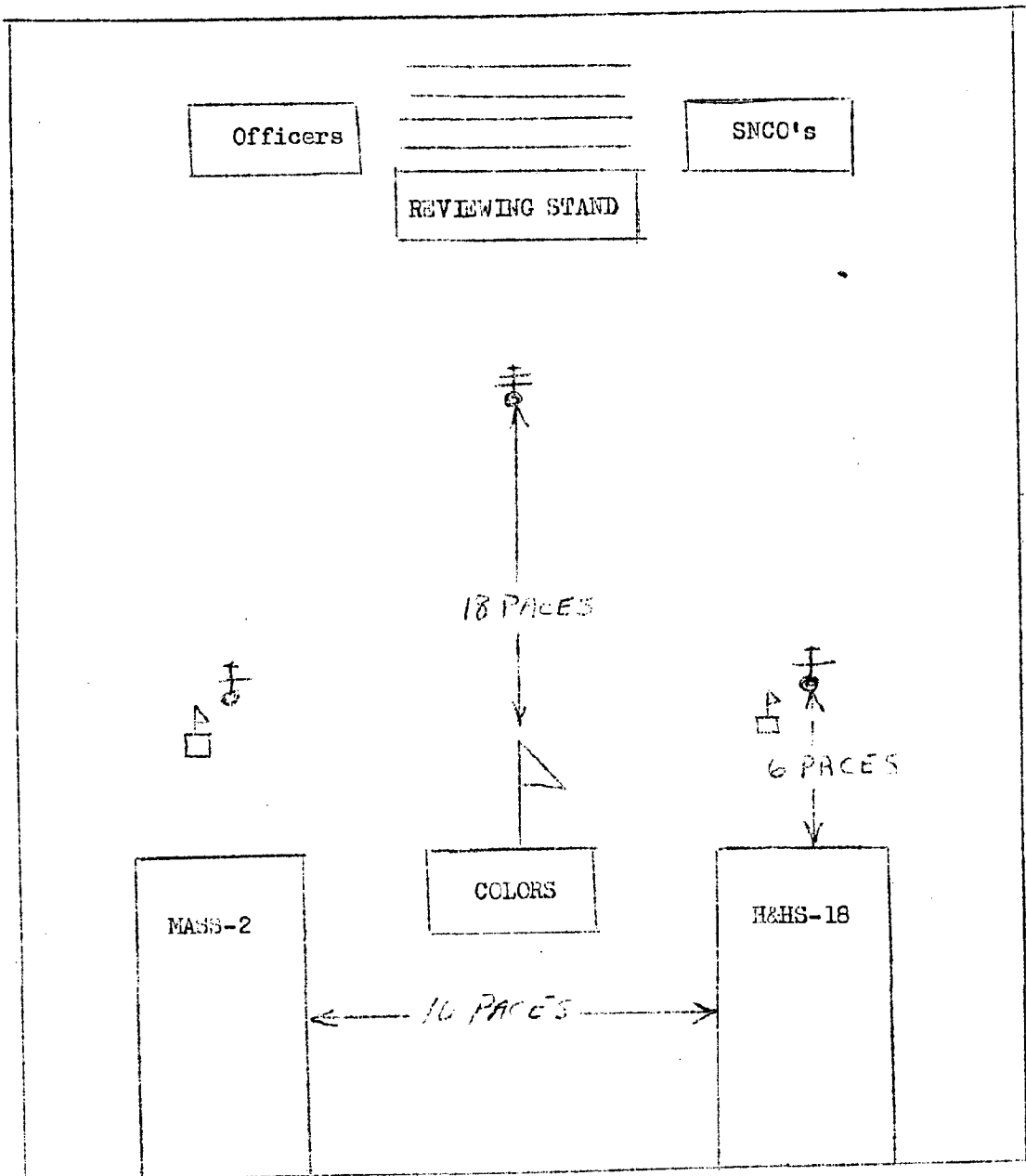
CO of Troops. ATTENTION  
CO of Troops. TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR  
 SQUADRONS

ENCLOSURE (3)

 CO of Troops  
 Squadron CO  
 Guideon

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INCREMENT WEATHER DIAGRAM



Group in line Squadron in mass formation

ENCLOSURE (4)

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