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HEADQUARTERS
2nd Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion
Marine Air Control Group-38
3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, FMFPac
Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Arizona 85364

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(b) WgO 5750.1D
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Encl: (1) Second Light Antiaircraft Missile Battalion Command Chronology.
(2) Marine Wing Weapons Unit-3 Command Chronology.

1. In accordance with references (a), (b), and (c), enclosures(1) and (2) are submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

2nd LAAM Bn

LtCol Roger D. FOSTER
1Jul - 31Dec72

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Battery

Capt Ronald T. MACY
1Jul - 20Jul72

Capt Clair W. CLARK II
21Jul - 31Dec72

"A" Battery

Capt Billy R. COURTNEY
1Jul - 27Jul72

1stLt Charles S. GRELECKI
28Jul - 30Sep72

1stLt William R. DANIEL
10Oct - 31Dec72

"B" Battery

1stLt William D. SUTTON
1Jul - 10Aug72

1stLt George M MCHUGH
11Aug - 31Dec72

"C" Battery

1stLt Ronald J. ARMSTRONG
1Jul - 27Jul72

1stLt Harvey L. BORDEN
28Jul - 31Dec72

ATTACHED UNITS

Marine Wing Weapons Unit#3

Capt Henry POSTHUMA
1Jul - 31Dec72

2. LOCATION

Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Arizona 85364 1Jul - 31Dec72

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

a. EXECUTIVE STAFF OFFICERS

X0

Maj Tibbott G. CSIK
1Jul - 31Dec72

S-1

1stLt Donald A. BRAY
1Jul - 31Oct72

Capt James R. DEVORE
1Nov - 31Dec72

S-2/3

Capt James R. DEVORE
1Jul - 18Aug72

Maj Thomas H. WOLD
19Aug - 8Nov72

Capt William T. MGAULEY
9Nov - 3Dec72

Maj John C. BEVER
4Dec - 31Dec72

S-4

Capt Larry G. MALONE
1Jul - 31Dec72

b. SPECIAL STAFF OFFICERS

Communications Officer

Capt William T. MGAULEY
1Jul - 30Sep72

Capt Michael R. KANNE
10Oct - 31Dec72

Supply Officer

1stLt Joseph F. CIAMPA
1Jul - 31Dec72

Embarkation Officer

1st Lt John S. HALL
1Jul - 10Oct72

1stLt Robert C. DODT
20Oct - 31Dec72

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Legal Officer

1stLt Philip J. GIACINTI
 1Jul - 23Aug72

1stLt Walter J. BOYLE
 24Aug - 31Dec72

Education Officer

1stLt Robert SETON
 1Jul - 1Sep72

SSgt Theodore V. SEIF
 2Sep72 - 31Dec72

Motor Transport Officer

CWO#4 Robert D. MILLER
 1Jul - 31Dec72

Weapons Systems Maintenance Officer

CWO-3 Samuel E. STOTE
 1Jul - 20Jul72

Capt Ronald T. MACY
 21Jul - 31Dec72

Career Planning Officer

CWO-2 Thomas R. SHINE
 1Jul - 27Jul72

1stLt Ronald J. ARMSTRONG
 28Jul - 31Dec72

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Jul	40	478	0	5
Aug	41	487	0	5
Sep	38	468	0	5
Oct	37	461	0	5
Nov	38	457	0	5
Dec	37	454	0	5

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. READINESS. This portion is classified. See current FORSTAT.
2. PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION

<u>a. PERSONNEL STATUS</u>	<u>M/L</u>	<u>O/H</u>	<u>90 Days</u>
Officer	33	35	38
SNCO	53	52	51
Sgt and below	497	411	426

The trend of decline in personnel figures established in January of 1972 has continued throughout the past six months as witnessed by a further decline in total enlisted numbers. Total enlisted strength in July was 475 and is now 464. Although Staff NCO numbers remained relatively stable from January through June, the past six months reveal a decline in these numbers. Only the Officer's numbers have remained stable through 1972.

b. The figures presented do not include the Marine Wing Weapons Unit-3, which became Sub-Unit 1, H&S Battery, 2nd LAAMBn on Feb 1 1972.

c. Legal-Disciplinary action in the past six months totalled 84 NJPs, 11 SCMs and 13 SPCMs. Two Bad Conduct Discharges have been awarded and subsequently suspended by the Convening Authority. Violation of Article 86 continues to be the predominate type of offense and Articles 90, 91, 92, and 134 were violated several times. Proceedings in Administrative Discharges resulted in 6 approved and 5 pending final action.

d. The Battalion has a basic preventive law program in effect which all Batteries/Sections are presented with once a quarter.

e. Personnel reporting continued at an acceptable rate with an average monthly error rate of 4% based on an average of 708 transactions per month

3. PERSONNEL PROGRAMS/PROCEDURE

a. Awards received during the past six months include eleven meritorious masts and four letters of appreciation/commendation. Thirty seven personnel were awarded superior performance pay effective on 1 July. One Marine received SDA-1, effective September 1.

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b. Marines requested Mast with the Battalion Commanding Officer on nineteen occasions during the past six months. Only two of these requests were referred to higher command. The subjects of the requests were without trend and indicated no prevailing problem.

c. No battalion personnel participated in the Drug Exemption Program during the past six months.

d. There were sixty-four battalion personnel advanced in rank during the last six months. Five sergeants were advanced to Staff Rank. Six of the fifty-six promotions to sergeant and below were meritoriously awarded. Three officers were promoted to 1st Lieutenant.

4. CAREER PLANNING/EDUCATION

a. PERSONNEL STATUS

(1) At present there is one officer, 2 Staff NCOs and one sergeant assigned full time as Career Planners in this Unit. All the enlisted Career Planners are formal school trained with a minimum of one year experience in the Career Planning Billet.

b. OFFICER RETENTION (Company Grade)

(1) Newly joined	10
(2) Released from Active Duty	8
(3) Augmentation Requested	0
(4) Augmentation Received	0

c. ENLISTED CAREER PLANNING

(1) Monthly Reenlistment results:

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ATTRITION</u>	<u>REENLISTED</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
July	19	2	10.5%
August	26	1	3.9%
September	30	3	10.0%
October	24	2	8.8%
November	20	0	0.0%
December	33	3	16.6%
Total	137	11	8.0%

(2) SPECIAL PROGRAMS

(a) Battalion Commander's letter to Marines who have been released from the Marine Corps for 60-90 days.

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- (b) Frequent briefings with all Officers and SNCOs
- (c) Quarterly career planning presentation to all Marines of the battalion.

b. EDUCATION

USAFI -- 3 new enrollments, no drops
 Off-duty education - less USAFI --21
 GED Test -- 29
 CLEP Test - 0
 GCT Test - 6
 EDPT Test - 2
 EOC Test - 0
 Early release for school - processed 16, released by 31Dec72 - 12
 Education Interviews - 180
 Marine Associate Degree Program--0

5. OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

a. The battalion continues to pursue an aggressive training program through the conduct of weekly Anti-Air Warfare Exercises(AAWEX). These exercises were cancelled for a period of about two months when the battalion received an AN/TPQ-21 Simulator from REHAB.

b. TRAINING

(1) Officers

- 33 passed PFT
- 28 completed PEOPLE Training
- 18 requalified with .45
- 12 requalified with M-14
- 5 enrolled in an MCI Course
- 3 Completed an MCI Course
- 1 Completed Officer Personnel Administration Course, Parris Island, South Carolina.
- 1 Completed NBCD Officers Course, El Toro, Calif
- 1 Completed RPS Refresher Course, San Diego, Calif
- 1 Completed Basic Aviation Staff Planning Course, El Toro, Calif
- 7 Completed HAWK Officers Course, Ft Bliss, Texas
- 5 Attended Officers Administration Course, MCAS Yuma, Arizona
- 2 Attended TACC Training Objectives Course, El Toro, Calif
- 1 Completed LFPC Pac Embarkation Course, El Toro, Calif
- 12 Completed 20 hours of Human Relations
- 32 Attended Wing DDNIE Lecture

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(2) Enlisted

- Sgts and below- 22 hours of essential subjects training
- Sgts and below- 3 hours of troop formation
- SNCOs - 4 hours career training
- 322 passed PFT
- 31 SNCOs completed PEOPLE Training
- 19 SNCOs requalified with .45
- 51 Sgts fam fired .45
- 78 requalified with M-14
- 23 enrolled in an MCI Course
- 11 Completed an MCI Course
 - 1 Completed Psychological Operations Course, Coronado, Calif
 - 5 Completed NBCD Course, El Toro, Calif
 - 5 Completed LFTC Pac Embarkation Course, San Diego, Calif
 - 2 Completed NCO Leadership School, El Toro, Calif
 - 1 SNCO Completed Motor Transport Maintenance Management Course, Albany, Georgia.
 - 1 Completed Fuel and Electrical Systems Repair Course, Aberdeen, Maryland
 - 1 Completed Unattended Ground Sensor Course, Ft Huachuca, Ariz
 - 3 SNCOs attended TACC Training Objectives, El Toro, Calif
 - 2 Completed Correspondence Directives Course, Santa Ana, Calif
 - 1 SNCO completed SNCO Academy, El Toro, Calif
- 178 Completed 20 hours of Human Relations
- 29 Completed Driver Improvement
- 364 attended Wing DDNIE Lecture

c. The battalion conducted a total of 515 hours of technical training during the period 1 July - 31 December 1972.

d. The battalion conducted a total of 52 hours of NBC Team Training during the period 1 July - 31 December 1972.

e. EXERCISES

- (1) Marine Air Control Group-38 AAWEX
- (2) Hawaii Deployment

f. During the period 13 through 17 November 1972 the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing A&M Inspection was conducted.

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6. HAWK MAINTENANCE

a. Basic electronics classes in the 5900 field have been conducted for the personnel of that field to increase their technical ability.

b. The engineer section has commenced construction of rifle racks for M-16 Rifles at the Battalion Armory.

7. SUPPLY

a. \$11,000 in MSL Deficiencies calculated for 1st and 2nd quarters of this fiscal year.

b. The Field Supply Analysis Maintenance Office conducted an Inspection of supply procedure.

8. FINANCIAL

a. Received grant of \$28,528.00 for Sub-Head 2726 Expenditures for FY 1-73 1st quarter.

b. Received 2nd quarter funds of \$55,975.00

c. MSL Stock Requirements, 1,206 line items deficient equaling a dollar value of \$57,000.00

9. MOTOR TRANSPORT

a. During the period 1 July 1972 through 31 December 1972 the Motor Transport Section travelled a total of 154,305 miles of which 46,315 was chargeable as on base mileage and 107,990 chargeable as off base mileage. Passengers carried amounted to 16,110 with 338 tons 1881 lbs of cargo being moved.

10. EMBARKATION

a. The Battalion displayed its embarkation readiness in the thorough planning and execution of the sealift in support of the Hawaii deployment of "B" Battery. Much embarkation experience was gained through this exercise.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1-30 July Battalion provided 3rdLAAMBn logistical support for Operation Grasscatcher
- 17-18 July Staff visit by LtCol E.L. CONROY and LtCol A.C. KATEN
- 19-20 July Communication Staff visit by Capt B.C. SAUNDERS and MGySGT C.C. CULLISON
 Motor Transport Staff Visit by 1stLt R.G. RODGERS and MGySgt D.L. SLAUGHTER
 HAWK Maintenance Staff visit by CWO-3 R.H. HANEVIK
- 20 July CWO-2 W.L. KRAMER inspected MARES reporting
- 21 July Capt C.W. CLARK assumed command of H&S Battery, relieving Capt R.T. MACY who assumed duties as OIC of WSM.
- 27 July LtCol R.D. FOSTER attended the Change of Command Ceremony for Col J.R. O'MARA
 1stLt C.S. GRELECKI relieved Capt B.R. COURTNEY as commanding officer of "A" Battery
- 28 July LtCol R.D. FOSTER briefed Col T.H. NICHOLS, the new commanding officer of MCAS, Yuma, Arizona.
 1stLt H.L. BORDEN relieved 1stLt R.J. ARMSTRONG as commanding officer of "C" Battery.
- 7 August Advance parties from H&S, "A", and "C" Batteries departed for Camp Pendleton in support of Operation Ace.
- 15 August USMC Inspector General inspected 2NDLAAMBn Barracks
- 16 August "A" Battery (-) convoyed to San Diego in support of Operation Ace. Embarked aboard LSTs.
- 17 August H&S Battery (-) and "C" Battery (-) convoyed to San Diego in support of Operation Ace. Embarked aboard LSTs
- 20 August 135 personnel departed for San Diego in support of Operation Ace. Embarked aboard LSTs.
- 23 August "A" and "C" Batteries helo lifted assault fire units from LSTs to Camp Pendleton. H&S Battery helo lifted personnel to Camp Pendleton.

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- 25-29 August 2ndLAAMBn participated in air control exercises with other units of MACG-38
- 30 August All units of 2ndLAAMBn returned to MCAS Yuma via air and motor convoy from Camp Pendleton
- 18-21 September Supply Staff visit by Capt A.H. CAYLAO
- 20-25 September CWO-3 W.L. KRAMER conducted MARES Inspection
- 25-29 September Calibration team from first FSR calibrated HAWK Test Equipement and vans.
- 27 September Received HAWK Engagement Simulator AN/TPQ-21
- 28 September CWO-3 W.L. KRAMER conducted MARES Inspection
- 30 September "B" Battery departed San Diego for Hawaii
 Digital Data Team from MWCS-38 arrived MCAS Yuma to conduct Marine Corps Digital Data Test.
- 1 October 1stLt W.R. DANIEL releived 1stLt C.S. GRELECKI as commanding officer of "A" Battery
 Capt M.R. KANNE relieved Capt W. T. MCAULEY as Communication Officer.
- 6 October "B" Battery arrived Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Commenced offloading and training with MACS-2.
- 15-20 October Maj T.G. CSIK and Capt R.T. MACY attended the Marine Air Command and Control System Conference at Quantico, Va.
- 17 October LtCol R.D. FOSTER briefed LtGen L.H. WILSON, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific.
- 24 October Courtesy visit by 1stLt R.G. RODGERS, MACG-38 Ground Safety Officer
- 24-25 October NBC Staff Visit by 2ndLt R.E. BALSKE
- 1 November "B" Battery departed Hawaii
- 3 November Battalion received 665 M-16 Rifles
- 7 November LtCol R.D. FOSTER briefed MajGen H.S. HILL, Commanding General Third Marine Aircraft Wing.
- 7-8 November SSgt C.P. YOST, MABS-11, MAG-11 conducted field messing gear inpection.

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- 13-17 November 2ndLAAMBn Inspected by 3rd MAW A&M Teams
- 8 November "B" Battery arrives MCAS Yuma
- 17 November Staff visit by Col H.L. VANCAMPEN, Commanding Officer, Marine Air Control Group-38
- 29 November LtCol R.D. FOSTER and Capt B.R. COURTNEY attended pre-exercise planning conference at El Toro, Calif
- 29-30 November 2ndLAAMBn participated in local Grasscatcher Operations.
- 8-15 December Battalion held familiarization classes on the M-16 Rifle.
- 12 December Held Battalion Quarterly NBC Drill

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. The following are submitted as supporting documents.

a. 2ndLAAMBn OpOrder 5-72, MACG-38 AAWEX W/⁽¹⁾Administrative/⁽²⁾Logistics Order 2-72, ⁽³⁾Embarkation Plan 2-72.

b. ⁽⁶⁾2ndLAAMBn Letter of Instruction for Hawaii Deployment W/⁽²⁾Administrative Logistics Order 3-72.

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