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CARRIER AIRBORN EARLY WARNING SQUADRON

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX FPO NEW YORK 09501

VAW-126/15/jtc

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Commanding Officer, Carrier Airborne Early Warning From:

Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX

To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05D2)

Command History (OPNAV 5750-1) for 1 April 1969 Subj:

to 30 June 1970

(a) OPNAVINST 5750.12 series Ref:

Encl: (1) Chronology of Major Events

(2) Basic Narrative (3) Documentary Annex

In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1), (2) and (3) are forwarded.

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CHRONOLOGY

Squadron commissioned at Naval Air Station, 1 APR 69: Norfolk, Virginia. 11 AUG -VAW-126 commenced its first refresher train-26 SEP: ing period at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, aboard USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59). 24 OCT -VAW-126 proceeded aboard USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) 7 NOV: off the coast of Mayport, Florida for the final phases of refresher training and the Operational Readiness Inspection which was given on 3 to 5 November. The Squadron received the highest grade ever given to an East Coast VAW squadron on its first ORI. 2 DEC 69: VAW-126 departed Norfolk, Virginia aboard USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) on its first Mediterranean deployment. 11 DEC 69: VAW-126 inchopped to the Sixth Fleet. A schedule of port visits is included in enclosure (3). VAW-126 aboard USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) 12 DEC 69: relieved VAW-121 detachment aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY at St. Paul's Bay, Palma, Majorca. CDR A. W. OLDHAM, USN, was relieved as 15 JAN 70: Commanding Officer by CDR R. M. HARP, USN. VAW-126 aboard USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) was 30 JUN 70: relieved by VAW-123 aboard USS SARATOGA (CVA-60) at Barcelona, Spain. USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) sailed for Norfolk, Virginia.

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