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NAVAL AIR STATION
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23511

VRC-40/15/bjs
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From: Commanding Officer, Fleet Logistics Support Squadron
        FORTY
To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05D2)

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Encl: (1) Basic History with Documentary Annexes A-N

1.   In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is
forwarded. Enclosure (1) comprises the Fleet Logistics
Support Squadron History for calendar year 1976.

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BASIC HISTORY

Nineteen Hundred Seventy Six saw the celebration of our Nation's 200th Birthday. The completion of our Bicentennial year also saw Fleet Logistics Support Squadron FORTY (VRC-40) surpass eight years and over 41,000 hours of accident-free flying. This achievement came while VRC-40 continued its outstanding service and support of the Atlantic Fleet. This outstanding safety record, coupled with an enviable record for mission accomplishment is indicative of the 100% plus dedication of every member of VRC-40 to the achievement of SERVICE with SAFETY.

VRC-40 is tasked with the mission of Carrier Onboard Delivery to the aircraft carriers of the Atlantic Fleet. In addition to operating from various eastern and Gulf Coast Naval Air Stations, VRC-40 also operates detachments out of Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Safely transporting numerous passengers, mail, and high priority cargo in the aging C-1A aircraft accentuates the significance of the outstanding safety record which VRC-40 has compiled.

Commander James E. Roth served as Commanding Officer of VRC-40 until 6 August 1976, when he was relieved by Commander Grady W. Davis. Commander Fleet Tactical Support Wing ONE, VRC-40's reporting senior, is Captain Gerard R. Olson.

1976 was a rewarding year for VRC-40. During the year VRC-40 supported all eight Atlantic Fleet carriers while operating out of six different bases. In addition, VRC-40 crews and aircraft were employed in the training of U.S. Navy SEAL teams and U.S. Marine Corps Parachutists. VRC-40 also provided COD services to CINCLANT's "Exercise Solid Shield 76" and the NATO "Reforger" exercises.

With the close of 1976, VRC-40 had transported to the Fleet over 180,000 pounds of mail and cargo and more than 3,300 passengers while safely accumulating 1,063 arrested landings.

Enclosure (1)

ACCIDENT-FREE FLIGHT HOURS

1968 (NOV-DEC)	989.3
1969	6006.0
1970	5344.6
1971	5653.5
1972	4913.5
1973	6101.1
1974	4826.4
1975	4228.7
	38.063.1

1976

JAN	294.0
FEB	303.3
MAR	397.5
APR	396.3
MAY	323.2
JUN	305.1
JUL	303.9
AUG	306.3
SEP	255.8
OCT	326.6
NOV	315.0
DEC	304.8
1976 TOTAL	3831.8

Total Accident-free Flight Hours - 8 Years: 41,894.9

Annex A

1976 OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

MONTH	AVE. PILOTS	SORTIES	CV OPS (HRS)	PILOT FLIGHT HRS
JAN	22	122	237.0	294.0
FEB	25	240	211.8	303.3
MAR	24	342	299.2	397.5
APR	23	333	277.9	396.3
MAY	24	219	243.1	323.2
JUN	24	247	173.6	607.1
JUL	24	294	201.6	615.4
AUG	22	246	165.5	610.6
SEP	22	139	41.1	532.9
OCT	21	193	108.8	639.0
NOV	23	176	116.2	619.1
DEC	22	198	131.5	617.2
	23	2749	2207.3	5955.6

MONTH	CV LANDINGS	NO. PAX	VIPS	MAIL AND CARGO-LBS	
JAN	113	282	10	6,132 / 1,756	
FEB	83	400	19	34,628 / 9,259	
MAR	114	256	15	12,405 / 3,448	
APR	223	448	44	15,196 / 7,886	
MAY	121	263	35	8,062 / 3,268	
JUN	77	247	18	5,819 / 5.097	
JUL	22	306	10	5,286 / 2,721	
AUG	87	366	81	14,662 /14,553	
SEP	17	97	13	4,525 / 2,830	
OCT	65	141	13	5,986 / 902	
NOV	46	215	22	6,293 / 2,712	
DEC	45	291	9	5,368 / 1,804	
	1063	3312	289	124,362 56,216	

Annex B

CARRIER ON-BOARD DELIVERY SUPPORT

DATES	UNIT SUPPORTED	STAGING POINT	NO. A/C
JAN			
6-20	CVN-68	NORFOLK	
7-15	CV-66	JACKSONVILLE	2
18-22	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	2
25-30	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	2
29	CVN-68	NORFOLK	
30-31	CVN-68	GUANTANAMO BAY	2
FEB			
1-14	CVN-68	GUANTANAMO BAY	2
4-11	CV-66	NORFOLK	
18-25	CV-66	NORFOLK	
18-29	CVN-68	JACKSONVILLE	2
26-27	CVN-68	NORFOLK	
MAR			
2-8	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	3
4-12	CV-66	JACKSONVILLE	3
11-14	CVN-68	JACKSONVILLE	3
7-12	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	1
11-14	CV-66	NORFOLK	
APR			
1-10	CV-59	JACKSONVILLE	2
11-16	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	1
12-14	CVN-68	NORFOLK	
18-23	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	1
19-29	CVN-68	NORFOLK	
14-23	CV-59	JACKSONVILLE	2
28-30	CV-59	JACKSONVILLE	2
MAY			
1-6	CV-59	JACKSONVILLE	2
9-14	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	2
5-20	CVN-68	CHERRY POINT	2
12-17	CV-59	CHERRY POINT	2
16-21	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	1
17-21	CV-67	NORFOLK	

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JUN

9-18	CV-67	NORFOLK	
11-18	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	1
13-18	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	1
14-23	CV-59	ROOSEVELT ROADS	1
19-21	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	1
23-30	CV-67	NORFOLK	
28-30	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	2
30	CVN-68	NORFOLK	

JUL

1-7	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	2
11-22	CV-67	ROOSEVELT ROADS	1
12-21	CV-59	NORFOLK	
12-22	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	1
26-31	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	2

AUG

1-31	CV-42	JACKSONVILLE	3
	CV-59		
	CV-67		
30-31	CV-59	NORFOLK	

SEP

3-4	CV-67	NORFOLK	
9-12	CV-62	NORFOLK	
10-23	CV-59	NORFOLK	

OCT

13-22	CV-62	NORFOLK	
18-23	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	2
27-31	CV-62	NORFOLK	

NOV

1-5	CV-62	NORFOLK	
8-12	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	2
12-24	CV-62	JACKSONVILLE	
15-19	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	1
15-17	CV-67	NORFOLK	
16	CV-60	NORFOLK	

DEC

1-16	CV-60	JACKSONVILLE	2
	CV-62		
1-9	CV-67	NORFOLK	
6-10	CVT-16	CORPUS CHRISTI	1
13-17	CVT-16	PENSACOLA	1

NAME	RANK	DESIG	DATE DESIG	INST RATE
DAVIS, G. W.	CDR	PC	AUG 74	SPECIAL
███, █ █	CDR	PC	OCT 75	SPECIAL
███ █ █	LCDR	PC	SEP 75	SPECIAL
███, █ █.	LCDR	PC	JUN 75	SPECIAL
███, █ █	LT	PC	OCT 75	SPECIAL
███ █ █.	LT	PC	AUG 76	SPECIAL
███ █ █.	LT	PC	MAY 76	SPECIAL
███ █ █	LT	PC	OCT 75	STANDARD
███ █ █	LT	PC	MAR 76	STANDARD
███, █ █.	LT	PC	APR 76	STANDARD
███ █ █	LTJG	PC	OCT 75	STANDARD
███, █ █	LTJG	PC	OCT 76	STANDARD
███, █ █	LTJG	PC	OCT 76	STANDARD
██, ██.	LTJG	T2P	MAR 76	STANDARD
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██, █	LTJG	T2P	OCT 76	STANDARD
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██ █ █	LTJG	T3P	MAR 76	STANDARD
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