361ST TACTICAL ELECTRONIC WARFARE SQUADRON QUARTERLY HISTORY FOR

JULY - SEPTEMBER

1967



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HISTORY OF THE 361ST TACTICAL ELECTRONIC WARFARE SQUADRON

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I MISSION

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(S) The mission of the 361st Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron, as stated in 7th AF OPORD 450-67, paragraph 2, was "to conduct daily, day/night, all weather ARDF operations against enemy operated transmitters in the Republic of Vietnam and permissive areas of Laos as a basis for tactical exploitation in support of requirements established by COMUSMACV and Commanders of 7AF." The aircraft inventory was complete, unit manning levels in operations were complete except for flight mechanics, and there was a shortage of qualified people in Maintenance.

II COMMAND AND CONTROL

- (U) On 12 September 1967 LtCol Bruce E Hunt, FR37408, assumed command from LtCol Paul A Davis, FR10960. LtCol James F Casey, FR23729 was reassigned stateside on 21 Aug 1967 and the UMD slot of Operations Officer was filled by LtCol Richard A Mitchell, FV555306 until 24 September 1967. LtCol Norman W Bernier, FR15480 was acting Operations Officer at the close of this reporting period.
- (U) The squadron was further divided into three flights and each of these flights underwent a change of command during this reporting period.

 LtCol Gordon W Crozier, FR11830, A Flight Commander was replaced by

 LtCol Henry R Briarton, FR52321. LtCol Joseph D Ledford, FR16910, B Flight

 Commander was replaced by LtCol Marion C Kelly, FR50395. LtCol Harold D.

 Swain, Jr., FR16850 was replaced by LtCol Truman K Berge, FR17376.





III ORGANIZATION AND MANPOWER

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(U) Squadron organization remains as previously reported. As of 30 Sep 67 this squadron was authorized 249 officers and airmen with sixteen different AFSC's under nine functions. With 199 men assigned we were 80.24% manned. A breakdown of functional account codes, AFSC's, authorized and available manpower is shown in Annex 1.

IV OPERATIONS

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- (S) During the reporting period the squadron was fragged for 979 sorties and 6824:05 hours. Of these 977 were flown logging a total of 6553:05 hours, 970 sorties were effective. Additionally, 133 Functional Flight Checks, Operations checks, and administrative flights were flown for a total of 227:15 hours. Of the ineffective or cancelled sorties, 6 were due to maintenance, one due to weather, and two due to higher head-quarters. A further breakdown of these figures is found in Annex 2.
- (S) Data acquired in all missions during the reporting period totaled 3979 fixes and 148 cuts. 287 of those fixes and 17 cuts were priority. The high data day was 16 July with a total of 82 fixes. The best single sortie was 15 July with 26 fixes, 5 of which were priority. A further breakdown of this information is contained in Annex 3.
- (S) It was apparent from a preliminary examination of the data that the amount of useful data obtained is decreasing. This may be due to several reasons i.e., a scaling down of hostilities, change of procedures by the Viet Cong and NVA, or seasonal variations in the nature of the war in the areas in which we operate. In any event there has definitely been a decrease in activity over this reporting period.



ANNEX 2

361st TEWS

Sorties Fragged	July Aug Sep		CONFIDENTIAL
Total		979	
Hours Fragged	Jul Aug	2406:30 2300:05	
·	Sep	2117:30	

6824:05

Sorties Actually Flown

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Jul	348
Aug	319
Sep	310
-	977

Hours Actually Flown

	Jul	2294:35
	Aug	2222:50
	Sep	2035:40
rotal		6553:05

No. of Effective Sorties

	Jul	341
	Aug	319
	Sep	_310
Total		970

No. Func Flight Checks, Ops Checks & Admin Flights

	Jul	47
	Aug	46
	Sep	_40
Total	_	133

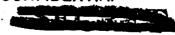
Hrs Logged on FCF Ops Check & Admin Flights

	Jul	92:25
	Aug	55:25
	Sep	79:25
Total	•	227:15

Explanation of Cancellations

Jul	7 Total	6 due to maintenance
		1 due to weather
Aug		2 due to higher headquarters

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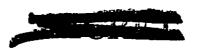
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Operations Continued		C	ONFIDENTIAL
Number of Fixes Total	Jul Aug Sep	1574 1415 990 3979	
Number of Cuts Total	Jul Aug Sep	55 52 <u>41</u> 148	
No. of Priority Fixes Total	Jul Aug Sep	91 116 80 287	
No. of Priority Cuts Total	Jul Aug Sep	4 11 - <u>2</u> 17	*
High Data Days	Jul Aug Sep	16 Jul	82 Fixes 58 Fixes 54 Fixes



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