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NARRATIVE

Mobile Aircraft Instrument Repair Unit ONE reported to Tinian for duty on 18 December 1944,<sup>2</sup> to be based on CASU(F)-44. Personnel attached included the Officer in Charge and fourteen enlisted men.

The unit assisted in the erection of its own facilities and commenced repairing aircraft instruments critical in this area on 9 January 1945. In the first month of operation, instruments were provided for grounded aircraft on Tinian, Saipan, Guam and Ulithi. Assistance was also provided in keeping the airplanes of the 313th Army Bombardment Wing (VLR) from being grounded for lack of instruments.

The unit is housed in a quonset hut and a 16' x 16' tent, and provides emergency overhaul facilities for all aircraft instruments, with particular emphasis on critical shortages in this area.

2. See Appendix, Encl. (2), Orders from CO ACORN-26 to Lt(jg) J. R. O'CONNOR, CinC, MAIRU ONE.