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1. (C) Operations: Significant Activities

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(1) The 1st Livintion Brigade mission of providing effective and responsive and irray aviation support to US, MVN and F.MLF ground elements remained unchanged.

(2) Chrages in Key Staff Personnel - The following changes were made in key strff perconnel during the quarter.

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(c.) Brignde Commender:

BG George W. Putnom, Jr., USAL COL Samuel G. Cookerham, TC,



. 1 May 70 - 21 Jul 70

22 Jul 70 -

(b) Deputy Brigade Commander:

COL Lec D. Turner, IN, COL Samuel G. Cookerham, TC,

. 1 May 70 - 13 Jun 70 14 Jun 70 - 21 Jul 70

(o) Chief of Staff:

MC Jerry M. Bunyard, FA, COL Joseph B. Storier, IN, INC Gerald E. Royals, TO,



1 May 70 - 14 Jun 70 14 Jun 70 - 8 Jul 70 9 Jul 70 -

(d) G-1:

Mil Milliam McCluskey, Fd, INC Anthony J. Meson, iD,



1 May 70 - 3 May 70 7 Mcy 70 -

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(a) G-3:

IFO Borry V. Bush, FA.

1 May 70 - 25 May 70 25 May 70 -

(f) Safety Officer:

LEC Bonald H. Merritt, CE, I LEC Adalbort H. Toepel, PA, Mid Bulus E. Brons, PA,

1 May 70 - 1 Jul 70 1 Jul 70 -21 Jul 70 22 Jul 70 -

(g) Brigado Surgeon:

Inc Raphael J. Dinapoli, MO. Inc William G. Caput, MO.

1 May 70 - 16 Jun 70 16 Jun 70 -

(h) Brigade Chaplains

If C Robert E. Rockwell, CH, If C Roginald J. Ruebner, CH,



1 Hay 70 - 5 Jul 73

(1) Signal Officer:

Iff Harold O. Bourne, SC, Iff Walter G. Lilley, SC,



1 May 70 - 20 May 70 20 May 70 -

(i) idjutant General:

MAJ Eugeno M. Guglielmo, AG. TIPC Leonard J. Harmon II, AG.



1 May 70 - 7 Jul 70 18 Jul 70 -

(k) Information Officers

He Gerald W. Butinsky, SC; IN Thomas K. Christie, IX, O/f Leonard M. Schodovski, IX,



1 May 70 - 22 Jun 70 25 Jun 70 - 30 Jul 70 31 Jul 70 -

- (3) The organization of let Ariation Brigade units is shown in the Organization Chart at Inclosure 1 and the Station List at Dallosure 2.
 - b. G1/16
 - (1) Breckdown of Aviators
 - (a) Commissioned Officers = 1679

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- (b) Warrant Officers 2385
- (c) Total 4064
- (2) Brenkdown of Officers by Bronch

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In Ameds	-	47
AR	~	240
JA AD AG	-	2
AD	-	70
AG	•	14
FΔ	-	14 378 15
CH SC	-	15
SC		88
TC	~	130
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EN		112
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(3) Brigade Strength. The strength of the lat Aviation Brigade as of 31 July 1970 was as follows:

UNIT	OFF	<u>WO</u>	西班	<u> Topal</u>
HHC lst Avn Bde 12th CAG 17th CAG 164th CAG 165th CAG 212th CAB	58 460 635 421 130 128	16 708 874 679 62 181	215 4738 6042 4809 1403 1185	289 5906 7551 5909 1595 1494
TOTAL	1832	2 520	18392	22744

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(4) Recommendations for Avards. The following is a report of actions taken on all awards recommendations received by this headquarters during the period 1 May 1970 through 31 July 1970:

Arrest .	Received	Processed	Approved
XE	0	0	0
Den Den	2	· 2	0
8 8	2 91	2	0
LON .	28	91 28	91 10
DIFC	984	26 984	12 984
M	38	38	38
BENNAN	152	152	152
VN _m Am DEM	3217 1043	3217	3217
AM	25775	1043 25775	1043
AROOMWYN	358	358	25775 358
ARCOM	9776	9 7 76	9776
PH	311	311	311
TOTALS	41,777	41,777	41,757

(5) Orders Published. Orders published by Hecaquarters, 1st Aviation Brigade, broken down by month, are as follows:

Month .	Special Oriers	Letter Orders	General Orders
Moy June July	31 30 31	80 52 78	1536 1189 <u>1791</u>
TOTALE	92	210	4516

(6) Red Data. During the period 1 May 1970 through 31 July 1970, a total of 4663 Red allocations were received by this headquarters. Of this number 4347 were utilized. The following is a utilization breakdown by month:

Month	Spaces Allocated	Spaces Usod	Percentege
Moy	1631	1548	94.9%
june June	1633 <u>1399</u>	1484 1315	90 . 9% <u>94.0%</u>
TOTALS	4663	4347	93.2%

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(7) Applications Received. The following reflects officer applications/appointments received by month for the period 1 May 1970 through 31 July 1970.

		W.Y	JUNE	JULY	
COS WO Direct Co RA	Den .	0073	0 0 7 1	0 1 36 <u>6</u>	
TOTALS		10	8	43	
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(1)	Porsonnol	Security Inv	ostigativo	Actions	
(a)	Requests :	for Bookgroun	d Investig	ntions:	44
(p)	Requests	for verificat	ion of Boo	kground Invest	igations: 242
(0)	Requests :	for National	Agency che	oks	47
(a)	Requests :	for verificat	ion of Nat	ional Agency (hecks: 156
(e)	-Baquests :	for verificat	ion of Ent	rance Nat'l A	gency Checks: 80
(£)	Dossier C	heoics s	•		_13
(g)	Total PSI	Actions			582
(h)	Of these	582 PS I Actio	ons, 443 we	ere completed o	and 139 are pending.
(2)	Intelligo	nce and Secu	rity Section	on Actions	
(a)	comment in	spections:			4
(b)	Counterin	telligence Te	echnical S	TLAGAR 1	3
(0)	Physical	Security Sur	7eys (4
(d)	Alerts:				. 2
(e)	PRE-AGI I	inspections:			13

(f) Stoff Assistance visits:

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(g)	Liaison visits to higher and adjacent Headquarters:	518
(3)	Security Violations and Lost Documents Invostigated	
(a)	Pocket SOI's losts	2
(b)	SECRET documents lost: (Combat loss)	1
(0)	Possible compromise of CONFIDENTLL documents:	2
(d)	Suspension of access to classified materials	9

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- (1) Hoadquartors and Hoadquartors Company, 1st Aviation Brigado has reorganized under MTOE 1-66GFOL. The Brigade was originally formed under MTOE 1-252F. On 21 November 1969 the Brigade was directed by US.RF.C General Order 788 to roorganizo undor TOE'1-66G. At that time the Brigado Commandor felt that being organized under TOE 1-66G would adversely affect the ability of the Brigale Staff to supervise and assist the four groups, sixteen battaliens/squadrons and the one-hundred and sixteen line companies/airfield support detachments that were then assigned to the Brigade. Such an implementation would have dewngraded the Goneral Staff to a Lower Unit Staff, eliminated the Chief of Staff, the Adjutant General, Secretary of the General Staff and other key members of the staff. To preclude this degradation, a back channel message was sent to the Department of the Army requesting authorization to organize under MTOE 29-701T which was boing drafted by the Brigade. This was followed with a telephone call to USARPAC. As a result of these actions, verbal authority was granted to reorganize under MTOE 29-701T until the proposed MTOE was approved. In July 197 the summary MTOE 1-66GPO1, which had incorporated the Brigados proposed change to MTOE 29-701T was received with instruction to implement. A change to MTOE 1-66GPO1, which upgraded the "S" Staff to a "G" Staff was submitted to US..RV on 5 June 1970. This was approved by USARV and forwarded to USARPAC on 16 July 1970
- (2) The changeover from UH-1 gunships to AH-1Gs in the Air Cav Troops necessitated a revision of MTCE 17-93T. This was submitted to USARV in October 1969; forwarded to USARPAC in December 1969; and forwarded to DA in February 1970. This changs will eliminate the direct support maintenance detachment and transfer the space into the Air Cavalry Troop, forming a maintenance plateon in lieu of the presently authorized maintenance section. This action will eliminate the detachment overhead and give the maintenance plateon the necessary maintenance personnel to perform maintenance on all types of helicopter organic to the air cavalry troop.

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- (3) A study was conducted to determine the changes necessary in TOE 1-77, for the Recommissioned Helicopter Company, which is programed to replace a Recommissioned Airplane Company. Brigade recommendations were forwarded to USARV on 27 July 1970.
- (4) The 25th and 20lut Corps aviation Companies are currently proparing a MTCE change to TCE 1-127. These changes are necessary to assist the unit with mission accomplishment. These units were organised by Fifth Army general orders and had not been added to the Department of the Army Data Bank. This action will correct this eversight.
- (5) The 238th Aerical Weepons Company is currently proparing a MTCE change to TCE 1-157 assigned to the unit. These changes are necessary to assist the unit in performing its mission. This unit was also organized by Fifth Army general order and had not been added to the Department of the Army Data Bank. This action will correct this oversight.
- (6) The following expenisation changes were initiated during the reporting period:
- (a) The 116th AHC was detected from the 269th Aviation Battalion (Combat) located at Cu Chi, RVN, in Military Region III, and attached to the 212th Aviation Battalion (Combat) located at Da Nang in Military Region I, for a period of 90 days. The 116th was deployed to Chu Lai and placed OPCON to the 23d Americal Division. The unit received notification on 4 July 1970 of the pending move. The advenced party departed 6 July and the main body departed Cu Chi and closed at Chu Lai on 9 July 1970. Operational missions were received on 12 July 1970.
- (b) C Troop, 3d Squadron, 17th Air Cav was detached from the 3d Squadron 17th Air Cav located at Di An, in Military Region III and attached to the 212th Aviation Bettelion (Combat) located at Da Nang, in Military Region I for an indefinate period of time. The unit was notified of the move on 20 July 1970. A coordination visit was made by members of the Troop, Squadron, 12th Aviation Group and 1st Aviation Brigade to the new location on 22 July 1970. The advanced party arrived at the new location on 26 July 1970, and the main body closed on 30 July 1970. The troop conducted area training the first week in August and resumed operational missions on 9 August 1970 in their new area of operation.
- (c) C Troop, 16th Covelry relocated from Sec Trong to Can The, RVH, on 28 July 1970. There was no change in parent organization.
- (d) The 147th Asseult Support Helicopter Company relocated from Yung Tau to Can The, in Military Region IV, on 8 June 1970. There was no change in the parent organization.

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- (7) Operations:
- (a) The activation and deployment of the YC-3A (Quiet Airplane) test unit for evaluation was accomplished during May and June 1970. Distribution of the YC-3A in Vietnam, for the testing phase, was six aircraft to the 73d Surveilance Airplane Company, located at Long Thanh in Military Region III, and throe in the 220th Recommaissance Airplane Company located at Huo Phu Bai in Military Region I. The test and evaluation will be conducted for a 6 month period with a 12 month operational period to follow. Although the Aircraft and evaluation personnel are assigned to Brigade units, the test and evaluation is under the proponentency of ACTIV. Collection and reporting of test and evaluation data will be through ACTIV channels.
- (b) FILIR (Forward Looking Infrared) Tost and Evaluation was initiated during July 1970. Three systems were attached to B Troop 7th Squadron 1st Cavalry located at Vinh Long, in Military Region IV. Termination of the thirty day test phase will be approximately 25 August 1970.
- (c) The Viotnameso Air Force (VNAF), US Air Force Advisory Group (FGP) and US Army Viotnam (USARV) approved and published the VNAF/AFGP/US RV Improvement and Modernization (IEM) Holicopter Augmentation Plan 70-51, which was reported in 1st Aviation Brigade OR-LL, dated 15 May 1970. This plan represents phase II of the IEM helicopter augmentation program and provides for the transfer of eight assault helicopter companies and one assault support helicopter company to the VNAF during the period September 1970 to March 1971. Plan 70-51 was distributed to 1st Aviation Brigade elements and implemented during July 1970. Highlights of the program during the past three months are:
- L. VI F UH-1 pilot training conducted by 1st Aviation Brigade Units: Twolve AHC's will provide training and airmobile experience for 244 VNAF pilots prior to these pilots joining their newly retivated squadrons. The VNAF pilots selected to receive this training will be assigned to an AiC, upon their return from CCNUS flight training at the Army Aviation School, for a period of 90 days and receive approximately 200 hours flying time. Whenever possible, this training will be accomplished by the same HC identified to convert to the VN:F squadron to which the pilot will be assigned or an AiC operating in the same geographical area of his assigned squadron. The 336th AHC at Sec Trang was assigned 20 VN:F pilots for training on 15 July 1970. As of 31 July 1970, each pilot had flown between 21 and 35 hours.
- 2. VNAF Un-1 m-intenance training conducted by 1st Aviation Brighd units The eight converting AHC's will each conduct over-the-shoulder Off for 14 V. F maintenance personnel. This training will be conducted during a 30 day period and will include formal instruction in specific maintenance procedures and practices that would not normally be addressed in a strictly over-the-shoulder program. The following 1st Aviation Brighde units are presently conducting UH-1 maintenance training for VNIF personnel:

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- a. The 190th ANC at Bien Hoa began training eight engine mechanics on 15 June 1970 and 22 general mechanics on 6 July 1970.
- b. The 145th CAB at Bien Hos was assigned 27 maintenance personnel on 27 July 1970. These personnel are training with the 68th and 118th AHCs!.
- 3. Early activation of the VNAF 237th Medium Lift Helicopter Squadron (MLHS) (CH-47A):
- a. During June 1970, the VNAF/JGS requested the 237th Medium Lift Helicopter Squadron be activated early to provide CH-47 support for ARVN forces. This squadron was orginally scheduled to activate on 1 March 1971. A revised plan was formulated and approved which will activate this squadron on 30 September 1970.
 - b. WNAF CH-47 Crew Training wow
- (1) Beginning 15 September 1970, 38 pilots will be trained by 1st Aviation Brigade units for approximately 60 days.
- (2) Ten loadmasters and twelve flight engineers, began training with the 205th ASHC on 25 July 1970, and ten gunners will begin training on 15 August 1970.
 - c. VNAF CH-47 Maintenance Training are being conducted.
- (1) The 205th ASHC began training 13 VNAF maintenance personnel on $25\,\mathrm{\widetilde{July}}$ 1970.
- (2) The 34th General Support Group began training 27 VNAF maintenance personnel on 25 July 1970.
 - d. Transfer of Equipment:
- (1) On 14 August 1970, the 2()th ASHC will be relieved from 50% of their operational commitment in order to prepare for transfer of equipment.
- (2) On 31 August 70, the 205th ASHC will be relieved for all operational commitments.
- (3) On 30 September 1970 to α October 1970: 5 aircraft will be transferred to VNAF Squadron.
 - (4) On 4 October 1970 to 9 October 1970: 5 more aircraft are transferred.
- (5) On 10 October 1970 to 15 October 1970: the remaining 6 aircraft are transferred.

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- (8) Basis of Issue (BOI) for the XM-35, 20mm Automatic Gun System:
- (a) A study is currently being conducted to determine if the BOI for the XM-35, 20mm Automatic Gun System should be revised. The current BOI is outlined below.

UNIT	NUMBER
Aerial Venpons Company (Heavy)	10
Acrial Venpons Company (Light)	6
Mr Cavelry Troop	4
Asimult Helicopter Company	3

Some units assigned to the Brighde have indicated they would profer a change to the BOI. One Air Covalry Squadron has requested two systems per Troop instead of four, and one Aerial Meapons Company (Light) has requested that they be issued three systems instead of six. Units using the XM-35 will be monitored closely and additional data will be gathered to make a valid recommendation to USIIN for a revised BCI.

- (9) The 3/17th ACS completed a 90 day evaluation of the OH-58 helicopter employed in the secut role on 30 June 1970. The OH-58's flow a total of 2986.4 hours for the 90 day period with a mission ready status in excess of 90%. This evaluation pointed out several maintenance and operational discrepancies in the aircraft that resulted in EIR's being submitted. However the discrepancies were minor and did not impair mission accomplishment. Operational characteristics were found to be good and in some areas surpassed the mission requirements for a scout helicopter. Pilots liked the aircraft and had little difficulty adapting to it. Unit commanders and maintenance personnel were well satisfied with the performance and characteristics of the aircraft. It was employed the same as the IOH (OH-6A), with an AH-1G at a high altitude to provide cover and the OH-50 at a low altitude to recommiter. One troop used a pilot, an observer w/M-60, machine gun, and a crew chief w/M-60, while the other troop used a pilot, an observer w/M-60, and an XM27El mini gun system. Both configurations were extremely effective with no outstanding advantages or disauvantages in either.
- (10) During the past quarter activity and command interest in the civic action program'increased. A Civic Action News Bulletin was published which listed unit activities down to including those in progress at company and separate detachment level. Typical activities include teaching English to Victnesses working on US installations; contributing food, clothing, health items, screp materials, and noney; building and repairing schools, bridges, recreation areas, medical facilities; and previding medical and dental assistance. by employing MEDCAP and DENTCAP Teams.

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(11) Training:

(a) The lat Aviation Brigade continues to use all available sources of in-country training to maintain operational readiness at all levels of commund. In-country training is essential to augment training provided by CONUS bases. The following data provides a recapitulation of the training quotes allocated to subordinate units during the reporting period:

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Le Army Aviation Refrosher Training School. The Army Aviation 184 Refresher Training School (AARTS) at Phu Ioi has not returned to full strength after the move from Vung Tau. The problem of reestablishing a full curriculum is centered around acquiring an adequate staff. The 34th deneral Support Group is responsible for the school, but needs additional personnel assigned to the school on a TDY basis from units in the field. It currently appears that by the 2d Quarter FY 71, the full program will again be offered. By the end of the lat Quarter the following courses will have been taught: UH-ID/H and CH-47 Repair Course; Armanent Courses #1 and #2 for Enlisted and Officer personnel; Tech Supply (PLL); Tech Inspector; and the T53-Il3 Engine Repair Course. The future of the AARTS program will depend on the TDA personnel fill for the instructional staff.

2. USLAW conducted awinter transition and maintenance courses:

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		ΔH-1 G	41
		он-6	31
		OH-58	52
<u>3</u> .	IP/SIP Courses		
		AH-1G (USARV School)	5
		OH-6 (USARV School)	10
		UH-1 (lat Avn Bdc School)	47
4.	PACAF Life Support School		18
5٠	USATF 1st Signal Brigade Scho	001	11
<u>6</u> .	INFANT Systems Course:		
		Livintor	3
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- (b) The INFANT System School was assigned to the lot inviction Brigade as a training responsibility with the NETT Team OPCON to this headquarters offective 20 July 1970. The first class of three evictors and six emlisted technicians commenced training at Phu Loi on 27 July 1970. Aviator training is schooled for three weeks, while the enlisted personnel will train for four weeks. Subsequent classes and training for phase B system training is in the planning stage and will be tailored to conform to operational requirements when a determination of distribution and arrival dates of aircraft and systems is finalized.
- (c) There were no UH-1 aviator transition programs conducted by the let Aviation Brigade for Republic of Victors and Republic of Koroa pilots during this period. That army eviators continue to fly with US pilots under the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between CG, let Aviation Brigade and CG, Royal That army Volunteer Force (RTAYF), dated 4 January 1970.
- (d) One Australian Army evictor rated in the UH-1 is flying operational missions with US aviators in the 3/17th Air Cavalry Squadron.
- (a) Eight Australian Navy pilots continue to fly with the 135th Assault Helicopter Company.
- (f) The 165th Aviation Group (Combat) continues to train one Civil Service employee of the Directorate of Civil Aviation (DCA), HVN, as an air controller. Ho is currently qualified to handle moderate traffic (B rating) and is being trained to handle heavy traffic (A rating). Six DCA personnel were previously trained under this program and have received their A rating.

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- (1) Sufficient Model 801 tail rotor hub assemblies for AH-1G and UH-1 type aircraft arrived in RVN during the reporting period to replace the defective Model 701 assemblies. The change over installation was 100% complete as of 31 July 1970.
- (2) The timely arrival of oil samples at the analysis laboratory has shown a marked improvement since initiation of the oil sample courier service. This courier service, accomplished by group/separate battalien, has reduced the transit time of oil samples from as high as two weeks to an average of two days.
- (3) The lst Aviation Brigade was levied to transfer 42WH-1D aircraft to 8th Army in Koroa. The aircraft to be transferred were required to have less than 1100 airframe hours since new or overheal. To date, 35 have been transferred and the romainder will be completed during the next reporting period.

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- (4) The Brigade CMMI Term conducted 46 inspections during the quarter. Of this number, 30 were regular inspections, 8 were reinspections, and 8 were courts y inspections.
 - (5) Reports of Survey:

Number processed	328
Personnel held liable	59
Personnel relieved from liability	269
Dollar value of surveys \$3,934,123	.62

- (6) Temporary Lorns/Gratuitous Issue: There were 110 requests for temporary loan of equipment approved by USANN and 32 gratuitous issues of equipment for lat Aviation Brigade units during the period.
- (7) Construction of revetments, taxiways, handstand, maintenance areas, and other essential facilities were approved for the movement of the 147th ASHC and C Troop, 16th CAV, 164th CLG, from Sec Trong to Can The.
- (8) Facilities were acquired to facilitate the move of C Troop, 3/17th Cow from Di An to Quang Tri and for the 116th AHC move from Cu Chi to Chu Lai.
- (9) Construction of hardstands and maintenance areas and the renovation of billets were accomplished to facilitate the move of the 192d AHC from Phan Thiet to Phan Rang.
- (10) To supplement peneprime as a dust control agent 3,300 drums of COMEREX were acquired. This material is an excellent dust retardant at one part emulsion to five parts water. The 17th CAG was given the bulk of this material.
- (11) Warchouse Trailers, angle iron, and NSAI matting were requested for the 73d SAC, 131st SAC, 225th SAC, and 355th HHC for the construction of portable revoluents. Over 300 warchouse trailers have been shipped to these units during this period. Angle iron is a critical supply itom and has not been secured for the project. Engineer effort continues to be a critical element in the construction of the portable revoluent elecures.
- (12) Asphaltic hardstands and revetments were constructed for six Y0-31 aircraft at Long Thanh North AAF. ... MBAL natting hardstands were acquired and revetments were constructed for three Y0-34 aircraft at Phu Bui.

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- (13) The contonnent area construction project for the 162d AHC was started in July 1970. Construction is being accomplished on a self-help basis assisted by technical advisors from the 69th Engr Bn at Can Tho.
- (14) The USARV Facilities Review Board approved the following 1st Aviation Brigade construction requests during this period:

USAIN PROJ#	DESCRIPTION	SCOPE
897	Security Lighting, Qui Nhon LAF	0111 Funded: \$24,000
1091	Sevege Treatment Plent, Can The	Upgrado as required
1099	Perimeter Towers, Pleiku	9 each

- (15) This command continued to place strong emphasis upon detecting and proventing the unauthorized construction of "nice to have" projects. Soveral command letters were sent to all commanders of the Brigade enjoining them to initiate such policies as necessary to prevent unauthorized construction.
- (16) Construction of revetments, hardstand, and relocation of an ASP were accomplished to support the move of the 334th AMC from Bien Hos to Phu Lei.
- (17) The high speed refueling system at Sanford Army Airfield was completed in July 1970. The project will require a new contract to modify the nozzles to make them adaptable to Army aircraft.
- (18) An CML funded project was approved for the modification of the west taxiway of the 196 ASHC at in Son. This project will resolve a safety of flight hazard and will provide a means of taxing CH-M7 helicopters into and out of the revetments.
- (19) A plan was submitted to USARV for the implementation of the PER-MICIP system for the Brigade. USARV G-3 Force Stationing Branch is reviewing the space requirements for offices, billets, storage areas and an automated data processing building.
 - f. IO No input

g. Surgeon

(1) Personnel. During the reporting period the Brigade had no sustained critical shortages of medical personnel. All flight surgeon positions were filled during most of the accounting period. Administrative officers were assigned to the Groups and the Brigade surgeons office during the entire reporting period. However, none of the 13 ISC positions at the Battalian

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lovel were filled during the period 1 June to 31 July 1970. In an attempt to 2111 these vacancies, a request for administrative efficient was submitted to UMARY personnel. Should MSC officers become available, physicians will be relieved of administrative responsibility and thereby be better able to accomplish their medical mission.

(2) Operations

- (c) During the reporting period, the surgeon's office was advised that a liquid filled our pad is being evaluated as a substitute for the form filled ear pad new being utilized in the SPH-4 flight helmet. In evaluating the new item a questionnaire was devised which inquires into the suitability of the liquid filled our pad as a substitute for the form filled ear pad. Result of this survey will be available for the next ORLL.
- (b) Redeployment of American troops coupled with the Victnemization program will have ramifications for medical support activities. These ramifications will include the relocation, consolidation and elimination of medical detechment resources and the relocation of medical and percanedical personnel.

h. Aviction Sefety

- (1) The lot Aviation Brigade flow 437,762 hours during the reporting period and experienced 112 aircraft accidents. The aircraft accident rate for the quarter, based on 100,000 flying hours, was 25.6.
- (2) 45.5 percent of the total accidents during this quarter resulted from human cause factors. Engine failures were the greatest naterial cause factor and accounted for 27.6 percent of the total accidents.
- (3) Fixed wing accidents accounted for 12 of the 112 accidents representing an upward/trend of fixed wing accidents. Fixed wing accident rate for this quarter was 19.9 compared to the 26.5 rate for retary wing per 100.000 flying hours.
- (4) During the last quarter the Aviation Section visited a tetal of 64 bettelion and company sized units. These visits proved beneficial in assisting the eviation receident prevention program down to the lowest level.

(5) Aircraft Accident Statistics

HOAFEH	TOTAL FLYING HOURS	NO. ACCIDENTS	RATE
May	156,236	41	26.2
Juno	142,768	37	25.9
July	138,758	34	24.5

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- (6) LTC Liabort E. Toopel Jr. assumed the duties of Aviation Safety Officer during this quarter. LTC Toopel departed 21 July for the let Air Cavalry Division. The duties of Aviation Safety Officer were then assumed by MAJ Eulus E. Evens. LTC Ronald H. Merritt, Aviation Safety Officer during the let portion of the quarter assumed command of the 52d Aviation Battalion (Combat).
- (7) The brighds northly safety publication was remand "HAMK SQULMES" and the printing process changed from minisograph to offset. This change was on extension of Project Empect started during the provious quarter.
- (8) A shortage of school trained Aviation Safety Officers still exists throughout the Brigade. The quality of the Safety programs at company level is somewhat reduced due to this shortage.
- i. Chaplain The following describes Chaplain activities within lat Aviation Brigade for the period ending 31 July 1970.
 - (1) Group Religious Services:

Number conducted - 1,497 Number attending - 30,055

(2) Memorial Services:

Number conducted - 51
Number attending - 5,671

- (3) Number of Pastoral Visits 13,073
- (4) Number of Counselings and Interviews 11,123
- (5) Character Guidence:

Number of Classes - 108

Number attending - 12,443

- je Heedquarters Heedquarters Company Commander No input
- k. Historian
- (1) Combat Art Team. During the reporting period the brigade combat art team erected 43 oil paintings and 9 sketches.
- (2) Combat after action interview reports. Eight combat after action interview reports were completed and submitted to the office of the chief of military history during the reporting period.

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(3) End of Tour Interviews. Twenty type recorded end of tour interviews of significant unit commanders were conducted during the reporting period.

Section II

- 2. (C) Lessons Learned: Commander's Observation, Evaluation, Recommendation and Action.
 - a. Personnel
 - (1) Rotary Wing Technical Inspectors (RWII)
- (a) OBSERVATION: A critical shortage of RWTI's has existed during this reporting period. This shortage has caused significant difficulties in the quality assurance of maintenance efforts.
- (b) EVALUATION: The shortage of RWTI's has had an adverse effect on the efficiency and quality control of rotary wing aircraft maintenance. This command is presently operating at 49% of authorized RWTI strength. This level of fill is unsatisfactory as RWTI's are extremely critical to the mission accomplishment of this command. In addition to performing normal quality control function, tech inspectors are required each time a safety-of-Flight item is installed, adjusted, or removed. Tech inspectors perform initial, in-progress, and final inspection each time an aircraft undergoes an intermediate or periodic inspection. The demands on aircraft availability and the volume of flying hours in Vietnam result in an increased frequency and resultant increased demand for the service of RWTI's.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That HQ USARV increase the percentage of fill of qualified rotary wing technical inspectors so that the present unsatifactory fill level will be raised to a tolerable level.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: In an attempt to alleviate this critical shortage, this headquarters has offered one and is preparing two additional proposals to DA. The first is presently at DA and involves the use of TDY personnel for relatively short periods of time to provide stop-gap coverage. The second two are being prepared by this headquarters and involves the use of significant monetary incentives to increase volunteer applications for tours in RVN.
 - (2) R&R Quotas for HAWAII
- (a) OBSERVATION: This command is unable to fill the demand for Hawaii R&R allocations during the summer vacation period.
- (b) EVALUATION: Although R&R allocations received for Hawaii are greater than for any other single R&R site, demands for these allocations during the months of June through September exceed allocations granted. Peak demand occurs for August and September allocations.

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- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That USARV increase Hawaii R&R allocations during the June through September period to meet this demand. Such action would increase the percentage of RAR utilization.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: R&R utilization data is being gathered for a formal request to CG, USARV for additional allocations to Hawaii.
 - (3) Safety Officers
- (a) OBSERVATION: There is an insufficient number of school trained aviation safety officers assigned to the 1st Aviation Brigade to fill the required positions.
- (b) EVALUATION: The lack of school trained safety officers has forced the 1st Aviation Brigade to place untrained, inexperienced officers in positions requiring school trained safety officers. This practice has degraded the aviation safety program of the Brigade. The problem has been compounded considerably by two facts which cannot be altered by this headquarters. First, many aviation safety officers are of field grade rank and their rank and experience dictate an assignment at battalion level or higher. While it is an advantage to have an aviation company commander possess the aviation safety officer MOS, the time he can spend on safety duties is limited by the very nature of his primary duty. The current aviation company TOE's and the shortage of majors dictate that only one field grade officer be assigned to each company. Additionally, a company grade officer/warrant officer is often assigned to the brigade who is a USC graduate but who also possesses one or more other critical skills which limit the use of his safety qualification. Examples are safety officers who are aviation maintenance officers, or are qualified in the CH-54, U-21, OV-1, or CH-47 (Aircraft in which a shortage of qualified aviators frequently exists), or are IP's/SIP's in one or more aircraft. Additional qualifications of this nature frequently dictate an assignment to a duty position other than aviation safety officer.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That DA provide a sufficient number of USC Safety Officer graduates to fulfill 1st Aviation Brigade Safety Officer requirements, that USABAAR training program be continued in RVN on a recurring 6 months basis.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A program was initiated by CG, 1st Aviation Brigade to have USARAAR personnel brought to Vietnam on a TDY basis for seven weeks to conduct training in aircraft accident prevention. While this training did not produce a greater number of safety officers, it made those serving in safety officer positions better qualified.
 - b. Operations
 - (1) Use of Fragmentation Grenades in Brigade Aircraft.

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- (a) OBSERVATION: Fragmentation grenades were being carried and employed from Army helicopters.
- (b) EVALUATION: Observation helicopters, being employed in a scout roll, were carrying smoke, white phosphorus and fragmentation granades. The smoke and white phosphorus were used for target marking and target destruction. Fragmentation granades were employed against bunkers and dug-in positions. The employment of smoke and white phosphorus granades from observation helicopters is a necessity for accurate and timely target identification, however the use of fragmentation granades from helicopters is of questionable value. The increased hazard of carrying these munitions in the aircraft greatly out weighs the tactical advantage gained.
- (c) RECOMMENDATIONS: That fragmentation grenades not be carried in Army observation helicopters.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A directive has been sent to all brigade units prohibiting the employment of fragmentation grenades from brigade aircraft.
 - (2) Use of the XM-15 (E158R2) CS cannister in the UH-1.
- (a) OBSERVATION: On a DCS mission an assault helicopter company had one XM-15 (E158R2) CS cannister prematurely explode in a UH-1H. This resulted in burns to the aircraft commander, pilot, and two passengers, who were on board to throw the cannisters from the helicopter, and minor damage to the helicopter from the flash fire.
- (b) EVALUATION: As far as can be determined at this time the entire crew were wearing protective masks and following all prescribed procedures. A formal investigation is currently in progress.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: Preliminary recommendations are that an external rack be designed to carry CS cannisters. In the event of an emergency the rack could be jettisoned.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: An investigation was directed to determine the facts and circumstances surrounding the incident. Brigade policy is being formulated to preclude future incidents of this type.
 - (3) Civic Action Funds.
- (a) OBSERVATION: Only one aviation group (combat) had established an account with MACV to draw US/PWMAF Military Civic Action and PYSWAR Funds.

(b) EVALUATION: Under the provisions of MACV Dir 37-13 funds are available to assist units in carrying out civic action programs. Use of these funds is encouraged by MACV, USARV, and this headquarters.

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- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That subordinate units take advantage of these funds to further the civic action activities.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A letter from this headquarters, subject: US/FWMAF Military Civic Action and PYSWAR Fund, dated 8 July 1970 was sent to all major subordinate headquarters.
 - (4) Relocation of Units
- (a) OBSERVATION: During the reporting period, one assault helicopter company and one air cavalry troop deployed from MILITARY REGION III to MILITARY REGION I.Units were given minimal warning prior to the relocation. As a result the units experienced some difficulty during the movement phase.
- (b) EVALUATION: When units received notification to move, excessive time was experienced in preparing loading plans and movement tables. Units were provided implementing instructions which detailed all available information with as much advance notice as possible. Both units had been operating from semi-fixed installations for a considerable period of time which degraded their ability to redeploy rapidly. Unit TOE itoms had been turned in as excess equipment, which were required at the new location to become operational, ie; field ranges, vehicles and trailers. This necessitated issuing or prepositioning those items at the new location. Each move was characterized by the movement of personnel and equipment via unit aircraft, intra-theator air lift and sea lift. Moves were conducted in three phases; advanced party, main body, and rear party. The conduct of each move required a meximum amount of detailed planning and coordination to insure officient and orderly displacement. Particular attention had to be given to organizing loads so the unit was self supporting upon arrival. Classification of the moves complicated issuing movement orders by TMA because of the indigenous employees involved in movement activity; ie; sea lift.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That all aviation units review and update leading plans and periodically review movement planning considerations.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: Units have been directed to prepare or update loading plans and review uni: powerent planning procedures.

c. Training

- (1) Unit Trained Instructor Pilots
- (a) OBSERVATION: During the past reporting period, several training accidents have occured involving unit training instructor pilots (IP).

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- (b) EVALUATION: Recent accidents/incidents involving unit trained instructor pilots, has emphasized the need for contralized instructor pilot qualification. The majority of these instructors are not proficient in omergency procedures and lack the knowledge and training to offectively impart professional instruction.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: Each unit trained IP be examined (flight and ground check) by a standardization instructor pilet (SIP) from the USARV UH-1 IP School for qualification prior to being placed on IP orders. In addition SIP's throughout the Brigade who received their SIP qualification from the USARV UH-1P School or in possession of a current USARV SIP rating be authorized to administer these examinations.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A program has been instituted where Brigade Standardization IP's will periodically check unit trained IP's. This program is closely menitored by the G-3 Standardization Section.
 - (2) Tochnical Inspector Course (AARTS)
- (a) CESENVATION: During this reporting period the Technical Inspector Course conducted by the Army Aviation Refr. shor Training School had to be cancelled due to the lack of an assigned instructor.
- (b) EVALUATION: Although courses of this nature are not MCS producing, they are extremely beneficial to Brigade units. The course retrains personnel holding the MOS and up-grades other personnel for subsequent award of the MOS. Unit OJT is not an acceptable alternative for training of technical inspectors to fill unit personnel vacancies. Upon completion of the AARTS course and 60 days OJT as a technical inspector individuals are better qualified and more advanced than individuals who spend all training time in an OJT status. Currently aircraft technical inspectors are a critical shortage.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That command omphasis at all lovels be exerted to retain this course.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: USARV Aviation Officer coordinated with USARV 61 to have an instructor qualified technical inspector assigned to the 34th Support Group (63) for further assignment to AARTS.

d. Intelligence

- (1) Anti-Aircraft Activities.
- (a) OSSERVATION: NVI/VC units continued to stress anti-aircraft activities. Studies by USARV and analysis of firing incidents show that the energy has increased his number of automatic vespons throu hout RVII. In addition, analysis of re-orted firing incidents reveal that nearly half of the aircraft taken under fire below 2000 alkitude AGL received hits.

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- (b) EVALUATION: The enemy destroyed 54 aircraft and damaged 877 aircraft during the period. This represented one A/C less per 7,860 flying hours and one A/C damaged per 483 flying hours. The total number of aircraft lost/damaged by enemy activity was down from the previous quarter figures of 66 losses and 1010 damaged. The previous quarter loss/damaged rate was one combat loss per 6100 hours and one combat damaged aircraft per 446 hours. This change is attributed to greater awareness by aviators of the AA threat and to enemy losses in the Cambodian Campaign.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: Instruction in CONUS aviation schools should stress the increased threat of NVA/VC weapons in RVN. The key parts of USARV Combat Lessons Bulletin #8, dtd 30 May 70, should be incorporated into POR training for all aviators and field grade officers assigned to Southeast Asia.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: The 1st Aviation Brigade initiated a program in June, 1970 which stressed the NVA/VC anti-aircraft threat. USARV Combat Lessons Bulleting #8 became mandatory reading for all aviators and field grade officers. Units were required to keep plots of high threat areas and intelligence briefings stress locations of AA weapons.
 - (2) Enemy Ambush Tactics
- (a) OBSERVATION: Enemy units are resorting to ambush tactics in an effort to destroy brigade aircraft. This was accomplished by observing repetitive actions of air crews, establishing ambush positions and by occupying abandoned US and ARVN positions.
- (b) EVALUATION: In the DAK TO-DAK SEANG BEN HET (ZB 0221) area the enemy used an old tactic of utilizing abandoned US and ARVN firebases to set up anti-aircraft position. By carefully camouflaging his position within the abandoned firebase the enemy was successful in engaging aircraft. In addition, the NVA/VC observed helicopters which repeatedly used the same flight paths into and out of landing zones, aligned flight paths along the same prominent terrain features, or conducted reconnaissance of administrative flights at the same time each day. In these situations the enemy positioned himself to attack these aircraft at an opportune moment.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: POR training for aviators and ground unit commanders on orders to Southeast Asia should emphasize procedures which avoid repetitive flight paths, provide special awareness in the vicinity of abandoned firebases, and for avoiding situations which are conducive to enemy anti-aircraft ambushes. USARV Combat Lessons Bulletin #8, dtd 30 May 70, should be required reading for this training.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: The 1st Aviation Brigade stress the importance of varying flight paths and flying routines. Units were instructed to change entry and exit patterns for landing zones, vary times for conducting daily reconnaissance and administrative flights whenever possible, and to use caution in approaching abandoned firebases.

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c. Logistics

- (1) Program for Inactivation, Deactivation and Rodoployment of Eviation Units
- (a) OBSERVATION: During April 1970 it was recognized that a plan of action would have to be initiated within the Brigado 6-4 to cope with the logistical problems that would be forthcoming with the inactivation, deactivation and redoployment of aviation units.
- (b) EVALUATION: It was felt that many equipment assets would become available due to this program. The majority of the equipment had to be upgraded, classified, salvaged, transferred or retrograded. One problem was encountered when the personnel phasing out procedures moved faster than the equipment.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That a phasing guide with plans of operation and a progress fact shoot be utilized by units that have been designated for the program. That a hold be placed on personnel phasing out until equipment turning on be accomplished.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: The Prigade G-4 section published a phasing guide that covered a 120 day period prior to a spicific date in the future ("A" Day). The guide was distributed to all programmed units. A hold on personnel was imposed until equipment turn-in could be accomplished.
 - (2) Contamination of AVGAS/JP-4 Fuel
- (a) OBSERVATION: Contamination of AVILS/JP-4 fuel has been a problem at Brigade controlled sirfields and heliports.
- (b) EVALUATION: Contamination can be reduced if PCL handlers and supervisors are properly trained.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That FOL handlers/supervisors, sirfield commenders/NCOIC's be given instructions on proper POL handling procedures.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A series of classes consisting of fermal instruction and practical exercises are bein; conducted to evereene this problem area.
 - (3) High Speed Refueling Syst.m Sanford Army Airfield (SAAF)
- (a) OBSERVATION: The high speed refueling system at Sanford Army Airfield (SAAF) has been completed but is not usable.

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- (b) EVALUATION: During the design phase of this project, USAEC, V (P) and the 1st Aviation Birgade routinely approved the design and concept of construction for this facility. A closer detailed analysis of the fuel nozzles would have indicated that the designed system was not compatible with the UH-1, OH-6, OH-58, and the U-21 type aircraft.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That the review agencies exercise greater care in detail analysis of projects to prevent the construction of a project that will be unuseable when completed.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A command letter was forwarded to the Director of Construction, USARV requesting a new contract to modify the facility to make it adaptable to all Army aircraft which use JP-4 fuel. This headquarters will continue to monitor the project.
 - (4) CMMI Check List
- (a) OBSERVATION: The section covering tools on the present CMMI Maintenance Management and Operations Check List is inadequate for aviation companies within the brigade.
- (b) EVALUATION: Aviation companies are authorized a large quantity of various type tools to support their maintenance requirements. Many of these are expensive and are an important aspect of maintenance. Without proper tools, maintenance on aircraft cannot be performed. The present CMMI check list contains one question covering tools and their condition. This is not considered adequate.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That the present section covering tools on the CMMI Maintenance Management and Operations Check List be expanded to include questions concerning security of tool rooms, accountability for tools, inventories, condition of tools, proper utilization of tools, and knowledge of toolroom personnel as to calibration-and calibration records. This action must be taken by Headquarters Department of the Army.
 - (5) Turbine Engine Conservation and Reliability Program
- (a) OBSERVATION: The 1st Aviation Brigade experienced in excess of 300 Turbine Engine failures during the period 1 May 31 July 70.
- (b) EVALUATION: It was apparent that a program was needed to detect potential malfunctions and apply timely preventative measures to prevent unnecessary loss of lives, to preserve material resources and to increase operational readiness.
- (c) RECOMMENDATIONS: That a maintenance team be established to teach USARV aviation units an engine conservation program to assist in the detection of potential engine failures.

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- (d) COMMAND ACTION: Coordination with USARV, AVNAV-LOG, was initiated and a team has been established to implement an engine conservation program consisting of five elements:
- 1. One hundred percent participation in the Army Spectrometric Oil Analysis Program (ASOP). Through submission of oil samples to ASOP deterioration of Components can be detected and failures averted.
- 2. Increased use of the Vibration Meter and Jet Cal Analyzer. After extensive maintenance it is necessary to use this test equipment to insure that components are properly installed and that proper maintenance procedures have been used.
- 3. Implementation of the Turbine Engine Analysis Check/Daily Engine Recording (TEAC/DER) program. The TEAC/DER readings indicate the condition of the compressor and gas producer section and fuel control adjustment. Any fluctuation in DER readings indicate the need for TEAC. If the TEAC results differ from the original ground run sheet statistics on the engine, investigation will be made to determine the cause.
- $\underline{4}$. Updating and verifying the GO-NO-GO placards after each periodic inspection, hot end inspection, or fuel control change. This check will be included on the periodic inspection test flight check sheet.
- 5. Preventing fuel contamination. All fuel sources will be inspected daily by a knowledgeable individual. All aviation personnel will be cognizant of how fuel contamination occurs and the procedures for identifying it.
- f. Organization None
- g. Information None
- h. Signal
 - (1) Ineffective DS Avionics Maintenance at Unit Level
- (a) OBSERVATION: Assault and assault support helicopter companies are not obtaining maximum effectiveness from organic avionics maintenance detachments.
- (b) EVALUATION: Helicopter companies have an organic capability to perform organizational and DS maintenance on avionics equipment. As stated in the 15 May 1970 ORLL, numerous companies are not exploiting this capability for the following reasons:
 - 1. Lack of sufficient supervisors.

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- 2. Lack of sufficient test equipment or excessive down-time for repair of test equipment.
- 3. Lack of trained personnel in authorized MOS's. Brigade experience reveals that consolidation of avionics detachments assigned to units of battalions or squadrons collocated at the same installations will overcome the shortages of both test equipment and personnel and improve overall effectiveness and efficiency. Due to the lack of adequate avionics supervisory personnel, it has been noted that Class II and IV non-expendable requisitions are not being properly submitted compounding a critical shortage of test equipment.

(c) RECOMMENDATION:

- <u>1</u>. That one avionics repair facility be used, derived by combining two or more unit facilities located at the same airfield or installation and supervised by the Signal Officer of a battalion or other senior headquarters.
- 2. In addition it is recommended that the status of class II and IV non-expendable requisitions be added as items of interest on CMMI/AGI inspections in an effort to determine the cause of shortage of critical test equipment.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: Consolidation of avionics facilities is being initiated throughout the brigade wherever improved efficiency and utilization of resources can be achieved. The status of Class II and IV non-expendable requisitions is being added as items of interest on future brigade CMMI/AGI inspections.
 - (2) Authorization of an incorrect MOS
- (a) OBSERVATION: Surveillance Airplane Companies (SAC) are authorized one E-7 26W4O, Radar Maintenance Supervisor-Inspector. It is felt that this authorization should be changed to MOS 26M4O, Airborne Surveillance Radar Repairman.
- (b) EVALUATION: MOS 26W40 requires training in all "non-integrated" radar ie, ground control, ground surveillance, etc. The individual does not receive specific training in airborne surveillance radars (SLAR) and its associated systems. An individual with MOS 26M40 is trained exclusively in airborne surveillance radar systems and would be familiar with specialized SLAR components.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That action be taken to change MTOE 1-128T of the Surveillance Airplane Company substituting MOS 26M40, Airborne Surveillance Radar Repairman, in place of 26W40, Radar Maintenance Supervisor-Inspector

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- (d) COMMAND ACTION: The 1st Aviation Brigade will submit the necessary MTO&E change to USARV.
- i. Surgeon None
- j. Safety
 - (1) Fuel Contamination.
- (a) OBSERVATIONS: Fuel contamination is suspected as a cause factor in several of the engine failure accidents experienced during this quarter.
- (b) EVALUATION: A constant problem of a lack of proper refueling procedures, coupled with several reported instances of contaminated fuel, indicates that a portion of the high number of engine failures may have been caused by fuel contamination.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That fuel samples be taken at every accident scene where a power failure is suspected. Also that a fuel sample be taken from the last known fueling point. A system to allow the pilot to visually inspect the fuel prior to refueling should be devised.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: A policy was initiated to ensure fuel samples were taken from the aircraft and last known fueling point in all accidents where engine failure or power failure is a suspected cause factor. In addition a glass jar is carried in each aircraft so that a fuel sample can be taken and visually inspected prior to fueling the aircraft. This information was distributed via messages 300800Z Jun 70, and Hawk Safety Gram Number 23.
 - (2) Unauthorized Flight Maneuvers
- (a) OBSERVATION: A significant number of accidents are occurring while aviators are participating in unauthorized flight maneuvers.
- (b) EVALUATION: Accidents occurring during unauthorized flight maneuvers are increasing within the brigade. These include, low level flight, unauthorized autorotations, and improper flight techniques to include unauthorized formation flight and improper emergency procedures.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That commanders emphasize the criteria for low level and formation flight and require each aviator to explain any deviations from this policy. That unit instructor pilots ensure each aviator is fully trained in emergency procedures and require maximum proficiency in standardization rides.
- (d) COMMAND ACTION: Information on low level flight and formation flight restrictions has been published in message number 290830Z Jul 70. It was also included in the commander's notes for the month of July.

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k. Judge Advocate

- (1) Drug Abuse
- (a) OBSERVATIONS: An individual may appear to be under the influence of drugs but will have no drugs in his possession. Disciplinary action for massession of drugs will thus not be possible.
- (b) EVALUATION: Disciplinary action may be taken against an individual for drug interceation in a manner similar to intextection due to alcohol. The offenses of drunk on duty under Article 112, UCMJ, inequalititing onesel for the performance of duty under Article 134 and drunk in command or quarters under Article 134 all include interioration with drugs as well as with alcohol. If the individual's conduct is such that he would be considered drunk if he had been drinking, them he is "drunk" for the purpose of drug intexication under Article 112 and 134, UC J.
- (c) RECOMMENDATION: That Article 112 and 134, UCMJ, be utilized by commanders in disciplining individuals who are found to be intexicated as a result of drug use.

(d) COMMAND ACTION: Guidance was given to all commanders in the 8 Jun 70 issue of the Commanders Notes on the use of Articles 112 and 134, UCMJ, in cases of drug intoxication.

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Headquarters, United States Army Vietnam, APO San Francisco 96375 17 SEP 1970

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army Pacific, ATTN: GPOP-DT, APO 96558

Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the Army, Washington D.C. 20310

1. This Headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 31 July 1970 from Headquarters, 1st Aviation Brigade.

2. Comments follows

- a. Reference item concerning "Rotary Wing Technical Inspectors," page 17, paragraph 2a(1): concur. Status of RWTI's for 1st Aviation Brigade as of 29 August 1970 was 257 authorized, 185 assigned, or 72 percent of authorization. USARV is currently at 63 percent of authorization. DA has been continually informed of USARV status in this critical area. As stated in Section II, page 17, paragraph 2a of ORLL, actions are being taken to improve the situation. Contingent upon DA fill, additional RWTI's will be furnished to the Brigade. No action by USARPAC is recommended. Action is required by DA to insure required number of RWTI's are furnished to this command.
- b. Reference item concerning "R&R Quota for Hawaii," page 17, paragraph 2a(2): nonconcur. USARV R&R allocations to all sites are computed on a Fair Share (FS) basis. FS is computed as follows:

FS = UNIT STRENGTH TOTAL USARY STRENGTH

ist Aviation Brigade received a total of 490 seats to Hawaii in September based on their FS of 472 seats. In the preceding month of August 1st Aviation Brigade's FS was 526 seats and total allocations received were 538. The nature of operations in Vietnam precludes increasing the number of allocations for R&R during a specific time period. USARV R&R allocations for Hawaii from MACV, J-13, for the 1st Qtr FY 71 were as follows: July 7024, August 6664, and September 5980. This steady decrease is due to the anticipated withdrawal of troops from RVN in the near future. USARV R&R figures show that the 1st Aviation Brigade's allocations are equitable as compared to all other units in RVN and that the decrease in seats will continue through the 2d Qtr FY 71, with every command being reduced according to FS distribution. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.

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- c. Reference item concerning "Safety Officers," page 18, paragraph 2(3): concur. DA has increased the input to USC by one hundred per year to provide the required number of school trained Aviation Safety Officers. As an interim measure, the USABAAR Course conducted in May will be conducted again in November 1970 to better qualify the officers assigned to safety officers positions who are not school trained. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- d. Reference item concerning "Relocation of Units," page 20, paragraph 2b(4): concur. Close supervision should be maintained on turn in of equipment considered excess. In no case should a unit be permitted to turn in TOE mess equipment, generators, or authorized tentage. USARV Regulation 310-32 should preclude reoccurrence. Headquarters issuing movement directives should keep them unclassified when possible. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- e. Reference item concerning "Unit Trained Instructor Pilots," page 20, paragraph 2c(1): concur. Standardization of Instructor Pilots is a continuing problem. USARV aviation is in the process of adding the standardization service of the USARV UH-1 IP school for all units of USARV. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- f. Reference item concerning "Technical Inspector Course," page 21, paragraph 2c(2): concur. An instructor qualified technical inspector was assigned to 34th GS Group. Instruction in the T.I. course was resumed on 17 August 1970. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- g. Reference item concerning "Program for Inactivation, Deactivation and Redeployment of Aviation Units," page 23, paragraph 2e(1): concur. This Headquarters will continue to monitor the phasing guide established, and submit additional instructions as required. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- h. Reference item concerning "High Speed Refueling System Sanford Army Airfield," page 23, paragraph 2s(3): concur. This Headquarters will follow up the action initiated by the ist Aviation Brigade to insure modification of the SAAF refueling facility to accommodate all army aircraft that use JP4. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.
- i. Reference item concerning "Turbine Engine Conservation and Reliability Program," page 24, paragraph 2e(5): concur. This Headquarters has formed a team to implement the engine conservation program. A request has also been made to USABAAR for statistics on the single most cause of turbine engine failure. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended.

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- j. Reference item concerning "Authorization of an Incorrect MOS," page 26, paragraph 2h(2): nonconcur. MOS 26M40 is not a career field RCO MOS. The next step after 26M is 26W. If additional 26M personnel are required, unit should submit a request for change in TOE. Unit has been so advised.
- k. Reference item concerning "Fuel Contamination," page 27, paragraph 2j(1): concur. Fuel samples are required from all aircraft and last known refueling points for all known or suspected engine failures. A copy of the laboratory analysis will be included in the Aircraft Accident Investigation Report. No action by USARPAC or DA is required.

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TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C. 20310

This headquarters concurs in subject report as indorsed.

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF:

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5th Avn De	Long Binh	96384
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478th Hvy Hel Co (-)	Da Nang (Atch 101st Abn Div AMBL)	96383
165th CONBLE AVE GP	Long Binh	96384
HQ & HQ Co	Long Binh	96384
129th Med Det (01)	Long Binh	96384
312th Avn Det (Div)	Long Binh (f. aford)	96384
313th Avn Det (Div)	Tan Son Mhut H-3 (Atch 54th Gen Spt Gp)	96309
314th Avn Det (Div)	Lai Khe (Atch 12th CAG)	96 289
315th Avn Det (Div)	Bear Cat (Litch 12th CLG)	96350
316th Lyn Det (Div)	Long Binh (Plantation) (Atch 12th CAG)	96266
317th Avn Det (Div)	Di An (Atch 12th Chif)	96345
318th Avn Det (Div)	An Son (Lene) (Atch 17th CAG)	96223
319th Avn Det (Div)	Bien Hoa (Atch 125th ATC) (AARTS)	96920
320th Avn Det (Div)	Quang Ngai (Atch MACV TM #2)	96260
321st Avn Det (Div)	Quang Tri (1/5 Mech Div)	96477
322d ivn Det (Div)	Quan Loi (Atch 1st Cav Div)	96490
323d Lvn Dot (Div)	Xuan Loc (Atch MACV TM #87)	96376
324th Avn Det (Div)	Bion Hoa (Spartan) (Atch 12th CAG) (I)	96227
325th Avn Det (Div)	Huo/Phu Bai (101st Abn Div)	96308
326th Avn Det (Div)	Dalat (Atch 1st Log Cmd)	95204
327th Avn Det (Div)	Duc Pho (Litch imerical Div)	96217
338th Avn Det (Div)	Vung Tau (Atch 34th GS Gp)	96291
339th ivn Det (Div)	Dong Ba Thin (Atch 17th CAG)	96377
340th Avn Det (Div)	Phu Loi (Atch 23d Arty Gp)	96289
341st .vn Det (Div)	Cu Chi (Atch 25th Inf Div)	96353
342d Lvn Dot (Div)	Pmu Hiep (Atch 17th CLG)	96316
343d Avn Dot (Div)	Qui Nhon (Atch 1st Log Cmi)	96238
344th Lvn Dot (Div)	Plicku (Atch 17th CAG)	96494
345th Avn Det (Div)	Can Tho (Atch 164th CAG)	96215
346th Avn Det (Div)	Vinh Long (Atch 164th C.G)	96357
347th Avn Det (Div)		96296
348th Avn Dot (Div)	Soc Trang (Atch 164th CLG) (IAM) Ben Mc Thuot (City) (Atch 17th CLG)	96297
359th Avn Det (Div)	Camp Evans (Atch 101st Abn Div)	96383
360th Avn Det (Div)	Hensel (Atch An Khe AFC)	96294
361st Avn Det (Div)	Tan An (Atch 9th Inf Div)	96371
362d Avn Det (Div)	Chu Ida (Atch 25th Inf Div)	96374
363d Lvn Dot (Div)	Phon Thiot (atch 17th CAG)	96317

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An Khe Airfield Cmd	An Khe (Atch 4th Inf Div)	96494		
120th Aslt Hel Co	Long Binh	96384		
125th Avn Co (ATC)	Bien Hoa	96227		
Cad Aircraft Co	Long Thanh	96350		
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205th Aslt Spt Hel Co	Phu Loi	96 289		
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118th Aslt Hel Co	Bien Hoa	96227		
190th Aslt Wel Co 520th Med Det (OA)	Bien Hoa Bien Hoa	96227 96227		
334th Aerial Wpns Co	Phu Loi	96289		
210th COMBAT AVN BN RQ & HQ Co 197th Wed Det (OA)	Long Thanh	96530 96530 96530		

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25th Awn Co (Corps)	Long Binh (Plantation)	96266
54th Ttil Apl Co	Long Thanh	96530
74th Recon Apl Co	Phu Loi	96289
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222D COMBAT AVN BN HQ & HQ Co	Bear Cat Bear Cat	96530 96530
117th Aslt Hel Co	Long Binh (Plantation)	96266
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273d Hvy Fel Co	Lgng Binh	96384
269TH COMBAT AVN BH	Cu Chi	96353
HQ & HQ Co	Cu Chi	96353
116th Aslt Hol Co 431st Wed Det (OA)	Chu Lai (Attached 212 CAB) Chu Lai (Attached 212 CAB)	96374 95374
197th Aslt Pcl Co 5/41st Med Det (OA)	Tay Minh Tay Minh	96216 9621 6
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HQ 3 HQ Co	Chu Lai (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96325
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71st Aslt Hel Co	Chu Lai (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96325
132d Aslt Spt Hel Co	Chu Lai (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96325
174th Aslt Hel Co 756th Med Dot (0.1)	Due Pho (Atch 23d Amer Div) Due Pho (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96217 96217
176th Aslt Hol Co	Chu Lai (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96 325
179th Aslt Spt Hel Co	Chu Lai (Atch 23d Amer Div)	96325
PROBLEM SC Det (RL)	Marblo Mountain Marble Mountain Hue Phu Bai	963 49 96349 96308
21st Re con APL Co	Cou Lat	96374
131st Surv Apl Co	Pue Phu Bai	9630 8
220th Recon Apl Co 134th Med Dot (OA)	Hue Phu Bai Hue Phu Bai	96308 95308
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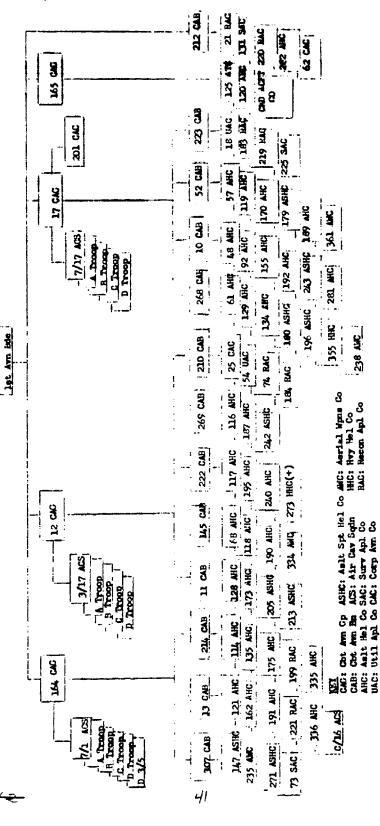
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293d Aslt Spt Wel Co	Dong Ba Thin	96377
281st Aslt Hel Co	Nha Trang	96240
52D COMBAT AVN EN HQ & HQ Co 52d Sety Plat 68th Inf Det (R'DAR) 94th '6' Det (OA)	Pleiku (Camp Holloway)	96494 96494 96494
57th Aslt Hol Co	In Khe (Camp Radelift)	95294
193d Med Det (OA)	An Khe (Camp Badeliff)	96316
119th Aslt Hol Co	An Khe (Camp Radcliff)	96294
170th Aslt Hel Co 154th Med Det (OA)	Kontum Kontum	95499 96499
179th Aslt Spt Hel Co 755th Med Det (OA)	Pleiku (Camp Holloway) Pleiku (Camp Holloway)	96494 96494
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361st Acrial Wpns Co 665th TC Det (KD) 621st SC Det (RL)	Ploiku (Camp Holloway) Fleiku (Camp Holloway) Pleiku (Camp Holloway)	96494 96494
223D CONBAT AVN 3N NQ 2 HO Co 163d Med Det (OA)	Out Phon Out Phon Out Phon	96238 96238 96238
18th Util Apl Co	Qui Mhon	96238
183d Recon Apl Co	Dong Pa Trin	96377

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219th Remon Apl Co	Pleiku (Camp Holloway)	96494
225th Surv Apl Co	Phm Hiep	96316
268TH COMPAT AVN BN HQ & HQ Cb 433d Med Dot (OA)	Phu Hiop Phu Tiep Phu Hiep	96316 96316 96316
61st Aslt Hel Co	An Son (Lane AMP)	96226
129th Aslt Wel Co	An Son	96238
134th Aslt Hel Co	Phu Hiep	96316
180th islt Spt "el Co	Phu Hiep	95316
196th Aslt Spt Hel Co 546th Med Det (OA)	An Son	962 2 6 962 2 6
355th Hvy Hel Co	Phu Hiep	95316
239th Aerial Weapons Co 587th TC Det (KD)	Phu Mep Phu Mep	96316 96316
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199th Recon Apl Co	Vinh Long	95357
335th Aslt Hel Co	Boar Cat	96370
207TH COMBAT AVN BN UQ & NQ Co 274th Med Det	Can Tho Can Tho Can Tho	96215 96215 96215
147th Aslt Spt Wel Co 85th Wed Det (OA)	Can Tho	96215 96215
235th Aerial Wpns Co	Can Tho	95215
73d Surv Apln Co	Long Thanh	96350

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271st Aslt Spt Hel Co	Can Tho	96215
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NOTE: All Aviation Detachments on this listing are assigned to the 165th Aviation Group (Combat) and further attached to Brigade units of other Commands as indicated.



NOTF: 1. 16th CAG, 14th CAB, 71st, 174th & 176th ASHC attached to 23d Americal Division for all purposes (not shown above). 2. 473th Hwy Hel Co attached to 101st Airborne Division (ambl) for all purposes (not shown above).

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