UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 29 Marine Aircraft Group 29 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atlantic Marine Corps Air Station, (Helicopter) New River, Jacksonville, N. C. 28540

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From: Commanding Officer To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD) Via: (1) Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 29 (2) Commanding General, Second Marine Aircraft Wing (3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic Subj: Command Chronology; period 1 July 1976 to 31 December 1976 Ref: (a) MCO P5750.1D

(b) WgO 5750.1B

1. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

a. Designation/Location. Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 29, Marine Aircraft Group 29, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atlantic, Marine Corps Air Station, (Helicopter), New River, Jacksonville, N. C. 28540

b. Period Covered. 1 July 1976 to 31 December 1976

c. Command and Staff

Commanding Officer:	LtCol W. C. RYAN, III Maj J. D. MORTON (Acting) Maj J. D. MORTON' (Acting)	l July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976 15 Oct 1976 - 31 Oct 1976 15 Dec 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Executive Officer:	Major J. D. NORTON	l July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Adj/Admin Officer:	CWO-4 E. M. ZERBE	l July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Maintenance Officer:	Major N. R. FORD	1 July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Training Officer:	Capt H. T. BECK	l.July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Material Officer:	lstLt W. P. MOORE JR	1 July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Legal Officer:	Capt G. M. DOERMANN	l July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976
Sergeant Major:	SgtMaj F. ROSA	1 July 1976 - 31 Dec 1976

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d. Average Squadron Strength

MONTH	OFFICERS	ENLISTED
July 1976	44	419
August 1976	42	446
September 1976	42	410
October 1976	42	398
November 1976	41	377
December 1976	44	3 70

2. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

a. Personnel

(1) On 21 July 1976, the personnel Wing A&M Inspection was held in the areas of Uniform, Personnel, Clothing and Equipment, Drill and Physical Fitness. All areas were "Satisfactory". Ninety-six point six per cent (96.6%) passed the Physical Fitness Test and nine Marines were individually cited as "Noteworthy" in the Uniform category.

(2) On 6 August 1976, Major General CAREY presented the Villard C. SLEDGE Memorial Maintenance Award to the T-400 Engine Section for excellence in engine repairs.

(3) Corporal J. K. CHRIGLER was selected as the HEMS-29, and MAG-29 Marine of the Quarter for the October to December period.

(4) Three Marines applied for the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) Program; Lance Corporal J. M. DEJESUS was selected.

(5) There were five officers and ninety-one enlisted Marines promoted during this period, with sixteen enlisted men meritoriously promoted.

(6) Fourteen Marines reenlisted and five extended their enlistments.

(7) Marines of this Squadron received forty-eight awards; six Letters of Appreciation, twenty-three Meritorious Masts and nineteen Good Conduct Medals.

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(8) The Group Supply Department received a Letter of Commendation from the Group Commander on 14 December 1976 for sustained performance and professionalism in decreasing the Not Operational Ready Supply/Not Fully Equipped (NORS/NFE) ratings.

(9) Personnel from this Squadron supported the deployments of the four operating squadrons, as well as LANFORMED and LANFORCARIB.

(10) Marines of this Squadron participated in the Wing Change of Command on 31 July 1976 and the Group Change of Command on 18 Aug 1976.

'b. ADMINISTRATION

(1) The Administration Section of this Squadron was inspected by the Wing in July, and received a rating of "Satisfactory".

(2) Compliance with MCO P5211.1 was completed in October 1976 through the distribution of Privacy Act forms to all members of this Squadron.

(3) The Maintenance Department continued sustained performance in turn around time for the maintenance and repair of aircraft through utilization of improved management techniques. On 16 September 1976, the ComNavAirLant Maintenance Management Team inspected the Maintenance Department. The results of the inspection were satisfactory, with commendable comments in numerous areas of management.

(4) The Supply Department continued the achievement of low Not Operational Ready Supply ratings, and continued to improve the maintenance turn around time with the employment of the Operational Logistic Concept (OLC).

c. TRAINING AND TRAINING DEPLOYMENTS

(1) Training emphasis was placed on Marksmanship during this period, with 431 Marines qualitying.

(2) The Weight Contro /Personal Appearance.Program continued to receive favorable comments and produce the desired results for those Marines assigned.

(3) Thirty-four Marine's completed Marine Corps Institute (MCI) correspondence courses, and many others were enrolled in off-duty education college preparation courses.

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(4) Members of this Squadron deployed in support of NATO Operations to Northern Europe. Additional personnel were deployed to Yuma, Arizona and Twenty-nine 'alms, California in support of tactical Squadron Operations, as well as supporting LANFORMED and LANFORCARIB Cruises.

(5) LtCol W. C. RYAN III attended a meeting of the Helicopter Interservice Working Party (NATO) in Brussels, Belgium during the period 16-21 October 1976.

d. CIVIL AFFAIRS/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

(1) The Squadron supported a Group Orientation/Open House on 11 December 1976. The activities included personal affairs briefings, Santa Claus, and a variety of functions to entertain the families.

(2) The Squadron sponsored Girl Scout Troop 82 of the Camp Lejeune community and assisted them with troop functions whenever possible.

(3) Three Marines received Letters of Appreciation for civilian community projects.

e. ACTIVATION. On 21 July 1976, an Explosive Ordnance Disposal section was incorporated into the Squadron, providing a bomb disposal capability aboard this air station.

W. C. RYAN III