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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Unit: 2nd Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion

a. Reporting Unit Code: M-22960.

b. Table of Organization: M-8620/07 Dec 1975.

2. Period Covered: 1 January 1976 - 30 June 1976

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Commander</u>	<u>Periods</u>
2nd Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion	Lieutenant Colonel William A. COHN	1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters and Service Battery	Captain Carson R. DAY	1 Jan - 30 Jun 76
Battery "A"	Captain Martin E. O'MALLEY	1 Jan - 30 Jun 76
Battery "B"	1st Lieutenant Donald A. RICHARDSON	1 Jan - 30 Jun 76
Battery "C"	Captain Carl N. BLAIR	1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

4. Location: 1 January - 30 June 1976

Marine Corps Air Station
Yuma, Arizona 85364

5. Staff Officers

Executive Officer Major John C. BEVER	1 Jan - 30 Apr 76
Major Richard L. GOODLAKE	1 May - 30 Jun 76
S-1 Officer 1st Lieutenant Roger A. CRITZER	1 Jan - 31 May 76

S-2/S-3 Officer
Major
Richard L. GOODLAKE 1 Jan - 30 Apr 76

Major
Arthur O. CRAVETS 1 May - 30 Jun 76

S-4 Officer
Major
Marvin L. JACKSON 1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

Communications Officer
Captain
Thomas W. SWIHART 1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

Weapons System Maintenance Officer
Warrant Officer
Stanley S. MINITOGAWA 1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

Motor Transport Officer
Captain
Michael Z. SMITH 1 Jan - 09 May 76

1st Lieutenant
Percy M. FLOWERS 10 May- 30 Jun 76

Supply Officer
Captain
Walter N. TURNBUL 1 Jan - 24 May 76

1st Lieutenant
Gary L. MCLACKLAND 25 May - 30 Jun 76

Maintenance Management Officer
Captain
Harvey E. GREENAWALT 1 Jan - 30 Jun 76

6. Average Monthly Strength:

	USMC		USN		OTHER	
	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
JAN	37	547	0	0	0	0
FEB	37	550	0	0	0	0
MAR	35	540	0	0	0	0
APR	38	530	0	0	0	0
MAY	36	548	0	0	0	0
JUN	34	531	0	0	0	0

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During January Operation DUSTY II, a 2 battery helo lift, highlighted the month, with "A" and "C" Batteries participating as well as a Logistic Support Element from H&S Battery. DUSTY II provided a follow-up to DUSTY I held in December 1975, which was a one battery exercise, and significantly increased the Battalion's readiness in helo assault operations. Field Essential Subjects Training was conducted during DUSTY II, complete with an actual aircraft spray attack for NBC defense training. Daily Automated Maintenance System (DAMS) reporting began this month, with Engineers, Motor T, and Communications being the first to utilize the system within the Battalion. Bn S-1 and MMO conducted a directives distribution system revision conference for all commodity areas in H&S Battery. "B" Battery began preparing for upcoming cold-weather exercise, DOMMER IV, at Bridgeport, CA, and "A" Battery field tested a Raytheon proposed intra-battery communications system using TA-312's. Visits this month included Maj. CARR, MCDEC, to conduct a Maintenance Allocation Planning Study, and Capt. FISHERO, MACG-38 to conduct DAMS classes.

2. During February two exercises took place, DOMMER IV, a cold weather exercise, at Bridgeport, CA., in which "B" Battery participated, and a MABLEX at Camp Pendleton, CA. in which "C" Battery participated. Batteries A and C, Communications, Engineers, HAWK Maintenance, Supply, Motor T, and Maintenance Support Logistics were inspected for embarkation readiness, while a maintenance analysis of HAWK Maintenance, Comm, and "A" Battery was conducted during the month. Six officers received training on Mechanized Data System for Embarkation, while Supply, HAWK Maintenance and all 3 firing batteries commenced DAMS reporting. Visits included LtCol DAIZELL, 3RD MAW, Engineer Officer, LtCol RAINS, I.C.P. Philadelphia, for a general staff visit, and Maj TRENSKI, S-4, MACG-38.

3. During March FMFPAC held its biannual inspection of the Battalion. Results were satisfactory. "B" Battery was busy readying itself for Operation STREAKER III, as they began system integrated checks along with pre-fire checks. "A" Battery, Comm, the AAOC, Motor T, and Engineers participated in Operation CHECKMATE, a Marine Air Control Group Electronic Warfare exercise. A maintenance analysis of "C" Battery, and Engineers Section was conducted as well as a series of NIMS classes for "B" Battery. The MMO section attended a Maintenance Management Seminar at El Toro, and Maj CAVAGNARO, 3RD MAW Embark Officer visited the Embark/S-4 section on the 25th.

4. During April the S-4/MMO section conducted a Maintenance Analysis of batteries B and C and Motor T. A noise survey was

conducted around the Improved HAWK gear by the Station Safety manager which led to the ordering of ear protectors for personnel working on or around the HAWK equipment. The 3RD MAW inspected MAO during April, with Maj BROWN heading the inspecting party. "B" Battery remained active in anticipation of STREAKER III by conducting TCO, FCO, and TCA training during the month. To top off the month, the Battalion held a Carnival in support of the Navy Relief drive.

5. During May all three firing batteries participated in exercises in various locations. "B" Battery had an excellent shoot (6 for 6) during Operation STREAKER III at Gila Bend, AZ. "C" Battery participated in a MCDEC sponsored field test of the Weapons Director Unit (WDU), a device designed to provide electronic early warning for FAAD teams armed with either Redeye or Stinger. "C" Battery participation included use of the new IPCP in a modified AFU configuration as well as use of three of the Battalion's four FAAD teams. "A" Battery was away for two weeks on Operation PALMTREE IV at 29 Palms. During this operation "A" Battery made the first helo lift of an improved assault fire unit, featuring the IPCP recently tested by "C" Battery. The AFU was operationally ready within 1 hour after the last piece of equipment reached the assault site. This concept of operation allowed "A" Battery to provide continuous air defense coverage of the AOA while leap frogging its units. A PSMAO analysis was also held this month. A visit was made by Col MCCABEY, MACG-38 Commander, who witnessed the FIREX at Gila Bend.

6. During June the battalion took the opportunity to re-group from its numerous commitments and catch up on essential training. A safety stand-down was held on 18 June in which everyone within the battalion participated by attending various classes. The Communications Platoon scheduled and ran its own Commex at Mt. Laguna, California, to train in and test out various forms of long range voice and data transmissions.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1-31 January - "A" Btry tested a proposed intrabattery communications system using TA-312/PT telephone system.
- 1-31 January - Bn inducted following items into the Wing Modified ADL Program at MCAS, El Toro: 18 F-36's, 7-105's, 9-M 416's, 2-M561's.
- 1-31 January - Engineers, Motor Transport, and Communications Section commenced DAMS reporting.
- 6-7 January - Staff visit by Capt FISHERO, MACG-38, to conduct DAMS classes.
- 12-16 January - Operation DUSTY II, Yuma Desert.
- 12-16 January - S-4 Officer, Maj JACKSON and Asst S-3 Officer, Major CRAVETS attended HAWK Product Improvement Program Conference at Quantico, VA.
- 14 January - Courtesy Admin Inspection of H&S Btry by MACG-38.
- 15 January - Wing Admin Inspection of "B" Battery.
- 28-29 January - S-4 Officer, Maj JACKSON, and Asst S-3 Officer, Maj CRAVETS to Pt. Magu to investigate possibility of using St. Nicholas Island for FIREX.
- 30-31 January - Staff visit, Maj CARR, MCDEC, for Maintenance Allocation Planning Study.
- 1-29 February - Supply, WSM, and the Firing Batteries commenced DAMS reporting.
- 1-29 February - Supply received ORF allowances totaling 11 items.
- 1-29 February - Batteries "A" and "C", Communications, Engineers, HAWK Maintenance, Supply, Motor Transport, and MSL inspected for embark readiness.

- 15 February - Staff visit to Supply by LtCol RAINS, I.C.P. Philadelphia.
- 15-18 February - Battery "B" participated in Operation DOMMER IV, at Bridgeport, California.
- 17-18 February - Staff visit by LtCol DAIZELL, 3RD MAW, to Engineer Section.
- 18 February - Staff visit by Maj TREMSKI, MACG-38, to Supply Section.
- 28 February-05 March - Battery "C" participated in a MABLEX at Camp Pendleton, California.
- 1-31 March - Battalion received the following equipment:
2 AN/TPX-28 Sets from MACS-7 to fill T/E Deficiency.
- 1-31 March - Battalion inducted following items into the Wing Modified ADL Program at MCAS, El Toro:
7 M36's, 4 AN/MRC-134's, 2 M561's, 1 PU-711.
- 1 PU-711 generator coded out.
- 8-15 March - Operation CHECKMATE, MCAS, Yuma.
- FMFPAC Inspection.
- 25 March - Staff visit by Maj CAVAGHARO, 3RD MAW, to Embark/S-4 Section.
- 1-31 April - 6-M-151's to Wing Modified ADL Program at MCAS, El Toro
- Bn received 1 IBM 26 Card Punch from MACG-38
- 1 PU-711 Generator coded out
- 2 Generators evacuated to El Toro
- 1 Generator received from El Toro
- 1 IH Launcher, 1 IROR from "A" Btry exchanged with ORF gear.
- 1 ICWAR from "B" Btry exchanged with ORF gear
- 14-15 April - Staff visit by Maj BROWN, 3RD MAW, to IMO
- 30 April - 2nd LAAM Carnival in support of Navy Relief Drive

- 1-31 May - 4 Generators evacuated to El Toro
- 1 May - Battalion received one IPCP
- 4-10 May - Operation STRAWAKER III at Cila Bend, AZ for Battery "B", with Staff Visit by Col MCCAMEY, MACG-38 Commander.
- 9-14 May - "C" Btry participated in WDU Test, Tacna, AZ
- FSMAO analysis
- 13-26 May - Battery "A" participated in Operation PALMFRUE IV at 29 Palms, CA.
- 1-30 June - Received 41 Communications modules.
- 18 June - Safety Stand-Down
- 21-30 June - Communications platoon participated in a Commex at Mt Laguna, CA.