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Marine Aircraft Group 16
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
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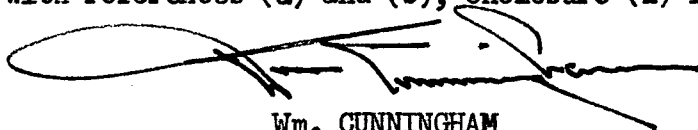
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Encl: (1) Command Chronology 1-28 February 1969

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.



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MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY, DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, MAG-16,
1-28 February 1969

PART ONE

Organization Data

1. LtCol William CUNNINGHAM, Commanding Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Maj John C. ARCHBOLD, Executive Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Maj Barry F. SKINNER, Commanding Officer, Zulu Company, 7-28Feb69
 Capt Thomas C. PACK, Commanding Officer, Zulu Company, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Thomas L. JONES, Executive Officer, Zulu Company, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Telford C. BROCK JR., TAFDS Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Capt George W. BAKER, Clubs Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Barry B. NELSON, Civil Affairs Officer, 1-20Feb69
 Capt Thomas M. HADDOCK, Provost Marshal, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Ronald MOSS, Assistant Civil Affairs Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Wayne L. TREECE, Ordnance Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Capt Michael J. GILDEA, Assistant Administrative Officer, 25-28Feb69
 1stLt Gerard P. TETU, Administrative Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Marshall G. HODGES, Legal Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt James M. DOYLE, Communications Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Jeffery ERNST, Base Services Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Loyce M. TACKITT, Motor Transport Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Ralph E. KELLY, Materiel Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Henry L. WATSON, Weather Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Jerald D. HOPPER, Industrial Relations Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Michael A. STABLE, Billeting Officer, 1-28Feb69
 1stLt Walter R. HOLTON, Assistant TAFDS Officer, 24-28Feb69
 2ndLt Timothy F. SHEA, Assistant Motor Transport Officer, 1-28Feb69
 Lt. Joseph N. SESTITO, Catholic Chaplain, 1-28Feb69
 Lt. Gordon B. SCHUMACHER, Protestant Chaplain, 1-28Feb69
 Lt. Harold R. BASS, Group Medical Officer, 1-28Feb69

2. Marine Officers - 21 Marine Enlisted - 634
 Navy Officers - 3 Navy Enlisted - 23

PART TWO

Narrative Summary

1. This report covers the period 1-28 February 1969. During this period MABS-16 continued to support the facilities at Marble Mountain Air Facility and An Hoa Airfield.

Significant Events

1. Personnel. Three (3) Marine Officers, Twenty-nine (29) Marine Enlisted and Five (5) Navy Enlisted were joined. Three (3) Marine Officers, Thirty-eight (38) Marine Enlisted and Seven (7) Navy Enlisted were dropped. There were the following promotions; One (1) to Master Gunnery Sergeant, One (1) to Gunnery Sergeant, Two (2) to Staff Sergeant, Two (2) to Corporal, and Three (3) to Lance Corporal.

2. Administration. None

3. Awards. During the month of February 1969, there was One (1) Bronze Star Medal, Two Navy Commendation Medals, Two (2) Purple Heart Medals and Twenty-nine (29) Air Medals awarded to MABS-16 personnel.

4. Casualties. The following casualties were reported during the month of February 1969.

HM2 T. H. FLECKNER 538 53 97/8452, USN, WIA, 3 February 1969, An Hoa
 HM2 W. R. TYRRELL B12 21 98/8404, USN, KIA, 7 February 1969, An Hoa
 HN G. N. YOUNG B82 47 67/8404, USN, KIA, 7 February 1969, An Hoa
 PFC A. B. LEE, 2393108/3371, USMC, 22 February 1969, MMAF, Fractured right leg while running to bunker during alert
 PVT R. L. JONES 2359204/3371, USMC, 24 February 1969, Danang, Shot in left ankle while trying to escape

5. Civic Action. The MAG-16 Med-Cap team went to the following places on a weekly basis: Catholic Orphanage and the Hoa Long Dispensary. A total of 755 patients were rendered medical assistance and 55 patients were rendered dental treatment. Eighteen (18) students were presented with \$500VN each through the General Walt Scholarship Fund for the month of January and February. Rebuilding of homes in the New Life Refugee Hamlet continues to have priority over other projects. These homes were destroyed by VC/NVA activity. Wood and tin for the rebuilding of homes are the main commodities MAG-16 has contributed. Most of these materials are used and are ideal for this purpose. Various other supplies such as soap, medical supplies, and fence posts have also been distributed.

6. Ground Defense. Contact with the VC/NVA during the month of February 1969 was one (1) mortar attack on 22 February. Zulu Company supplied an escort squad

as security for the MAG-16 Med-Cap Patrol on 1, 4, 8, 11, and 15 February 1969. It was noted that attendance by indigenous personnel in NUI KIM SAN BT 076707 took a sharp drop this month and that by the 15th February 1969 there was no visitors (indigenous personnel) at the patrol Base; also the VC/NVA activity in the ville increased sharply, therefore the Med-Cap Patrols for the remainder of the month were cancelled. All platoons in Zulu Company continue to rebuild and refurbish existing bunkers and positions. Twenty-five (25) new individual fighting positions were dug and reveted during the month.

7. Supply/Materiel. The following occurred in the Materiel Section during the month of February 1969:

- a. Initiated surveys of unserviceable equipage.
- b. Turned in 2 excesses of equipage.
- c. Submitted annual budget estimates for projects 15 and 71.
- d. Ordered 3rd quarter Navy budget items.
- e. Reviewed accounts with sections for equipage not required.
- f. Completed paperwork for receipt of 12 M-35A2C Trucks.
- g. Initiated surveys of fuel and equipage lost due to enemy action at An Hoa Combat Base on 22 February to 23 February.
- h. Conducted an inventory of Marine Corps Accountable Property, for the relief of Sgt P. E. GUTSON by LCpl A. E. VICKERY.
- i. Received 8 water heaters for the base showers.
- j. The following materiel was furnished to the Mess Hall:

(1) Plates	124 Doz.
(2) Cups	144 Doz.
(3) Ash Cans	27 Ea.
(4) Forks	93 Doz.
(5) Spoons	96 Doz.
(6) Knives	64 Doz.

8. Motor Transport. During the month of February 1969, the Motor Transport Section traveled 14,236 miles, transported 5,216 passengers, hauled 70,000 gallons of water, hauled 3,810 gallons of MOGAS, hauled 3,265 gallons of diesel fuel, hauled 31,811 gallons of JP-4, hauled 75 gallons of A/C Oil, hauled 0 gallons of 115/145, hauled 115 Tons of cargo.

9. TAFDS. During the month February 1969, TAFDS Section issued the following amount of fuel at the locations indicated:

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>115/145</u>	<u>JP-4</u>
Marble Mountain	39,109 Gal	816,119 Gal
An Hoa	4,917 Gal	430,499 Gal
Hill 55	<u>N/A</u>	<u>38,754 Gal</u>
TOTAL	44,026 Gal	1,285,372 Gal

10. Base Operations. During the month of February 1969 the following has been accomplished:

a. The east parking apron has been extended and sixteen new revetments constructed to provide additional aircraft parking space.

b. Work is presently being performed on the west parking apron to provide additional reveted parking space.

c. Antenna tower construction completed and room in operations building is presently being readied for installation of control tower radio.

Crash Crew

a. Personnel

- (1) Marble Mountain Air Facility 23
- (2) U. S. Army Augumentation 7
- (3) An Hoa Detachment 13

b. Equipment

(1) Equipment assigned this section consists of:

- One (1) MB-1 Crash Fire Truck
- Seven (7) MB-5 Crash Fire Trucks
- Three (3) M530 Pumpers, Two (2) out for REHAB
- Three (3) Twinned Agent Units
- One (1) M116A1
- One (1) Ansul Airlift Unit (P-K-P)
- One (1) M530 Pumper, (U. S. Army Augumentation)

(2) Of the above listed equipment the following is assigned to the An Hoa Detachment.

Two (2) Twinned Agent Units, One (1) mounted on 6x6, One (1) mounted on M116A1
 Two (2) MB-5 Crash Fire Trucks
 One (1) M530 Pumper

(3) No vehicle accidents involving personnel or vehicles during this reporting period.

c. Emergency Responses:

(1) Marble Mountain Air Facility

<u>Aircraft Emergency Responses</u>	<u>Aircraft Fires</u>	<u>Structural Responses</u>	<u>Structural Fires</u>
34	0	3	3
<u>Standby A/C Hover Checks</u>	<u>Standby Defuels</u>	<u>Standby Fuel Wash downs</u>	
11	14	7	

2. MMAF-2 Feb 69-1945H Under the Mutual Fire Fighting Assistance Agreement, Crash Crew responded to a structural fire in the Freedom Hill Exchange Complex with one (1) MB-5 Crash Fire Truck and two (2) men. The MB-5 Crash Fire Truck was not used, the two men were assigned to man hoses on a M530 Pumper from MWSG-17 Fire Department.

3. MMAF-5 Feb 69-0910H Crash Crew responded to a brush fire in the South-West corner of the base and near the 245th U. S. Army Area, fire extinguished, approximately 200 gals. water used.

4. MMAF-6 Feb 69-1412H Crash Crew responded with one (1) MB-5 Crash Fire Truck and three men to a fire in Dempster Dumpster near Base Laundry, fire extinguished, approximately 100 gals. water used.

5. MMAF-7 Feb 69-1645H Two (2) Crash Fire Rescuemen with rescue equipment airlifted to the scene of a CH-46 (HMM-364) aircraft crash for the purpose of removing five bodies from wreckage. Bodies were removed, the two recuemen returned approximately 2100H same day.

6. MMAF-13 Feb 69 Corporal H. F. HORTON 2110972 awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received during an enemy mortar attack on Marble Mountain Air Facility.

Air Freight and Passenger Section

a. The report of Air Freight Operations at this facility during the month of February 1969 is as follows:

Marble Mountain to:

	<u>PAX</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>CUFT</u>
Phu Bai	629	38,012	2,225
An Hoa	443	151,249	4,666
Quang Tri	99	70,223	2,433
Chu Lai	5		
Others	<u>78</u>	<u>20,276</u>	<u>947</u>
TOTAL	1,254	279,760	10,271

Weather

a. During the month of February 1969, the Weather Section continued to support all Marine Aircraft Group 16 aircraft operations in the An Hoa and Marble Mountain areas.

b. Radio Teletype on loan to MAG-16 from Sangley Point was shipped to MAG-39 to provide basic weather data to Quang Tri.

Tower

a. The total monthly operations conducted by Marble Mountain Air Facility during the month of February are as follows:

Fixed Wing Operations	3,729
Helicopter Operations	21,286
Total Operations	25,015
IFR Departures	69
GCA Operations	371
SVFR Operations	116

11. Food Services

a. There were approximately 242,346 meals fed at the Marble Mountain Air Facility Messhalls during the month of February 1969, which includes all normal meals and party rations. Bread and cake donuts were issued from the Red Beach Bakery. The messhall, in addition, used 8,200 lbs. of flour for the preparation of breakfast pastries, cakes, french bread, etc. Fresh and Dry Stores were procured from NSA. Marble Mountain Messhall was issued approximately 9,000 lbs. of meat extra for the month of February. This was done because some of NSA's reefer banks were destroyed. Marble Mountain Messhall Menu was changed with the permission of the C.O. and Wing Food Service Officer to compensate for the large amount of meat that was issued from NSA. Silverware, cups, etc., were put out for all Marine personnel. A tray rack was built so trays could be air-dried before being put back into use.

b. The Thaw room has been completed and now is in operation. Three (3) bunkers are being built around the Messhall, one (1) has been completed and the other two (2) are being constructed. The drainage problem as reported last month, still remains the same. Tien-Sha-NSA has been helping as much as possible for the new drainage system. A new electric oven has been placed in the Galley of the Enlisted Mess, Electrical hook-up will begin as soon as possible. Work has begun on installing a Hot Water Heater and Dishwasher. The Coffee Urn at the Officer's Mess has been relocated out on the messdeck, and will soon be in operation. New Hot Lockers and Plate Racks are being made for the Enlisted Mess. The old Water Tower in back of the Enlisted Mess Galley has been removed so a new power line can be put in for the new oven.

c. On the job training and technical training were conducted for all Mess personnel and properly recorded. The Messhall has been sprayed weekly for flies but due to the drainage problem of the Messhall, flies are a constant problem. Insecticide Bombs have been available to the Messhall from the supply source. Only one (1) Enlisted Club was furnished with night snacks for the month of February. Due to the alert conditions, it was considered that night snacks would not be held until the condition was back to normal.

12. Base Services/Utilities

a. During the month of February 1969, the Utility Section joined two (2) men. There were five (5) personnel rotated back to Conus. No personnel were hospitalized during the month and there were two (2) cases of V.D. in the Section. During the month of February four (4) Utility personnel were granted out-of-country R & R. One (1) man was transferred out of the Section. Two (2) Utility personnel went on Special Leave and one (1) returned. One (1) man returned from Emergency Leave. There were two (2) Utility personnel participating in the 10% Savings Program and 83% of the Section had U. S. Savings Bonds. On 28 February 1969, the Utility Section had one (1) Officer and seventy-nine (79) Enlisted personnel.

b. Water Point. During the month of February the Water Point personnel processed a total of 3,173,125 gallons of potable water. Of this total 130,000 gallons were issued to other units outside of MAG-16. The motor and pump at well #2 was repaired and reinstalled during the month. To this date there are two (2) wells in operation. All equipment at the Water Point was exercised during the month.

c. Paint Shop. During the month of February the Paint Shop personnel completed ten (10) work orders. In addition to this many smaller jobs were completed. The work of the Paint Shop consists almost entirely of sign painting.

d. Electric Shop. The Electric Shop completed eighty-three (83) work requests and trouble calls during the month. These consisted primarily of repairing shorts, rewiring houches, installing switches and receptacles, also repairing flourscent lights.

e. Plumbing Shop. The Plumbing Shop completed six (6) work orders during the month of February. New hot water heaters were installed at the old and new Enlisted mens showers. There were also many drains in the hanger area unstopped during the month.

f. Base Laundry. The Base Laundry processed 3,154 bundles of clothing for a total of 52,070 pounds. Plus 6,324 pounds of organization gear. The individual bundle service remains available to all ranks.

g. Refrigeration Shop. The Refrigeration and Air Conditioner repair shop made twenty-two (22) trouble calls during the month. The majority of these calls were to repair faulty Air Conditioners. Also water coolers and refrigeration units were repaired. Weekly PM's were pulled on all units at the Messhalls.

h. Carpenter Shop. During the month of February the Carpenter Shop completed some eighteen (18) work orders. The majority of the work orders were embarkation boxes and crates. A new bunker for the Enlisted mens mess was constructed. A new addition to the Utilities Carpenter shop is being constructed. The Expando trailer was remodeled. Plus there were many minor work orders completed.

13. Heavy Equipment

a. During the month of February we had one (1) Cpl go on R&R, one (1) Cpl TAD to An Hoa and one (1) PFC return from TAD An Hoa. One LCpl went on Special Leave. Two (2) LCpl's were admitted to the Hospital and one (1) has returned. Four (4) Marines, three (3) LCpl's and one (1) PFC were awarded Meritorious Mast. Details for the month were one LCpl for Mobile Alert, one LCpl for Mess Duty, one (1) PFC for S-4 Police, two Cpls and two LCpls for Duty NCO and Assistant Duty NCO. There were no reported cases of V.D. nor were there any men placed on confinement. Currently there are twenty (20) enlisted men assigned to this section.

b. Maintenance. For the month of February 1969, the maintenance section opened twenty-two (22) work orders, out of this number eleven (11) were completed and sixteen (16) are still open, five (5) brought forward from the month of January 1969.

c. Operations. The Operations section completed 479 equipment requests. Of this total the following breakdown is submitted:

ART-30, 3,000lb forklift	35
C-40, 4,000lb forklift	55
RTF 060, 6,000lb forklift	160
H-150-C, 15,000lb forklift	78

72-31M, Scooploader	80
M-12, Grader	15
M-60, Crane, Anthony	23
325TC, P&H Crane	18
D-4, Dozer	15
Total	<u>179</u>

14. Ordinance. During the month of February 1969, the MABS-16 Ordnance section issued a total of 12,890 White Phosphorus and High Explosive 2.76" Rockets, 665,050 rounds of assorted small arms ammunition and 1,564 pounds of assorted smoke and chemical agents. Also, 1,728 rockets, 48,000 rounds of small arms ammunition and 170 pounds of assorted smoke and chemical agents were issued to An Hoa.

15. Exchange. During the month of February 1969 the Exchange and Facilities sales totaled as listed below:

Exchange	\$63,958.89
James S. LEE	3,384.50
Saehan Laboratories	2,392.20
Huynh PHUNG Laundry & Gift Shop	4,438.80
LOC SVP LTD Barber Shops	1,179.05
SAX Tailor	9,991.00
Photo & Ingraving	1,287.65
Kong YONG Laundry	3,485.45
Kim YONG Portrait	<u>546.50</u>
TOTAL	\$90,664.04

AN HOA AIRFIELD COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1969

1. This report covers the period 1-28 February 1969. During this period the An Hoa Airfield facilities, under the command of the Resident Officer in Charge, supported all transient aircraft with Crash, Fire, and Rescue service, Weather information, Air Freight assistance, communications from An Hoa to the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, refueling services of aviation fuel 115/145 AvGas and JP-4, and the Marine Air Traffic Control Unit 67A facilities.

2. During this period the An Hoa Airfield was under enemy attack, using 82 mm mortars, 122 mm mortars, B-40 rockets, RPG's, satchel charges, ChiCom grenades, and small arms fire ten (10) times. Taxiways to aircraft parking revetments are completed. Runway repair is underway.

3. A resume of each airfield activity follows.

a. Weather. The weather section, consisting of three (3) Marines, made climatology observations on the hour for each twenty-four hours per day when not under enemy attack. The weather section provided existing weather to the Control Tower, An Hoa DASC, DaNang RAPCON, and Marble Mountain weather office.

b. Communications. The comm section, consisting of three (3) Marines, provided communications with one PRC-47 radio between An Hoa and the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and Marine Aircraft Group 16, passing weather and general information messages.

c. Air Freight and Passenger Terminal. The USAF 15th Aerial Port Squadron accomplished the following.

<u>OFF LOAD CARGO</u>	<u>OFF LOAD MAIL</u>	<u>ON LOAD CARGO</u>	<u>ON LOAD MAIL</u>
1131 tons	41 tons	475 tons	14 tons
		<u>ON LOAD</u>	<u>OFF LOAD</u>
<u>PASSENGER HANDLING</u>		2533	28

d. Crash Crew. Consisting of thirteen (13) personnel, the Crash Crew performed their function of providing Crash, Rescue, and Structural Fire Protection for the Airfield, Industrial Area Helicopter parking and refueling area, and the An Hoa Combat Base. The Crash Crew maintains four hot spot crews from 0700 until flying secures. A night crew is on duty in a standby status.

The Crash Crew responded to the following. (For period 1-5 February 1969 see the records at MMAF Crash Crew.)

7 Feb 1969 1045 UH1E with battle damage. All crash vehicles responded. Aircraft landed safely. No agent used.
A/C type UH1E, Sqn 245, BUWEPS # 12519 USA

- 11 Feb 1969 1520 CH-53 declared emergency, chipped detector light. Aircraft landed safely. No agent used. A/C type CH-53, HMM-463, A/C # 9, BUWEPS # 152414
- 17 Feb 1969 1115 UH1E with battle damage. Aircraft landed safely. No agent used. A/C # 9, BUWEPS # 152435
- 23 Feb 1969 0230 Artillery Ammo Dump. An Hoa Combat Base was under enemy attack at the time. Ammo not able to be contained. Amount of agent used, unknown.
- 23 Feb 1969 0300 Second artillery ammo dump fire. Fire extinguished. Amount of agent used unknown.
- 25 Feb 1969 2230 Perimeter fire within final protective wires. Fire beyond reach of Crash Crew. Crash Crew stood by until fire extinguished itself. 250 gals of water used trying to reach fire.
- 26 Feb 1969 2000 Trash dump fire out of hand. Crash Crew responded and fire extinguished. 1200 gals of water used.

e. TAFDS Section. Consisting of nine (9) Marines, three (3) of which are refueler drivers, the TAFDS section provided and maintained a hot refueling farm at the BAS and at the main parking apron. They also maintained two hot refueling revetments for UH1E helicopters with the refueler trucks. The fuel farms receive fuel from Blue Beach via two 5000 gallon tankers assigned to the LSU this side of the river. The TAFDS section lost four 10,000 gallon fuel bags due to enemy fire. The main fuel farm has been rebuilt and the total capacity at this fuel farm is now 30,000 gallons JP-4 and 10,000 gallons AvGas 115/145. TAFDS accomplishments are as follows:

	<u>115/145 AvGas</u>	<u>JP-4</u>
# Gallons Received	5,000	512,096
# Gallons Issued	5,571	514,232
# Gallons Lost*	2,000	30,000
# Gallons On Hand	1,882	36,847

*Lost refers to the fuel that was lost and contaminated due to enemy fire on the morning of 23 February 1969.

f. Ordnance and VMO-2. Consisting of one ordnance man and two VMO-2 Marines, these men maintain the ordnance area, building rockets for the rearming of UH1E helicopters and OV-10 aircraft. The below ordnance is on hand.

W. P. Warheads	114
H519	156 built, 4 pallets unbuilt
H490	200 built, 5 pallets unbuilt
A131 (7.62 link)	64,000
A551 (50 cal)	2½ pallets
MK-115 Trap Wpns.	50
Red Smoke Grenades	5 cases
Red Star Cluster	0
Yellow Smoke Grenades	1 case
White Smoke Grenades	1 3/4 cases
Green Smoke Grenades	2 cases
Incendiary Grenades	2½ cases

ARMY AMMUNITION

M384 (40 mm)	3 pallets
A165 (7.62 mini gun)	0
A146 (7.62 solid tracer)	0

g. Radio Relay (MWCS-1). Consisting of two Marines, the radio relay section provided telephone communications relay between An Hoa and the 1st MAW.

h. MATCU-67A. The MATCU, consisting of one officer and twelve enlisted Marines, has this month completed the MEDEVAC bunker on the north side of the runway. The MATCU lost their TACANS to enemy fire and are now operating on nav aids other than TACAN. A new TACAN has been received from MATCU-68 at Phu Bai, but is not yet on the air. A URN-12A UHF homer has been installed and is broadcasting on frequency 283.4, code AHA. A TRN-16 low frequency homer has been installed and is broadcasting on a frequency of 515 Kc, code AW. Neither of these nav aids have been flight checked. The MATCU continues to provide 24 hour per day control tower and GCA services. Air traffic operations for the month are as follows:

<u>FIXED WING</u>		<u>HELICOPTER</u>	
C-130	286	H-1	1786
C-123	56	H-46	5243
C-7A	8	H-53	2471
O1C	18	H-54	18
O2	2	H-34	256
OV10	254	H-13	0
RVN Cessna	122	H-6	42
AirAmer	72	Army H-1	1106
Other	14	AirAmer	18
		H-47	14
		Other	6
Total	830	Total	10,940

Take-Offs and Landings, Period 1-28 February 1969

<u>Fixed Wing</u>	<u>Helicopter</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Corrected Total to Date</u>
830	10,940	11,770	116,253

Radar Approaches, Period 1-28 February 1969

	<u>ASR</u>	<u>PAR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>CORRECTED TOTAL TO DATE</u>
IFR	2	3	5	19
VFR	0	3	3	28
W/O	0	0	0	7
Total	2	6	8	54

Instrument Operations, Period 1-28 February 1969

	<u>Month</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Radar Climbs	0	4
Radar Vectors	1	16
Flight Following	7	43
TACAN Approaches	<u>1</u>	<u>17</u>
Total	9	80

4. Organization

Crash Crew

K. J. SUTTLE	SSgt	1878131
L. W. ROMAN	LCpl	2220822
D. W. YUTES	Pfc	2208288
N. R. BAKER	LCpl	2318646
D. S. CASSIDY	Cpl	2217804
D. E. KRAUSKI	LCpl	2286130
P. C. NULL	LCpl	2316575
R. L. CANDELARIA	LCpl	2261512
L. H. MANNING	Pfc	2258319
R. L. LOBES	Pfc	2381162
G. W. GAST	Pfc	2285896
F. R. GOULD	Pfc	2218661
R. E. SCOTT	Pfc	2426478

Weather

G. W. ALLISON	Sgt	2332573
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W. J. MAEHLER	Cpl	2296031
C. A. SCHLOSSER	LCpl	2282066

Ordnance

C. G. WRIGHT	LCpl	2349310
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VMO-2

J. FIELDING	LCpl	2236573
R. D. COLLINS	LCpl	2344802

Motor Transport

L. B. FAIR	LCpl	2258461
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Heavy Equipment

C. L. FROST	Cpl	2288423
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Generator

J. C. NOEL	LCpl	2386831
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MATCU-67A

J. E. KOFFENBERGER, Jr.	1stLt	0102058
D. H. FIELEN	GySgt	1451246
R. F. JOB	GySgt	1839760
L. L. DARR	Sgt	2085979
J. E. FORSTER	Sgt	2276865
J. P. MCKAY	Cpl	2357026
J. G. KRANTZ	Sgt	2156858
W. V. EGAN	Sgt	2142166
W. L. MENGEL	Cpl	2309736
D. A. ETHINGTON	LCpl	2333904
M. G. SHIRK	Cpl	2270942
E. PAPIS	Cpl	2178561
R. S. MCRAE	Cpl	2289199

TAFDS

R. V. PARDINI	SSgt	1808384
R. H. MAY	Sgt	2312020
J. J. DAVIS	Cpl	2323669
L. A. RAINSBERGER	LCpl	2377380
L. CARROLL	Pfc	2465664
R. L. RICHARDS	Pfc	2440366

Refuelers

R. E. SWETMAN	LCpl	2237001
C. A. HOYT	Pfc	2423953
P. W. PLOTT	Pfc	2481029

Comm

G. C. BLANCHARD	Cpl	2314253
L. N. RICHARDS	Pfc	2328461
R. F. ANGUIERA	Pfc	2321461

Radio Relay

E. G. WAGNER	Cpl	2310945
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MABS-16 Self Help Program

The month of February 1969 saw the completion of many projects in MAG-16. On 1 February the Enlisted Outside Theatre was redecked and a complete rehabilitation of the boardwalks in the living areas was finished. On 4 February four barrel revetments were enlarged and strengthened to accommodate the OV-10's assigned to VMO-2. The steel matting in the HML-167 area used as asphalt protection had iron strips welded to them on 4 February. This was done to prevent the mat from buckling when the UH-1E aircraft were entering or leaving the revetments in a hovering attitude. The self help program completed four bunkers for NCBU-12 on 8 February. These bunkers were put on the flight line for added protection for the new revetment building crew. Additionally, MABS-16 assisted the Construction Battalion team in filling the new revetments with sand and then emplacing sand bags on the top of the revetments for added protection.

On 11 February, the clearing of the west side of the unimproved sand area was completed in preparation for the forthcoming 56,000 yards of asphalt hardstand. In conjunction with this clearing, and rebuilding of the HML-167 enlisted living area was completed. The drainage ditch around the area was cleared, and the north wall of the ditch was sandbagged to prevent erosion.

On 15 February, a 100 man bunker was completed at the enlisted messhall as added protection for any future rocket and mortar attacks.

On 17 February, the ROKMC aviation detachment was moved to a new site. The self help program moved two SEA huts, and built 4 new barrel revetments, relocated the operational radio antenna, and constructed a new head site. The two SEA huts that were recovered from this move were relocated as, one, an addition to the HML-167 Ready Room and, two as a billet for water point personnel.

On 20 February, 16 barrel revetments were built for VMO-2 to house all squadron aircraft and the HMH-463 south barrel revetment line was strengthened and built up. This project required the moving of over 1000 barrels and was done in less than 36 hours.

Four SEA huts were recovered from the Zulu Company area and moved to HMM-263 enlisted area for more adequate billeting of the junior enlisted. In conjunction with this movement, the old Group Supply area was shifted and two huts recovered. One is to be used to house the Utilities section NCO's, and the second is to be a storage shed for MABS-16 Materiel section.

The self help personnel were sent to An Hoa Airfield on 25 February to aid in reconstructing the TAFDS site which underwent extensive damage during a rocket attack on that base.

On 26 February, the personnel accompanied an HMH-463 detachment to Quang Tri Airfield to construct a base camp for the six plane unit which was to be stationed there on temporary duty.

On 28 February, the old unused water tower at the enlisted messhall was torn down.