



HMH-464

MAG-29, 2D MAW

MARINE HEAVY HELICOPTER SQUADRON OF THE YEAR

For extraordinary achievement and superior performance while conducting worldwide distributed heavy-lift assault support operations from 1 January to 31 December 2019. The "Condors" of HMH-464 exceptionally executed the full spectrum of assault support operations for Marine, joint, and special operations forces. The squadron continually demonstrated the capabilities of the CH-53E as a critical asset to the Marine Air-Ground Task Force, emphasizing Command and Control and long-range tactics through various deployments, detachments, and exercises. The Condors conducted "tri-site" operations for multiple months, all while maintaining T-1 level combat readiness and hitting every calendar year monthly flight hour goal. The Condors remained boresight focused on combat readiness, and through an unwavering dedication to the assault support mission, the Condors flew 3,512 flight hours while transporting 3,556 passengers and 574,940 pounds of cargo. Through their professionalism, commitment to supporting the infantry, and unprecedented achievements, the Condors reflected credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and United States Naval Service.

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