THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]

MISSION NUMBER: 3PARC-82-1Dec 64

SUBJECT: USAF A1E

VICINITY:

HH-43F

1

[redacted] DET 3 PARC-[illegible] - 1 DEC 64

[illegible]ZCSN604123ZV3936
RR RUCQSN
DE RUHLKM 396 24/2226Z
R 242226Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCJAA/MATS
RUCQSN/ARS
ZEN/PACAF
RUMABA/13AF
P 072300Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN RVN
TO PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
BT
[redacted]/DET 3/30281. PER YOUR TELECON REQUEST
OUR MSG DET 3/30243 IS RETRANSMITTED. QUOTE.
CONFIDENTIAL DET 3/30243. AQ USAF FOR AFXOPA, PACAF FOR
PFJOC-A, ARS FOR ARODC, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. CLOSINGNREPORT. RCS: 1-ARS-P1.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC-32-1 A DECEMBER 1964
3. DATE OF REPORT: 2 DECEMBER 1964.
4. N/A. SEE OPENING REPORT MSN 82.
5. NUMBER PERSONNEL MISSING: ONE VNAF ASPIRANT.
6. N/A. SEE OPENING REPORT MSN 82.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14 JAN 65, under the authority of GDS, by KT

[redacted]
PAGE 2 RUHLKM 396 [redacted]
7. N/A
8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43F THREE SORTIES 4:15
USAF A-1E 10 SORTIES FOR 16:30
USAF O-1F 7 SORTIES FOR 4:45
VNAF A-1H 2 SORTIES FOR 1:50
VNAF L-19 1 SORTIES FOR 3:55
USAF U-10 2 SORTIES FOR 2:45
9. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH:
A NONE 1 DEC OR 2 DEC. SEE BELOW.
10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: MISSION CONTROL PASSED TO VNAF. VNAF SAR OFFICER ADVISES GROUND SEARCH OPERATION BEING PLANNED FOR 3 DECEMBER. AREA IS ENEMY CONTROLLED. ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE HASBEEN OFFERED TO THE VNAF.
GP-4.
UNQUOTE.
GP-4.
BT

F-1

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

ARS

IMMEDIATE

Classification (cancelled) (changed to AUC/AS).
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
ODS, by [illegible]

QZCSHA402ZCJVD085
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 15 01/0805Z
O 01070Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUFCEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEZCC/HQ SIAF WASHINGTON D C
RACDAIL/MATS SCOZ
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLORIDA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMALC/13AF CLARK AB P I
ZEN/2ND AIR DIVISION TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GROUP BIEN HOA RVN
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
BT
[redacted] 3 50238. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, PACAF
FOR PFOCC-H, ARS FOR ARODC, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. OPENING REPORT. RCS: 1-ARS-F1
2. MISSIONDUMBER: DET 3 PARC -82- 1 DECEMBER 1964.
3. CONTOLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC, TAN SON NHUT RVN.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: CREW OF USAF A-1E SHOT DOWN.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 111030N, 1065330E.
6. ALERHING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: AT 01/0236
DET 3 PARC WAS GIVEN REPORT OF OVERDUE ACFT, A-1E CALL SIGN
HAWK 62. THIRTY MIN OVERDUE. AT 01/0237 A CHECK WAS BEING MADE

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR [redacted]
WITH RADAR CRC AT TAN SON NHUT CY DET 3 WHEN NOTIFICATION CAME OF
SIGHTING OF SMOKE AND PARACHUTE ON 010 DEGREE HEADING AND 14 NM
FROM BIEN HOA.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: TWO. ONE USAF AND ONE VNAF. USAF PILOT
WAS PICKED UP BY ARS HH-43F AT 01/0400Z. VNAF STILL MISSING.
8. WEATHER IN AREA ~~X LAST KNOWN POSITION~~: 3000 SCAT, 7 MILES VIS,
WIND 090/24TS.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: AT 01/0242 SCRAMBLED TWO
HH-43 HELICOPTERS FROM BIEN HOA. AT SAME TIME ARRANGED FOR AIR
COVER OVER AREA, ARMED HELICOPTER SUPPORT, AND PHOTORECCONAISSANCE.
10. FUTURE PLANS: BEING FORMULATED AT THIS TIME.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: A-1E WAS SHOT ON DEMONSTRATION PASS.
SMOKE IN COCKPIT AND LOSS OF RADIOS FOLLOWED. AFTER LOSING ALTITUDE,
USAF PILOT DECIDED ON BAILOUT, NOTICED THAT VNAF STUDENT HAD HIS
CANOPY OPEN. USAF PILOT
[illegible]IT VNAF PILOT ON SHOULDER AND GAVE HIM SIGNAL TO BAIL OUT. USAF
[illegible]LOT BAILED OUT AND AFTER LANDING HID UNDER LOG AND OBSERVED ENEMY
[illegible]RCES IN AREA OF CRASH. USAF PILOT PICKED UP 01/0400Z BY HH-43F
[illegible]LICOPTER. PARAMEDICS FROM HH-43F INVESTIGATED ACTUAL CRASH AND
[illegible]LD FIND NO TRACES OF VNAF PILOT.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

Briefed 3 T 64

Det 3 PARC 82-1 Dec
A1E Shot down
14 mi NORTH BIEN HOA
1USAF 1 VNAF

OPENING REPORT
~~OPENING/CLOSING REPORT~~

1. RGS (FOLLOWED BY WORDS "OPENING" OR OPENING/CLOSING").

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.

3. SAR OBJECTIVE. 1USAF 1 [redacted]

4. TYPE FLIGHT PLAN. TAC

5. COMPLETE FLIGHT PLAN INFORMATION.

6. COLOR OF SAR OBJECTIVE (AIRCRAFT, BOAT, VEHICLE, ETC.).

7. PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (AF), ADDRESS (CIVIL).

8. POB. 2 POB 1USAF 1 ~~VNA~~ VNAF

9. ARS LBR/SQ/CENTER ALERTED AT (GMT). DET 3 01/0236 a By Radar site

10. BY ARTC, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION, GCI, ETC. reportent HAT SMOKE & a parachute were sighted 14 mi NORTH

11. EXTENDED COMM SEARCH COMPLETE (GMT). OF BIEN HOA

12. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT)_____.

a. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT)_____.

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT)_____.

13. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT).

14. LAST KNOWN POSITION (GCI, RADAR, POSITION REPORT).

15. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITION, IF APPLICABLE).

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
GAS, by 14

16. CONTROLLING AGENCY.

17. ASSISTING AGENCY.

18. NAME OF MISSION COMMANDER.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

19. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS (RAMP, ROUTE, TRACK LINE SEARCH, ETC.).

ARS Form 26 Aug 63 (Test)

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

14 mi NORTH BIEN HOA
USAF 1 VNAF

1. RCC (OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ALERTING/DIRECTION).
2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE. 1 USAF
4. TYPE FLIGHT PLAN. VAC
5. COMPLETE FLIGHT PLAN INFORMATION.
6. COLOR OF SAR OBJECTIVE (AIRCRAFT, BOAT, VEHICLE, ETC.).
7. PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL).
8. NOB. 2 POB 1 USAF 1 ~~VNAF~~ VNAF
9. ANY LOP/DOP/CONE R APPLIED AT (GMT). DCT 3 61/0286 By Radar 3 TC
10. BY AFRCC, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION, ECC, ICC. Reported HAT SMOKE & a parachute. were sighted 14 mi NORTH OF BIEN HOA
11. EXTENDED OVER SEARCH OBJECTIVE (GMT).
12. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT)_____.
    a. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT)_____.
    b. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT)_____.
13. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT).

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14 Jan 75 GDS, under the authority of RT, by _____

14. LAST KNOWN POSITION (GCI, RADAR, POSITION REPORT).
15. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITION, IF APPLICABLE).
16. CONTROLLING AGENCY.
17. ASSISTING AGENCY.
18. NAME OF MISSION COMMANDER.
19. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS (POINT, ROUTE, TRACK LINE, DATUM, ETC.).

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

AFS Form 26 Apr 63 (Test) [redacted]

III

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Last 2 PARC 82-1 Dec
- 2 Shot Lessons
14 MI NORTH BIEN HOA
1 USAF 1 RVNAF

1. REQUESTING AGENCY (RESCUE HQ, OPERATIONAL/TACTICAL).
2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.
3. SAR DESIGNATOR. 1 USAF 1
4. TYPE FLYING A/C. TAC
5. COMBINED FORCE MAN ENCOUNTER.
6. COUNTRY OF SAR ACTIVITY (ATTACHMENT, PORT, CHINOOK, ETC.).
7. PILOT'S NAME, RANK (AF), AGENCY (CIVIL).
8. POB. 2 POB 1 USAF 1 ~~VNAF~~ VNAF
9. A/C NBR/TX/CALL SIGN AT TIME OF INCIDENT (GMT). DET 2 61/0286 By Radar site
10. BY WHOM, FLIGHT STATUS OF SURVIVORS, ETC., ETC. reported HAT SMOKE & a parachute. were sighted 14 mi NORTH OF BIEN HOA
11. EXTENDED OTHER SEARCH SUPPORT (GMT).
12. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT)_____.
    a. SAR FORCES ARRIVED SCENE (GMT)_____.
    b. SAR FORCES ARRIVED FIRST (GMT)_____
13. ENEMY FORCES INVOLVED (GMT). Classification (cancelled) (changed to) CINCPAC effective date 14-3-25 GDS, under the authority of by
14. LAST KNOWN POSITION (GCI, RADAR, POSITION REPORT).
15. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITION, IF AN AIRCRAFT).
16. CONTROLLING AGENCY.
17. ASSISTING AGENCY.
18. NAME OF MISSION COMMANDER.
19. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS (DATA, ROUTE, TRACK LINE PATTERN, ETC.).

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

AFS Form 96 Aug 63 (Test) CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

20. WEATHER FORECAST IN EACH AREA

21. ANTICIPATED FORCES AVAILABLE (NUMBER AND TYPE).

22. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

23. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING (GMT) AND RECOVERING (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE.

b. NUMBER SURVIVORS/DECEASED.

c. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS AND DECEASED.

d. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING ORGANIZATIONS/AGENCIES - IF AVAILABLE.

e. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/FIXED AND/OR MOBILE RADIOS/VESSELS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING ORGANIZATIONS.

f. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

g. THIS CONSTITUTES FINAL MISSION REPORT.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ CO[redacted]

2

OPENING/CLOSING/S[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-128-11 FEB 65
SUBJECT: USN A4C
VICINITY: HU-16

[redacted]

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC		
ARPDC		
ARSDC		
ARMDC		
ARCAS		
ARACO		
ARCOS		
ARRC		

NNNNARS.....038
PFTE JAW RUWMQZA0020 2591334-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 687 2590145
ZNY EEEEE
P 281382
FM 38 ARS ISN AFLD RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFS FLA
INFO RUHLKM/PACARESCUECLN KICKAM AF
AWAII
BT
UNCLAS E F T O SAR 20465 SEP 65. THE FOLLOWING MSG IS RETRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. INITIAL MSG WAS UNCLAS EFTO SAR 20105 FEB 65. QUOTE.
1. NO PUBLICITY RELEASE FROM DETACHMENT 5 PARC CONCERNING MSN ON 11 FEB 65.
2. DA NANG AB, RVN: AIR FORCE'S HU-16I)ANDS IN OPEN SEAUND PICKS UP DOWNED NAVY PILOT. ON 11 FEB 65, CAPT DAVID K. RICHARDSON, THE HU-16 RESCUE CRE COMMANDER AND CREW CONSISTING OF CO-PILOT: CAPT RICHARD T. MISSMAN, ENGINEER: SSGT RONALD O. DONAGAN, PARARESCUEMEN: SSGT EDWARD F. PADILLA AND A2C CHESTER W. BURDETTE

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 687 UNCLAS E F TO
FORM THE 31ST AIR RESCUE SQUADRON CLARK AB, P.I., AND NAVIGATOR: CAPT GEORGE M. SHIMABUKU, RADIO OPERATOR: AIC ROBERT M. SHIMAMOTO FORM THE 76TH AIR RESCUE SQUADRON KICKAM AFB, HAWAII MADE THE SAVE.
3. WHILE FLYING A NORMAL RESCUE ORBIT, THE CREW INTERCEPTED A MAYDAY CALL OVER THE RADIO FRM LT WILLIAM T. MABB, USN, WHO WAS BAILING OUT 8 MILES OFF THE COAST OF NORTH VIETNAM. THE DISTRESS CALL CAME AT 2040Z. THE NAVIGATOR PLOTTED THE POSITION GIVEN BY THE DISTRESSED PILOT AND WITH ADVANTAGE OF THE DESCENT FROM 12,000 FEET, THE RESCUE AIRCRAFT PROCEEDED RAPIDLY TO THE INCIDENT SCENE. VISUAL CONTACT WITH MISSION AIRCRAFT ORBITING THE DOWNED PILOT WAS MADE ALMOT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY SIGHTING THE SURVIVOR. CAPT RICHARDSON MADE A RAPID EVALUATION OF SEA CONDITIONS, JETTISONED HIS DROP TANKS, AND PREPARED FOR A WATER LANDING/LAND ING WAS EXECUTED AT 2703 ZULU. SGT DONAGAN DIRECTED THE PILOT IN FOR A RAFT APPROACH TO THE SURVIVOR IN A DINGHY AND MADE THE PICKUP. PARAMEDICS CHECKED THE SURVIVOR FOR INJURIES. TAKEOFF WAS MADE TA 0711 ZULU AND SURVIVOR WAS DELIVERED TO MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DA NANG AB, RVN. PHOTOGRAPHS WERE NOT OBTAINED. THERE HAVE BEEN NO FORMAL RELEASES MADE ON THIS MISSION. THE RECOVERY HAS BEEN

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 687 UNCLAS E F TO
ANNOUNCED THROUGH SPOT NEWS RELEASES RELATING TO THE OVERALL ACTION BY US ARMED FORCES ON THAT DATE. RECOVERY OF DOWNED PILOT HAS LIKE-WISE APPEARED IN NEWS MEDIA AS PART OF THE ARTICLES RELATING TO ARMED FORCES OPERATION IN GENERAL. NO IDENTIFICATION OF INDIVID-UALS, BRANCH OF SERVICE, OR DETAILS WERE INDICATED. ON 15 FEB, CAPT RICHARDSON WAS AWARDED THE AIR MEDAL BY GENERAL MOORE. ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE HU-16 CREW ARE BEING RECOMMENDED FOR THE SAME AWARD. UNQUOTE.
THIS MSG IN ANSWER TO YOUR SECRET MSG DOARO 20493 SEP 65. CONCERNS MSN NBR 38-126 11 FEB 65. (NARRATIVE)

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

IMMEDIATE

11 FEB 65 20 11

NNNNCZCSHA638ZCQVA406
OO RUCQSH
ZDG RUABCM 150H
IPB397 SIB251 SAA141VV ARA697
OO RUHLKM RUHPB RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 266 11/0929Z
O 110920Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/Q USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUCQSH/ARS ORLAND AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PERAL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENFLT
RUMAL/13 AF CLARK AB PHIL
RUMALB/31 ARS CLARK AB PHIL
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMFUI/CTF 7 7
RUMEUK/CTG 77.5
RUATAH/CTG 77.7
ZEN/CTU 70.2.1. 1
AF GRNC
BT

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

RELEASED SUBJECT TO CORRECTION HAS BEEN REQUESTED

[redacted]

[redacted]

~~S E C R E T~~ DET 3/50168. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCQ/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC- H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

1. OPENING/CLOSING REPORT, RCS: 1 -ARS-F1T
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 128 - 11 FEB 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 YARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF US NAVY A4C BAILED OUT.
5. ZOCATION OF INCIDENT: 17 DEGREES 28" - 106DEGREES 46'.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITALLY NOTIFIED: MISSION AIRCRAFT AT 0640Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF ZB
PIAL ACTION. ONE OF TDCNPREPOSITIONED

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-73, under the authority of OAS, by [redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 266 ~~S E C R E T~~
HU-16 AIRCRAFT IN YRECAUTIONARY ORBIT PROCEEDED TO SCENE IMMEDIATELY. SECOND PREPOSITIONED HU786 DIRECTED TO PROCEED TO INCIDENT SCENE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND SERVE AS OSC AND COMMUNICATIONS RELAY. THIRD HU-16 ON GROUND ALERT SCRAMBLED TO RESTORE PRECAUTIONARY POSTURE AND SERVE AS RESERVE.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJEVUIVE: ACCOMPANYING USN MISSION AIRCRAFT.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: 31ST ARS HU-16 PILOT - RICHARDSON EXECUTED A WATER LANDING AND MADE TWIN ENGINE RAFT APPROACH TO PILOT FOATING IN PPERSONALY DINGHY. MA-1 KIT NOT DEPLOYED.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: TAKEN TO DANANG AB RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY.
USAF HU -16, 4 SORTIES, 5 PLUS 50.UNDISCLOSED NUMBER OF USN MISSION ACFT REMAINED ON SCENE TO PROVIDE RESCAP. SORTIES AND FLYING TIME NOT APPLICATBLE TO SAR EFFORT.
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SERACH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: WATER LANDING AT 0703Z. TAKE OFF SUBSEQUENT TO PILOT RECOVERY AT 0711Z.
GP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED [redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

ARODC # 650608 650656
Hq ARS SC No.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 3 PARC 128 11 FEB 65
USN A4C

BRIEFED 12 FEB 65

[redacted] OPENING/CLOSING

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

[redacted]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY THE WORDS "OPENING OR "OPENING/CLOSING REPORT").

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-5-75 under the authority of GDS by [illegible]

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE. DET 3 PARC 128 11 FEB

3. SAR OBJECTIVE/TYPE FLIGHT PLAN/COMPLETE FLIGHT PLAN/DESCRIPTION, AND/OR IDENTIFYING FEATURES OF SAR OBJECTIVE/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT USN A4C (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL/POB. PILOT BAILED OUT AT 7 NM OFF SHORE 120 NM NW OF DANANG

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY ARTC, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION, STATE POLICE, ETC. 0640Z BY MISSION ACFT

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

5. EXTENDED COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT).

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT). HU-16 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT PROCEEDED TO SCENE IMEDIATELY

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT) SECOND PRE-POSITIONED HU-16 ALSO ON ORBIT WAS ORDERED TO INCIDEND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND ACT AS O.S.C.

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD(GMT). THIRD HU 16 SCRAMBLED TO RESTORE PRECAUTIONARY POSTURE AND SERVE AS RESERVE

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT).
2 HU-16

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION (DF, RADAR, POSITION REPORT, ETC.). _____

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITIONS IF APPLICABLE). NOT REPORTED

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY (APPLICABLE TO THE DESIGNATED SAR MISSION COORDINATOR). DET 3 PARC

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS DOD DIR 5200.10

11. ASSISTING AGENCY(S). None

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

CLASS 18 MAY 1970

12. NAME OF SAR MISSION COORDINATOR. [redacted]

13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS. N/A

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

[redacted]

[redacted] DC# 650 608

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S). N/A

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NUMBER AND TYPE). N/A

16. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPENING REPORT ONLY). HU-16 MADE A WATER LANDING AT 07032 AND A TWIN-ENGINE CRAFT APPROACH TO PILOT FLOATING IN PERSONAL DINGHY. MA-1 KIT NOT DEPLOYED. TAKE OFF 07112.

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE. USN MISSION ACFT

b. NUMBER SURVIVORS/DECEASED. 1 SURVIVOR USN PILOT

c. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED. TAKEN TO DANANG

d. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE. HU-16 4 SORTIES 5450

UNK NR USN MSN ACFT PROVIDED RESCAP

e. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS.

f. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION TIME, ETC.).

g. THIS CONSTITUTES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT.

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

D-3 PAGE 128 11 FEB 65
USN PILOT

BRIEFED 11 FEB BW

OPENING/CLOSING

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY THE WORDS "OPENING OR "OPENING/CLOSING REPORT").

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.

✓ 3. SAR OBJECTIVE/TYPE FLIGHT PLAN/COMPLETE FLIGHT PLAN/DESCRIPTION, AND/OR IDENTIFYING FEATURES OF SAR OBJECTIVE/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL/POB). HU-16 MADE AN OPEN SEA LANDING A 1728N 10647E PICKED UP NAVY PILOT. PILOT IN GOOD COND PILOT OF HU16 WAS CAPT RICHARDSON 11/0713Z

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY ARTC, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION, STATE POLICE, ETC. 7 MI E DONG HOI

5. EXTENDED COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT).

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT).

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT)

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD(GMT).

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT).

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION (IF, RADAR, POSITION REPORT, ETC.).

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITIONS IF APPLICABLE).

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY (APPLICABLE TO THE DESIGNATED SAR MISSION COORDINATOR).

11. ASSISTING AGENCY(S).

12. NAME OF SAR MISSION COORDINATOR.

13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S).

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NUMBER AND TYPE).

16. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPENING REPORT ONLY).

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE.

b. NUMBER SURVIVORS/DECEASED.

c. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED.

d. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.

e. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS.

f. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION TIME, ETC.).

g. THIS CONSTITUES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED 3

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D5-PARC-70-8Feb 65
SUBJECT: VNAF A1H
VICINITY: HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] 1 4

OPENING/[redacted]/SUSPENDING	2
MISSION NUMBER:	3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65
SUBJECT:	2 USAF F-100's 3 " F-105's 1 VNAF A1H } Pilots
VICINITY:	HH-43B — 2F-105 HH-43F — 1F-105 & 1A1H HU-16B — 1F-100 } Pilots Recovered

[redacted]

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 3 PARC 187
2 MAR 65
5 USAF 1 RVN PILOTS
MISSING AFTER AIR
STRIKE

PROG #2

PROGRESS, ~~SUSPENDING, CLOSING REPORT~~

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY WORDS "PROGRESS REPORT" AND NUMBER OR "CLOSING REPORT" OR "SUSPENDING REPORT."

2 cy Repro of this Hole
Missing Det 3 - PARC 187
Sent 1 cy To USAF Hq Trans
1 cy To Ft Belvoir VA

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.
DET 3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65

3. DATE OF REPORT.
3 MAR 65

4. AREA SEARCHED LAST PERIOD/EFFECTIVENESS/RESULTS (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY). SEARCH ACFT FLEW SWEEPS OVER AND IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THE LAST KNOWN LOCATION OF THE PILOT. (F-100 UNK) 20% EFFECTIVE DUE TO POOR WX AND EVASIVE ACTION DUE TO GUN FIRE FROM HOSTILE NATIVES.

5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA(S) (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY).
VARIABLE CEILINGS 200' TO 1°
VISIBILITY 7 NM.

6. LEADS AND SIGHTINGS (PROGRESS ONLY).
BOTH VISUAL & ELECTRONIC SEARCH PROVED NEGATIVE. THE PARACHUTE LOCATED ON 2 MAR WAS REMOVED.

7. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE (CLOSING ONLY) OR REASON FOR SUSPENDING AND TIME (GMT) (SUSPENDING ONLY).
N/A

8. FUTURE PLANS (PROGRESS ONLY). CONTINUOUS SEARCH WITH FIGHTER COVER. AS EARLY AS WX PERMITS AIRCRAFT WILL PERFORM EXPANDING SQUARE FROM LKP. HU16 CONTROL ACFT WILL BE ON-SCENE-COMMANDER. TWO HH-43F'S WILL STANDY-BY AT NEAREST SECURE FIELD FOR RECOVERY OPERATION, IF SURVIVOR IS LOCATED.

a. PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S).

b. WEATHER FORECAST IN SEARCH AREA(S).
UNK

c. FORCES AVAILABLE (CIVILIAN AND MILITARY).
UNK

9. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED - IF APPLICABLE.
UNK

10. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.
RESCUE ACFT TOTALS 19 SORTIES
HU-16 7 SORTIES 35+10 HRS; HH 43F 29+35 HRS
TOTALS 64 SORTIES 164+30 HRS

11. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS/VESSELS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE
N/A

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 3 PARC 187
2 MAR 65
MISSING F-100 PILOT
SUSPENING RPT

Briefed 8 mar GMT

[redacted]

[redacted] PROGRESS, SUSPENDING, CLOSING REPORT

[redacted]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY WORDS "PROGRESS REPORT" AND NUMBER OR "CLOSING REPORT" OR "SUSPENDING REPORT."

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.
DET 3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

3. DATE OF REPORT.
5 MAR 65

4. AREA SEARCHED LAST PERIOD/EFFECTIVENESS/RESULTS (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY). RAD WX IN SEARCH AREA PREVENTED ANY VISUAL SEARCH. AUDIO LISTENING WATCH ONLY.

5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA(S) (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY).
MULTI-LAYERED CLOUDS, SURFACE TO 13°
RAIN SHWRS & FOG

6. LEADS AND SIGHTINGS (PROGRESS ONLY).
NONE.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of ODS, by [illegible]

7. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE (CLOSING ONLY) OR REASON FOR SUSPENDING AND TIME (GMT) (SUSPENDING ONLY).
N/A

8. FUTURE PLANS (PROGRESS ONLY).

a. PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S).

b. WEATHER FORECAST IN SEARCH AREA(S).

c. FORCES AVAILABLE (CIVILIAN AND MILITARY).

N/A

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-20572
13 MAY 1970

9. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED - IF APPLICABLE.
UNK

10. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.
NONE FOR 5 MAR 65

TOTAL TO DATE
83 SORTIES 272+55

11. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS/VESSELS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE
NONE

1 Cy Reproduced 14 AUG 68, AUTH ARODC

[redacted]

ARODC # 650886

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

12. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION/SUSPENDING TIME, ETC.).

13. THIS CONSTITUTES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT. (CLOSING REPORT ONLY).

ADDITIONAL INFO.

PILOT WAS OBSERVED TO SUCESSFULLY EJECT FROM HIS BURNING F-100. HIS LEAD & OTHER ACFT REMAIN OVERHEAD CONTINUOUSLY AND ONE HOUR LATER A HH43F ARRIVED REMAINING IN THE AREA 30 MINUTES AND AT THE SITE OF THE PARA-CHUTE 15 MINUTES WHERE THE PILOT'S HELMET WAS RECOVERED. AT NO TIME DURING THE SEARCH WAS ANY VISUAL OR ELECTRONIC SIGNAL OBSERVED. A CONTROL TEAM OF ONE OFFICER & ONE NCO ARRIVED AT DANANG AB AT 0200 3MAE 65 TO CONTROL & CO-ORDINATE THE SEARCH EFFORT. ACTIVITIES THUS FAR HAVE BEEN HAMPERED BY MARGINAL WEATHER AND GROUND FIRE.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNKJN#-470ZCYVX648
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 75 03/1225Z
O 031201Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RBN
ZEN!CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMTBK/DET COMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DANANG AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/613 TFS DANANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/12 TFS KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMSATA/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUABKM/33 ARS NQA AB OKINAWA
BT

[redacted] [redacted]

3 Mar 65 19 14

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-25, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

2 cy Reproducing Ops/Dove
Dest. 1 cy to USAF Hoop Tran/S
1 cy to [illegible] VF

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

13 MAY 1970

~~S E C R E T~~ SAR 50230 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. PROGRESS REPORT NUMBER TWO, RCS: 1-ARS-F1.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC-187-2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 3 MARCH 1965.
4. AREA SEARCHED AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: SEARCH AIRCRAFT FLEW SWEEPS OVER AND IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THE LAST KNOWN LOCATION OF THE PILOT 1712N-10641E. SEARCH CONSIDERED TO BE 20 PER CENT EFFECTIVE. LOW DEGREE OF EFFECTIVENESS IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO POOR WEATHER AND EVASIVE ACTION MADE NECESSARY BY GUN FIRE FROM HOSTILE GUN

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 75 S E C R E T
[illegible] CONDUCTED BY FIGHTER TYPE AIRCRAFT
[illegible]LVED.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

5. WEATHER IN SE
RCH AREA: VARIABLE CEILINGS 200 TO 1,000
FT OVERCAST. VISIBILITY SEVEN MILES.
6. RESULT OF SEARCH: PRESENCE OF SAR OBJECTIVE UNDETECTED BY
EIHJ VISUAL OR ELECTRONIC MEANS. THE PARACHUTE THAT HAD BEEN
LOCATED 2 MARCH BY ARS HH-43F HAS BEEN SUBSEQUENTLY REMOVED.
7. FUTURE PLANS: PLANS FOR TOMORROW ARE TO INITIATE A CONTINUOUS
SEARCH WITH FIGHTER TYPE AIRCRAFT AS EARLY AS WEATHER WILL PERMIT.
AIRCRAFT WILL CONDUCT EXPANDING SEARCH FROM LAST KNOWN POSITION.
HU-16 CONTROL SHIP WILL EFFECT ON SCENE COMMAND AND TWO HH-43F'S
WILL STAND BY AT CLOSEST SECURE AIRFIELD TO ATTEMPT RECOVERY IN THE
EVENT SURVIVOR IS LOCATED.
8. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT AND AGENCY: 2 AND 3 MAR 65

USAF HU-16	7 SORTIES	35:10 HOURS
USAF F-100	12 SORTIES	23:00 HOURS
USN A1H	12 SORITES	53:45 HOURS
VNAF A1E	5 SORTIES	12:40 HOURS
USAF F-105	5 SORITES	9:00 HOURS
USMC H-34	4 SORITES	6:20 HOURS

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 75 [redacted]

USAF HH-43F	19 SORTIES	24:35 HOURS

9. N/A
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: PILOT WAS OBSERVED TO SUCCESSFULLY EJECT
FROM HIS BURNING F-100. HIS LEAD AND OTHER AIRCRAFT REMAINED OVER-
HEAD CONTINUOUSLY AND ONE HOUR LATER A HH-43F ARRIVED
REMAINING IN THE AREA 30 MINUTES AND AT THE SITE OF THE PARACHUTE
15 MINUTES WHERE THE PILOTS HELMENT WAS RECOVERED. AT NO TIME DURING
THE SEARCH WAS ANY VISUAL OR ELECTRONIC SIGNAL OBSERVED. A CONTROL
TEAM OF ONE OFFICER AND ONE NCO ARRIVED AT DANANG AB AT 0200, 3 MAR
TO CONTROL AND COORDINATE THE SEARCH EFFORT. ACTIVITIES THUS FOR
HAVE BEEN HAMPERED BT MARGINAL WEATHER AND GROUND FIRE. GP-4
BT

[redacted]

IGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
LASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

RD ARS SC No. 650989
ARODC # 650886 YGM

NNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65
MISSING -100 PILOT
PROGRESS #3

[redacted]

CLASS

[redacted]ROGRESS, SUSPENDING, CLOSING REPORT

CONFIDENTIAL

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY WORDS "PROGRESS REPORT" AND NUMBER OR "CLOSING REPORT" OR "SUSPENDING REPORT."

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
Effective on 11-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by

3. DATE OF REPORT. 4 MARCH 65

4. AREA SEARCHED LAST PERIOD/EFFECTIVENESS/RESULTS (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY). NO SEARCH DUE WX.

5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA(S) (PROGRESS AND SUSPENDING ONLY).
300-800 ⊕ ALONG COAST LOWERING TO 0-0 5 MI. INLAND. RAIN SHWRS THRUOUT AREA.

6. LEADS AND SIGHTINGS (PROGRESS ONLY).

7. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE (CLOSING ONLY) OR REASON FOR SUSPENDING AND TIME (GMT) (SUSPENDING ONLY).

8. FUTURE PLANS (PROGRESS ONLY). CONTINUE EFFORT AS SOON AS WX PERMITS USING HU-16 AS ON SCENE COMDR - FIGHTERS TO SWEEP AREA & 2 HH-43F ON STAND BY.

a. PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S).

b. WEATHER FORECAST IN SEARCH AREA(S).

c. FORCES AVAILABLE (CIVILIAN AND MILITARY).

9. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED - IF APPLICABLE.

10. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.

11. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS/VESSELS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

TOTAL TIME TO DATE 77 SORTIES 185+20

(ARS 21 SORTIES 62+15)

[redacted]

ARODC # 650912

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2 [illegible] MAY 1970

[redacted]

CLASS [redacted]

12. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION/SUSPENDING TIME, ETC.).

[redacted]

13. THIS CONSTITUTES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT. (CLOSING REPORT ONLY).

REASON FOR SUSPENDING MISSION: NO VISUAL OR AUDIO SIGNALS RECEIVED BY RESCUE OR RESCAP ACFT. SEARCHING IN AREA OF BAILOUT FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BAILOUT AND BY FIGHTER ACFT CONDUCTING SWEEPS WITHIN A TEN MILE RADIUS OF PARACHUTE LANDING LOCATION ON FOLLOWING DAY. PRESENCE OF HOSTILE GROUND PERSONNEL IN AREA OF BAILOUT IS REVEALED BY THE REMOVAL OF PARACHUTE WHICH HAD NOT BEEN RECOVERED ON DAY OF BAILOUT. IF MISSING PILOT SUCCEEDED IN AVOIDING CAPTURE, THE PROBABILITY OF HIS REMAINING IN AREA IS EXTREMELY REMOTE. FURTHER SEARCH IN THE HOSTILE ENVIRNOMENT PREVAILING IN THE AREA IS NOT WARRANTED DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF AUDIO SIGNALS DETECTED BY RESCUE AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA ON THE 4th & 5th OF MAR AND THE LACK OF OTHER POSITIVE LEADS AND THE TIME ELAPSED SINCE BAILOUT. THE MSN IS SUSPENDED WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF COMNDR 2ND AIR DIVISION.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 17-3-75, under the authority of [illegible] by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

IMMEDIATE

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[redacted]

NNNNCZCSHA825ZCYVX346
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 132 05/1209Z
O 051155Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEADH/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 72.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMTBK/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DA NANG AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DET CMDR 2AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/613 TFW DA NANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/12 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND PARC NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
RUMSATD/423 TFS TAKHI AB THAI
RUAUBKM/33 ARS NARA AB OKINAWA
BT

2 cy Rep 20 By ARRS/DOOR
Det. 1 cy To USAF Hosp Travis
1 cy To Ft Belvoir VA

[redacted] SAR 50238 MARCH 1965. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR
MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, QKFFOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, SUSPENDING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 187 - 2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 5 MARCH 1965.
4. AREA SEARCHED AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: BAD WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA
PREVENTED ANY VISUAL SEARCH. AUDIO LISTENING WATCH ONLY,
5. WEATHER IN AREA: MULTI-LAYERED CLOUDS, SURFACE TO 15,000 FEET.
RAIN SHOWERS AND FOG.
[illegible] OF PERSONNEL MISSING: ONE

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 132 [redacted]

7. REASON FOR SUSPENDING: NO VISUAL OR AUDIO SIGNALS RECEIVED BY RESCUE OR RESCAP AIRCRAFT SEARCHING IN AREA OF BAILOUT FOR APPROXIMATEL TWO HOURS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BAILOUT AND BY FIGHTER AIRCRAFT CONDUC SWEEPS WITHIN A TEN MILE RADIUS OF PARACHUTE LANDING LOCATION ON FOLLOWING DAY. PRESENCE OF GROUND PERSONNEL IN AREA OF BAILOUT REVEALED BY REMOVAL OF PARACHUTE WHICH HAD NOT BEEN RECOVERED ON DATE OF BAILOUT. IF MISSING PILOT SUCCEEDED IN AVOIDING CAPTURE, THE PROBABILITY OF HIS REMAINING IN AREA IS EXTREMELY REMOTE. FURTHER SEARCH IN HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT PREVAILING IN THE AREA IS NOT WARRENTED DUE TO ABSENTS OF AUDIO SIGNALS DETECTED BY RESCUE AIRCRAFT IN AREA ON 4 AND 5 MARCH, LACK OF OTHER POSITIVE LEADS AND TIME ELAPSED SINCE BAILOUT. MISSION SUSPENDED WITH CONCURRENCE OF COMMANDER 2 AIR DIVISION.

8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
9 SORTIES FOR 40:55 HOURS BY USAF HU-16
25 SORTIES FOR 27:55 HOURS BY USAF HH-43
14 SORTIES FOR 25:20 HOURS BY USAF F-100
6 SORRTIES FOR 9:00 HOURS BY USAF F-105
20 SORTIES FOR 82:25 HOURS BY USN A-1H
6 SORTIES FOR 7520 HOURS BY USMC UH-34

SECRET

ARODC # 650912

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 132 S E C R E T
5 SORTIES FOR 12:40 HOURS BY VNAF A-1E
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING: NONE
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: NONE
GP-4
ST

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

DQ ARS SC No. 65/024

SECRET

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

BRIEFED [redacted] MAR 65

DET 3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65
5 U[redacted] 1 VNAF PILOTS
MISSING AFTER AIR STRIKE

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

OPENING
PROG # 1

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY THE WORDS "OPENING" OR "OPENING/CLOSING REPORT").

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE. DET 3 PARC 187 2 MAR 65

3. SAR OBJECTIVE/TYPE FLIGHT PLAN/COMPLETE FLIGHT PLAN/DESCRIPTION, AND/OR IDENTIFYING FEATURES OF SAR OBJECTIVE/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL/POB). AIR STRIKE

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY ARTC, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION, STATE POLICE, ETC. RCC BY MISSION A/C 1545L

5. EXTENDED COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT).

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT).

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT).

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT).

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT). PREPOSITIONED SAR FORCES RESPONDED TO DECLARATION OF INFLIGHT EMERGENCIES

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION (DF, RADAR, POSITION REPORT, ETC.).

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED OR PROPOSED ROUTE, OR SEA CONDITIONS, IF APPLICABLE). 30 ① VSBY 15M W/V 140/10

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY (APPLICABLE TO THE DESIGNATED SAR MISSION COORDINATOR).

11. ASSISTING AGENCY OR AGENCIES.

12. NAME OF SAR MISSION COORDINATOR.

2. 13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS. FIGHTERS WILL SEARCH AREA TO LOCATE OBJ. A, WITH HU-16 ORBITING OFF SHORE AS OSC & Comm PLATFORM

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREA(S). CONDUCT SEARCH FOR OBJ. E WITH BALANCED FORCE & CHECK OUT LEAD

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NUMBER AND TYPE).

1. A. USAF F-100 PILOT/BAILOUT. HELMET & PARACHUTE RECOVERED BY P.J. LOWERED BY HOIST FROM HH-43. INTENSIVE GROUND FIRE FORCED WITHDRAWAL OF FORCES. HH-43F RECEIVED ONE ROUND APP 30 CAL THRU ROTOR BLADE

ARS Form 25 Jan 64

B. USAF F-100 PILOT/BAILOUT RECOV BY HU-16
C. USAF F-105 PILOT/BAILOUT RECOV BY HH-43B/
D. USAF F-105 PILOT/BAILOUT RECOV BY HH-43B/
E. USAF F-105 PILOT/BAILOUT RECOV BY HH-43B/PILOT WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 AT UBON, THAI FOR TRANSPORT TO KORAT, THAI
F. VNAF AIR PILOT/BAILOUT RECOV BY HU-16

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

16. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPENING REPORT ONLY).

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING AND TIME (GMT), AGENCY RECOVERING AND TIME (GMT) SAR OBJECTIVE.

b. NUMBER SURVIVORS/DECEASED.

c. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED.

d. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.

e. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/ FIXED RADIOS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS.

f. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION TIME, ETC.).

g. THIS CONSTITUTES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

ARCOI

P-F1

NNNNCZCSHA376ZCRVB036
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 57 03/0543Z
O 030240Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECN TSN AFLD RVN
IO RUEARQ/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUCDUA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLU
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKMAN AFB HAWAII
RUMALB/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS (JOC) MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23AB GP DA NANG
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TAC GP BIEN HOA
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB
RUMSAG/613 TFS DA NANG AB
RUMBDK/12TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAI
RUC./33 ARS NAHA AB OKIN
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
BT
~~S E C R E T~~ SAR 50226 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPR, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AN
MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-R, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. PJ
GRESS REPORT NUMBER ONE, RCS: 1-ARS-F1.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC -187-2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 3 MARCH 1965.
4. ITEM 4 THRU 9: N/A.
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: REF OUR MESSAGE SECRET SAR 50224, 2 MAR 65.
OBJECT ECHO RECOVERED BY USAF JJ-43B AT 0941H. LOCATION OF PICKUP
IS 1604N 10340E. PILOT REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION AND WILL BE
TRANSFERRED TO RU-16B AT UBON, THAILAND, FOR TRANSPORATION TO
KORAT, THAILAND.
GP-4.
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS)
effective on 18-3-75, under the authority of DAS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2

2cy Rqmts by ARS/OOCA
Dest: 1cy to USAF Hosp Travis
1cy to FT Belvoir VA

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC # 650884 Hq ARS SC # 650984

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET IMMEDIATE

NNNNCZCSHA350ZCYVX496
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 50 02/1713Z [redacted]
O 021700Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PHIL
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMTBK/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DA NANG AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34 TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2 AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/613 TFS DA NANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/12 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PHIL
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAI
RUABKM/33 ARS NAHA B OKINAWA
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
BT
[redacted] SAR 50224 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR AORDC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1. OPENING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 187 - 2 MARCH 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVES:
   A. USAF F-100 PILOT (BAILOUT)
   B. USAF F-100 PILOT (BAILOUT)
   C. USAF F-105 PILOT (BAILOUT)
   D. USAF F-105 PILOT (BAILOUT)

P-F1

3 MAR 65 02 59

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

2 cy Repro by HRS/DOOR
Dest. 1 cy USAF HQ TRANS
1 cy to FT Belvoir VA

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 50 [redacted]
E. USAF F-105 PILOT (UNKNOWN)
F. VNAF A-1H PILOT (BAILOUT)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENTS:
A. 1712N - 10641E (RV)
B. VIC 1740N-10640E (DRV)
C. 1706N-10640E (DRV)
D. VIC 1615N-10525E (LAOS)
E. 090 RADIAL UBON THAILAND DISTANCE UNKNOWN
F. VIC 1720N-10655E (DRV)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: MISSION AIRCRAFT. FIRST ALERT 1545 LOCAL.
7 PERSONNEL INVOLVED: TOTAL 5 USAF AND 1 VNAF
8. WEATHER IN AREA: DRV WX 3,000 SCAT VIS 15NM WINDS 140/10K
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: PREPOSITIONED SAR FORCES RESPONDED TO DECLARATION OF INFLIGHT EMERGENCIES.
10. FUTURE PLANS: CONDUCT EARLY MORNING FIGHTER SWEEPS IN EFFORT TO LOCATE OBJECTIVE A. ORBIT HU-16 OFF-SHORE TO ACT AS OSC AND COMM PLATFORM. PREPOSITION HELICOPTERS FOR POSSIBLE RECOVERY. CONDUCT SEARCH WITH BALANCED FORCE FOR OBJECTIVE E.
11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 50 [redacted]
OBJECTIVE A. STATUS UNKNOWN. HELMET AND PARACHUTE WAS RECOVERED ON LAND. PILOT WAS NOT IN IMMEDIATE AREA INTENSIVE GROUND FIRE FORCED WITHDRAWAL OF RECOVERY FORCES.
OBJECTIVE B. RECOVERED BY USAF HU-16 AT 1615 LOCAL.
OBJECTIVE C. RECOVERED BY USAF HH-43F AT 1700 LOCAL.
OBJECTIVE D. RECOVERED BY USAF HH-43B AT 2146 LOCAL.
OBJECTIVE E. STATUS UNKNOWN. HAVE GOOD LEAD AT POSITION AT CONSIDERABLE DISTANCE FROM ASSUMED POINT AT WHICH PILOT [illegible]ED EMERGENCY. IS CONSIDERED VERY RELIABLE BUT NOT [illegible]MED.
[illegible]VE F. RECOVERED BY USAF HH-43F AT 1615L.

CONFIDENTIAL

ARODC # 650883

Bq ARS SC No. 650985

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F-t

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Z

CSHA741ZCYVX208 SMAR65 06 34

OO RUCQSH
ZDG RUABK
VV TKA184VV ARA208
OO RUMTBK RUAUALB RUHLKM RUHPB RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
ZFD RUMSAR
OO RUMTBK RUAUALB RUHLKM RUHPB RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 103 24/1320Z
O 241300Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MAT SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMBEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CIF 77
RUMTBK/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DA NANF AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD UDGN THAI
RU[redacted]ECEN DM ULSUU5.$"5)47240#:2$88/56/0
$4)PMJCAYNLB75'D ,0,)0$
PIVLARK AB PI F
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI [redacted]
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAI
RUAUALB/33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

[redacted] SAR 50234 4 MARCH 65. HQ. USAF FOR AFXOPR, MATS FOR MACCO/AI AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-R, 13AF FOR JCARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, PROGRESS REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 187 - 2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 4 MARCH 1965
4. AREA SEARCHED AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: NEGATIVE SEARCH.
5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA: GENERALLY 300 TO 800 BROKEN TO OVER CAST ALONG COAST LOWERING TO ZERO 5 MILES PLLAND. RAIN SHOWERS THROUGHOUT AREA.
6. RESULT OF SEARCH: NEGATIVE - WEATHER PRECLUDED ANY SEARCH.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 103 [redacted]
FLYING TIME EXPENDED TO AND FROM SEARCH AREA AND C WEATHER RECCE.
7. FUTURE PLANS: CONTINUE EFFORT TOMORROW UTILIZING FOUR F-100 CONTINUOUSLY WEATHER PERMITTING. FIGHTERS WILL SWEEP THE AREA WATCHING FOR SIGNALS. HU-16 WILL BE ON SCENE COMMANDER WITH 2HH-43F STANDING BY FOR POSSIBLE PICKUP OF SURVIVOR.
8. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
1 SORTIE FOR 3:30 HOURS BY USAF HU-16
4 SORTIES FOR 5:20 HOURS BY USAF HH-43
4 SORTIES FOR 10:00 HOURS BY USN A-1H
2 SORTIES FOR 2:00 HOURS X USMC UH-34
2 SORTIES FOR 2:20 HOURS BY USAF F-100
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: WEATHER FORCAST FOR TOMORROW DOES NOT APPEAR FAVORABLE.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-25, under the authority of OAS, by [redacted]

DOWNGRADED
FEB 27 [illegible]

2 cy Repro by [redacted]/Decor-
Dot, 1 cy To USAF Hosp Dzous
1 cy To FT Belvoir VA

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

ARODC # 650902 Item 65 1012
HQ ARS SC No. [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

NNNNCZCSHA648ZCRVB059
OO RUCQSH
ZBV RUEPB553VV SEA085 LUD
ZDG O RUHLKM RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQIO ARA937
DE RUMSAR 103 04/1320Z
O ;10Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAFUSASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MAT SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AMCLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMCEND POUE
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUEPBZCPENRL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMTBK/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DA NANF AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/613 TFS DA NANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/12 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAI
RUAUALB/3URS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 1 Feb 75, under the authority of GAS, by

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

gcl Repro by ARRS/DOCK
ack ILY to USAF Hqs. Trans
ICY to Ft Belvoir VA

~~S E C R E T~~ SAR 50234 4 MARCH 65. HQ. USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, PROGRESS REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 187 - 2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPNJUT: 4 MARCH 1965
4. AREA SEARCHED AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: NEGATIVE SEARCH.
5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA: GENERALLY 300 TO 800 BROKEN TO OVER CAST ALONG COAST LOWERING TO ZERO 5 MILES INLAND. JLIN SHOWERS THROUGHOUT AREA.
6. RESULT OF SEARCH: NEGATIVE - WEATHER PRECLUDED ANY SEARCH.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2-RUMSAR 103 S E C R E T
FLYING TIME EXPENDED TO AND FROM SEARCH AREA AND IN WEATHER RECCE.
7. FUTURE PLANS: CONTINUE EFFORT TOMORROW UTILIZING FOUR F-100 CONTINUOUSLY WEATHER PERMITTING. FIGHTERS WILL SWEEP THE AREA WATCHING FOR SIGNALS. HU-16 WILL BE ON SCENE COMMANDER WITH 2HH-43F STANDING BY FOR POSSIBLE PICKUP OF SURVIVOR.
8Q SORTIES FOR 3:00 HOURS BY USAF HH-43 AND AGENCY:
4 SORTIES FOR 3:00 HOURS BY USAF HH-43
4 SORTIES FOR 10:00 HOURS BY USN A-1H
2 SORTIES FOR 2:00 HOURS BY USMC UH-34
2 SORTIES FOR 2:20 HOURS BY USEY F-100
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: WEATHER FORCAST FOR TOMORROW DOES NOT APPEAR S;94-?)3.
GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

ARODC # 650897 Hq ARS SC No. 65-006

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNCZ

C

P-F1

SECRET

5 MAR 65 00 57

SHA699ZCYVX155
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 103 04/1320Z
O 041305Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MAT SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMTBK/DEP CMDR 2AD BANGKOK THAI
RUMSAG/23 AB GP DA NANF AB RVN
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUMSAF/34TH TAC GP BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD UDORN THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/613 TFS DA NANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/12 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMBDK/67 TFS KORAT AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH PARC KORAT AB THAI
RUMSATD/428 TFS TAKHLI AB THAI
RUAUALB/33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-12

2 cy Repro by [illegible] Dept. 1 cy to USAF Hosp Texas 1 cy to FT Belvoir VA

~~S E C R E T~~ SAR 50234 4 MARCH 65. HQ. USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, PROGRESS REPORT. #3
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 187 - 2 MARCH 1965.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 4 MARCH 1965
4. AREA SEARCHED AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: NEGATIVE SEARCH.
5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA: GENERALLY 300 TO 800 BROKEN TO OVER CAST ALONG COAST LOWERING TO ZERO 5 MILES INLAND. RAIN SHOWERS THROUGHOUT AREA.
6. RESULT OF SEARCH: NEGATIV[illegible]CLUDED ANY SEARCH.

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 103 ~~S E C R E T~~
FLYING TIME EXPENDED TO AND FROM SEARCH AREA AND IN WEATHER RECCE.
7. FUTURE PLANS: CONTINUE EFFORT TOMORROW UTILIZING FOUR F-100 CONTINUOUSLY WEATHER PERMITTING. FIGHTERS WILL SWEEP THE AREA WATCHING FOR SIGNALS. HU-16 WILL BE ON SCENE COMMANDER WITH 2HH-43F STANDING BY FOR POSSIBLE PICKUP OF SURVIVOR.
8. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
1 SORTIE FOR 3:30 HOURS BY USAF HU-16
4 SORTIES FOR 3:00 HOURS BY USAF HH-43
4 SORTIES FOR 10:00 HOURS BY USN A-1H
2 SORTIES FOR 2:00 HOURS BY USMC UH-34
2 SORTIES FOR 2:20 HOURS BY USAF F-100
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: WEATHER FORCAST FOR TOMORROW DOES NOT APPEAR FAVORABLE.
GP-4
BT

ARODC # 650944 JEM

Bq ARS SC No. 651061

SECRET

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

Detachment Provisional Fourth (PARC)
Air Rescue Service (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, California 96233

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Major Waechter

6 Mar 65

SUBJECT: (U) Mission Narrative

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

TO: Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO U.S. Forces 96553

1. (U) Mission Number: Det 3, PARC, 187, 2 Mar 65.

2. (C)(GP-4) Chronology of Events:

0425Z Adman 66 was airborne on a scramble to cover mission number 184. Our mission was to replace Adman 58, who had been diverted to intercept a Navy HU-16.

0430Z A Top Secret briefing was conducted at Da Nang Air Base for mission number 187. The crew of Adman 66 did not attend.

0450Z Adman 66 was on station for mission 184.

0707Z Adman 66 departed orbit to assume new orbit location for mission number 187.

0720Z Adman 66 was on station for mission number 187. The position was given to us by Adman 63 (Major Ladon) and we orbited approximately 8 miles south of Tiger Island. Original on station time as briefed prior to departure was 0745Z.

0800Z By this time the mission was well under way. We were now aware that two pilots were down; one inland, one at sea. Adman 63 advised that he was heading for the inland survivor and that we should take the one at sea. Adman 63 had already scrambled the H-43 helos out of Quang Tri and they were on the way (Bandy 95 and 96). We spotted Adman 63 over the coast and tried to get the position of the survivor in the sea. He then told us to take the inland survivor and he would take the one in the water.

0820Z Adman 66 was turned back by flak.

0830Z We saw more flak and proceeded north up the coastline.

0840Z Proceeded inland towards a column of smoke and received fairly reliable D/F's from the inland Rescap aircraft.

0845Z Spotted chute and sent Rescap aircraft back to the coast to escort the helos into the area.

[redacted]

[redacted] INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

Hq PARC Log No. 65-0409

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

0858Z Rescap finally found the helos and escorted them into the area.

0929Z Enroute to our siting Bandy 95 and 96 spotted another chute and recovered the pilot's helmet. They then were guided into our area and picked up a downed F-105 pilot. Rescap aircraft then escorted them to the coast where we met them over the water and escorted them back towards Quang-Tri.

0950Z We met Emblem 1 and 2 (Marine H-34's) just off the coast near Quang-Tri and we left Bandy 95 and 96 to escort the Emblem helos back to the target area. Bandy 95 strongly recommended that there was insufficient Rescap or daylight left to continue the mission and that the helos would be in danger if they tried to go back into the area.

1000Z We instructed Emblem 1 and 2 to return to Quang-Tri.

1100Z We had been orbiting Quang-Tri waiting for the helos to refuel, but they advised that they did not require us to escort them back to Da Nang. We then departed for Da-Nang.

1135Z Adman 66 landed at Da Nang.

3. (C)(GP-4) Specific Comments:

a. Radio Discipline. Throughout the entire mission, radio transmissions on all frequencies were on the verge of complete chaos. Most of the time it was impossible to understand the Rescap or Rescue aircraft because of simultaneous transmission on the same frequency. The confusion became worse when aircraft began using Guard frequency.

b. Location of Downed Airmen. Initial reports of downed airmen were made by the wingmen in reference to the first or the second target areas. Since we were scrambled before the strike mission briefing, we were unaware of the target location or coordinates. Our D/F equipment was useless because of multiple transmissions and the APX-28 was of no value with all aircraft transmitting IFF simultaneously. At least three different sets of coordinates, in degrees and minutes, were given in addition to bearing and range references from the target. The latter proved to be most satisfactory and expeditious, had we only known the exact location of the target

4. (C)(GP-4) Recommendations:

a. Radio discipline must be maintained. Rescue frequencies should be preset into all tactical aircraft on a specific channel. Anyone then observing a bailout or damaged aircraft would be able to immediately switch channels and contact Rescue or Rescap. This frequency must be protected from tactical transmissions.

b. Rescue and Rescap call signs appear to be confusing. Suggest that pre-planned orbit points be designated as One, Two or Three or Alpha, Bravo

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

Cocos. Rescue and Rescap aircraft would then assume the appropriate call sign. Continued use should be made of VCSL call signs on SSB and HF

c. Rescue aircraft should have accurate information on all target areas for plotting purposes and more expeditious recovery of personnel.

5. This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL to protect past and future USAF operations.

LUTHER H. WAECHTER
Major, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copy to: Det 3, PARC

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL
DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment Provisional Fourth (PARC)
Air Rescue Service (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, California 96233

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Capt Kelly 5 Mar 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO U.S. Forces 96553

1. Mission Number: Det 3, PARC, 187, 2 Mar 65

2. Situation: Two helicopter crews were on alert at Det Prov Fourth to cover the F-105 participation in a strike mission. One helicopter was configured for LRR, one for ACE. Both Detachment helicopters were participating. Captain Seebo, Detachment Commander, was RCC on the LRR helicopter intercepting numerous F-105s in emergency conditions when Captain Seebo heard the F-105 pilot requesting assistance from Ubon. Fuel state near empty. Captain Seebo requested the tower operator to scramble the other helicopter to Ubon. At approximately 0853Z, 2 Mar 65, the F-105 pilot stated he had flamed out at 12,000 feet. Someone instructed him to get out by 5000 feet. His last transmission was at 7000 feet. The second HH-43B was getting airborne at this time.

3. At 0852Z, 2 Mar 65, Korat Air Base Tower advised Detachment Provisional Fourth, PARC, of an F-105 flameout and impending bailout in the vicinity of Ubon, Thailand. The HH-43B was scrambled at 0854Z with Captain Joseph W. Kelly, RCC; 1st Lt Larry N. Young, Copilot; A1C Harold L. Morgan, Firefighter; and A1C John P. Gibeau, Medical Technician as the crew. Captain Seebo on aircraft radio advised that the pilot had just bailed out near Ubon and to proceed to Ubon. Korat Tower advised that Korat Radar had a fix on the crash and to go Radar Frequency for a steer. Radar gave the heading as 056° and the estimated distance to be 135 miles. Distance-fuel calculations were made. Since the range of the helicopter was insufficient to proceed to the crash site and then to Ubon, the helicopter proceeded direct to Ubon, arriving at 1100Z, 2 Mar 65.

4. Captain Seebo landed at 0913Z and requested the C.Q. to notify Captain Brown, HU-16B RCC, to report to Fighter Operations immediately. At 0918Z ASOC was contacted. ASOC, Major Barnes, advised to scramble the HU-16B to 090° radial of Lion, coordination had been made with the Rescue Control Center at Detachment 3, PARC. ASOC was advised that the HH-43B was on the way to Ubon. Captain Brown was advised to attempt contact with the HH-43B on radar frequency enroute to Ubon. The HU-16B was airborne at approximately 0940Z.

5. On arrival at Ubon at 1100Z, Captain Kelly checked for information from the tower and radar. Nothing positive. Captain Seebo at Det Prov Fourth was notified. Captain Seebo instructed Captain Kelly that the HU-16B was in the search area and to contact Detachment 3, PARC as soon as possible, if

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

unable then to get airborne and contact the HU-16B. Captain Kelly contacted Detachment 3, PARC and was advised to contact ASOC at Udorn, Thailand. ASOC advised the HH-43B to remain on the ground at Ubon and await further instructions as the pilot had not been located. At 1615Z, ASOC advised Captain Kelly that the survivor had been located near Ban-Thanat-Buri, Thailand, and would be transported to Roi-Et, Thailand for recovery at 0200Z, 3 Mar 65. Captain Kelly and crew were airborne from Ubon at 0030Z, 3 Mar 65 and arrived Roi-Et at 0130Z and the survivor arrived approximately 5 minutes later. The survivor pickup was completed and the takeoff was effected at 0255Z and the survivor was off-loaded into an awaiting HU-16B for transport to Korat AB, Thailand. After refueling at Ubon, the HH-43B departed for Korat. Shortly after takeoff the helicopter was instructed to return to Ubon. After returning and finding negative requirement, the helicopter departed for Korat, arriving at 0720Z. Total sorties: 5. Total flying time: 7:25.

6. Recommendation: Provide a longer ranged, higher speed helicopter with a fully instrumented capability, in addition to the present LRR helicopters.

THOMAS C. SEEDO
Captain, USAF
Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED
Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) AFR-205-2
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
OAS, by MC

S T A T E M E N T

To Whom It May Concern: 7 March 1965

SCENE - Two HH-43F and two H-34 helicopters at Quang Tri air strip alert. HU-16 (Albatross 63) orbiting Quang Tri and HU-16 (Albatross 66) orbiting 15 miles east of DMZ.

At 1536 we were directed to scramble from Quang Tri on an aircraft downed approximately 40 miles north, over land. Because of the short distance involved, we elected not to take on any additional fuel above the 1200 pounds we already had aboard. We contacted the OSC in the HU-16 who advised that we proceed northeast, over water, to a point east of the survivors' location. This portion of the flight was made at minimum altitude in hope of avoiding either visual or radar detection. We arrived at the approximate area at 1615 and established an orbit while waiting for contact with our RESCAP. After approximately 15 minutes, Lt Phelan, ROO of the primary aircraft sighted orange smoke about a mile further at sea. He flew to that point and hoisted to safety the pilot of a VNAF A-1H which had ditched there a short time before. Around 1645 OSC reported a parachute in sight about 13 miles inland from our position. We rendezvoused with our escort, four Navy A-4E's call sign Fortress 5, 6, 7 and 8, just off the coast. Fortress 5 reconnoitered the area between us and the parachute, recommending a penetration at our present position. I assumed the lead at that time since Lt Phelan's aircraft was already crowded. I decided to attempt the penetration at minimum altitude since intelligence reports and the talk among the strike aircraft led me to believe that they were drawing automatic weapons fire in the vicinity of the survivor. I requested the escort aircraft to assist us by directing us through the areas which appeared least inhabited and to suppress any hostile fire encountered.

We crossed the beach and dune area with no difficulty. As we reached the cultivated area just west of the dunes we began to hear small arms fire from the vicinity of the houses we passed. Our escort guided us past the more heavily populated areas, giving instructions such as, "Turn a little to the north now until you cross the river --- now back to the south". Without this assistance we could easily have blundered over a barracks area just south of our course from which we later heard, most of the groundfire was coming. The jets on the RESCAP reported that each area we passed lit up like a christmas tree with small arms and anti-aircraft fire. When we were about two miles from the chute reported by our OSC, the escort sighted another one just north of us on the side of a small hill. (This was the location of the pilot downed first, for whom we were originally scrambled.) I had already passed beyond the next hill, so Lt Phelan, who had it in sight, made an approach to check it out and I flew cover around him. As I passed southeast of him we heard groundfire coming from the ridge leading to a village about a mile from their location. I reported this to the escort, requesting that they expend some suppressive fire in that area. Four of the RESCAP jets made firing passes on the ridge toward the village while Lt Phelan recovered his pararescueman. At that time I thought that they had recovered the pilot. When they took off, I again took the lead, proceeding to the second parachute.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

AIRDC # 654312
Hq PARC Log No. 0356-61

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

It was also on a slope in a densely wooded, confined, uninhabited valley. As we entered the valley at approximately 1715, we could see the parachute and a small column of smoke rising from the stream bed about 3/4 of a mile from the 'chute. As we got closer we could see the pilot waving a white cloth. I circled once while descending to hover. As I turned away, he fired a series of tracers into the air. Possibly he thought we hadn't seen him. I hovered above the trees, probably 125 feet or slightly higher, while he was hoisted aboard. The crew chief selected the rescue sling rather than the forest penetrator because the pilot was in a relatively open position and the sling is less difficult for the survivor to use.

Once the pilot was aboard, I asked our escort and RESCAP if they were receiving any flak at altitude. They and the OSC reported none, so I elected to climb before proceeding to the coast. We reached 5000 feet before crossing any populated areas, cruised at 6000 feet to the coast and then descended seaward to minimum altitude, proceeding south to Quang Tri the same way as we went up. We landed at Quang Tri at 1815, refueled, made a temporary repair to the damaged rotor blade on Lt Phelan's aircraft and departed for Danang.

As we neared Hue Citadel Lt Phelan reported a severe vibration and said that he was going to land at the Citadel airstrip. Because of the darkness we decided to leave the damaged helicopter there and transferred his crew and passenger to the Marine H-34's which had been standing by at Quang Tri with us. We arrived at Danang at 2105.

I believe our basic procedures are practical and feasible where opposition is restricted to small arms and light automatic weapons fire. Careful selection of the penetration route and altitude, based on factors existing at the time, can help to insure success. The crews must be thoroughly briefed on the necessity for close coordination with the escort.

I recommend that all units who might be involved in RESCAP or escort missions be briefed on our procedures and capabilities and advised of what we expect of them. If possible, a rescue representative should give a detailed briefing during mission briefings.

Although our present equipment serves the purpose, a twin-engine, high speed armored helicopter should greatly enhance our chances for success on future missions. The element of surprise which served us well on this mission will be missing in future operations. The additional speed and the higher survivability of a twin-engine helicopter might offset this loss.

RONALD L. INGRAHAM,
Major, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED IAW E[illegible]

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED
Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 14-5-15, under the authority of
SAS, by
AFR 205-2

STATEMENT

To Whom It May Concern: 7 March 1965

SCENE - Two HH-43F and two H-34 helicopters at Quang Tri on strip alert. HU-16 (Adman 63) orbiting Quang Tri and HU-16 (Adman 66) orbiting 15 miles east of DMZ.

At approximately 1535L the first downed aircraft was reported by Anchor 30. Adman 63 accepted on scene command. The pilot of the downed aircraft was reported alive and straight by recap. The two HH-43F's were scrambled at approximately 1538L and instructed to head north to the coast.

In rapid succession, two more downed aircraft were reported. The first had a parachute spotted approximately 1½ miles from the original downed pilot's position. The second reported a pilot in the water at XR 7060. At approximately 1550L contact was made with the two HH-43's as they crossed the coast and headed north. At this time, since Adman 66 had contact with the helicopters and was in the immediate area, Adman 63 directed that he assume control of the helicopter mission and Adman 63 immediately departed northward toward the pilot reported in the water.

Enroute to the site, four Navy A-4B's picked up Adman 63 and escorted him to the incident site. Two F-4C's that had tapped the downed pilot were released upon the arrival of the A-4B's and the HU-16. Four junks and small boats ranged approximately two miles north and west of the downed pilot. The survivor was spotted on the first pass approximately two hundred yards west of the oil slick left by his aircraft and about four miles off shore. The survivor was in his life raft and displayed dye marker as the HU-16 passed over. About three "beeps" from his URT-2I were heard while directly overhead. (It was later learned that the URT-2I antenna had been broken off.)

While the A-4B's maintained surveillance on the boats, the HU-16 jettisoned its fuel tanks and made a water landing near the survivor. The seas were estimated at four to five feet with two swell systems approximately 60° apart and a light easterly wind. The actual pickup of the survivor was at 1615L, position 1743N 10634E. A water take-off was accomplished and the HU-16 headed back southward.

A report of another bailout was received and Adman 63 set up a search in the area of the reported bailout. After about one hour of search with negative results, Adman 63 was cleared to return to Danang AB, landing at 1845L.

EDWARD M. LADOU
Major, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

AFRDC # 654313
Mq PARC Log No. 0352-61

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] [redacted]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-15 GDS, by M, under the authority of March 1965

STATEMENT

To Whom It May Concern:

SCENE - Two HH-43F and two H-34 helicopters at Quang Tri on strip alert. HU-16 (Admin 63) orbiting Quang Tri and HU-16 (Admin 66) orbiting 15 miles east of DMZ.

At 1538 local time the two HH-43F's were directed to scramble from Quang Tri on an aircraft reported down approximately forty miles north over land. After we became airborne we contacted the HU-16 on scene commander and we were directed to proceed north over the coastline and out over the water to a point just east of the survivors' last known position.

During this flight we elected to remain at a low altitude to avoid radar detection. At approximately 1615 local we arrived in the area and set up orbit awaiting our rescap aircraft. After orbiting the area for a short time we spotted orange smoke a mile or two further out at sea. We immediately proceeded to the site and hoisted to safety a VNAF pilot from an A-1E which had been shot down. The Pararescue Specialist administered first aid at this time.

At about 1645 we made contact with our rescap Fortress A-1H Navy aircraft and the on scene commander advised that he had a parachute in sight approximately ten miles inland. With the A-1H escorting us and steering us around known unfriendly positions we penetrated the coastline of North Vietnam. Since our aircraft was already carrying a rescuee, we elected to have Major Ingraham's aircraft assume the lead. As we proceeded inland we encountered small arms and automatic weapon fire. The jets flying rescap reported that a lot of flak was seen above us. After we had flown ten miles or so inland we spotted a parachute on the side of a hill. With Major Ingraham flying cover we made an approach to the site. Establishing a hover the Pararescue Specialist was hoisted down to look for the pilot. During this time our rescap were making passes to surpress the ground fire coming from the ridge line above us. The pilot could not be found in the area. The pararescue man recovered his helmet.

While he was on the ground looking for the pilot we sustained a hit in one of the rotor blades and at this point we hoisted the pararescue man back on board and were forced to leave the area because of the ground fire. Upon leaving this site we proceeded to fly cover for Major Ingraham's helicopter while they picked up another downed pilot about two miles southwest. After Major Ingraham's crew had made their recovery we climbed to altitude and proceeded to return to our staging area at Quang Tri. We landed at Quang Tri at 1815 local where the VNAF Pilot we were carrying received further medical aid. We refueled and made a temporary repair of the damaged rotor blade.

Det 3 PARC KT 2 Mar 65

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

[redacted]

ARODC # 654314

Hq PARC Log No. 035-8-65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

Shortly afterward we departed for Danang. Enroute over Hue Citadel we experienced a severe vibration and out of track condition. We elected to land at Hue, transfer to the escort helicopters and leave our helicopter there until it could be repaired and flown back to Danang. We arrived Danang at 2105.

The procedures which we are following at the present time are adequate, although it is imperative that everyone remain thourghly familiar with them. Recap and escort are a must in these type recovery missions and clear cut communications between recap and rescue aircraft is a necessity.

I recommend that in the near future a twin engine, high speed combat equipped helicopter be provided for these type missions. The equipment we are working with at present is adequate but in future missions of this sort our chances for success would be greatly enhanced with the addition of such a helicopter.

JOSEPH P. PHELAN
1/Lt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED
AFR 205-2

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Detachment Provisional Fourth (PARC)
Air Rescue Service (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, California 96233

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-65, under the authority of
GDS, by M

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Capt Westenbarger

8 Mar 65

SUBJECT: (U) Narrative Report of Det 3, PARC Mission Number 187, 2 Mar 65

TO: Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO U.S. Forces 96553

1. (U) This report reflects the action taken by Adman 44, HU-16B, during Detachment 3, Pacific Air Rescue Center mission number 187.

2. (C)(GP-4) Chronology of Events:

0513Z Adman 44 became airborne at Korat AB, Thailand, for a precautionary orbit in support of a Navy Yankee Team. (Det 3, PARC mission number 186)

0700Z Adman 44 arrived on station at 10,000 feet over Nakhon Phanom, Thailand.

0900Z Det 3, PARC requested Adman 44 to contact Invert Control (GCI) relative to a Navy aircraft reported to be down on the 118 degree radial of Nakhon Phanom TACAN at 110 miles. Invert confirmed the aircraft down. Info was relayed to Det 3, PARC and Adman 44 commenced operation in support of Det 3, PARC mission number 187.

0902Z Det 3, PARC directed Adman 44 to begin search under the radar control of Invert. Adman 44 was vectored to position 16 degrees, 33 minutes North, 106 degrees, 27 minutes East. This area is approximately 20 miles southeast of Tchepone, Laos. Baste Flight, 2 F-105s provided Rescap support for search in this area. Adman 44 searched the Sesaymon River Valley and adjacent ridges for 30 miles to Tchepone. Search effectiveness was limited due to anti-aircraft installations and haze along Route 9. Several burning areas were investigated with negative results. One truck convoy was seen moving southeast on Route 9.

1045Z Det 3, PARC requested search be abandoned in this area and commence search on the 135 degree radial of Nakhon Phanom TACAN at 85 miles. Adman 44 proceeded towards the new search area following Route 9 northwest and climbing to 7,000 feet.

1052Z Rescap Baste 31 reported a possible UHF beacon near coordinates 16 degrees, 35 minutes North, 105 degrees, 42 minutes East. Also reported departing the area with minimum fuel. Adman 44 continued search without Rescap maintaining 7,000 feet.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[illegible] YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

No PARC log

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

1110Z Adman 44 arrived in new search area and commenced an expanding square electronic search.

1115Z A weak signal from a URT-21 transmitter was received on guard.

1120Z A positive URT-21 signal was received and located with the ARA-25, UHF Homer. This signal was also observed on the ITT receiver. Invert and Det 3, PARC were notified and requested to alert Rescue helicopters and send Rescap.

1130Z A white flare was observed in the search area. The flare ascended to approximately 2,000 feet and decended as though it was a para-flare. Minutes later a second and similar flare was observed. These flares did not appear to be of a type normally in the possession of a survivor. A red flare was also ignited on the ground.

1134Z Det 3, PARC was requested to ascertain what pyrotechnics were carried by the downed pilot and necessary information for possible authentication.

1136Z Darkness. Area pressumed to be hostile due to the proximity of unfriendly anti-aircraft installation. The radio operator was sent to the rear of the aircraft to establish contact with the survivor through blinking code by the Aldis lamp.

1140Z Adman 44 dropped one M94A1 para-flare and a Mark 6, Mod 2, 45 minute smoke light with a personal strobe light attached to mark the survivors position The smoke light started a small fire which persisted throughout the recovery operation.

1146Z Det 3, PARC provided the information previously requested and confirmed the survivor to be Air Force. They had no further information concerning Rescap. Rescap was again requested from Invert.

1200Z Adman 44 decended for better blinker communications and to insure visual contact with the survivor.

1220Z Survivors authentication confirmed, and additional queries made of Invert and Det 3, PARC on the status of Rescap.

1300Z Det 3, PARC advised that the pilot was down in a friendly area. Adman 44 received an ETA of 1320Z from Bandy 21 and 41, HH-43 helicopters from Nakhon Phanom. Hotel 21 and 22, Air America helicopters were also inbound to the area. Adman 44 began illuminating the area with SA-8 para-flares and directing the helicopters to the recovery area through use of the ARA-25 Homer.

1327Z Adman 44 directed HH-43, Bandy 41, to the survivor and recovery was accomplished. The survivor, Major George W. Panas, was not injured. (His aircraft call sign was Baste 19)

1328Z A flare aircraft, call sign Smokey Orange, arrived in the area to support possible rescap operations. No rescap had arrived and Smokey Orange was released.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

1330Z Det 3, PARC advised Adman 44 to escort Bandy flight to Nakhon Phanom and pick up the survivor. Escort commenced.

1432Z Adman 44 landed at Nakhon Phanom, escort completed.

1552Z Adman 44 departed Nakhon Phanom for Korat with Major Panas on board.

1735Z Adman 44 landed at Korat, mission complete.

3. (C)(GP-4) Specific Comments:

a. Communications and assistance provided by Det 3, PARC were excellent throughout the mission.

b. A pre-mission intelligence briefing provided by Fighter Operations at Korat supplied invaluable information concerning target area, routes and strike force composition. This information later made it possible for us to determine who was experiencing difficulty and where.

c. The lack of Rescap coverage during the search and recovery phases could easily have cost the lives of those engaged in the search and recovery operation.

d. Radio communications became confusing due to the large number of transmissions on 364.2 mcs and guard. Distressed aircraft did not appear to know the call signs of rescue aircraft in their vicinity and were therefore forced to make blanket calls. The same applied to Rescap aircraft.

4. (C)(GP-4) Recommendations:

a. Rescap coverage should be preplanned to support post strike SAR operations. Whenever possible this Rescap should be composed of propeller type aircraft in order to be compatable with the search and recovery aircraft. If jet type fighters must be used, I recommend that they assume a strip alert posture until actually needed to neutralize a target in the search area or provide cover for the recovery operation.

b. A bright, long burning, dropable electric marker light is virtually essential in order to mark the position of survivors during night rescap/recovery operations over land. Adman 44 did not possess such a light. I recommend that two such lights be obtained for each HU-16 in this theatre. Fires started by the existing smoke lights pose an additional threat to the survivor.

c. Strike forces must be prebriefed on the exact call sign of the rescue aircraft in their immediate area. This will permit distressed aircraft to direct their transmissions to the force most capable of providing assistance. In order to accomplish this I recommend that call signs be designated for

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

known orbit positions and that the rescue aircraft providing the orbit assume this call sign. Similar to the use of Duckbutt Xray Bravo to identify an aircraft or station at a specific point.

DAVID P. WESTENBARGER
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THOMAS C. SHEBO
Captain, USAF
Commander

Copy to: Det 3, PARC

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPS-4

[redacted]

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
APO 96310
U. S. FORCES

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second

6 MAR 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3, PARC Mission 487-3, Ma, 65

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of QDS, by [illegible]

TO: [redacted] PARC

1. At 1130Z this detachment received two messages simultaneously, Detachment 3, PARC on single sideband and a second from ASCO at Udorn by phone. Both messages directed that Detachment Provisional Second scramble two HH-43B's, under the control of the HU-16 control ship, Adman 44, to proceed to a point 80 nautical miles from Invert on a 128 degree radial for the possible pickup of a downed pilot. At this time we were briefed by Invert that the area was "hot" and to proceed with caution. At 1210Z two HH-43B's departed and climbed to an altitude of 3,000 feet above the ground on a 130 degree heading, using NKP radio beacon and DF equipment from the HU-16, which was orbiting the pickup point. Invert was unable to paint either HH-43B during the first 50 miles of the flight. Between 54 and 70 miles Invert was able to paint our aircraft and vector us toward the HU-16. With the HH-43B's approximately 20 miles from the pickup point, the HU-16 dropped a flare, which we were able to home on. The HU-16 received word that the area was safe and that the pickup should be made immediately, without waiting for Rescap. While approximately 3 miles from the target, we sighted the HU-16, which we were advised was then over the pickup point. At this time, 1320Z, the HU-16 dropped a second flare directly over the target. The lead HH-43B started a descent to the pickup point, while the second orbited the area at 3,000 feet above the ground. The HU-16 advised us that the pickup point was marked by two adjacent lights. We spent several minutes in locating the area. Visibility was poor, due to smoke at low altitude and because there were other lights within the immediate area, we could not discern one light from the other. After locating the two lights, I made one pass over the area to verify the location and to insure that the people were friendly and that the HH-43B could be landed safely. I then circled the landing area and landed. The rescue and survival technician departed the aircraft and spoke with the local people. The downed pilot soon appeared with several men, who were helping him carry his equipment. With the pilot and equipment aboard the aircraft, we took-off and turned to a heading of 300 degrees for NKP. The helicopter, which had remained at 3,000 feet above the ground, also started for home, and because of his altitude, still had an ADF bearing on the NKP radio beacon. The HU-16 and a C-47, which had arrived in the area escorted both HH-43B's to the Thailand border. At the border we advised the C-47 that his assistance would no longer be needed. At 1430Z both HH-43B's landed at Nakhon Phanom AFB and were followed shortly by the HU-16. At no time on the return to the home field did Invert paint either HH-43B.

[redacted]

Ma PARC Log No. 65-0451

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

2. When using two aircraft at night, because of the limited visibility, it is necessary for the second aircraft to remain within 1/4 mile of the lead, [illegible] visual contact. Also, the pilots of this detachment feel that an IFF or SIF transponder would greatly aid in getting vectors along safe routes to the pickup point and in keeping two HH-43B's and escort aircraft together in limited visibility.

ISRAEL FREEDMAN
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC AIR RESCUE CENTER
AIR RESCUE SERVICE (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO, SAN FRANCISCO, 96553

SEA #1

UNCLASSIFIED

REPLY TO ATTN OF: DOARC

SUBJECT: (U) Recovery Operations

15 March 1965

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service
Attn: ARCCO

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLASSIFIED), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

1. (U) As previously reported through numerous messages and telephone conversations, ARS forces in Southeast Asia achieved a high success rate during support rendered for Rolling Thunder V. The performance of the ARS forces in recovering five out of six distressed pilots, some under extremely hazardous conditions, has been lauded by the highest level of command in the Pacific area.

2. (U) The attached narrative summaries or chronology of events, as appropriate, were prepared by the ARS personnel who were involved in these noteworthy operations. It is readily apparent that the performance of all personnel was outstanding; however, the bravery and heroic actions of Major Ingraham and Lt Phelan must be recognized as being distinctive. Both of these officers and all members of their crews have been recommended for award of the Silver Star. These recommendations have been approved by the PACAF board and forwarded to CSAF for final approval.

3. (S) The value of the attached reports as newsworthy items is recognized and 2d Air Division has made international news releases covering the performance of ARS forces. It is believed that ARS can use these reports for this same purpose within the bounds of discretion and providing reference is not made to specific areas in NVN denoting possible target complexes.

4. (U) This letter is classified secret to uphold the security classification of tactical operations.

WALTER F. DERCK
Colonel, USAF
Commander

5 Atch
1. Ltr, Det (P) 4th, PARC, 6 Mar 65 (C)
2. Statement, 7 Mar 65 (S)
3. Ltr, Det (P) 4th, PARC, 8 Mar 65 (C)
4. Statement, 7 Mar 65 (S)
5. Statement, 7 Mar 65 (S)

ARODC # 654018

UNCLASSIFIED

Hq ARS SC No. 651260

[redacted]

Hq PARC Log No. 0378-65

ARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]
HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC AIR RESCUE CENTER
AIR RESCUE SERVICE (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO, SAN FRANCISCO, 96553

REPLY TO ATTN OF: DOARC

UNCLASSIFIED

SUBJECT: SEA Operations 15 April 1965

TO: Hq ARS

1. The two attached mission narratives and one favorable communication package are forwarded for information.

2. Certain items appearing in the mission narratives requires action to resolve indicated deficiencies. This office has taken the following action to seek resolution of problem areas.

a. Minor damage to the HU-16 caused by an open sea landing in a complex sea condition was explained in PARC message DOARS 00584, 2 April 1964. Reporting procedures for the timely dispatch of information on like incidents or the waiver of reporting responsibilities has been clarified with ARIOS. (Paragraph 1, Attachment 1)

b. The recommendation for coordination with CINCPAC to identify frequency 364.2MC as rescue primary is considered inappropriate. Commander 2nd Air Division, as the SEA SAR coordinator, is responsible for the designation of frequencies for SAR operations. The indicated interference on the rescue frequency has been brought to the attention of Detachment 3, PARC. (Paragraph 3, Attachment 1)

c. The REFS referred to in Attachment 2 is a local modification designed to extend the range of the HH-43B for the purpose of permitting recovery operations in Laos. Although this system has been used to advantage in making two successful recoveries in Laos there is an element of danger connected with this type modification. To eliminate the danger and still provide a method of range extension, two self sealing auxiliary fuel tanks are being transferred from Bien Hoa to Nakhon Phanom. Installation of subject fuel tanks to include plumbing and tank security will be accomplished under the supervision of a qualified NCO from Detachment 4, PARC.

3. Attachment 1 and 2 are classified and contemplated news releases or inclusion in unclassified documents must not positively identify operating areas. Attachment 3 is unclassified and may be used as desired.

4. When attachments 1 and 2 are withdrawn this letter is ~~unclassified~~.

WALTER F. DERCK
Colonel, USAF
Commander

UNCLASSIFIED

3 Atch
1. Ltr, Mission Summary Report
2. Ltr, Det 3, PARC mission
3. Ltr of Appreciation

[redacted]

ARODC # [redacted]

Hq ARS SC No. 652030

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DETACHMENT 3
Pacific Air Rescue Center
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, California, 96307

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: SAR

16 March 1965

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO: Det 5 PARC
APO US Forces 96337

Det Provisional Second
APO US Forces 96310

Det Provisional Fourth
APO US Forces 96233

31 Air Rescue Squadron
APO US Forces 96274

33 Air Rescue Squadron
APO US Forces 96235

It is indeed a pleasure to convey the congratulations and appreciation from signatories of attached letters for superb performance. The professionally coordinated and cooperative effort which combined to the overall success of the mission and elicited such laudatory comments is a tribute to all personnel participating. I am most privileged to add my appreciation and congratulations for performance in keeping with the highest traditions of the Air Rescue Service.

Edward Knafka

EDWARD KNAFKA
LtCol., USAF
Commander

3 Atch
1. Ltr fm Amb Taylor
2. Ltr fm Gen Westmoreland
3. Ltr fm Maj Gen Moore

Attachment 3

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

8

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM
Office of the Commander
APO San Francisco 96243

MACJOO

Serial No 912
5 March 1965

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

THRU: Commander
Second Air Division
APO U. S. Forces 96307

TO: Lieutenant Colonel Edward Krafka
Commanding Officer
Detachment 3
Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO U. S. Forces 96307

The attached letter from Ambassador Taylor expressing his appreciation to the members of your detachment for their extraordinary performance of duty on 2 March 1965 is forwarded with pleasure. I want to add my appreciation and congratulations for a job well done and in the highest military tradition.

1 Incl
as

W. C. WESTMORELAND
General, United States Army
Commanding

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

9

HEADQUARTERS
2d AIR DIVISION
THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96307

OFFICE OF
THE COMMANDER

15 March 1965

Lt Colonel Edward Krafka
Commanding Officer
Detachment 3
Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO US Forces 96307

It is a pleasure to add my personal congratulations to those of Ambassador Taylor and General Westmoreland for the extraordinary performance of your detachment on 2 March 1965. Such a performance is of great credit to the Air Force and to the nation we serve.

J. H. MOORE
Major General, USAF
Commander

2 Atch
1. Ltr fm Amb Taylor
2. Ltr fm Gen Westmoreland

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

10

EMBASSY
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

American Embassy,
Saigon, Viet-Nam,
March 3, 1965.

Dear Colonel Krafka:

My attention has just been called to the extraordinary performance of some of your helicopter pilots in rescuing five out of six of our pilots downed in yesterday's attack against North Viet-Nam. This is indeed an outstanding record and testifies to the gallantry of your people in exposing themselves to rescue downed comrades.

Will you transmit to the members of your detachment my appreciation and admiration for their conduct?

Sincerely,

Maxwell D. Taylor

Maxwell D. Taylor

Lieutenant Colonel Edward Krafka,
Commanding Officer, Detachment 3,
Pacific Air Rescue Center,
APO 96307, U. S. Forces.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL 5

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-252-22 MAR 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VICINITY: HU-16B

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

Briefed 25 Mar 1965

ARS

NNNNCZCSHA754ZCQVA079
OO RUCQSH
DE RUHLKM 615 24/01419Z
O 241416Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO ARS COMMAND POST ORLANDO AFB FLORIDA
O 221400Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
13AF CLAR AB PHIL
MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVNODC
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN COMMAND POST
DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
DET PROF FOURTH HQ KORAT AB THAILAND
67TAC FTR SQUADRON KORAT AB THAILAND
18 TAC FTR WIN KADENA AB OKINAWA
48 ARS EGLIN AFB FKORIDA
33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

ARS

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of EDS, by PC

CONFIDENTIAL

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR/50279 MAR 65. HA USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING /CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC -252-22 MARCH 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1758N-10638E. APPROX TWO MILES OFF SHORE. VINH SON
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN OF SAR OBJECTIVE. NOTIFIED HU-16 OR BAILOUT AT 22/1646HRS.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: USAF HU-16

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 615 C O N F I D E N T I A L
MADE OPEN SEA LANDING AND PICKUP. LANDING MADE 22/1700HRS, TAKEOFF AT 22/1710HRS.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF
10 AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESUCE OF SURVIVORS: SEE PARA 7.
11 DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RELEASED TO USAF MED PERS AT DANANG AB RVN.
12 SORTIE FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 3 PLUS 30
USAF F-100 4 SORTIES FOR 6 PLUS 00
USAF F-105 3 SORTIES FOR 1:00
13. NUMBER VESSELS PARTICIPATED: NONE
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: NONE.
GP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

Detachment Provisional Fourth (PARC)
Air Rescue Service (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, California 96233

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 11-3-15, under the authority of
605, by [redacted] 65

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Maj Waechter

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

TO: Pacific Air Rescue Center
APO U.S. Forces 96553

1. Chronology of events.

0650Z
22 Mar 65: Iola Alpha was airborne from Danang AB, RVN and proceeded north towards mission orbit position located fifteen miles off-shore from the target area (ocean orbit Romeo). Initial climb was to flight level 5,000 feet. Upon crossing the seventeenth parallel, a descent was made to 300 feet to avoid radar detection; however, airborne radar aboard the aircraft indicated a definite lock-on by unfriendly coastal radar.

0830Z: Iola Alpha arrived at orbit position and open sea evaluation made. No smoke was dropped due to possibility of enemy detection or the confusion of friendly forces.

0845Z: Received UHF transmission on 364.2MC from "Thunderbird Three", who advised Thunderbird Lead was hit and planned to eject. Thunderbird Three was instructed to transmit a ten second hold-down for a bearing. Immediately after heading was established, wingman advised that Thunderbird Lead had ejected with a good chute opening.

0850Z: Sighted landfall which proved to be two small mountainous islands just off the North Vietnamese coast. Iola Alpha was advised to remain well clear of armed junks and radar controlled coastal batteries, which were reported by Rescap as active. Rescue aircraft endeavored to remain beyond effective firing range and located survivor with help of day smoke. A large armed fishing junk was within 800 yards and under full sail towards the survivor.

0900Z: Iola Alpha made water landing on predetermined heading; time being of essence and evasion from enemy fire paramount. Rescue aircraft contacted water on crest of swell; however, height of swell compounded by a short swell system caused the aircraft to be thrown back into the air in a fully stalled position. An estimated 15 to 20 knot cross wind then weather vained the aircraft slightly, causing it to contact the water a second time in a slight crab, which resulted in minor damage to the aircraft.

DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

AFRC # 654317
Hq PARC Log No. 0715-65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

0905Z: Survivor picked up within one and one-hal[redacted]. Only minor laceration of chin caused by oxygen mask on ejection or subsequent chute deployment.

0909Z: Iola Alpha airborne on return flight to Danang. After Rescue aircraft became airborne, Eagle Flight (Rescap F-100s) expended 114 rockets on armed junk, demolishing same.

1030Z: Iola Alpha landed at Danang. Flight Surgeon notified to meet aircraft.

2. Specific Comments.

a. Radio discipline was excellent. No extraneous transmissions were overheard and all instructions strictly adhered to. It must be noted, however, that the US 7th Fleet utilized 364.2MC for both tactical and carrier take-offs and landings. Due to range and altitude of Rescue aircraft during this particular mission, no problem was encountered. This subject has been discussed with Commander, Det 3 (PARI) and appropriate action taken.

b. Rescap was exemplary and must be commended for neutrilizing enemy gun positions and escort on return flight. No battle damage was received by the Rescue aircraft.

3. Recommendations.

a. Coordinate with CINCPAC to establish frequency 364.2MC as Rescue primary. Same to be pre-channeled in all SEA tactical aircraft. Additional frequencies are needed in cases of multiple bailouts.

LUTHER H. WASCHTER
Major, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copy to: 33 ARS

DOWNGRADED
IAW [illegible]

[redacted]

SECRET

DOWNGRADED AT THREE YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

6

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]	
MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-266-26 MAR65
SUBJECT:	USN A4E USN F8U
VICINITY:	HU-16B A4E HH-43B F8U

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNCZCSHN091ZCTVX071
OO RUCQSH
ZFH 1
ZCCSB404ZCSRC614
O RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 650 26/1303Z
O 261255Z
FMDET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ UUF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDMAFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECENHICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PERARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACVSAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD SN AFLD RVN
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST TSN AD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.2.2
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANVAB RVN
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMFUI/CTG 77
RUMFUK/TG 77.5
RUATUH/CTG 77.7
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

50288
C O N F I D E N T I A L SARTPWII MAR 65.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPGT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 266 - 26 MAR 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVES: . PILOT OF NAVY A4E.
B. PILOT OF NAVY FU.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: A. 1758N 10635E.
B. 1620N 10823E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AF DTG ARS NOTIFIED:
A. USS TOWERS AT 26/1415.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
OAS, by H

PAGE RUMSAR 650 C O N F I D E N T I A L
B. TOWER, DANANG AB AH26/1515.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION:
A. HU-16 PROCEEDED TO PIKCUP POINT FROM PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT
PCKUP MADE 1503 LOCAL.
B. 2 HH-43F SCRAMBLED FROM DANAV AB RVN. PICKUP MADE 1530L.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE
A. HU-16 TDY TO DET 5 PARC.
B. HH-43F FROM DZ 5 PARC.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: TWO
10. AGENCY AND XTHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS:
A. HU-16 OPEN SEA LANDING.
B. HH-43F HOIST RECOVERY WITH BASKET.
11. DISPOSITIONOF SURVIVORS: RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL
AUTHORITIES DANANG AB, VN.
12. SORTIES AND FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
RUSAF HU-16 5 SORTIES 7 PLUS 40 HOURS
USAF HH-43F 3 SGTIES 1 PLUS 25 HOURS
USN A-1H 4 SORTIES 9 PLUS 40 HOKS
USN A-4E 4 SORTIES 5 PLUS 20 HOURS
13. NUMBER GROKD PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH:

PG 3 RUMSAR 650 C O N F I D E N T I A L
NONE.
14. ADDITIMAL INFO: HU-16 PICKUP MADE IN SIX FOOT SEA WITH
TWO MAJOR SWWLS. BOTH NAVY PILOTS EJECTED AS A RESULT OF BATTLE
DAMAGE SUSTACED DURING STRIKE IN NORTH VIETNAM AND WERE RECOVERED
IN GOOD CONDIPON.
GP-4.
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

~~OPENING~~, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

Cdrs. Brooks, Patmos, Thorne, and Young are aware of this mission.

MISSION NUMBER: 26 MAR 65 DET 3 PARC 266

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

Briefed 29 Mar 65

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on: 14-5-25, under the authority of GAS, by 29

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: 26 MARCH 65
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

OBJECTIVES: TWO NAVY PILOTS DOWNED DURING AIR STRIKE. 1(A4E A/C) 1(F8U A/C)

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: 26/1415 HRS. BY U.S.S. TOWERS
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): ARS HU-16 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT
   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): 2 HH-43B AT DANANG
   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: PILOT #1. 6 MI NE VINH SON PILOT #2 29 MI NNE DANANG
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): UNK.
10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5 - PARC
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: USN
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): UNK
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: N/A
14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: N/A
15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): N/A
16. REMARKS: HU-16 MADE PICK-UP OF PILOT #1 IN SIX FOOT SEAS. (HU-16 TDY TO DANANG). BOTH NAVY PILOTS EJECTED AS RESULT OF DAMAGE SUSTAINED DURING STRIKE IN NORTH VIET NAM. HH-43B PICKED UP PILOT #2. BOTH NAVY PILOTS, IN GOOD CONDITION, WERE TAKEN TO DANANG.

PILOT #1 PICKED UP 1503 HRS.
PILOT #2 PICKED UP 1530 HRS.

16 SORTIES
24+05 HRS

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

DOWNGRADED AT 12 YEAR INTERVALS; NOT AUTOMATICALLY DECLASSIFIED. DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO US Forces 96337

29 March 1965

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 3 PARC

SUBJECT: Narrative Report of Mission Number Det 3 P66 26 Mar 65

TO: DOARO

On 26 March 1965 at 1515 local time Lt Phelan and his crew were airborne in an HH-43F Rescue Helicopter when they heard a Navy pilot flying a Crusader F-8U call "Mayday Mayday" and say that his aircraft had flamed out 37 miles Northeast of Danang. Lt Phelan proceeded immediately toward the flamed out aircraft. The Navy pilot was at altitude and decided to get as close to Danang as possible before ejecting. His wingman stayed with him giving short counts to the rescue helicopter. As the Navy aircraft was gliding toward Danang, the rescue helicopter was enroute to an intercept. The Navy pilot ejected at 2000 feet and his wingman reported a successful ejection and that the pilot was in his one man life raft. The rescue helicopter continued to home in on the cap aircraft and ten minutes later the downed pilot was spotted at 10623N1620E, twenty miles Northeast of Danang. At 1530 a pick-up was made utilizing the hoist and rescue basket. The pilot was examined in the helicopter by our pararescue technician and was found to be in good condition. An uneventful return trip to Danang and the transfer of the pilot to the USAF hospital there, completed the mission.

JOSEPH P. PHELAN
1/Lt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Info Copy to
Det 3 PARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL 7

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-277-29 MAR 65
SUBJECT: USN F8U
VICINITY: HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

NNNNCCZCSHA506ZCJVD936
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 718 29/1044Z
O 291030Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMFUS/CTG 77.5
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
BT

DOWNGRADED
IAW EO 13526
13 MAY 1970
[redacted]
Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
GAS, by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50294 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.

1. RCS; 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 277 - 29 MARCH 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVES: A. PILOT OF USN A-4E
   B. PILOT OF USN F-8
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENTS: VICINITY 2006N-10743E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFED:
   A. USAF HU-16 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT 1955N-10735E NOTIFIED AT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 718 S E C R E T
   29/1520 HRS. NOTIFED BY ELEMENT OF STRIKE FORCE.
   B. USAF HU-16 CONTROLLING RECOVERY OF OBJECTIVE A NOTIFIED AT 29/1550 HRS. NOTIFIED BY ELEMENT OF STRIKE FORCE.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: TOTAL TWO USN, ONE EA ACFT
8. WEATHER IN AREA: CLEAR. VIS 10 MILES IN LIGHT HAZE.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION:
   A. USAF HU-16 PROCEEDED TO SCENE AND ORBITED OVER DOWNED PILOT WHO HAD BAILED OUT OF A-4E. USAF HU-16 DIRECTED SAR SUBMARINE TO LOCATION FOR SUCCESSFUL PICKUP AT 29/1545 HRS.
   B. USAF HU-16 CONTROLLING PICKUP OF OBJECTIVE A PROCEEDED TO AREA WHERE OBJECTIVE B, USN F-8 BELEIVED CRASHED OR DITCHED IN WATER. SEARCH OPERATIONS COMMENCED.
10. FUTURE PLANS: UNDETERMINED.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: USAF HU-16 AND UNK NUMBER NAVY ACFT TERMINATED SEARCH OPERATIONS FOR TODAY AT 29/1805HRS. PROGRESS REPORT TO FOLLOW AFTER DEBRIEFING. GP-4

651179
ARODC #

[redacted] 651323 [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

OPENING, ~~OPENING/CLOSING REPORT~~

BRIEFED 30 MAR 65

29 MAR

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 - PARC 277

OBJECTIVE/POB: A. PILOT of USN A-4E B. PILOT of USN F8

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO: —

STATUS: 1 SURVIVOR 1 MISSING OPENING

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 18 MAY 1970

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.

2. DATE OF REPORT: 29 MARCH 65

3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: ELEMENT of STRIKE FORCE a. 29/1520 HRS B. 29/1550 HRS

5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT):

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): USAF HU16 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT):

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT):

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): USAF HU16

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: a. B. > VICINITY of 15 MILE N.E. of ORBIT POSITION

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): CLEAR, VIS 10 MILE IN LIGHT HAZE

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY:

11. ASSISTING AGENCIES:

12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME):

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR [illegible] DECLASSIFIED AFTER [illegible] DOD DIR 5200.10

13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS:

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS:

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): UNK NO. of NAVY AND AF ACFT.

16. REMARKS: (a) USAF HU16 PROCEEDED TO SCENE AND ORBITED OVER DOWNED PILOT WHO HAD BAILED OUT of A4E. HU16 DIRECTED SAR SUBARINE TO LOCATION FOR SUCCESSFUL PICKUP AT 29/1545 HRS. (B.) HU16 CONTROLLING PICKUP of A4E PILOT PROCEEDED TO AREA WHERE OBJECTIVE (B) USN F-8 BELIEVED CRASHED OR DITCHED IN WATER. SEARCH OPERATIONS COMMENCED. NO SIGHTING.

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

SECRET

ARODC # 651179

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

_____

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

_____

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

d. NUMBER SAVED: _____

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

_____

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS: _____

_____ TOTAL: SORTIES _____ HOURS _____

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): _____

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: _____ RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): _____

NUMBER OF VESSELS: _____

h. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 3 PARC 277 29 MAR

[redacted]

REOPENING, REOPENING/SUSPENDING, REOPENING/CLOSING REPORT

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1 (FOLLOWED BY WORDS "REOPENING" OR "REOPENING/SUSPENDING" OR "REOPENING/CLOSING" REPORT).

2. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE. DET 3 PARC 277

3. DATE OF REPORT. 31 MARCH 65

Classification (cancelled, changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of EAS, by [illegible]

4. REASON FOR REOPENING AND TIME (GMT) (TO INCLUDE GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES LOCATION OF SAR OBJECTIVE). NAVY HAD A SIGHTING

5. SAR ACTION TAKEN AND TIME (GMT) (INCLUDE METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS AND/OR RECOVERY OF DECEASED, IF APPLICABLE).
PICKED UP BY HU-16 FROM DANANG

6. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED, IF APPLICABLE.
TAKEN TO AF DISPENSARY AT DANANG

7. FUTURE PLANS, IF APPLICABLE (NUMBER AND TYPE OF SAR FORCES).
N/A

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 28 MAY 1970

8. FORECAST WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA (REOPENING ONLY).
N/A

9. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING AGENCY(S)/ORGANIZATIONS - IF AVAILABLE.
2 / 4+00

10. NUMBER OF TEAMS/PERSONNEL/GROUND VEHICLES/MOBILE RADIOS/FIXED RADIOS/VESSELS OF CONTROLLING/ASSISTING ORGANIZATIONS/AGENCY(S).
NONE

11. MISSION SUSPENDED/CLOSED TIME (GMT).
1400 31 MAR

12. REMARKS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (MISSION TERMINATION/SUSPENDED TIME, ETC.).

13. THIS CONSTITUTES THE FINAL MISSION REPORT. (FOR REOPENING/CLOSING OR REOPENING/SUSPENDING REPORTS ONLY).

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

[redacted]

ARODC # 651179

cy #2

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F-1

IMMEDIATE

FM CZCSRA59ECJV5542
DD RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 766 91/1815Z
O 311950Z
FM DET 5 PACARESCUECEN ISN AFLD AVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUSDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKA/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLNL/CINCPACFLEETPEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMASA/13AF CLARK AFB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD COMMAND POST
ZEN/2AD ISN KLD RVN
ZEN/CTF 72.2.1.1
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMFUS/CTG 77.5
RUMFUHSACTG 77.7
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG RECVN
RUMASA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 4-5-75, under the authority of
CHS, by [redacted]

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-1

[redacted]

[redacted]

S E C R E T SAR 92302 MAR 69. RQ USAF FOR AFXOPN, MATS FOR MAOCD/AT AND MCP, PACAF FOR PFOCC-R, ARS FOR ARODC, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-M1, REOPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSIONNUMBER: DET 5, PARC-277-29 MARCH 1969.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 31 MARCH 1969.
4. MISSION WAS UNDER CONTROFOF CTF 77. AT 2020 DET 5 PARC WAS NOTIFIED BY DET 5 PARC AT DANANG THAT THE NAVY HAD A SIGHTING AND WAS REQUEYING AN HU-16 FOR A PICK-UP. LOCATION OF SIGHTING 2016-107372.
5. SAR ACTION TAKEN: HU-16 1551/ SCRAMBLED FROM DANANG AT 1600, HAS PROCEEDED DIRECTLY TO AND ARRIVED IN THE AREA AT 1130, HAS WAS OVER THE

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 766 S E C R E T
SURVIVOR AT 1132, LANDED AT 1136. THE SURVIVOR WAS NOT ABLE TO ASSIST HIMSELF IN GETTING INTO THE HU-16 BECAUSE OF A DISLOCATED SHOULDER. A PARARESCUEMAN ENTERED THE WATER AND PROVIDED THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE. THE SURVIVOR WAS THEN PLACED IN A LITTER, AS HE WAS IN A MILD STATE OF SHOCK. THE HU-16 WAS AIRBORNE AGAIN AT 1150. AFTER FLYING ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES THE SURVIVOR WASBROUGHT OUT OF SHOCK AND WAS ABLE TO DRINK SOME SOUP. WHILE ENROUTE HIS SHOULDER POPPED BACK INTO POSITION. THE HU-16 LANDED DANANG AT 1400.
6. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: DELIVERED TO AIR FORCE DISPENSARYAT DANANG.
7. TOTAL SORTIES AS ASSISTING AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 TWO SORTIES FOUR HOUR.
8. N/A
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: ON SENCE COMMAND WAS EXERCISED BY A USN E-1, AND THE AREA WAS PROVIDED RESCAP ON THE SXCENE AND ESCORTED BACK TO SEVENTEENTH PARALLEL BY USN A-4'S, F-4'S, AND F-8'S.
GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; [redacted]
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

ARODC # 651712
Hq ARS SC No. 651360

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PROGRESS, SUSPENDING, CLOSING REPORTS

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 277 29 MAR 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: PILOT USN F-8

TYPE FLT PLAN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO: —

[redacted]: CLOSING

BRIEFED 31 MAR 65 JD

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.

2. Date of report: 30 MAR 65

3. AREA SEARCHED LAST PERIOD/EFFECTIVENESS/RESULTS: ✓

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

18 MAY 1970

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OJS, by M

4. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA (PROGRESS ONLY): ✓

5. ~~LEADS AND SIGHTINGS~~: ✓ FOLLOWING INFO RCVD FROM PARC, COL MASK, VIA KY-9: (31/06152) A HU-16 FM DET 5 MADE AN OPEN SEA PICK-UP OF THE NAVY F-8 PILOT THAT WAS SHOT DOWN ON 29 MAR 65. PILOT WAS SUFFERING FROM A BROKEN SHOULDER AND SHOCK. PICK-UP MADE AT 20°10'N/105°15'E.

6. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): ✓

7. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): ✓

REASON FOR SUSPENDING AND TIME (GMT): MISSION CONTROL EXCERCISED BY US NAVY. NO ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED.

FUTURE PLANS (PROGRESS ONLY):

WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA:

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS DOD DIR 5200.10

FORCES AVAILABLE:

8. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED:

9. NUMBER OF SEARCH AIRCRAFT, SORTIES, AND FLYING HOURS:

TODAY: TO DATE:

10. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: [redacted] (MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

ARS FORM 27 MAR 65 [redacted] ARODC # 651212

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNV

TS....926PLS CHANGE PREEDING NR TO 925
ITTTTTTTTTTTTRZCJVC526
OO RUCQSH
ZDG RUEKCS
PRO664VV SAA718V U718VV ARA932
OO RUCQSH RUCDAA RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 743 30/0931Z
O 3009302
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL

UCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB LA
RUHLKM/PACAS HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLIM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHLGXCINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGUL/COMSEVNTHFLT
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/ZAD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/ZAD COMMAND POST TSN ASLD RVN
ZENJXCTE 70.2.1.1
RUMFUI/CTG 77
RUMFUK/CTG 77.5
RUATUR/CTG 77.7
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECN DANANG AB RVN
RUMABA/31ARS CLARK AB PI
BT
UNCLAS F T O SAR 30160 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPAWN MATS FOR MAOCOAT MCP, PACAF FOR PSOCC-R, ARS FOR ARODC, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, ICLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 277 -29 MARCH 1965.
3. DAT OF REPORT: 30 MA
IN 1965.

ITEMS 4 THRU 9: N/A.
10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: MISSION CONTROL EXERCISD BY US NAVY AND NO ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO US Forces 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 5 PARC

3 April 1965

SUBJECT: Narrative Report of Mission Number 277 Det 3 31 March 65

TO: DOARO

Supplemental Narrative Report on Det 3 PARC Mission 277 on 31 March 1965. Major Shook's crew was notified of a SAR incident at 0925L. We were airborne at 1000L and were briefed that a man had been spotted in a life raft at 2010N 10737E. With vectors from land and airborne radar we arrived over the scene at 1130L. The downed pilot was being covered by Navy A1E's and F8U's from nearby carriers. After extensive water evaluation, Capt Richardson pilot made an open sea landing. While taxiing to life raft, the pilot indicated that he had an injured arm. Approximately 20 feet away SSgt Stone pararescue man jumped into the water and pulled the life raft to the aircraft. The F8A pilot was Cmdr William N. Donnelly from the USS Coral Sea. He was shot down on the 29th of March. After a successful take off the HU-16 landed at Danang AB at 1410L. Crew members on the HU-16 were Maj Kenneth L. Shook, Rescue Crew Commander, Capt David K. Richardson, Pilot, Lt Jack O. Slocombe, Navigator, SSgt David E. West, Flight Engineer, A2C Robert M. Shimamoto, Radio Operator, SSgt Richard N. Stone, Pararescue, A2C Robert J. Lubbers, Pararescue.

Kenneth L. Shook

KENNETH L. SHOOK
Major, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Info Copy to
Det 3 PARC

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL 8

OPENING/CLOSING/S[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-283-31 MAR 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-100
VICINITY: HH-43B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPS 2-1

[redacted] [redacted]

1430

MAR 31 1965 318 IMMEDIATE

HMA460VV THA314VV MPA085VV ARA086

OO RUHLKM
DE RUMSAR 767 31/1015Z
FM DET 3 PACARESKECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEADX/TAC LANGLEY AFB VJ
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHA/[illegible] HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2 AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/2AD COMMANDPOST TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/YT COMMAND POST TSN AFLD RVN
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND HQ PARC NAKHON PHANOM THAPAND
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH HQ PARC KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/DET COMDR 2AD UDORN THAILAND
RUMUG/615 TFS DANANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/23 AB GP COMMAND POST DANANG AB RVN
RUMSAG/DETT PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUWGAD/401ST TFW ENGLAND AFB LA
BT

OPR	DO		
C	DOP	DP	
DI	DO	DM	DPL
CPT	DCE	DE	IG
DOI	CH	ADS	DAS
SG	JA	COC	SR
ARS	OSI	SSO	WX

GMF 6005

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAR

S E C R E T SAR/50303 MAR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCOAT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1. OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSIONNUMBER: DET 3 PARC-283-31 MARCH 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY:DET 3 PARC.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by 19

4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-100. (BAILT)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1717N-10545E.
6. ALERTING AGFCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: RADAR CONTROL RECIEVED MAYJY CALL AND PASSED TO DET 3 PARC AT 31/1135HOURS.
7. TYPE AND TVE OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: SCRAMBLED 2 USAF HH-43B

PAGE 2 RUMSJ 767 S E C R E T
HELICOPTERS FROM NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND AND DIVERTEDMNE USAF HU-16 TO ACT AS ON SCENE COMMANDER 31/1140HOURS. [redacted]
8.UGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HH-43B.
9 NUMBER OF SURVIVORS:ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: USAF PAJRESCUEMAN LOWERED BY HOIST AND ASSISTED PILOT INTO SLING.
11. DISVSTION OF SURVIVOR: FLOWN TO NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND BY USAF HH-43. TRANSFERRED TO USAF HU-16 AND RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL AUTHORITIESUT KORAT AB THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGFCY;
USAFHJH-16 TWO SORTIES FOR 4:50
USAF HH-43B TWO SORTIESFOR 6:00
13 AND 14: NONE. GP-4.
BT

[redacted]

ARODC 654316
0464-65
Hq PARC Log No.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

DPS 4-35

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO US Forces 96310

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second 1 APR 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3 PARC Mission No. 283 31 Mar 65

TO: Headquarters Pacific Air Rescue Center

INFO: Det 3 PARC

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 4-5-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

1. By coincidence, one of our HH-43's was flying a local training flight and heard the distressed pilot's initial "Mayday". The helicopter pilot relayed it to Invert at 1000 hours (all times approximate and local), and Invert, in turn, alerted the alert duty officer, myself. The fact that our aircraft are placed on alert each morning at 0900, put us in good position for immediate scramble, even though today's official alert did not begin until 1120.

2. I notified Det 3, PARC of the pilot's ejection at 1030 and relayed his approximate position (098° @ 58 miles) as given me by Invert. The alert crews in the meantime, had been alerted by the still airborne HH-43 and initiated final aircraft combat mission configuration, including the "Range Extension Fuel System" (REFS). Final readiness was confirmed at 1040 and takeoff was accomplished at 1050.

3. Takeoff, climb to 4000' MSL, and cruise progressed smoothly, and initial contact with Invert was established on frequency 278.4. We learned that F-100 Recap aircraft and Basil 56, HH-16, were enroute to the scene. Soon after border penetration, we established contact with Air America's Victor Rescue Control aircraft. Changes of frequencies had proceeded from 278.4 through 321.0, 311.0, to 364.2 before satisfactory communication was established among all aircraft. Prior to reaching the target area, both helicopters jettisoned the 55 gallon drums, making up REFS. REFS procedures were considered routine and the system functioned as expected.

4. The target area was reached at 1150. A few signals from the survivor's URT-21 were heard faintly, but neither Alban aircraft (HH-43's) could home on it. Some confusion existed at this time as to the exact location of the crash site, and we experienced a considerable amount of chatter over the SAR frequency as we tried getting within visual range of Basil and/or Victor Control aircraft.

5. At 1230, I (in Alban 21) sighted a small amount of smoke. I circled the area at 3900' MSL four or five times. I saw what I thought to be a signal mirror flashing. The area was made up of very dense jungle and no visual habitation was within 8 - 10 miles. I advised Alban 41 I was

DOWNGRADED AT [illegible]
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

Hq PARC Log [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

descending for investigation. (In the critique following the mission, it was felt that I should have perhaps requested that Rescap aircraft go down for the initial look. I certainly agree with this concept if time and conditions warrant.) The area was, in fact, the crashed aircraft and what I had seen flashing was the sun reflecting from scattered metal pieces. All of this time, both Alban helicopters were intermittenly receiving weak signals from the survivor's URT-21 radio beacon. They would come and fade, but never get strong. The HH-1f could not pinpoint the location, and Victor Rescue had no ADF homing equipment. By turning until the signal got louder, we got closer to the survivor. Finally the signal became strong enough that our ADF could home on it. We passed over the survivor's chute approximately 1250 and one of my crew members spotted it. Alban 41, circling above us, called simultaneously that he had it spotted also. One of my crew dropped a smoke grenade to mark the area and the survivor released one about the same time.

6. The foliage was so thick, we could not see the survivor. The URT-21's signal was coming in exceptionally loud at this time. We have since conjectured that a combination of a weak battery and dense vegetation limited the signal intensity, thereby shortening its range.

7. Assuming the pilot was injured, I lowered a paramedic to him with the hoist. I hovered over a small opening about 50-100' from the parachute canopy. I estimate the trees to have been 100' tall, as it took all the hoist cable to reach the ground, even with the helicopter touching the tree foliage in places. As the paramedic reached the ground, the survivor walked up to him. Though he had a suspected broken arm, the survivor managed to hold himself in the sling safely enough to allow his exit through the surrounding foliage. The paramedic was subsequently hoisted aboard at 1300 and both Alban aircraft proceeded home.

8. The crew for the mission consisted of the following personnel:

Low A/C (Alban 21)

Captain Jay M. Strayer, 65501A (P)
Captain James C. Rodenberg, 66754A (CP)
A1C Cecil A. Boothby, AF27350317 (EM)
SSgt Elson J. Farmer, AF19290428 (PJ)
A1C Herbert H. Roulsch, AF19527466 (PJ)

High A/C (Alban 41)

Captain Israel Freedman, 72104A (P)
Captain Warren K. Davis, AO3040721 (CP)
A1C Frank P. Hanutke, AF16789217 (EM)
SSgt Harold G. Stroud, AF16559642 (PJ)
A2C Eric A. Anderson Jr., AF18659054 (PJ)

Sorties flown 2, hours flown 6+00.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

9. In summary, the mission [illegible] any significant drawbacks. Two outstanding factors were responsible for our success:

a. The makeshift HH-43B supplementary fuel system (REFS), that allowed us an extra 35 minutes "stay" time. Considering the time it took to locate the survivor, the lack of REFS would have delayed his recovery by an unknown and perhaps crucial, length of time. Jettisoning of the REFS tank was a definite advantage in that it allowed much more cabin room for crew members and eliminated the danger of spilled fuel in case of a hit from ground fire.

b. The survivor's possession of an operating URT-21 radio beacon. Without the device, it is quite conceivable the survivor might never have been located because of his injury and the surrounding high, dense foliage. The advantages of possessing a properly operating signal - supplemented by smoke flares, a strobe light and signal mirror - cannot be overstressed to crew members flying over hostile territory. There can be no doubt in anyone's mind that the success of this particular mission was the direct result of such an operating signal device.

JAY M. STRAYER
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

9

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-319-9APR65
SUBJECT: USN A4C
VICINITY: HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

priority
12 APR 1965

ARS

ZCZCSHA987ZCYVX155
OO RUSQSH
DE RUMSAR 228 09/1419Z
O 091419Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUEGEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/AF USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCOMA/MAAG SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQHA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHM/PACARESCUEGEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMASA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/1AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD CP RVN
ZEN/CTE 72.2.1.1
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMFUS/CTG 77.5
RUMGUN/CTG 77.6
RUMFUH/CTG 77.7
RUMASA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUAESK/33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMSAG/DET 3 PACARESCUEGEN DANANG AB RVN
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 00350 APR 65. HQ USAF FORAAFXOPH, MAIS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOOC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1. ROS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC-319-9 APRIL 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF US NAVY A4C. 1 survivor
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1654N-10541E. 15 mile North of VINH
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED:
USN SAR DESTROYER NOTIFIED PREPOSITIONED HU-16 AT 10/1702 HOURS.
7 TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HU-16 PROCEEDED TO SCENE.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 228 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USN C-1 ACFT. Located Down Pilot
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USN.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE OPEN SEA LANDING APPROX ONE MILE OFF SHORE AT 10/1300 HOURS AND TAXIED TO POSITION APPROX ONE HALF MILE OFF SHORE FOR PICKUP AT 10/1310HRS. TAKEOFF VMDE AT 10/1320HRS.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DANANG AB RVN. CONDITION GOOD, MINOR INJURIES ONLY.
12 SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 3 SORTIES FOR 18:00
USAF F-100 6 SORTIES FOR 10:00
USAF F-102 2 SORTIES FOR 2:00
US NAVY A-1 4 SORTIES FOR 12:00
US NAVY A-4 4 SORTIES FOR 8:00
13. N/A.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: NONE SP-4.
BT

19/56400

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DETACHMENT 5
PACIFIC AIR RESCUE CENTER
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U.S. FORCES 96337

Vandegrift has op 30 Oct 65 Pang and

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC 12 Apr 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: DET 3 PARC

On 9 Apr 1965, HU-16's Alpha and Bravo were circling "Sharpnote", a U.S. Navy Destroyer, when a message came of an aircraft down in the water about one mile off-shore. Both aircraft proceeded outbound, and further information, ie, the exact location, positive sighting of a survivor, Rescap available, was secured. Additional Rescap with air-ground ordnance was requested, and was pulled "off-target" by the Navy and diverted to the SAR area. The HU-16's arrived in the target area at 1745H, sighting was made of the survivor, and a recheck of the local sea condition made. The crew of Alpha elected to attempt a open-sea landing and pick-up. Landing was made on a heading of 230°, with touchdown approximately 1 to 1¼ miles off-shore. The aircraft was taxied at low to medium speed toward the survivor under the direction of Bravo and the Rescap, as spray prevented positive sighting by the aircraft on the water. When informed that the survivor was about 100 yards ahead, the aircraft was brought to "dead slow" taxi, visual sighting established, and a two engine pick-up made. Estimated position of the aircraft at time of pick-up was 800 to 1,000 yards off-shore. Immediate taxi out to sea was made, then take off was accomplished on a heading of 230°. Landing time was 1805H, pick-up at 1810H, and take-off at 1820H. Prior to landing, small arms fire had been reported by the Rescap, and they had reported that they believed they could supress it. During landing, water operations, and take-off the Rescap maintained constant firing passes on the shore line and high ground in the area, performing what I consider an outstanding job. Pick-up could not have been attempted without adequate Rescap to insure safety of the aircraft and crew from ground fire. The survivor was in good condition, with a cut on his left thumb and bruises on both thighs. All injuries were sustained when the survivor "bailed out"by spinning the aircraft to throw himself out after ejection systems had failed. The downed aircraft was an A-4C Skyhawk. The Survivor was returned to Danang A.B. and turned over to the station medical personnel.

Landing Aircraft HU-16 51-7217 31st ARS
Survivor----- LtCdr Charles H. McNeil, USN
Crew Members-- RCC-Capt. R.F. Reichardt; Pilot-Capt. F.A. Burkhart; Nav- 1lt Slocombe,J.O.; FM- SSgt K.V. Lundy; RO- SSgt J.A. Powers— all 31st ARS. PJ-Alc H.J. O'Bierne, 36th ARS; PJ-Alc L. Huyett, 33rd ARS.

Richard F. Reichardt
Captain USAF
RCC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

10

OPENING/CLOSING:	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-393-27APR65
SUBJECT:	USN AIH
VICINITY:	HH-43B

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNCZCSHA313ZCJVD87
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 978 27/0700Z
O 270700Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMGUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUS/CTF 77
RUMFUS/CTG 77.5
RUMFUJ/CTG 77.6
RUMFUH/CTG 77.7
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUABKM/33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND PARC NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
BT

Briefed 27 April

[redacted]

IMMEDIATE

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of CJS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50395 APR 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 F FOR JSARC.

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 393 - 27 APRIL 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF US NAVY A1H. (survivor)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: FIRST DISTRESS CALL 1740N - 10530E. 45 mile N.E. NAKON PHANOM
   PICKUP EFFECTED AT 1727N - 10445E. 5 mile N.W. NAKON PHANOM
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: HU-16 IN

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 978 C O N F I D E N T I A L
   PREC UTIONARY ORBIT AT 1135H.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HU-16 PROCEDED TO INTERCEPT DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT. HELICOPTERS ALERTED FOR POSSIBLE BAIL OUT.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: USAF HH-43B.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: HH-43 S RECOVERED SURVIVOR TO NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND. HE WAS THEN TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 AND FLOWN TO DANANG AB RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
    USAF HH-43B, FOUR SORTIES FOR ONE PLUS ZERO HOURS.
    USAF HU-16, TWO SORTIES FOR FIVE PLUS FIFTEEN.
13. ADDITIONAL INFO: SURVIVOR SUSTAINED NEGATIVE INJURIES.

GP-4
BT

6 Sorties 6 1/2 hrs

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PARC

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second

28 APR 1965

SUBJECT: Rescue Mission Det 3, PARC 28 Apr 65 - 393

TO: Det 3, PARC

1. At 0340Z Radar Operations alerted us that they had contact with a Navy A-1H, squawking emergency. I went directly to Radar Operations, where at 0345Z I overheard a radio transmission from an A-1H in a flight of two, saying that they were 19 miles out and would attempt an emergency landing at this station. I immediately made the decision to scramble one helicopter to intercept the damaged aircraft. Since the aircraft was or would soon be in Thailand, I directed that the additional survival gear not be loaded aboard the aircraft. At 0350Z helicopter 60-230 was airborne.

2. Radio transmissions upon take-off revealed that the pilot of the damaged A-1H had elected to bail out. Upon turning out of traffic we had the flight of A-1H's, followed by the Rescue HU-16, in sight. In an attempt to gain altitude, the flight of A-1H's made a 360 degree turn around the base. On approximately the 030 degree radial, about two miles from the base, the pilot abandoned his aircraft. The aircraft made a descending turn to the right and dove into an uninhabited, wooded area just over a mile from the base. The pilot's parachute "blossomed" a few seconds after he left the aircraft, and he floated almost straight down in the very light wind. I flew descending circles around the pilot until he touched down in a lightly wooded area. I was able to land in a confined rice paddy, not more than 75 yards from the downed pilot. The pilot apparently did not strike any trees, but his parachute tangled in the top of one tall tree. As I was making a hover landing, the pilot released himself from the parachute harness and dropped five to ten feet to the ground. The pararescue man and crew chief departed the aircraft and assisted the pilot to and aboard the helicopter. The pilot apparently suffered only minor superficial injuries.

3. With the pilot aboard I made a max-performance take-off and returned to the base. I left the crew chief at the sight to recover the pilot's survival equipment. The crew of a second helicopter later assisted and picked up the crew chief. After letting off the downed pilot, who was met by the base doctor at the ramp, I returned to the downed aircraft to insure that the fire had not gotten out of control. I terminated the flight at 0420Z.

4. The weather throughout the mission was 4,000 feet scattered to broken, visibility 15 miles, winds light and variable.

James C. Rodenberg

JAMES C. RODENBERG, Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

11

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted] CONFIDENTIAL
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-428-7 MAY 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VICINITY:
HU-16B

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

13 MAY 1970

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 428 7 APR 5

OBJECTIVE/POB: USAF F-105 PILOT

[redacted] FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO: UNK

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
EAS, by

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): AN ARS HU-16 LOCATED THE PILOT, 25 M SE THANH HOA NORTH V.N.

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): THE SAME HU-16 MADE AN OPEN-SEA LANDING & RECOVERED THE F105 PILOT

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: 1 SURVIVOR

d. NUMBER SAVED: "1"

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: RELEASED TO MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DANANG AB RVN

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 3 HOURS 15+45

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): NONE

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: / RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): /

NUMBER OF VESSELS: NONE

h. REMARKS: THE HU-16 PILOTED BY CAPT REICHARDS WAS ON A PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT IN SUPPORT OF THE OPERATION IN WHICH THE F-105 WAS INVOLVED. THE ACFT STATED IT WAS IN DISTRESS. THE HU-16 DIVERTED FROM THE ORBIT TO RENDER AID TO THE PILOT OF THE F-105 WHO SUBSEQUENTY EJECTED FROM HIS ACFT. THE HU-16 LOCATED THE PILOT & RECOVERED HIM WHILE OTHER ACFT PROVIDED RESCAP. THE EXCELLENT RESCAP SUPPORT IN THE NEUTRALIZATION OF SURFACE VESSELS AIDED MATERIALLY IN THIS RECOVERY.

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

18 MAY 1970

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

ARODC # 652118

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____
   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____
   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTPOLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

428 IMMEDIATE

ARODC
BDC
COI

C
ZCSHA157ZCQVA078
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 187 07/1601Z
O 071605Z
FM DET 3 PARC TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PHIL
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAG/DET 5 PARC DANANG AB RVN
RUMBDK/18TUFW KORAT AB THAI
RUMABA/31ST AIR RESCUE SQ CLARK AB PHIL
BT

Opening/Closing

[redacted]

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of AFR-205-2 ODS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED
13 MAY 1970

S E C R E T SAR 50423 MAY 1965. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCRN ARS FOR E ODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 428 - 7 MAY 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1935N-10605E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED RESCUE AIRCRAFT NOTIFIED BY DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT AT 07/1530H
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: USAF HU-16B RESPONED

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 187 S E C R E T
TO BAILOUT AREA AT 07/1530H.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16B.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF H[redacted]
PERFORMED OPEN SEA LANDING FOR WATER PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DANANG AB RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 ONE SORTIE 5:15 HOURS
USN A-1H TWO SORTIES 10:30 HOURS
OTHER AIRCRAFT IN AGIA PROVIDED RESCAP SUPPORT DURING ACTUAL RECOVERY.
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/UESSELS PARTICIPATING IN DLAR
O: NONE
14. XIRVIVORKEPORTED SLIGHTLY INJURED DURING EJECTION. RECOVERY EFFECTED BY CAPT. REICHARDT AND CREW, 31ST ARS. EXCELLENT RESCAP SUPPOVT IN THE NEUTRALIZATION OF SURFACE VESSELS AIDED MATERIALLY IN THIS RECOVERY.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

Hq ARS SC No. 652388

ARODC # [redacted] 652118

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U.S. Forces 96337

Vandengrift has copy - 20 Oct 65 Pinyinc

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC

SUBJECT: Mission Narative

TO: DET 3 PARC

HU-16 No. 15302 took off from Danang at 1330H to cover an ocean orbit position a5 19 30N 106 10E, arriving on station at 1500H. Shortly after 1530H a call received from "Chevy" flight stated a pilot had ejected. His chute was good, and they were following him down. When asked on the location, they stated they were about 10 miles off shore. DF bearings were taken, all giving random bearings, showing the transmissions were in the immediate area. Another call was received that they had the 16 in sight, just to the south. A turn was made to the north, and the chute sighted. The HU-16 orbited under the chute as it descended. Sea evaluation was rechecked, and 020 was selected as possible heading. As the chute approached 1000' (estimated), the landing pattern was established. Drop tanks were jettisoned on down wind. The survivor made contact with the wateras we turned on final. Landing run-out was within 200 feet of the survivor, and the 16 manouvered for normal recovery. Landing time was 1545H, location 19 35N 106 05E. The survivor had not released his canopy prior to pick up, thus it was cut loose by the para-rescue team as the survivor was brought aboard. An immediate take off was made in a northeasterly heading, and then first aid treatment was adminsitered to wounds on the right arm of the survivor after airborne. Reason for expediting take off was numerous small craft in the immediate area. Several of which were destroyed by Rescap while the 16 was on final approach and on the water. The 16 landed at Danang at 1805 H, and the survivor was released to the Danang Station Hospital. X-Rays revealed foreign metalic objects in the arm, which were removed by the Marine Surgeon.

Survivor Major Lambert, Robert L., 354th Fighter Sq.. Downed Aircraft F-105. ~~HU-16 Crew~~ - RCC, Capt Richard F. Reichardt, Pilot, 1st Lt David W. Haines; Navigator, Capt Alexander F. Stevart; AM, SSgt Paul El Lucier, all of the 31st ARS, Clark. RADIO Operator, Robert M. Shimamoto, 76th ARS. PJ's, TSgt William V. Vargas and SSgt Donald G. Smith, Both 31ARS.

Richard F. Reichardt
RICHARD F. REICHARDT
Capt., USAF
RCC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 12

OPENING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-433-8 MAY 65
SUBJECT: USN RF8A
VICINITY: HU-16B

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

Briefed 10 MAY AM

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 433

OBJECTIVE/POB: USN RF-8 PILOT

[redacted] PLN: TAC

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): A PREPOSITIONED AT 1722 HU-16 ALFIRTED 08/1722H

~~3 MILES AT SEA~~

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): THE HU-16 sighted objectives and MADE OPEN SEA LANDING AT 08/1742 H 38 MI N.E DONG HOI NORTH V.N.

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: ONE SURVIVOR

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: RELEASED TO USAF MED PERS AT DANANG AB RVN

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 3 HOURS 3+50

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): NONE

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: NONE RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): NONE

NUMBER OF VESSELS: NONE

h. REMARKS: RCC - CAPT REICHARDT. SURVIVOR WAS APPARENTLY NOT INJURED. ~~NARATIVE FOLLOWS.~~

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 4-5-75, under the authority of OJS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

[redacted]

ARODC # 652115

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PACC 433

OBJECTIVE/POB: USN RF-8 PILOT

TYPE FLT PLN: TACT

FROM - TO:

STATUS: OPEN/CLOSING

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: 8 MAY 65
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL): USN RF-8 PILOT BAILOUT
4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: PREPOSITIONED RESCUE A/C AT 08/1722 H
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): N/A
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): PREPOSITIONED HU-16 08/1722 H
   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): N/A
   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): N/A
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): SAME AS 6
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: 1753 N - 10705 E
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): UNK
10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: N/A
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: N/A
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): N/A
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: N/A
14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: N/A
15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): N/A
16. REMARKS:

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE 433

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCCI
" ARBDC

C/closing

NNNNCZCSHA301ZCQVA381
OO RUCQSH
ZFH 1
ZCCSB568ZCSRA413
OO RUHLHL RUHLKM RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 213 08/6658Z
O 081700Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAW
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT
RUMFEUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUI/CTF 77
RUMFUS/CTG BUUMT
RUMGUN/CTG 77.6
RUATUH/CTG 77.7
RUMEBA/13 AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN
RUMEBA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
BT

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [redacted]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

[redacted]

DET 3 PARC 433 - 8 MAY 65

S E C R E T SAR 50427 MAY 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MACOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOTCC?-H, 13AF FOR JSARC
1- 1-ARS-FL, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT3.
2- T MISSION NUMBER: 3 433 - 8 MAY 65
3- CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC
4- SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USN RF-8
5- LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1753N-10705TE
6- ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED RESCUE AIRCRFAT NOTIFIED AT 8/6722H
7- TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: PREPOSITIONED AIRCRAFT

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 213 S E C R E T
RESPOTNED TO BAILOUT POSITION AT 8/1722H.
8- AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9- NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE
10- AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE OPEN SEA LANDING AT BAILOUT SITE AT 8/1742H
11- DISPOSITION OF SURVIVIRS: RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DANANG AB RVN
12- SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BTY TYPE AIRCRAFT AND AGENCY: 3 SORTIES FOR 3:50 HOURS BY USEF HU-16./
13- VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE
14- ADDITIONAL INFO: RESCUE CREW COMMANDER WAS CAPT. REICHARDT. SURVIVOR WAS APPARENTLY ININJURED.
FOR PARC AND ARS: MISSION NARRATIVE FOLLOWES. GP-4.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS; DOD DIR 5200.10

Bq ARS SC No. 652385

[redacted]

NNNN

AROC # 652115 Hall

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U.S. Forces 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC 12 May 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: DET 3 PARC

1. Toot Bravo departed home station at 1525 on 8 May and arrived position 16 30N 106 25E at 1640H. At 1700H we were advised by a navy aircraft, Call Sign Vocal Cord, that Cork Tip 966, sustained battle damage over the target and assistance may be required. Other navy aircraft joined on Cork Tip 966 and advised him he had a fuel leak in the wing section. 966 stated He would attempt to join tanker aircraft to take on fuel.

2. At 1708 the escorting aircraft advised 966 that he was leaking hydraulic fluid and smoke was coming from the center wing section. Approximately the same time the pilot advised his RPM had "Unwound" and he was ejecting. Toot Bravo departed station for the scene which was about 35 miles to the south.

3. At 1710H we were told the ejection was successful and the pilot was in the chute. Bravo arrived at the scene, 17 33N 107 05E at 1735H. A sea evaluation was made and landing executed at 1739H and take off at 1715H.

4. The primary swells was 3½ to 4 feet and the almost perpendicular secondary swell was running about 2½ to 3 feet.

5. The surviver, Lt William B. Wilson, VFP-63, Det Alpha, U.S.S. Midway was in excellent condition and Bravo returned home station landing 1910H.

6. Crew members: RCC, Capt Richard F. Reichardt, Nav, Capt Alexander F. Stewart, Pilot, 1st Lt David Maines, PJ, TSgt William V. Vargas, EM, SSgt Paul E. Lucier, PJ, SSgt Donald E. Smith, all 31ARS. RO, A1C Robert Shimamoto, 76 ARS.

RICHARD F. REICHARDT
Capt., USAF
RCC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 13

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-448-12 MAY65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VICINITY:
HH-43B

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE IMMEDIATE

R-F1

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI
ARBDC

CZCSHA84 ZCRVB098
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 301 2/0900Z
O 120900Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AF7;$9
T AB THWGLAND
PGSX2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUCMER/560 FTR SQDN MCCONNEL KANS
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND PARC NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMALF/405 FTR WG CLARK AB PI
RUABKH/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GAS by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50434 MAY 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

[redacted]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC -448-12 MAY 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105. 30 MILES SOUTH of NAKHON PHANOM
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: APPROXIMATELY 1655N, 10443 E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN OF DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT NOTIFIED HU-16 IN PRELAUTIONARY ORBIT, AND ALSO RADAR AT NAKHON PHONOM THAI AT 1120.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 301 S E C R E T
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HH-43B AIRBORNE AT THE TIME DEPARTED IMMEDIATLY FOR THE SCENE
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: WINGMAN ORBITED DOWNED PILOT IN A FIELD UNTIL HELICOPTER ARRIVED
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: PICKED UP BY HH-43B.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHONOM, TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 AND TAKEN TO UDORN, THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43B, 1 SORTIE FOR 1:00 HRS
USAF HU-16B, 2 SORTIES FOR 7:50 HRS 3/8+50
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
GP-4.
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

Hq ARS SC No. 652451

[redacted]

ARODC # 652145

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second

13 May 1965

SUBJECT: Rescue Mission Det 3, PARC 12 May 1965 - 448

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
TO: OAS 3, by [illegible]

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

1. At 0420Z the pilot of one of our helicopters on a local training flight overheard a radio transmission by an F-105 pilot that he had experienced an explosion. His wing man reported that he looked all right on his right and left. The pilot reported that he thought he had lost his "utility system". The formation, which the helicopter crew had observed cross the base in a southerly direction, reported proceeding on to Ubon. Immediately thereafter, the pilot declared "MAY DAY" and ejected. His wing man reported that the pilot made a successful ejection and had him in sight.

2. The rescue helicopter was advised by Invert that the crash occurred 30 nautical miles on 182° heading. Another fix was from Lion 355°/98 miles. The wing man reported having the pilot in sight walking in a rice paddy. He appeared OK. He was remaining over the survivor.

3. Since there was enough fuel remaining in the local helicopter and the pilot appeared OK, the decision was made to take the local helicopter and make the pickup, leaving the alert crews and helicopters on station for other emergencies.

4. Invert vectored us to the bail out area. A KC-135 orbited over the site to relay messages. At 30 miles out on 182° heading Invert told us to look to the right and we would see the F-105 orbiting. The F-105 told us that he would fly over the site and pull up over the survivor. At the spot of his pull up, a spread-out chute was spotted in a rice paddy, and we immediately heard the personal locator beacon. We were at 2,500 ft MSL and approximately ½ mile from survivor.

5. The site was evaluated as a confined area surrounded by tall trees. Power was checked for safe landing and take off in the area. A steep approach was made into the site and the survivor plus equipment was picked up at 0450Z. The survivor had some small cuts on the face and was bruised. Otherwise, he was in good shape with little sign of shock. Site MTM was TD 6166.

6. Helicopter returned to base with survivor at 0510Z where an examination by the base flight surgeon revealed that he experienced no notable injuries.

7. The weather was 4,000 ft scattered to broken, visibility 15 miles, winds light and variable, scattered rain showers.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ~~SECRET~~

ARODC - 652689

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL

8. Crew: Pilot was Capt Ballinger, co-pilot, Lt Turk, and helicopter mechanics were TSgt Rainey and A2C Cut'llo.

9. Excellent vectoring by radar, assistance by the wing man and the survivor's excellent knowledge and use of survival equipment made this mission almost routine.

JOE B. BALLINGER
Capt, USAF
Commander

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

14

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-469-17 MAY 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HH-43B

DOWNGRADED
AFR-205-2
1 MAY 1970

[redacted]

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Copy Classified

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY: [redacted] 17 MAY

[redacted] ION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 469

BRIEFED 18 MAY 65 AF

OBJECTIVE/POB: PLOT USAF E-105

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

[redacted] - TO: UNK

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): OBJECTIVE WAS UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE BY WINGMAN, OTHER TACS, FINALLY BY HH43 AT 1300 GMT. PROVIDED RESCAP FOR HH43 ASSUMED THE OSC & COORDINATED ACFT TACAN'S. USAF HH43 MADE PICK-UP AT 1302 GMT.

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT):

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: SURVIVOR TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY HH43 THEN TRANSFERRED TO KORAT BY HH16 NO ACFT CARRIED USEFUL.

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 41 HOURS 66+37

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): NONE

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: N/A RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): N/A

NUMBER OF VESSELS: N/A

h. REMARKS: HELICOPTER RECEIVED MODERATE TO HEAVY GRND FIRE DURING THE PICK-UP. THE NAVY A-1H ACFT WERE VERY EFFECTIVE IN PROTECTING THE HELICOPTERS. SURVIVOR LANDED IN A HEAVILY WOODED & BAMBOO AREA AND HAD TO LOWER HIMSELF TO THE GRND. THE 100 FT OF HOIST CABLE WAS BARELY LONG ENOUGH TO REACH THE SURVIVOR.

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS DOD DIR 5200.10

Classification (canceled) (changed to C/NF/AS effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of [redacted], by [redacted]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 3 MAY [redacted]

[redacted]

AIRDO # 65 22 40

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ACTION ARODC
INFO ARBDC
" ARCOI

AC7CSHA7087CJVD500
OO RUCOSH
7EL RUHK 116B/17
PHO890HPV880
OO RUCOSH
7FH-1
VV THA770VV UGA141VV AGB184
OMRUHLKM RUCDAA RUCOSH RUEAHO
DE RUMSAR 469 17/15037
O 1714007
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHO/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUCOSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUMSMA/COMUSMACV
7EN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMJFS/AIRA VIENTIANE LAOS
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2D ADIV UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/33 ARS DITE ONE UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUABKH/33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
RUMABA/31 ARS CAB PI
RUMSATD/6235 TWP TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 TWP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/44 TFS KORAT AB THAILAND
RUAOKM/18 TFW KADENA AB OKI
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50443 MAY 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1- RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NBR : DET 3 PARC - 469- 17 MAY 65. [redacted]
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF ICIDENT: 1905N-10442E. (DRV)
6- ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WING MAN ALERTED USAF HU-16 IN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT AT 17/1507 HOURS.
7- TYPE AND TIME OF INTIAL SAR ACTION: AFTER POSITION OF OBJECTIVE

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 469 S E C R E T
DETERMINED, HU-16 SENT HIS ESCORT, TWO USN A-1H ACFT, TO SCENE.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: LOCATION KEPT UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE, FIRST BY WINGMAN, THEN BY OTHER JET ACFT PASSING THROUGH AREA, AND FINALLY BY USN A-1H ACFT SENT IN BY HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: ON SCENE COMMAND PASSED BY FIRST HU-16 WHICH WAS IN TONKIN ORBIT TO ANOTHER HU-16 ARRIVING IN ORBIT AT NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND FOR PRECAUTIONARY SAR. TWO USAF HH-4$$B HELICOPTERS SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM AND PROCEEDEJBOW DIRECTLY TO AREA. SECOND HU-16 COORDINATED RENDEZVOUS BETWEEN RESCAP/ESCORT AND HELICOPTERS, ALOS COORDINATED WITH RESCAP COVERING DOWNED PILOT. AIR AMERICA PROVIDED BACK-UP HELICOPTERS AND BACKUP CONTROBW4:4-15. PICKUP MADE BY USAF HH-43B AT 17/1804 HOURS. PILOT IN GOOD CONDITION.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND BY USAF HH-43B, THEN TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 FOR RETURN TO KORAT AB THAILAND. HU-16 DIVERTED TO UDORN DUE WEATHER.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 3 SORTIES FOR 10:05
USAF HH-45B 3 SORTIES FOR 6:00

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 469 S E C R E T
USAF F-105 11 SORTIES FOR 24:00
USAF F-4C 8 SORTIES FOR 12:32
USN A-1H 6 SORTIES FOR 14:00
[illegible] PARTICIPATING : NONE.
[illegible] HELICOPTER WAS RECEIVING MODERATE [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUMSMA/COMUSMACV
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMJFS/AIRA VIENTIANE LAOS
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2D ADIV UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/33 ARS DITE ONE UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DA NANG AB RVN
RUABKH/33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
RUMABA/31 ARS CAB PI
RUMSATD/6235 TWP TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 TWP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/44 TFS KORAT AB THAILAND
RUAOKM/18 TFW KADENA AB OKI
BT

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

Classification (cancelled) changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of 645 by [redacted]

S E C R E T SAR 50443 MAY 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MAJS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PEOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1- RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NBR : DET 3 PARC - 469- 17 MAY 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF ICIDENT: 1905N-10442E. (DRV)
6- ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WING MAN ALERTED USAF HU-16 IN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT AT 17/1507 HOURS.
7- TYPE AND TIME OF INTIAL SAR ACTION: AFTER POSITION OF OBJECTIVE

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 469 S E C R E T [redacted]
DETERMINED, HU-16 SENT HIS ESCORT, TWO USN A-1H ACFT, TO SCENE.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: LOCATION KEPT UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE, FIRST BY WINGMAN, THEN BY OTHER JET ACFT PASSING THROUGH AREA, AND FINALLY BY USN A-1H ACFT SENT IN BY HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: ON SCENE COMMAND PASSED BY FIRST HU-16 WHICH WAS IN TONKIN ORBIT TO ANOTHER HU-16 ARRIVING IN ORBIT AT NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND FOR PRECAUTIONARY SAR. TWO USAF HH-4$$B HELICOPTERS SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM AND PROCEEDEJBOW DIRECTLY TO AREA. SECOND HU-16 COORDINATED RENDEZVOUS BETWEEN RESCAP/ESCORT AND HELICOPTERS, ALOS COORDINATED WITH RESCAP COVERING DOWNED PILOT. AIR AMERICA PROVIDED BACK-UP HELICOPTERS AND BACKUP CONTROBW4:4-15. PICKUP MADE BY USAF HH-43B AT 17/1804 HOURS. PILOT IN GOOD CONDITION.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND BY USAF HH-43B, THEN TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 FOR RETURN TO KORAT AB THAILAND. HU-16 DIVERTED TO UDORN DUE WEATHER.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 3 SORTIES FOR 10:05
USAF HH-45B 3 SORTIES FOR 6:00

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 469 S E C R E T
USAF F-105 11 SORTIES FOR 24:00
USAF F-4C 8 SORTIES FOR 12:32
USN A-1U "6 SORTIES FOR 14:00
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING : NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: HELICOPTER WAS RECEIVING MODERATE TO HEAVY GROUMD FIRE DURING PICKUP. USN A-1H ACFT VERY EFFECTIVE IN PROTECTING HELICOPTERS. SURVIVOR HAD LANDED IN HEAVILY WOODED AND BAMBOO COVERED AREA, HAD TO LOWER HIMSELF TO GROUND. THE FULL 100 FT OF HOIST CABLE JUST BARELY SUFFICIENT TO REACH PILOT. FOR PARC: HH-43B PICKUP CREW: RCC: HEPP, BRUCE C. CAPT; CO-PILOT SCHAETZLE, STANLEY O. CAPT, HM: ROBINSON, WILLIAM A. A1C; PJ: WALLACE, RICHARD A. A2C. HH-43B ESCORT CREW: RCC: TURK, WALTER F. 1LT: CO-PILOT: BALLINGER, JOE E. CAPT; HM RODRIGUEZ, ROBERTO SSGT, PJ: BRENAMAN, MARVIN F. A2C. HU-16 RCCS: TONKIN ORBIT: CAPT VADIS. NAKHON PHANOM ORBIT AND ESCORT OF HELICOPTERS: CAPT PRATT. GP-4.

1LT: CO-PILOT: BALLINGER, JOE E. CAPT; HM RODRIGUEZ, ROBERTO SSGT, PJ: BRENAMAN, MARVIN F. A2C. HU-16 RCCS: TONKIN ORBIT: CAPT VADIS. NAKHON PHANOM ORBIT AND ESCORT OF HELICOPTERS: CAPT PRATT. GP-4.
BT

[redacted]
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

ARS SC No. 65-564
ARODC #1 5224 [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-3-15, under the authority of CAS by [redacted])

[redacted] Det Two Second 20 [illegible] 1965

[redacted] Det 2 2nd OG Station #469, 17 Nov 65

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

[redacted], Det 2, 1SOG

1. At approximately 1730 Night Operations received the helicopter alert pilot that Detroit had called stating that a pilot had ejected [illegible] North Vietnam. He, [illegible] at 19°20', 104°10'. The pilot was reported to be in a hostile area on a hill [illegible] near the Song Ca River and route 7.

2. Preparation for take off was started at this time. It was determined that the auxiliary fuel tanks would be necessary to accomplish the mission. Tanks were loaded and fueled.

3. At approximately 2045 Trinity contacted the alert pilot stating that Det 2 was requesting 2 helicopters be scrambled as soon as possible. Maps and [illegible] were drawn up and flight planning accomplished. As the distance to the pick up site and return was greater than the [illegible] of fuel, an alternate destination was established at 17°22', 104°29'.

4. At approximately 2130 crew members were briefed and takeoff accomplished at 2150. [illegible] was immediately started to obtain sufficient altitude to [illegible] the Song Ca River.

5. At approximately 2245, Det 66, at UT 16, contacted the Lear Jet control, call sign [illegible]. Det 66 was informed that Lear would be escorting the 2 helicopters to the area.

6. [illegible] were contacted by Lear at 4,500'. [illegible] 7,500' at which time [illegible] from Lear [illegible] [illegible] Lear [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CO[redacted]

[illegible] helicopter [illegible] position [illegible] the pick [illegible] site.

17. Victor Control [illegible] the area during the [illegible] pick up [illegible] along with the other mission aircraft escorted Tick 22 and 41 out of the valley.

18. After reaching [illegible] above the ground all suppression fire was terminated. Both Tick aircraft continued to climb to 10,000'. Victor Control continued to give steer headings to Tick 22 to eliminate flying over any [illegible] other hostile areas.

19. After reaching 10,000' and fuel status checked the decision was made to proceed to the Mekong River and then southeast to point of original departure. The additional fuel available was attributed to the altitude at cruise and lack of strong winds.

20. [illegible] and the two Firewood aircraft along with Victor Control escorted the two Tick aircraft to within 10 miles of final destination at which time they broke off to enter the local traffic pattern.

21. The remainder of the flight took place without incident and final landing was at 1130. Tick 22 had 1[illegible] lbs of fuel remaining upon termination.

22. [illegible] departed Invert at 1200 with the rescued F-105 pilot on board. Mission terminated for Tick aircraft.

23. [illegible] flown during mission by Tick aircraft was 6[illegible] with 2 sorties. [illegible] this time was flown over hostile territory.

24. The fact that neither helicopter received any hits, can be directly attributed to the very excellent air cover supplied by the USN [illegible].

25. Participating Aircraft and Call Signs:

[illegible]	[illegible]-16
Tick 22	[illegible] HH-43B
Tick 41	[illegible] HH-43B
[illegible] Light (2) [illegible] (USN)	
Victor Control [illegible] America Caribou	

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

18 MAY 1970

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR
DECLASSIFIED AFTER [illegible]
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted] [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

26. Helicopter Crew Members and F-105 Pilot:

[redacted]

Tick 22
P - Capt Hepp, Bruce C., 58924A
CP - Capt Schaetzle, Stanley O., 62882A
HM - SSgt Rodriguez, Roberto, AF18440110
PJ - A2C Wallace, Richard A., AF19755004

Tick 41
P - 1st Lt Turk, Walter F., AC3121168
CP - Capt Ballinger, AC3037391
HM - A1C Robinson, William A., AF14782798
PJ - A2C Brenaman, Marvin F., AF18617980

Rescued F-105 pilot - Capt J. J. Taliaferro

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Bruce C Hepp

BRUCE C. HEPP
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 67

[redacted]

[redacted]

65-SOC-1560

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

15

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-493-23 MAY 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VICINITY: HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

BRIEFED 24 MAY 65

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 493-23 MAY

OBJECTIVE/POB: PILOT OF USAFF 105 POB SURVIVOR

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO: —

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): HU-16 1540 H

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): HU-16 MADE WATER LANDING AND RECOVERED THE PILOT 20 MILE EAST OF VINH, North Vit Nam REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: TAKEN TO DANANG AB BY HU-16.

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 2 HOURS 5140

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS:

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

ACTION ARODC
ARBDC
ARCOI
ARS 2 cys

CZCSHA614ZCQVA040 23 MAY 65 11 51
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 639 23/1025Z
O 231020Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH D C
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILLINOIS
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKHAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKHAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMABA/31ARSQ CLARK AB PI
RUAGBK/33ARSQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUMBK/6234 TFW P KORAT AB THAI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR/50452 MAY 65. HQ USAF FORAFXOPH,-MATS FOR AOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 493 - 23 MAY 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3, PARC
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105, BAILOUT
5. LOCATION OF INDICENT: 18401,-10600E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIFIED ARS HU-16 IN PRECAUSTIONARY ORBIT 20 MILES FROM DOWNED PILOT AT 1515H.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 639 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HU-16 PROCEEDED IMMEDIATLY TO SCENE UNDER USAF TACTICAL FIGHTER RESCAP.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: HU-16, AT 1540H.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE: HU-16 MADE A WATER LANDING AND RECOVERED THE PILOT. REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO DANANG AB RVN BY HU-16.
12. SORTIES/DLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 TWO SORTIES 5 PLUS 40 HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS: NONE
GP-4
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ARS.....334
CZCSHA2332C0[illegible]
PP RUCOSH
DE RUHLKM 260 27/0416Z
P 270407Z
FM CINCPACAF
TO RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
INFO RUMSBJ/DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUMABA/31ARESCUESQ CLARK AB PHIL
ZEN/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUCOSH/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUCDAA/HQ MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
BT
UNCLAS E F T O/C 30939 MAY 65/ PERSONAL FOR CAPTAIN
RECHARDSON FROM GENERAL HUNTER HARRIS, CINCPACAF.
MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED FOR YOUR
SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY MISSION OF 23 MAY 1965. THE
PROFESSIONALISM DISPLAYED BY YOU AND YOUR CREW IS IN
KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF AIR RESCUE SERVICE
AND IS RECOGNIZED BY THE STAFF OF THIS HEADQUARTERS.
PLEASE CONVEY MY WELL DONE TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Copy to Vandergrift
2 Oct 65
Pengie

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC

26 May 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narative

TO: ARS

1. Mission No. 493, 23 May 1965.

2. Alerted by destroyer.

3. HU-16, 50007/1

a. Capt. David K. Richardson, AO3081788, 31st Air Rescue Sq, Clark A.B., P.I., RCC.

b. 1st Lt David W. Maines, 62614A, 31st Air Rescue Sq, Clark A.B., P.I., Co-Pilot.

c. 1st Lt John I. Glasgow, AO3117672, 31st Air Rescue Sq, Clark A.B., P.I., Navigator.

d. SSgt. Ralph S. Schreiner, AF10109207, 31st Air Rescue Sq, Clark A.B., P.I., Radio Operator.

e. SSgt. David E. West, AF14496275, 31st Air Rescue Sq, Clark A.B., P.I., Engineer.

f. SSgt. Dudley Peckinpaugh, AF16500928, 33rd Air Rescue Sq, Naha A.B., Okinawa, Pararescue.

4. Notified at 0710Z (1510H) while flying airborne orbit, spotted survivor at 0744Z. Open sea landing at 0750Z.

5. All rescap aircraft in area had to leave due to emergency fuel status. No rescap in area. Rescap was requested prior and at 0711Z from nearest carrier, which was over a hour flying time away. We were notified that they were airborne at 0813Z, which is after we were airborne from the pick up.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

6. The survivor was spotted 2 miles from shore in the open sea. There was one junk within ¼ mile and 20 within 5 miles radius.

7. None. He was unable to open survival kit due to it being wet.

8. Major Robert F. Herman, 39983A, 354th Tactical Fighter Sq, 355th Tactical Fighter Wing.

9. At 0415Z, the rescue HU-16 was airborne for SAR Support over the Gulf of Tonkin. We arrived over the radar ship at 0615Z, but we did not proceed to orbit position because the rescap aircraft had to return to their ship at 0700Z. Our orbit was 30 minutes from the radar ship. At 0709Z No. 2 man called us and the radar ship on SAR UHF, so the ship relayed. The flight was picked up on radar 88 NM from our position. Arrived in area at 0737Z, but wing man had lost track of survivor. We set up a radii search from a smoke bomb, dropped in the area. On the 4th leg we spotted survivor and his raft at 0744Z. After evaluating the sea and junks in the area we decided to make a landing. We dropped our drop tanks on down wind and landed in moderate choppy seas at 0750Z on a heading of 270. We picked up Major Herman at 0755Z. He was not and had not been in his life raft but was holding onto it. There was small arms fire from the junks. The HU-16 was airborne at 0800z from position 18 40' North, 105 50' 30" East. We landed at Danang Air Base at 1000Z.

10. Comments: No rescap aircraft met the aircraft.

David K Richardson

DAVID K. RICHARDSON
Captain, USAF
RCC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL 16

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-529-1 JUN 65
SUBJECT:	USN F8
VICINITY:	HU-16B

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2
13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

1 SAVE Posted ANH

Open/Closing

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY: [redacted]

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 529 1 JUNE 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: USN F8 PILOT 1 POB 1 SURVIVOR

Briefed 2 June ANH [redacted]

TYPE FLT PLN:

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): US MARINE F-4

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): USAF HU16 MADE OPEN SEA LANDING 30 MILE EAST of VINH

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1 LT FIELDS USN

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: RELEASED TO MEDICS AT ~~DET 3 PARC~~ DANANG AB.

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 7 HOURS 25+50

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS: CAPT BRUNNER RCC of HU16 CREW ASSIGNED 48th ARS TDY 33rd ARS

DOWNGRADED

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14 JUL 75, under the authority of CAS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR

[redacted]

[redacted]

ARODC # 652452

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

IMMEDIATE

ACTION ARODC
15DC
COT

1 Jun 65 12 38

NNNNZCSRA967ZCJVI916
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 11 01/0826Z
O 0108152
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKN/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUJ/CTF 77
RUMFUJ/CTG 77.6
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUAEKH/33 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUCQCL/48 ARS EGLIN AFB FLA
ET

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2

13 MAY 1970

S E C R E T SAR 50470 JUNE 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 529 - 1 JUNE 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USN F-8.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1847N - 10605E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED USAF RESCUE ACFT NOTIFIED OF BAILOUT BY CAP ACFT AT 1/1155H.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: PREPOSITIONED ACFT

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 11 S E C R E T
PROCEEDED TO BAILOUT SCENE AT 01/1155H.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USMC F-4.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USN
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE OPEN SEA WATER LANDING TO RECOVER PILOT.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT DANANG AB RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
    2 SORTIES FOR 5:40 HOURS BY USAF HU-16
    4 SORTIES FOR 18:40 HOURS BY USN A-1H
5   1 SORTIE FOR 1:30 HOURS BY USMC F-4
13. NUMBER VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR ARS: CREW MEMBERS MAKING SAVE ARE:
    PILOT - CAPT EDWARD M BRUNNER
    CO-PILOT - 1ST LT DAVID C RECHLITZ
    NAV - 1ST LT CARL D GLOVER
    MECH - A1C NORMAN L STRATLING
    RO - SSGT ALBERT H MAILLOUX
ALL ARE ASSIGNED TO THE 48TH AIR RECOVERY SQUADRON, TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO THE 33RD AIR RESCUE SQUADRON.
CP.4
ET

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS). effective on 14 JUN 75. under the authority of DOS by M

ARODC # 652452 (4/4)
Hq ARS SC No. 65-2812

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Reg # 3213

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCCI
ARCCC

[redacted]

P-P1

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC

3 June 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO; ARS

1. Mission Det 3 PARC-529-1 June 1965.

2. SAR Alerted on Guard Channel by SUNDOWN 11, F4B.

3. HU-16B.

a. Pilot - Brunner, Edward M., Capt., 48ARSQ.

b. Co-Pilot - Rechlitz, David C., 1st Lt., 48ARSQ.

c. Navigator - Glover, Carl D., 1st Lt., 48ARSQ.

d. Radio-Operator - Mailloux, Albert H., SSgt., 48ARSQ.

e. Flight-Mechanic - Stradling, Norman L., A1C., 48ARSQ.

4. Initial notification 0355Z, located survivor 0400Z, landed 0410Z, takeoff 0415Z.

5. CAP assistance SUNDOWN 11, already on scene.

6. Open sea pick-up.

7. ARA-25 Homer.

8. Lt Merrit R. Field, USN, VFP-63, USS Midway.

9. At 0355Z
We received a call on UHF Guard from SUNDOWN 11, calling us, by name, to advise he was circling a pilot decending in a chute. SUNDOWN gave his position as the SHARPNOTE 270 RADIAL at 37 miles.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of [redacted] by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Our position was the SHARPNOTE 285 RADIAL at 35 miles, heading 105 degrees, altitude 3,500 feet. I immediately started a turn to 270 degrees and requested a UHF tone from SUNDOWN. His bearing was 210 degrees from me and I took up this heading. I went to climb power and started a descent. SUNDOWN advised the bailout was now contacting the water and gave another TACAN position. I requested another tone and received the same 210 head on bearing. SUNDOWN and I now switched to 282.8 MC, the mission SAR Secondary UHF Frequency in order to clear guard frequency. Another tone was requested and received and the bearing was again the same. Now descneding through 1000 feet I observed on the surface a large circular greenish area. I asked SUNDOWN if the survivor was marked with sea marker dye. Simultaneously, SUNDOWN answered negative, I passed directly over the green spot and now easily recognized it to be the aircraft impact point heavily littered with debris, SUNDOWN passed directly overhead myaircraft, and the co-pilot spotted the survivor, ahead, at approximately two miles. The water was very suitable for a landing. No boats were visible in the area. We marked the survivor with a smoke. The wind was light and variable. I made a low drag of the area, continued around, dropped the tanks on base, and landed. A two engine raft approache was completed with the aid of a lifeline. The survivor lost his grip on the line but contact was quickly re-established and the RO, FM and NAV all assisted the survivor into the aircraft. He was entangled in his survival gear which included his dingy. This was all brought into the aircraft where everything was disentangled. The survivor appeared to suffer nothing more than neck rope burns which were bleeding slightly. These were treated by the Navigator using the aircraft first aid kit. We reported the survivor's condition as Okay, took off, and returned him to Danang. Here he was turned over to medical personnel.

10a. At the time of the emergency, SHARPNOTE, Milestone 603 and 608, our rescap, and my aircraft were all working 364.2 MC Primary SAR UHF Frequency. Either 603 or 608, had a stuck microphone button and the frequency was completely unsuitable. SHARPNOTE and I were attempting contact with 603 or 608 to clear the frequency. I believe SHARPNOTE monitored the emergency squak and attempted to contact me unsuccessfully due to the frequency block. SUNDOWN's guard call overrode the block and I went to guard. The stuck mike button on Milestone has been a recurring problem and he has been notified about this same problem on two previous missions.

10b. The bailout position and my position were within from five to ten miles of each other. The surface wind was very light causing no whitecaps. Location of the survivor was uncomplicated for these two reasons. There was time to operate only the ARA-25. Total time elapse from initial notification until airborne from the water was approximately twenty minutes.

EDWARD M. BRUNNER
Capt., USAF
20C

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 17

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]G
MISSION NUMBER: D3-PARC-562-8 JUN 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VICINITY:
HH-43B

IAW AFR-[redacted]2

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

9 JUN 5

[redacted]

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 562-

OBJECTIVE/POB: USAF F105/1POB

BRIEFED 9 JUN 5

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): WINGMAN NOTIFIED A PREPOSITIONED HU-16 AT 1725/08, THAT LEAD ACFT HAD BAILED OUT. THE HU-16 MOVED TOWARD BAILOUT AREA WITH RESCAP ACFT AT 1725

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): HH43B SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM. PICKUP MADE BY HH43B FROM HOVER POSITION, HH43 HAD EXTEND ALL 100' OF CABLE & HAD TO LOWER ITS WHEELS INTO THE TREE TOPS TO REACH THE PILOT. HE WAS IN DENSE FOREST & JUNGLE.

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: FLOWN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY 43 THAN HU-16 TO UDORN

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 15 HOURS 47+00

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS:

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS):
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
GDS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

FR-205

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

ARODC # 652584

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ACTION ARODC
ARCOI
ARBDC
P-F1

NNNNZCSHA364ZCQVA703
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSBJ 1A 09/0010Z
0 090003Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUCQSH/ARS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN RVN
RUMUDN/AIRA VIENTIANE
RUMBDF/DEPCMDR2AD UDORN THAI
RUMBDF/33ARS SITE ONE UDORN THAI
RUABGK/ARS NAHA AB OKI
RUMBDK/6234TWP KORAT THAI
RUMSAG/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DNG RVN
RUMBDL/DET PROV 2ND HQ PARC NAKHON PHANOM THAI
BT

[redacted]

9 JUN 65 18 29

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by

RERUN

S E C R E T SAR 50486 JUN 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1. OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 562 - 8 JUN 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F105.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1812N-10549E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIKED PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16 ACFT AT 8/1725H. THAT LEAD ACFT HAD BAILEDOUT.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION. PREPOSITIONED HU-16 MOVED

DOWNGRADED
AR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSBJ 1A S E C R E T
TOWARD BAILOUT SITE WITH RESCAP AT 8/1725H. USAF HH-43B RECOVERY ACFT SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND,
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: OBSERVED TO BAILOUT BY WINGMAN.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: PICKUP WAS BY USAF HH-43B FROM MAXIMUM HIEGHT HOVER. ALL 100 FEET OF HOIST CABLE WERE EXTENDED AND PILOT HAD TO LOWER WHEELS OF HELICOPTER INTO TREE TOPS TO REACH PILOT ON GROUND. HOVERING OUT OF GROUND EFFECT PICKUP WAS MADE OVER DENSE JUNGLE AND ROUGH TERRAIN.
1. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: FLOWN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY RECOVERY HH-43B AND TRANSFERRED TO USAF HU-16 FOR FURTHER TRANSPORT TO UDORN AB, THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
    3 SORTIES FOR 14:10 HOURS BY USAF HU-16B
    2 SORTIES FOR 5:00 HOURS BY USAF HH-43B
    5 SORTIES FOR 11:20 HOURS BY USAF F-105
    1 SORTIE FOR 3:30 HOURS BY USAF HC-135
    4 SORTIES FOR 16:30 HOURS BY USN A-1H
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR ARS AND PARC; CREW OF HH-43B MAKING

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSBJ 1A S E C R E T
SAVE: PILOT, CAPT THOMAS J. CURTIS 47753A; CO-PILOT, CAPT BRUCE C. HEPP, 58924A; FLIGHT MECH, A2C DAVID M CUTILLO AF 12679668; PARAESCUE, A2C RICHARD A WALLACE AF 19755004. PILOT OF COVER HH-43 CAPT STANLEY O SCHAETZLE; PILOTS OF COVER AND ESCORT HU-16; CAPTAINS PRATT AND BURNNER. HELICOPTER CREWS ARE TDY TO DET PROV SECOND HQ PARC. HU-16 CREWS ARE TDY TO 33ARS OPERATING FROM SITE ONE.

ARODC # 652584 Bq ARS SC No 652956

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1
Saw Posted
to Board
(JFT)

SHA235ZCOV45
OO RUCQSH
ZFH 1
CSB49ZCOMCA898
AAQZCKSA391
OO RUCDAA RUCQSH
ZFH-1
VV THA272V ARA153
OO RUABKH RUHLKM RUCDAA RUCQSH RUEAHQ
DE RUMSAR 247 08/1633Z
O 081620Z
FM DET 31 0-:-43:73:3, 5, -!)$ 4:,
59 473-#1/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUCDAA/MAIS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/ZAD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAIG/AIRA VIENTAINE LAOS
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD THAI UDORN THAILAND
RUMSATA/33ARS SITE ONE UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBKH/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBDX/6234 TWP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSAS/DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AB RVN
RUMBDL/DET PROV SECOND NO PARC NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 50486 JUN 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOP, MAIS FOR MAOCO/AI AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 562 - 8 JUN 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1810N-10549E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIFIED PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16 ACFT AT 8/1725H. THAI LEAD ACFT HAD BAILED OUT.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: PREPOSITIONED HU-16 MOVED

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS)
effective on 11-3-78, under the authority of
CHS, by A

DECLASSIFIED
IAW AFR 205-2
19 MAY 1970

[redacted]

DET 3 PARC 562
USAF F-105

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 247 S E C R E T [redacted]
TOWARD BAILOUT SITE WITH CESCAP AT 8/1725N. USAF HH-43B RECOVERY ACFT SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: OBSERVED TO BAILOUT BY WINGMAN.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: PICKUP WAS BY USAF HH-43B FROM MAXIMUM HEIGHT HOVER. ALL 100 FEET OF HOIST CABLE WERE EXTENDED AND PILOT HAD TO LOWER WHEELS OF HELICOPTER INTO TREE TOPS TO REACH PILOT ON GROUND. HOVERING OUT OF GROUND EFFECT PICKUP WAS MADE OVER DENSE JUNGLE AND ROUGH TERRAIN.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: FLOWN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY RECOVERY HH-43B AND TRANSFERRED TO USAF HU-16 FOR FURTHER TRANSPORT TO UDORN AB THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
3 SORTIES FOR 14:10 HOURS BY USAF HU-16
2 SORTIES FOR 5:30 HOURS BY USAF HH-43B
5 SORTIES FOR 11:20 HOURS BY USAF F-105
1 SORTIE FOR ECCP HOURS BY USAF HC-135
4 SORTIES FOR 16:50 HOURS BY USN A-1H
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR ARS AND PARC: CREW OF HH-43B MAKING

15 SORTIES 47400

[redacted]TIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 247 S E C R E T [redacted]
SAVE: PILOT, CAPT THOMAS J. CURTIS 47753A; CO-PILOT, CAPT BRUCE C. EPP, 589244 FLIGHT MECH, A2C DAVID M CUTILLO AF 19579568; PARARESCUE, A2C RICHARD A WALLACE AF 19755804. PILOT OF COVER HH-43 CAPT STANLEY O SCHAETZLE; PILOTS OF COVER AND ESCORT HU-16; CAPTAINS PRATT AND BRUNNER. HELICOPTER CREWS ARE TDY TO DET PROVISIONAL SQDN HQ PARC. HU-16 CREWS ARE TDY TO 33ARS OPERATING FROM BIEN HOA.
ST

[redacted]TIAL

ARODC # 652584 JCN

Hq ARS SC No. 652956

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Classification (canceled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 4-3-15, under the authority of
G.D.S. by

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second 11 Jun 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission #562 8 Jun 1965 (U)

IAW AFR-205-2
19 MAY 1970

TO: Det 3, PARC

1. 0928Z. White 34 called Invert Control and advised that the pilot of Texas 01 was ejecting in the vicinity of his target area at 17°57'N 106°00'E.

2. 0928Z. Invert Control called the Rescue duty officer and passed information called in by White 34. The helicopter ROC's proceeded to radar operations.

3. 0934Z. Initiated call to Vinny via SSB and intercepted the duty officer's call to me. He advised me of the ejection and to standby for scramble of our helicopters. He also stated that Buyer Charlie was enroute to the scene. Fuel requirements for the radius, and an out of ground effect hover had been preplanned and the auxilliary tanks were being filled with the required fuel at this time.

4. 0955Z. Received a landline call from Major Lawrence. He advised us to scramble the helicopters and that Buyer 44 was departing Udorn as soon as possible.

5. 1006Z. Curse 22 and 21 airborne and climbing to 9,000 feet. Crossed the Mekong River under Invert's control as we were unable to contact either Buyer Charlie or Buyer 44.

6. Milestone 604, a RESCAP A1H, joined with Curse flight as we leveled at 9,000. An initial heading of 045° was maintained to avoid known AAA positions.

7. 1035Z. Curse 22 and 21 turned to a heading of 285° and proceeded direct to the target area. Established radio contact with Buyer Charlie. Milestone 604 still flying RESCAP for the flight.

8. 1040Z. Established visual contact with Buyer Charlie and advised Invert that the HH-16 would assume navigation for us.

9. 1100Z. Milestone 604 was continuing to fly low RESCAP on the downed pilot and had a good mark on his location. He had received the URT-21 beacon at intermittent intervals in addition to a visual sighting of a flare.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL
SECRET

NMCC # 653087 6/11

Hq PARC Log No. 1391-65

Hq ARS SC No. 653489

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

11. 1170Z. Requested Milestone to mark the target and advise Curse Flight of any ground fire or movement of vehicles in the area. Teak Spare and Milestone stated they had experienced no ground fire nor observed any movement of personnel. Curse 22 started a descent from 9,000' and Curse 21 was instructed to remain at altitude unless required to make the pick up. Milestone 601 continued to fly low RESCAP and gave a final mark on the area.

11. 1172Z. Curse 22 called for radio silence and then flew directly over the survivor on the first pass. A good WHT-21 signal was received and the pilot also ignited a pencyln flare. Since the first pass was downwind, a hard 180° turn was made to get in position over the smoke before it dissipated. An out-of-ground effect hover was established on the east side of the ridgeline, which was quite steep and covered by 100' trees and dense undergrowth. The helicopter was lowered as much as possible into the trees and the full length of the hoist cable was required to reach the survivor. The hover required 28.5 lbs of torque initially, and 30 lbs after the survivor was in the sling. (Coordinates of pick up point - [illegible])

12. 1177Z. The hoist pick up was completed and a climb was made directly over the area to 6,000'. Curse 21 joined up and a climb on course was made to 10,000'. Buyer Charlie departed for home plate and Buyer 44 assumed on-scene command. Curse Flight maintained 10,000' over a broken to occasionally overcast condition until 35 miles from Nakhon Phanom. We found a hole and descended VFR below the clouds. Milestone and Teak Flight continued to fly RESCAP until we crossed the Mekong River at 1225Z.

13. 1235Z. Curse Flight landed at Nakhon Phanom. Mission complete.

14. Helicopter Crew Members:

Curse 22 (Save Helicopter)

P Curtis, Thomas J., Capt, 477534
CP Napp, Bruce C., Capt., 58924A
HM Cutillo, David M., A2C, AF12677668
PJ Wallace, Richard A., A2C, AF19755004

Curse 21 (Cover Helicopter)

P Schaetzle, Stanley O., Capt, 62882A
CP Turk, Walter F., 1st Lt, 83155A
HM Alvarado, Francisco, A1C, AF18443905
PJ Mahoney, Michael T., A2C, AF19755001

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

15. Invert Radar Controller: Foote, James E., 1st Lt, AO2138289.

16. Rescued Pilot: Rademacher, Harold W., Capt, AO2225878

FOR THE COMMANDER

THOMAS J. CURTIS
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

[redacted]

3 [redacted]

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

18

MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-568-9JUN65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-4C (2)
VICINITY:	HH-43B

CONFIDENTIAL
SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

JN#-478ZCWVX280
OO RUCQSH
ZDG
ZCCSB752ZCSRC580
OO RUCQSH
DSRUMSAR 264 09/0959Z
O 090905Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUEKEF TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSY/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PAKARESKUEKEF HICKXANAFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUXSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEF/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMBKH/33ARS NAHASAB OKINAWA
RUXSATA/33ARS SITE 1 UDORN AB THAI
RUMSATE/45TFS UBON AB THAI
RUMSATA/333 AB SQ ASOC UDORN AB THAU
RUMBDW/DET PROV SEKOND NAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMBDB/DEZ PROV THIRD UBON AB THAU
BT

[redacted]

[redacted]

RELEASED SUBJECT TO CORRECTION RERUN HAS BEEN REQUESTED

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-73, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50488 JUN 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOP, MATS FOR MAOCO/AUM AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1ARS-F1, OPEFING /CLOSING REQORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC-"68-? JUNE 65. 3-PARC-568-9 June 65
3/ CONTROLLING A31(6: DEZ 3 PARC
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: TWO (2) CREWMEXBERS-USAF F-4C
5. LOCATION OF INCIDEFT: 1624N-10415E
6 ALERTING AEFCY AFD DZG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIFIED ARS HU-16 IN PRECAUTIONAJY ORBIT AT 1315.
7/ TYPE AND TIME OF INTITIAL SAR AKTION:HU-16 SCRAXBWE HH-43B
V

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

PA3 2 RUXSAR 264 S E C R E T
FROM NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND AND DET 3 SKRAMBLE ONE HH-43B FROM UBON, THAILAND.
8. AEFCYLOCATING OBJEKTIVE: WINGMAN REXAINED OVER DOWNED PILOTS.
9. NUMBEJ OF SURVIORS: TWO (2).
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIORS: PICKED UP BY UBON HEWICOPTER AFTER IT WAS DEZERMINED THAZ PILOTS WEJE IN GOOD SHAQE BY THE CREW OF THE NAKHON PHANOM HEWICOPTER. HU-16 WAS ON SCENE COMMAND.
11. DISQOSITON OF SURVIVORS: TAKEN TO UBON, THAILAND IN HH-'3/
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND A31(6:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES 9 PLUS 35
USAF HH-43 4 SORTIES 4 PLUS 10
USAF F-'C 2 SORTIES 1 PLUS PP
13/ NUMBEJ GROUND PERSONNEL/VEYICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INNO: NONE
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

ARODC # 652606

NNNN

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

Bq ARS SC No. 652988

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC AIR RESCUE CENTER
AIR RESCUE SERVICE (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO, SAN FRANCISCO, 96553

(1)

ARCOP
ARSCP

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DOARO

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

22 Jun 65

TO: Hq ARS

The attached narrative report of Det 3, PARC Mission Number 568, 9 Jun 65, is forwarded for your information and use as deemed appropriate.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Herbert E. Higaki

HERBERT E. HIGAKI
Captain, USAF
Administrative Services Officer

1 Atch
Ltr, Det Prov Second, 14 Jun 65,
Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission
Number 568, 9 Jun 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second 14 Jun 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission Number #568, 9 Jun 65

TO: [redacted] PARC

1. At 0505Z Radar Operations notified us that there was a flame-out approximately 70 nautical miles SSW of Invert. The helicopter crew, call sign "Flesh 22" commenced to scramble.

2. At 0506Z both pilots successfully ejected from Leopard 4 after an unsuccessful attempt to make an emergency refueling. The wing man, Leopard 3, reported both chutes in sight.

3. During the helicopter scramble, the crew received new information from Invert that the pilots ejected 67 nautical miles on the 198° radial. Flesh 22 was airborne at 0509Z and departed on a heading of 198°.

4. When airborne, Flesh 22 contacted Lilt 43, on-scene commander, who was also enroute. Leopard 3 reported the pilots were located 63 nautical miles on the 200° radial from Invert's tacan.

5. At 0555Z Flesh 22 was notified by ASOC via Invert that Flesh 22 was not to pick up the pilots. They stated that "Rescue 562" out of Lion would make the pick up. At this time Flesh 22 was over the bailout area and was directed over the survivors by Leopard 3.

6. The survivors were located in an elongated clearing of rice paddies. The wind direction was determined by using the survivors' smoke signal and a safe landing was accomplished at 0600Z.

7. The pararescue man examined the pilots for injuries and found them to be in good condition except for a few small scratches, which required only minor first aid. The pilots' condition was relayed to Lilt 43.

8. At 0645Z Rescue 562 arrived and also landed in the clearing.

9. At 0655Z Rescue 562 departed to Lion with both survivors on board, escorted by Lilt 43.

10. At 0700Z Flesh 22 departed for Invert and landed at 0810Z.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

11. Additional information is as follows:

Crew of Flesh 22

P Capt Richard A. Laine
CP Capt Joe E. Ballinger
NM A3C Darwin L. Devers
PJ A2C Michael T. Henebry

Number of Sorties - 2

Total Time - 1+55

12. Recommendations: Instructions not to pick up survivors should not be given to a rescue crew until the survivors' condition is positively determined.

FOR THE COMMANDER

RICHARD A. LAINE
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Note:

Pilots recovered were Capt Jerry L Getman, A03050200 45TFS and Capt Carroll D Keeter, A03047419 43TFS

Ref Para 12. Instructions were passed from V ASOC on the assumption that survivors were in good condition as reported by rescap. Request originated from survivors parent unit at Ubon. Considered a reasonable request.

EDWARD KRAFKA
LtCol., USAF
Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

19

DOWNGRADING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D9-38-1-28 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USAF F4C (2)
VICTIM: HH-43F (1) HH-43F (1) (19A)

DOWNGRADING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D7-38-642-23 Oct 65
SUBJECT: USN (2 MARINES)
VICTIM: 2 HH-43F's (19B)

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

9-38-1 (25 NOV 65

MANUAL

ARS-------UUU
UFIE UHQ RUTVSNBUAI UUUIUHU-UUUU--RUTTIU.
DE RUHSNE 0 UUUZHUU
ZNY UUUUU
U UUUUUUZ
FM UHI U UU RHUU PLEIKE AB AFU
TO RUEAHA/AF UUHF SAIGUU
RUUBAA/AMIS UUUII A U UUU
RUHLAA/FHUAF NHUAHA AAB HAWAII
RUHUHA/MAUV SAIGUN AVN
RUHBUU/UHU ADIV TAN UUH NHUI AFUU AVN
RUTAUA/TUIH AF CLARK AB PI
RUUIUH/AAU UKLAHUU AFB FLA
RUHUUU/UU AHU, TAN UUH NHUI AFUU AVN
ZEA/UZZH UUMBAT UFI UF PLEIKE AB AVN
ZEA/II UHUU PLEIKE AB AVN
RUUBAA/TUIH TAC FIX FU UAH NAHA BAT AB AVN
BT
UNCLAS E F T O UEI U UUIZ NOVUU. AB UUHF FOR AFAUPA, AMIS FOR
MACUU AND NOF, IO AF FOR UUUNU.
1. AUU: I-AHU-1. UPERATIONS/ULUUING REPORT. (UUAF A-4UU)
2. MISSION NUMBER UEI U UUIH AND 1, UU NUV UU.
3. UAH UBJECTIVE: UUHF I-4U UAAU, UF I-U UUAHUU.
4. ALERTING AGENUT AND UIG AND INITIAL NUTIFIEH. UAHUH FIUUR
AI UU/IUAUHU.
5. TIME AND TIME UF INITIAL UAH ACTION: UUMMENUED IUU UUHF AH-4UF
AEBIUUFIEND AI UU/IUAUHUAHUHU.
6. LUUATION UF INUIUENT: I-4UU, I-UUUU (AFFAUA U AB PLEIKE AB)

PAGE 2 RUHUAE E UNCLAS E F T O
7. WEATHER AT TIME UF INUIUENT: NUT A FACTUR.
8. UUNTRULLING AGENUY: UEI U UUIH AHU.
9. AGENUY LUUATING UBJECTIVE: UEI U UUIH JUU.
10. AGENUY NUTIFIED UF AMUUNT UF CASUALTIES: UAHUH AH-4UF PILUTED
UF UNE AIRCRAFT. NUNE NUT PILUTED.
11. NUMBER UF CASUALTIES: TWU UUAH.
12. NUMBER UF PERSUNS SAVED: TWU.
13. DISPUSITION UF CASUALTIES: RELEASED TU UUHF FLIGHT SURGEUN.
14. CUNTACT/FLYING HUURS:
UUHF AH-4UF TWU CUNTACTS AUH FIUU HUURS.
15. NUMBER UF UNUCHU PERSUNNEL/VEHICLES ADDITIVE: NUNE.
16. ADDITIUNAL INFU: CASUALTIES AT TIMES THAT HAD BEEN FIXED
AUU AI EUU AMU UNUCHU UNUUN TIME. UNE AIRCRAFT
DIVERTED TU UAHU PLEIKE. UUHF PILUT AND CREWMEMBER
UPERATIUN SHUCK.
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 9
38th Air Rescue Squadron (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, 96295

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 9, 38 ARSq 2 Dec 1965

SUBJECT: F-4C Mission Narrative from Pleiku AB, RVN (Det 9, 38 ARS-1-28 Nov 65)

TO: Hq ARS
Orlando AFB, Fla

On 28 Nov 65, at 1342L the Base Ops crash phone rang with information that a F-4C had an engine fire on one engine and a flame-out on the other. The primary crew scrambled to their aircraft, becoming airborne at 1344L. The secondary crew was notified and also scrambled, becoming airborne at 1345L. During the scramble a large column of smoke was seen coming from an area north of the field. Both aircraft were airborne within 3 minutes after notification heading toward the column of smoke from the burning aircraft. The crash was approximately 5 miles north of the base. The helicopters proceeded northwest from the downed aircraft to search for survivors. The parachutes were all white and thus difficult to locate. A pengun flare was spotted approximately 1 mile northwest of the crash site. Shortly after, the secondary crew orbited both survivors to insure no unfriendly forces were in the area while the primary crew made their approach. The crewmembers were approximately 100 yards apart. After determining that there were no unfriendly forces in the area, the secondary crew made their approach to the remaining crewmember. The primary crew landed in a clear area close to a spot where one of the pilots had wandered. The Rescue Specialists quickly departed the helicopter and brought the pilot on board. The primary crew immediately took off to fly cover for the secondary crew. The secondary crew found the remaining survivor lying in tall elephant grass still attached to his parachute. An approach was made to this area; as the helicopter landed the rotor blades were within 2 to 4 inches of the grass. The crew chief and medical technician departed the helicopter to assist the pilot. They soon discovered him to be only slightly dazed but otherwise alright. He was brought on board the helicopter, which immediately departed the area accompained by the primary helicopter. On the way back to Pleiku AB, fuel fumes were very strong in the cockpit of the secondary helicopter. A firetruck was requested to standby. On touchdown, the rotor wash sprayed fuel over the aircraft and an immediate shutdown was made. After evacuation of the aircraft it was determined that the aft fuel cell had sustained a bad puncture from either an anti-helicopter stake or a sharpened stump, causing the loss of more than 800 pounds of fuel. The recovered pilots were delivered to the USAF flight surgeon. After landing, US Special

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Forces personnel notified the detachment that the crash area had been heavily mined by unfriendly forces. The primary crew members were Capt Glen L. McFarlane (RCC), 2/Lt James E. McLain (RCCP), A1C James W. Bayles and A1C Hubert E. Smith Jr. (RS). The secondary crew members were Capt Leonard L. Hills (RCC), 2/Lt Curtis K. Bayer (RCCP), A3C Terrell L. Sage (HM), A1C Howard T. Mathies (MT).

Leonard L Hills

LEONARD L. HILLS
Captain, USAF
Det 9, 38th ARSq

Copies to:
PARC
38th ARSq

Glen L McFarlane

GLEN L. McFARLANE
Captain, USAF
Det 9, 38th ARSq

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 9
38th Air Rescue Squadron (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco, 96295

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 9, 38 ARSq 2 Dec 1965

SUBJECT: F-4C Mission Narrative from Pleiku AB, RVN (Det 9, 38 ARS-1-28 Nov 65)

TO: Hq ARS
Orlando AFB, Fla

On 28 Nov 65, at 1342L the Base Ops crash phone rang with information that a F-4C had an engine fire on one engine and a flame-out on the other. The primary crew scrambled to their aircraft, becoming airborne at 1344L. The secondary crew was notified and also scrambled, becoming airborne at 1345L. During the scramble a large column of smoke was seen coming from an area north of the field. Both aircraft were airborne within 3 minutes after notification heading toward the column of smoke from the burning aircraft. The crash was approximately 5 miles north of the base. The helicopters proceeded northwest from the downed aircraft to search for survivors. The parachutes were all white and thus difficult to locate. A pengun flare was spotted approximately 1 mile northwest of the crash site. Shortly after, the secondary crew orbited both survivors to insure no unfriendly forces were in the area while the primary crew made their approach. The crewmembers were approximately 100 yards apart. After determining that there were no unfriendly forces in the area, the secondary crew made their approach to the remaining crewmember. The primary crew landed in a clear area close to a spot where one of the pilots had wandered. The Rescue Specialists quickly departed the helicopter and brought the pilot on board. The primary crew immediately took off to fly cover for the secondary crew. The secondary crew found the remaining survivor lying in tall elephant grass still attached to his parachute. An approach was made to this area; as the helicopter landed the rotor blades were within 2 to 4 inches of the grass. The crew chief and medical technician departed the helicopter to assist the pilot. They soon discovered him to be only slightly dazed but otherwise alright. He was brought on board the helicopter, which immediately departed the area accompained by the primary helicopter. On the way back to Pleiku AB, fuel fumes were very strong in the cockpit of the secondary helicopter. A firetruck was requested to standby. On touchdown, the rotor wash sprayed fuel over the aircraft and an immediate shutdown was made. After evacuation of the aircraft it was determined that the aft fuel cell had sustained a bad puncture from either an anti-helicopter stake or a sharpened stump, causing the loss of more than 800 pounds of fuel. The recovered pilots were delivered to the USAF flight surgeon. After landing, US Special

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Forces personnel notified the detachment that the crash area had been heavily mined by unfriendly forces. The primary crew members were Capt Glen L. McFarlane (RCC), 2/Lt James E. McLain (RCCP), A1C James W. Bayles and A1C Hubert E. Smith Jr. (RS). The secondary crew members were Capt Leonard L. Hills (RCC), 2/Lt Curtis K. Bayer (RCCP), A3C Terrell L. Sage (HM), A1C Howard T. Mathies (MT).

Leonard L. Hills
LEONARD L. HILLS
Captain, USAF
Det 9, 38th ARSq

Copies to:
PARC
38th ARSq

Glen L McFarlane
GLEN L. McFARLANE
Captain, USAF
Det 9, 38th ARSq

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

14 FEB 66 11 01

CCN/068/

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARIIG		
ARAMS		

PFTC JAW RUEBJTB0874 0451008-CCCC--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAG 42 0450752
ZNY CCCCC
P 140500Z
FM DET 7 36 ARRECOVERY SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUEBSBA/ARRS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUMSBJ/3 D ARRSP TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 36 ARRS 5-0019 FOR CCC ARS FOR ARODC
FOLLOWING MISSION REPORT RETRANSMITTED:
1. RCS: 1ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. 7-642-23 OCT 65
3. WOUNDED MARINES
4. COMMAND POST
5. AIR EVACUATION /1550
6.; 1556 N - 10802E
7. 1500 BROKEN 2000; VERCAST VIS 15 MI (2MI IN RAIN SHOWERS)

PRIORITY

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by Id

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 42 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. DET 7,; EIVARRS
9. N/A
10. DET 7EIVARS/ 2HH-43 C/HOIST PICKUP WITH APPROX. 200FT. CABLE
11. 8 SURVIVORS
12. 2 SAVED
13. EVACUATED TO MARINE HOSPITAL
14. 6 SORTIES/5 PLUS 40 HH-43F/ASSISTING ORGANIZATION UNK
05. 2 MARINE ARMED RU-117 ;3 CORTS
16. PRIMARY AIRCRAFT CREW: P CAPT RODENBERG, JAMES C., CP 1ST LT BROWN, TOMMY L., HM LONGMIRE, HAMLIN P.V TSGT RS A2C FOSTER, ALBERT W. III.; SECONDARY AIRCRAFT CREW: P CAPT GREENE, ROCKWELL N., CP 1ST LT VICK, RALPH E., RS A1C LEONARD, MICHAEL D. HM A1C FORRESTER, EDGAR W. JR., GP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

494

NNNN

28 Nov 65 10 52

7-642-23 OCT 65

PFTC JAW RUWMQGB0254 3321051-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZDG
RTB260ZCSRA615
PP RUWTPIA
DE RUMSA 15 3290735
ZNY CCCCC
P [redacted]38ARESCUE SQ DANANV AB RVN
TO RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ TSN AB RVN
RUHLKKM/PARCARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PAKAF
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7/38ARS 50613 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR APXOPH
MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCF,ARS FOR ARODC,PAKAF FOR PFOCC-H.
FOLLOWING MISSION REPORT RETRANSMITTED:
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REQORT
2. 7-642-23 OCT 65
3/ WOUNDED MARINES
4. COMMAND POST
5. AIR EACUATION/1550
6. 1556N - 10802E
7. 1500 BROKEN 2000 OVERCAST VIS 15 MT (2 MT IN RAIN SHOWERS)

PA3 2 RUMSAG 15 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. DET 7, 38ARS
9. N/A
OF CABLE 7 38ARS/2HH-43F'S/HOIST PICKUP WIH APPROX.200 FT.
11. 8 SURVI

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
by
DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

PA3 2 RUMSAG 15 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. DET 7, 38ARS
9. N/A
10. DET 7 38ARS/2HH-43F'S/HOIST PICKUP WIH APPROX.200 FT.
OF CABLE
11. 8 SURVIVORS
12. 2 SAED
13/ EVAKUATED TO MARINE HOSPITAL
14. 1 SORTIES/5&40 HH-43F/ASSISTING ORGANIZATION UNK
15. 2 MARINE ARMED HU-1B ESCORTS
16. PRIMARY AIRCRAFT CREW: P CAPT RODENBERS,JAMES C,. CP 1ST LT
BROWN,ROMMY L,. HM LONGMIRE,HANLIN P,. TSGT,RS A2C FOSTER,ALBERT
W III. SECONDARY AIRCRAFT CREW: P CAPT GREENE,ROCKWELL N,. CP
1ST LT VICK, RALPH E,. HM A1C FORRESTER, EDGAR W.JR,. BS A1C
LEONARD, MICHAEL D.
GP-4

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

145

CONFIDENTIAL Mission Narrative

26 Oct 65 16 00

PRIORITY

NNNNPFTC JAW RUNTVSA0288 2991510-CCCC--RUW FIA.
DE RUMSAG 38 2990700
ZNY CCCCC
P 260300Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUNTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHL M/P
ARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ SN AB RVN
RUMABA/31ARESCUE SQ CLACK AB PI
BTTX

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 0 17 OCT 5
SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. DET 7/642 R) - 23 [redacted] 1965 OCTOBER
2. DANANG TOWER
3. HH-43F 64-1759
RCC-CAPT JAMES C. RODENBERG- DET 7, 38ARS, HALSTEAD, KAN
CP- 1ST LT TOMMY L. BROWN - DET 7, 38ARS, FORTVIPLE, ND
HM- TSGT HARLAN D. LONGMIRE - DET 7, 38ARS, SOLDIERS GROVE, WISC
RS- A1C ELBERT W. FOSTER III - DET 7, 38ARS, VIRGINIA

action: ARODC
info: ARCCO
ARXDC
ARPDC
ARMDC
ARBDC
ARIIG
ARCOI
CARC
EARC
WARC

[redacted] 41st 48th

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 38 C O N F I D E N T I A L
BEACH, VA
HH-43F 63-9717
RCC- CAPT ROCWELL N. GREENE, DET 7, 38ARS, LINCOLN, KAN
CP- 1ST LT RALPH E. VICK- DET , 38-ARSN MILWAUKEE, WISC
HM - A1CEDGAR W. FORRESTER JR - DET 7, 38ARS, NORTH ATTLEBORO, MASS
RS - A1C MUCGAEL D. LEONARDN- DET 7, 38ARS, LWLER, OOWA
4. NOTIFIED 0750Z, OVER SCENE 080 Z FIRST PICKUP 093 Z, SECON 0940Z, TERMINATED 1ST FLIGHT 1000Z, DEPARTED 2D FLIGHT 10 0Z, THIRD PICKUP 1040Z, FGARTH 1044Z, FIFTH 10 2X, SIXTH 1056Z, SEVENTH 1100Z, EIGHTH 1110Z.
5. TWO AIR FORCE 0-1'S, TWO ARMED MARINE HU-1B'S
6. 65" 56"N - 108" 02" E MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN (JUNGLE)
7. FM RADIO USED BETWEEN HELICOPTERS AND GROUND PARTY. GROND PARTY PUT OUT YELLOW SMOKE.
8. 8 MWUENE SURVIVORS (2 EXTREMELY CRITICAL), NAMES UNKNOWN.
9. TWO HH-43F'S WERE DIVERTED TO SCENE. 0-1 AIRCRAFT ASSISTED RESCUE 67 (64-1759) IN LOCATING CAMP SITE. FIRST ATTEMPT TO LOCATE MARINE GROUND PARTY FUSTRATED BY BROKEN CLOUDS AT CAMP SITE LEVEL, POOR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WITH GROUND [redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNC/AS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 38 C O N F I D E N T I A L
AND ERRONEOUS DIRECTIONS BY GROUND PARTY DUE L
D SORIENTATION.
RESCUE 67 ENCOUNTARED SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE IN HOVER NEAR GROUND PARTY. RESCUE 67 TOOK SEVERAL HITS AND DEPATED SCENE FOR DAMGE CMEC. MARINES REPORTED ACEA SECURE AND RESCUE 7/8 43574,3$ 194 08: 70. FORES PENTRATOR USED WITH APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET OF CABLE. WITH ONE SURVIVOR ABOARD CREW SUSPECTED GROUND FIRE AND DEPARTED. RESCUE 99 (63-717) PICKED UP GROUND SURVIVOR. RESCUE 68 DEPARTED FOR MARINE HOSPITAL AND WAS FOLLOWED IBY RESCUE 99. ALL HELICOPTERS RETURNED HOME PLATES FOR FUEL. ON SECOND FLIGHT RESCUE 99 PICKED UP 3 AND 4TH SURVIVOR. RESCUE 7 PICKED UP 5 H, 6 H, AND 7 H. RESCUE 9 PICKED UP 8 H SURVIVOR. ALL TAKEN TO MARINE HOSPITAL ENGINE CMIP LIGHT ILLUMINATED AND RESCUE 7 A MARINENL L POR. RESCUE 99 RETURNED TO DANANG TO PICKUP ENGINE EMECHANIC. RESCUE 67 CHECKED OUT TO AND BOTH AIRCRAFT TERMINATED A 1135Z. TIME 5 PLUS 40, SORTIES 6.
10. THE SAVING OF A LEAST QO LIVES CAN BE ATTRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO THE COMMENDABLE PERFORMANCE OF BOTH HELICOPTER CREWS IN SPITE OF EXTREME DANGER.
BT

Col Brooks has seen

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DE RUMSAG 8 2990700
ZNY CCCCC
P 260300Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUWTEIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHL M/P
ARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ SN AB RVN
RUMABA/31ARESCUE SQ CLACK AB PI
BTTX

PRIORITY

16 00

action ARODC
info: ARCCO
ARXDC
ARPDC
ARMDC
ARBDC
ARTIC
ARCCI
CARC
EARC
WARC

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 0 17 OCT 5
UBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. DET 7/642 R) - 23 [redacted] 1965
OCTOBER
2. DANANG TOWER
3. HH-43F 64-1759
RCC-CAPT JAMES C. RODENBERG- DET 7, 38ARS, HALSTEAD, KAN
CP- 1ST LT TOMMY L. BROWN - DET 7, 38ARS, FORTVIPLE, ND
HM- TSGT HARLAN D. LONGMIRE - DET 7, 38ARS, SOLDIERS
GROVE, IWSC
RS A1C ELBER W. FOSTER III - DET 7, 38ARS, VIRGINIA

[redacted] 41st 48th

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 38 C O N F I D E N T I A L
BEACH, VA
HH-43F 63-9717
RCC- CAPT ROCWELL N. GREENE, DET 7, 38ARS, LINCOLN, KAN
CP- 1ST LT RALPH E. VICK- DET , 38-ARSN MILWAUKEE, WISC
HM - A1CEDGAR W. FORRESTER JR - DET 7, 38ARS, NORTH
ATTLEBORO, MASS
RS - A1C MUCGAEL D. LEONARDN- DET 7, 38ARS, LWLER, OOWA
4. NOTIFIED 0750Z, OVER SCENE 080 Z FIRST PICKUP 093 Z,
SECON 0940Z, TERMINATED 1ST FLIGHT 1000Z, DEPARTED 2D FLIGHT
1000Z, THIRD PICKUP 1040Z, FGAR H 1044Z, FIFTH 1020X, SIXTH
1056Z, SEVENTH 1100Z, EIGHTH 1110Z.
5. TWO AIR FORCE 0-1'S, TWO ARMED MARINE HU-1B'S
6. 65" 56"N - 108" 02" E MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN (JUNGLE)
7. FM RADIO USED BETWEEN HELICOPTERS AND GROUND PARTY.
GROND PARTY PUT OUT YELLOW SMOKE.
8. 8 MWUENE SURVIVORS (2 EXTREMELY CRITICAL), NAMES UNKNOWN.
9. TWO HH-43F'S WERE DIVERTED TO SCENE. 0-1 AIRCRAFT ASSISTED
RESCUE 67 (64-1759) IN LOCATING CAMP SITE. FIRST ATTEMPT TO
LOCATE MARINE GROUND PARTY FUSTRATED BY BROKEN CLOUDS AT
CAMP SITE LEVEL, POOR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WITH GROUND

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of OJS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 38 C O N F I D E N T I A L
AND ERRONEOUS DIRECTIONS BY GROUND PARTY DUE L
D SORIENTATION.
RESCUE 67 ENCOUNTARED SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE IN HOVER NEAR GROUND
PARTY. RESCUE 67 TOOK SEVERAL HITS AND DEPATED SCENE FOR
DAMGE CMEC. MARINES REPORTED ACEA SECURE AND RESCUE 7/8
43574,3$ 194 08: 70. FOREST PENTRATOR USED WITH APPROX -
MATELY 200 FEET OF CABLE. WITH ONE SURVIVOR ABOARD CREW
SUSPECTED GROUND FIRE AND DEPARTED. RESCUE 99 (63-1717) PICKED
UP GROUND SURVIVOR. RESCUE 68 DEPARTED FOR MARINE HOSPITAL
AND WAS FOLLOWED IBY RESCUE 99. ALL HELICOPTERS RETURNED HOME
PLATES FOR FUEL. ON SECOND FLIGHT RESCUE 99 PICKED UP 3
AND 4TH SURVIVOR. RESCUE 7 PICKED UP H, 6 H, AND 7 H.
RESCUE 9 PICKED UP 8 H SURVIVOR. ALL TAKEN TO MARINE HOSPITAL
ENGINE CMIP LIGHT ILLUMINATED AND RESCUE 7 AT MARINENUL POR.
RESCUE 99 RETURNED TO DANANG TO PICKUP ENGINE EMECHANIC. RESCUE
67 CHECKED OUT TO AND BOTH AIRCRAFT TERMINATED AT 1135Z.
TIME 5 PLUS 40, SORTIES 6.
10. THE SAVING OF A LEAST 100 LIVES CAN BE ATTRIBUTED
DIRECTLY TO THE COMMENDABLE PERFORMANCE OF BOTH HELICOPTER
CREWS IN SPITE OF EXTREME DANGER.
BT

[redacted]

How many?

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

For Sgt Swipes

mm

ZRQV 65 21 CW

ARS FOR SGT BARROW PAGE 3 OF CCN 145/26 AIC Hawley

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 38 C O N F I D E N T I A L
AND ERRONEOUS DIRECTIONS BY GROUND PARTY DUE DISORIENTATION.
RESCUE 67 ENCOUNTERED SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE IN HOVER NEAR GROUND
PARTY. RESCUE 67 TOOK SEVERAL HITS AND DEPARTED SCENE FOR
DAMAGE GMEC. MARINES REPORTED AREA SECURE AND RESCUE 67/8
RETURNED FOR PICKUP. FOREST PENTRATOR USED WITH APPROX-
MATELY 200 FEET OF CABLE. WITH ONE SURVIVOR ABOARD CREW
SUSPECTED GROUND FIRE AND DEPARTED. RESCUE 99 (63- 717) PICKED
UP GROUND SURVIVOR. RESCUE 68 DEPARTED FOR MARINE HOSPITAL
AND WAS FOLLOWED BY RESCUE 99. ALL HELICOPTERS RETURNED HOME
PLATES FOR FUEL. ON SECOND FLIGHT RESCUE 99 PICKED UP 3
AND 4TH SURVIVOR. RESCUE 67 PICKED UP 5TH, 6TH AND 7TH.
RESCUE 99 PICKED UP 8TH SURVIVOR. ALL TAKEN TO MARINE HOSPITAL
ENGINE CMIPLIGHT ILLUMINATED AND RESCUE 67A MARINELP PORT.
RESCUE 99 RETURNED TO DANANG TO PICKUP ENGINE MECHANIC. RESCUE
67 CHECKED OUT TO AND BOTH AIRCRAFT TERMINATED AT 1135Z.
TIME 5 PLUS 40, SORTIESS.
10. THE SAVING OF A LEAST TWO LIVES CAN BE ATRIBUTED
DIRECTLY TO THE COMMENDABLE PERFORMACE OF BOTH HELICOPTER
CREWS IN SPIT OF EXTREME DANGER.
BT

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

NNNN

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS)
effective on 85-3-25, under the authority of
DIS by [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

[redacted] ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

20

MISSION NUMBER:	D3-PARC-630-23JUN65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HH-43B

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

BRIEFED 25 JUN 65

MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC 630 25 JUN 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: F-105 / 1 P.O.B.

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): USDF WINGMAN @ 1717Z

70 MI. ENE NAKHON PHANOM (NA CON) (PHONON) DET #2

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): ~~[illegible]~~ AIR RES HH-43 B

FROM NAKHON PHONAM AT 1515 Z MADE A HOIST PICK UP

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: (NA-CON) (PHONON) 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND, THEN TO UDORN (NA CON) (PHONON) A CC-47 TOOK HIM TO

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 16 HOURS 41+05

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS:

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Reg # 010581

P-F1

HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC AIR RESCUE CENTER
AIR RESCUE SERVICE (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO, SAN FRANCISCO, 96553

[redacted]

REPLY TO ATTN OF: DOARO

B/27

13 July 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: Hq ARS

E/30

The attached mission narrative from Detachment Provisional Second (PARC) is forwarded for your information and use as considered appropriate.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OJS, by [illegible]

HERBERT E. HIGAKI
Captain, USAF
Administrative Services Officer

1 Atch
Ltr, Det Prov 2nd, 26 Jun 65,
Subj: Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission
#630, 23 Jun 1965

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARPDC
" ARAMS
" ARBDC
" ARCOI
" ARIIG
" ARXDC
" ARMDC
" ARCCO

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

Congratulatory msg on this mission sent late June

When Incls are withdrawn or not attached the classification of SECRET on this correspondence will be cancelled.

ARODC # 653436 [illegible]

Hq ARS SC No. 653731

[redacted]

Hq PARC Log No. 1422-65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second

25 Jun 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission #630, 23 Jun 1965

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

TO: Det 3, PARC

1. At 0618Z the alert duty pilot, located in Radar Operations at Invert, was notified that a pilot from Pine Flight was ejecting. A set of coordinates were given by the wing man. They were plotted on a map, and a flight plan was initiated. It was estimated that 25 gal of extra fuel would be needed. The 2 alert aircraft were fueled and all other necessary equipment was loaded.

2. At 0622Z a second set of coordinates (WE 82 76) were obtained from Invert Operations. These were plotted and found to be about 13 miles further north than the original set. Maps were drawn up with a flight plan route to avoid known enemy positions and AAA.

3. At 0638Z Maj Lawrence at ASOC-V called to initiate an immediate scramble. All crew members prepared for takeoff.

4. At 0653Z both helicopters, Hobby 22 and 21 were airborne. Contact was made with Uncap 32. Several steers were given by Uncap 32 and Pine Flight aircraft, who were orbiting in the pickup area.

5. At approximately 0730Z both Hobby aircraft were cruising at 2,000'. Heavy cloud build-ups and moderate rain made navigation difficult. Hobby 22 entered a cloud bank and was unable to remain VFR. A 180° turn was initiated and Hobby 21 was notified to start a turn in the opposite direction. A descent was started and Hobby 22 broke out at about 7,500' between layers. An orbit was established and steers were transmitted for Hobby 21 who had become separated. Hobby 22 located a hole and attempted to descend below the overcast so that the flight could be continued. After descending to approximately 1,500' AGL, it was determined that the cloud cover extended to ground level. A climb was again started and Hobby 22 leveled at 8,500'. A light area was located and Hobby 22 managed to get through to a semi-clear area and proceed VFR to the pickup site.

6. At 0810Z Hobby 22 arrived over the pickup site and was receiving the PRT 21 signal. The AIHs flying low cover made several passes over the area where the survivor was suppose to be located. Hobby 22 descended to 1,500' AGL. A transmission from the survivor over guard channel, stated, "Helicopter turn right, turn right". A right hand orbit was set up. The survivor was requested to fire a flare. He answered that he would give us some smoke. No smoke was observed so a descent was started.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

APODC # 653436 [illegible]
Hq ARS SC No. 653731
Hq PARC Log No.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

Detachment Provisional Second (PARC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U. S. Forces 96310

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det Prov Second

25 Jun 1965

SUBJECT: Det 3, PARC Rescue Mission #630, 23 Jun 1965

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

TO: Det 3, PARC

1. At 0618Z the alert duty pilot, located in Radar Operations at Invert, was notified that a pilot from Pine Flight was ejecting. A set of coordinates were given by the wing man. They were plotted on a map, and a flight plan was initiated. It was estimated that 25 gal of extra fuel would be needed. The 2 alert aircraft were fueled and all other necessary equipment was loaded.

2. At 0622Z a second set of coordinates (WE 82 76) were obtained from Invert Operations. These were plotted and found to be about 13 miles further north than the original set. Maps were drawn up with a flight plan route to avoid known enemy positions and AAA.

3. At 0638Z Maj Lawrence at ASOC-V called to initiate an immediate scramble. All crew members prepared for takeoff.

4. At 0653Z both helicopters, Hobby 22 and 21 were airborne. Contact was made with Uncap 32. Several steers were given by Uncap 32 and Pine Flight aircraft, who were orbiting in the pickup area.

5. At approximately 0730Z both Hobby aircraft were cruising at 2,000'. Heavy cloud build-ups and moderate rain made navigation difficult. Hobby 22 entered a cloud bank and was unable to remain VFR. A 180° turn was initiated and Hobby 21 was notified to start a turn in the opposite direction. A descent was started and Hobby 22 broke out at about 7,500' between layers. An orbit was established and steers were transmitted for Hobby 21 who had become separated. Hobby 22 located a hole and attempted to descend below the overcast so that the flight could be continued. After descending to approximately 1,500' AGL, it was determined that the cloud cover extended to ground level. A climb was again started and Hobby 22 leveled at 8,500'. A light area was located and Hobby 22 managed to get through to a semi-clear area and proceed VFR to the pickup site.

6. At 0810Z Hobby 22 arrived over the pickup site and was receiving the PRT 21 signal. The AIHs flying low cover made several passes over the area where the survivor was suppose to be located. Hobby 22 descended to 1,500' AGL. A transmission from the survivor over guard channel, stated, "Helicopter turn right, turn right". A right hand orbit was set up. The survivor was requested to fire a flare. He answered that he would give us some smoke. No smoke was observed so a descent was started.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER [illegible]
DOD DIR

APODC # 653436 [illegible]
Hq ARS SC No. 653731

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

At approximately 300' AGL the parachute was spotted hanging in a tree top in the bottom of a small valley. The location was approximately ½ mile from the position originally indicated by the AlHs. One more orbit was required to position the helicopter over the survivor so a pickup could be accomplished. Approximately 60 feet of hoist cable was necessary to reach the survivor. He was located high in the top of a large tree. It was estimated that his position was about 150 feet above the ground. The helicopter hovered to within 2 or 3 feet rotor tip clearance from other trees which were beside the aircraft. Some rather careful maneuvering was required to thread the hoist cable down to the survivor. He entered the hoist sling at which time he dropped his survival equipment. The hoist was started up; however, the survivor became tangled in the shroud lines from his chute. The hoist was let down a short distance and the survivor kicked free. The hoist was again started up. No further complications were encountered. The pickup was completed at 0815Z and an immediate takeoff was initiated. A circling climb was utilized to obtain enough altitude to clear AAA in the immediate vicinity. During the climb Hobby 21 joined up with Hobby 22. Hobby 21 had been orbiting over the pickup site while Hobby 22 was making the pickup. A heading of 270° was established after reaching 6,500'. The climb was continued to 9,000'. Two AlHs and Uncap 32 escorted Hobby Flight back to Invert where a landing was made at 0925Z. The survivor was transfered to the Uncap aircraft for return to Brigham. Mission closed for both Hobby aircraft.

7. Survivor: Major Robert W. Wilson, 357 TFS, Korat AB, Thailand.

8. Crews:

Low Hobby 22		High Hobby 21	
RCC	Bruce C. Hepp, Capt	P	Walter F. Turk, 1st Lt
CP	Thomas J. Curtis, Capt	CP	Stanley O. Schaetzle, Capt
HM	Francisco Alvarado, A1C	HM	David M. Cutillo, A2C
PJ	James E. Poole, A2C	PJ	Michael T. Henebry, A2C

FOR THE COMMANDER

BRUCE C. HEPP
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

[redacted]

ARUDE 653436 [illegible]

2

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 653731

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

ACTION
INFO: ARCOS
" ARBDC

P-F1

NNNNCZCSHAS57ZCYVX991
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 743 23/1620Z
O 231615Z
FM DET 3 PACARESCUECEN TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUAHQ/HQ USAF WASTINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB TAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN TICKAM AFB HAWAII
RAMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2ND AIR DIV TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSATG/AIRA VIENTAINE LAOS
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD THAI UDORN THAILAND
RUMSATA/33 ARS SITE ONE UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 TWP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMRDA/79 ARS ANDERSEN AFB GUAM
RUMBDK/DET PROV FOURTH KORAT AB THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 5052

IMMEDIA

[redacted] 23 JUN 65 19 49

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by

SECRET

JUN 65. TQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: DET 3 PARC - 630-23 JUN 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 3 PARC.
49 SAR OBJECTIV: PILOT OF USAF F-105.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1752N-10552E.
6 ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED RESCUE ACFT NOTIFIED OF BAILOUT /BY WINGMAN AT 23/1717G.

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2 13 MAY 1976

SECRET

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 743 S E C R E T
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR SACTION: PREPOSITIONED RESCUE AKFT WITH US NAVY A-1H RESCAP IMMEDIATEDLY DIVRTED TO BAILOAT SCENE.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIV: WINGMAN LOCATED PILOT ON GROUND AND ESTABLISHED VOICE RADIO CONTACT.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RECOVERZ OF SURVIVOR: USAF HH-43B FROM NAKHON PHANOM MADE HOIST PICKUP OF PILOTT AT 1515G. HELICOPTERS ESCORTED BY USAF TC-54 AND USN A-1H ACFT OVER 70 MILES OF UNFRIENDLY TERRAIN TO EFFECT RECOVERY.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: PILOT TRANSPORTED TO NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND BY USAF HH-43B THEN VIA USAF HC-54 TO UDORN, THAILAND. RELEASED TO USAF MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT THAT STATION.
12. EORTES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCYWC
Q SORTIE FOR 9:00 HOURS BY UEAF HU-1"B
1 SORTIE FOR 3:20 HOURS BY ASAF HC-54
10 SORTIES FOR 12:45 HOURS BY USAF F-105
2 SORTIES FOR 11:00 HOURS BY USN A-1H
2 SORTIES FOR 5:00 HOURS BY USAF HH-43B
23. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: NAME OF F-105 PILOT; WILSON, R.W. MAJOR

IMMEDIATE

SECRET

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 743 S E C R E T
28510A. PILOTS OF RECOVERY HELICOPTERS (TWO ACFT AS TEAM) CAPT CURTIS AND 1ST LT TURK, PILOT OF HC-54: CAPT LESTER, PILOT OF HU-16: CAPT PIKE. FOR PARC: LAST OPENING MISSION REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS MISSION NUMBER 625, 22 JUN 65.
GP-4.

SECRET 652842

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

Sq ARS SC No. 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO U.S. Forces 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 5 PARC 26 Jun 65

SUBJECT: Narrative of Mission Report

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNC/AS), effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

TO: Pac ARescue Cen
33 ARescue Sq
DET 3 Pac ARescue Cen

1. This report reflects action taken by Figmo Bravo on Det 3 PARC Mission Number 630, 23 June 1965. Figmo Bravo, HU-16 10058, of the 33 Air Rescue Sq was commanded by Captain Donald C. Hollfelder, A02227005. Additional crew members were: Captain David P. Westenburger, 62088A, Co-Pilot; 1st Lt Donald S. Price, A03121056, Navigator; SSgt Frank J. Trombino, AF19484611, Radio-Operator; A1C James M. Allen, AF14568604, Flight-Mechanic; A1C Eldrige M. Neal, AF13753971, Pararescue; and SSgt Patrick Abernathy, AF14519776, Photographer.

2. Cronology of Events:

1415 Figmo Bravo intercepted the following call on UHF Guard "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY, This is Pine Two. Pine lead has been hit, bailed out over target, MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY". At this time Figmo Bravo was on SAR Patrol at Coordinates 18:10 N 106:35 E with Locket 581 and Wingman (two Navy A-1H Aircraft) as Rescap. Climb was immediately commenced from 2000 feet, SAR patrol altitude. Captain Hollfelder responded to the distress on guard obtaining bailout coordinates and bearing to distressed pilot. Simultaniously, Det 3 PARC was notified of the emergency via single side band. Figmo Bravo then returned to UHF SAR patrol frequency and advised Texaco, a U.S. Navy Destroyer, of the emergency. Pine Flight left distress scene due to low fuel.

1425H Figmo Bravo crossed the coast of North Vietnam west bound, 10 miles north of Dong Hoi at 7,000 feet and climbing. Locket Flight was in loose trail formation. The coastal weather was 2,500 feet scattered, 5,000 feet broken, Tops 7,000 feet. Det 3 PARC was notified of penetration, estimate for the search area of 1446H and helicopters were requested. Bailout position was confirmed as 4 miles west of 17 degrees 52' N 105:52 E with Pine Two. Texaco was advised of our departure from SAR Patrol station and intentions.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

Hq PARC Log No. 65-1141

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

1436H Det 3 PARC advised that UNCAP 32, HC-54, was also enroute to the area and that a top cover of fighters was on the way.

1440H UHF radio contact was established with UNCAP 32 who had received a different set of bailout coordinates. It was mutually decided that UNCAP 32 would commence search at his coordinates and Figmo Bravo would commence at 17: 52'N 105: 52E.

1446H Figmo Bravo arrived on scene at 11,000 feet and commenced an expanding square eletronic search using a two mile track spacing.

1449H On the third leg of the search pattern a loud distress homing signal was received. Bearings indicated Figmo Bravo was over the downed pilot. Captain Hollfelder assumed on scene command. Uncap 32 was directed to proceed to 17 52'N 105 52'E at 12,000 feet. Locket Flight was sent down to attempt to pin point the survivor with their UHF homers while making low passes. Det 3 PARC was advised of the situation.

1502H Uncap 32, Whiplash (F-4C Highcover) and Bango Flight (F-105) were all on station. Hobby 21 and 22 HH-43F's were enroute. Weather was low scattered, high broken to overcast with light rain, thunder storms surrounded the area. Figmo Bravo commenced descent to 6,000 feet for more effective visual and electronic pin pointing of the downed pilot. Uncap 32 was to maintain altitude, assist in vectoring Hobby 21 and 22 to the area and keep invert (RADAR) appraised of the on scene situation.

1530H Locket 581 reported sighting a pen gun flare from the downed pilot. Det 3 PARC advised that there were known flack positions 5 miles north and 5 miles south of the bail out site. Location of flack positions was relayed to all aircraft by Figmo Bravo and East/West flight path was reccommended over the bail-out site. Rescap aircraft were further advised to keep a look out for troops moving into the area. Locket 581 acknowledged.

1532H Figmo Bravo established radio contact with Pine Lead, the downed pilot on UHF Guard. Pine lead advised that he was OK and had no broken bones. Captain Hollfelder acknowledged and suggested that he conserve his radio batteries by maintaining radio silence until the choppers entered the area. ETA of the choppers was relayed to Pine lead as 1550H. Voice contact with survivor could only be made directly over his position.

1550H Pine lead again called on Guard stating that he was OK and that the A-1 Rescap had just passed directly over head. Captain Hollfelder advised that weather had caused a slight delay of the choppers. Their ETA was now 1610H. Captain Hollfelder again suggested that Pine lead conserve his batteries pending arrival of the choppers.

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

1610H Hobby 22 arrived and commenced a circling descent from 8,000 feet. While Figmo Bravo and Locket 581 pointed out the downed pilot's position.

1612H Pine lead began vectoring Hobby 22 into him on Guard.

1613H Pine lead set off the day end of a Mark 13 Flare. The orange smoke was clearly visible to all.

1617H Hoist pick-up of Pine lead was completed by Hobby 22. Det 3 PARC was advised.

1618H Locket Flight was assigned to escort Hobby 21 and 22 to NAKHON PHANOM accompanied by Uncap and Bango aircraft. Figmo Bravo commenced climb to 10,000 feet and relinquished SAR Control to Uncap 32.

1625H Figmo Bravo departed scene east bound at 10,000 feet and established radio contact with Texaco.

1645H Figmo Bravo recrossed the coast of North Vietnam at 10,000 feet descending and reestablished SAR Patrol with Locket 589, two Navy A-1H's, as rescap.

1800H Figmo Bravo was released from SAR Patrol by Det 3 PARC.

3. Specific Comments.

A. Communications with Det 3 PARC were excellent throughout the mission. Services of Rescap and Top cover aircraft were both adequate and timely.

B. The great value of the UHF distress homer and UHF voice communications employed by the downed pilot cannot be overemphasized. Without these electronic signals, this pilot could not have been located from the air. He had landed in a heavily forrested area.and his chute was not visible.

C. A faster and longer range helicopter stationed at NAKHON PHONOM would immeasureably reduce time period during which SAR Forces and survivors are exposed to possible attack by hostile forces. In this instance the on scene time could have been cut in half if faster helicopters with IFF capability had been available to make the pick-up.

D. Cooperation between the various forces on scene was especially outstanding in view of intermittant UHF contacts resulting from the requirement to constantly change between UHF Guard for homing/survivor contact and UHF 364.2 SAR Frequency for coordination of on scene forces. No common VHF coordination was possible due to an apparent lack

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

of operable VHF Equipment on Uncap and Range Aircraft.

4. Recommendations.

A. Faster and longer range helicopters should be placed at NAKHAI PHANON. ✓

B. SAR Aircraft should have dual UHF equipment in order to permit simultaneous coordination and homing capability as well as provide continued capability should one of these invaluable transceivers fail. ✓

DONALD C. HOLLFELDER
Capt., USAF
RCC

Pictures ?

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

21

MISSION NUMBER:	38-664-3 JUL 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HH-43B

...IAL

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

CZCSHA468ZCJVD130
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAR 115 1841406
ZNY CCCCC
O 031405Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKMXPACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13 AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2ND AIR DIV TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSATG/AIRA VIENTATINE LAOS
RUMSATA/DEP CMDR 2AD THAI UDORN THAILAND
RUMSATA/33 ARS SITE ONE UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMEDK/6234 TWP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUAUAP/36 ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
BT

3 JUL 65 16 37

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by

CONFIDENTIAL

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50552 JULY 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCCH, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS-664- 3 JULY 1965
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT BAILED OUT OF F-105 1 SURVIVOR
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1821N-10101E 120 MILE N.E. of UDORN
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: DISTRESSED ACFT NOTIFIED ARS HC-54 IN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT THAT HE HAD INSUFFCIENT FUEL TO REACH AN AIRFIELD.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 115 C O N F I D E N T I A L

7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: AT 03/0100Z HC-54 CONTACTED HELICOPTERS OPERATING THE AREA AND HH-43B FROM UDORN WERE SCRAMBLED
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: ARS HC-54 SPOTTED PARACHUTE IN TREES
9. NUMXER OF SURVIVORS: ONE
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: PILOT WAS HANGING 30 FEET FROM THE GROUND IN A TREE 125 FEET HIGH. FIRST ATTEMPT MADE BY H-34 WAS UNSUCCESSFAL. PILOT WAS UNABLE TO DISENGAGE SHROUDLINES FROM TREE OR CUT HIMSELF FROM HARNESS. HH-43B LET OFF CREW CHIEF AND MEDIC ON THE GROUND. THEY WALKED IN TO THE POSITION. A ROPE WAS FASTENED TO THE END OF THE HH-43 HOIST, LOWERED IT ALL THE WAY TO THE GROUND, RAISED THE MEDIC UP TO THE PILOT. THE MEDIC SECURED THE PILOT TO THE HOIST ROPE AND THEN CUT THE SHROUD LINES. THE HOIST WAS REELED IN BUT THE HELICOPTER HAD TO MAKE A VERTICAL CLIMB OUT TO CLEAR THE TREES. WITH THE DISTRESSED PILOT AND THE MEDIC HANGING ON BELOW THE AIRCRAFT THEY FLEW TO A CLEARING. THE HELICOPTER CO-PILOT OPERATED THE HOIST.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: DELIVERED TO UDORN BY HH-43B AND ON TO KORAT AB BY HC-54.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
HH-43 B 8 SORTIES 9:30
HC-54 1 SORTIE 7:30 9/17+00

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 115 C O N F I D E N T I A L

NUMEROUS SORTIES BY NON MILITARY AGENCIES

13. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL: NONE
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR PARC SURVIVOR; CAPT. KENNETH R JOHNSON 46894A. PILOT OF RESCUE ACFT CAPT ALLEN. LAST OPENING/CLOSING REPORT MISSION NUMBER 662.

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

P-F-1 (2034.35)
Reg# 13022

33rd Air Rescue Squadron, [illegible]
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO US Forces [illegible]

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: [illegible]

SUBJECT: [illegible]

TO: [illegible]

[illegible] Chevy 1 talking to [illegible] immediately proceeded [illegible] Chevy 1. On his re- [illegible] 80 KM south of Udorn and turned to follow [illegible] procedures [illegible] and were maintaining [illegible] in this area [illegible] 6,000 feet. [illegible] He landed at 0100Z. We reached his position at 0103Z and circled his chute which was in the top of a large tree. By 0114Z the following Air America aircraft were at the scene: a Turbo, a C-123, a Pioneer, and 3 H-34s. We descended to 4,000 feet, lost visual contact with the chute but had the area well marked. On the second pass over the area we received a strong [illegible] from his [illegible]. We made two passes and directed Hotel 27, an Air America H-34 to the area. The pilot fired three flares and Hotel 27 found his exact position. We climbed to 4,500 feet to be clear of the other aircraft and continued to circle. By 0134Z Hotel 27 had the pilot in his sling but was having difficulty lifting him from the tree. He was hanging 50 feet from the top of a 120 foot tree. Hotel 27 reported that he was unable to free the pilot and cut his cable at [illegible] with Paramaskeen on board so we [illegible] until they arrived. At 0204Z Pedro 1 [illegible] the pilot. He agreed with the evaluation of the [illegible] pilot that they should land and send the [illegible] to the pilot, [illegible] bring him out to the landing area. Pedro 2 had already landed [illegible] fuel and when Pedro 1 landed, both of their teams proceeded on foot. The 3 H-34s continued to fly over the ground party directing them to the pilot. They reached him at 0300Z but could not establish contact with us due to the jamming effect of the [illegible]. It took 45 minutes to silence both of the pilot's [illegible] and then contact was established. Pedro 2 took off and hovered over the pilot. He lowered his cable with a 100 foot rope extension to one PJ at the scene. The PJ fastened himself in the sling and Pedro 2 hoisted him up to the pilot. The PJ secured the pilot to his harness, cut him loose and Pedro 2 hoisted them up at 0401Z. They were unable to board the H-43 due to the rope attached to the end of

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-20512

13 MAY 1970

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ARODC # 654296 [illegible]

SECRET

Hq ARC DC No. 654888

Hq PARC Log No. 1471-65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

the [illegible] flew [illegible] to a clear area and set them down. He then landed, picked up the pilot and departed for Nong Khai. [illegible] Pedro 2 to Nong Khai and then [illegible] until the ground party returned to [illegible] and we all departed [illegible] for Nong Khai and then [illegible]. Rescue cap was provided throughout the entire mission by 2 flights of A-T-28s.

RECOMMENDATIONS. The [illegible] beacons, URC 21 etc, should be [illegible] frequency between [illegible] and 245 KC. These frequencies would be compatible with [illegible] equipment and would not have the [illegible] effects on 243 KC. [illegible] and control is most important in the pick up phase of [illegible] due to the inaccessable position of the URC 21 hung in the tree it could not be turned off for over 2 hours and 45 minutes. All helicopters hovering over the pilot complained of the loud noise level of the beacon. The ground party was forced to send a man back to the helicopter to relay instructions as no contact could be made with their URC 10s due to the beacon. Having the beacon on 242 or 244 KC would allow [illegible] to locate the downed man then switch to 243 KC for voice communication with him. In this case, voice communications might have saved the man an injury from the initial pick up attempt and certainly would have hastened his overall recovery by an hour.

ROSS M. HUTCHINSON
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Info Copies To:
38ARS
39ARS

[redacted]L

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL

22

[redacted]G/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-744-24 JULY 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
VEHICLE: HH-43B

CONFIDENTIAL

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: 38-744-24 July 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: A6A / 2 POB

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): ASOC AT DONUN 24/1104

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): USMC UH-34 HELICOPTER RECOVERED USN CREWMAN AND HH-43B RECOVERED USAF PILOT

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 3

d. NUMBER SAVED:

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 2 USN TAKEN TO HUE PHU BAI TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 TO DANANG - USAF PILOT TO NAKHON PHANOM/DEC 64 TO UDORN

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 43 HOURS 99+05

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS: A6A CRASHED APPROX 105 MI NW DANANG REPORTED BY WINGMAN WHO SIGHTED TWO GOOD CHUTES F-105 WAS CIRCLING IN SEARCH WHEN THE PILOT BAILED OUT DUE TO FUEL WARNING LITE AND CONTROL DIFFICULTIES. ONE USN CREWMEMBER PICKED UP BY HUNT, THE UH34 LANDED TO PICK UP 2ND USN WHO WAS HURT AND INJURED LEG. HH-43B MADE HUNT PICK UP OF F-105 PILOT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-3-25, under the authority of GDS, by [redacted)

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2 19 MAY 1970

[redacted]

ARODC # 653328

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____ _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PFI

[redacted]

25 Jul 65 12 26

OFTS JAW RUWMQZB0474 2061144-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 993 2052227
ZNY SSSSS
O 242225Z
FM 38ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/31ARSQ CLARK AB PI
RUHLHL/GINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUABHK/33 ARSQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUAQ/CG FMAW ADV DANANG AB RN
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT CVA TG CDRS
RUMADA/[illegible] ARSQ NAKHON PHANOM APRT THAI
RUMSAG/DET 4 38TH ARSQ DANANG APRT RN
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RN
RUAUAP/36TH ARSQ TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD TSN
RUMRDA/79TH ARSQ GUAM
RUMSATD/6235 TFW TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMFUAQ/MAG 16 DANANG AB RN
RUMSATA/ASOC V UDORN THAI
BT

ACTION ARODC
INFO ARCOI

Duplicate

Briefed on 26 July 65
EP

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS E).
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
OJS, by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50611 JUL 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 AARS - 744 -24 JUL 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY:38 ARS TSN AFLD RN
4. R OBJECTIVE: OBJECTIVE A. 2 USN A6A CREWMEN
OBJECTIVE
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: OBJECTIVE A. 16-30N
S06-12E LAOS
OBJECTIVE B. 1623N -106-34E LAOS
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTOFIED: ASOC UDRON THAILAND

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 993 S E C R E T
24/1110Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: DIVERTED HU-16 ENROUTE TO PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT POINT. SCRAMBLED 2 HH-43 HELICOPTEERS FROM NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND. SCRAMBLED 2 USMC UH-34D HELICOPTERS PREPOSITIONED AT QUANG TRI RVN.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USN A1H AIRCRAFT THAT WERE PERFORMING RESCAP DUTIES.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 2 USN. 1 USAF
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HH-43 HELICOPTERS RESCUED OBJECTIVE A VIA HOIST PICKUP. USMC UH-34D HELICOPTERS RESCUED OBJECTIVE B 1 VIA HOIST PICKUP, 1 VIA LANDING.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: OBJECTIVE A(USAF PPILOT) AIRLIFTED BY HH-43 TO NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND. TRANSFERRED TO HC-54 AT NAKHON INANOM THAILAND AND TAKEN TO UDORN THAILAND. OBJECTIVE B (2 USN CREW MEMBERS) AIRLIFTED BY UH-34D TO HUE PHU BAI RN TRANSFERRED TO HU-16 AND TAKEN TOSHANANG RN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR SIX PLUS FORTY HOURS
USAF HH-43 10 SORTIES FOR TWELE [redacted]
USAF F-105 15 SORTIES FOR SIXTY [illegible]

DOWNGRADED
IAW EO F 13526-2

[redacted]

ARODC # 653328

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

USAF HC-130 4 SORTIES FOR EIGHT PLUS TWENTY MINS
USAF HC-54 2 SORTIES FOR FOUR PLUS FORTY MINS
USMC UH-34 12 SORTIES FOR EIGHT PLUS TWENTY MINS
USN AND USMC FIXED WING TIME WILL BE INCLUDED IN A SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING : NON
14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING INITIAL SAR ACTION
AND CONFIRMATION OF THE DOWNED PILOT'S POSITION BY WINGMANS REPORT
OF CHUTE SIGHTING, THE UH-43 HELICOPTERS WERE RETURNED TO NAKHON
PHANOM HELICOPTERS LAUNCHED TO REPLACE
FUEL EXPIRATION

CONFIDENTIAL

REPEAT OF LAST TWO LINES ABOVE

PHANOM FOR LATER LAUNCH TO REPLACE UH-34 HELICOPTERS ON SCENE AT
FUEL EXPIRATION IF NECESSARY. THE A/C 16, ACCOMPANIED BY THE UH-34S
ARRIVED IN THE AREA OF BAILOUT AT 1214H. NO ELECTRONIC SIGNALS NOR
VISUAL SIGHTINGS OTHER THAT PARACHUTES HAD BEEN REPORTED AT THIS TIME.
WEATHER AND LOW VISIBILITIES PREVAILED IN THE SEARCH AREA. AT
1215H, A USAF F-105 PILOT PARTICIPATING IN THE SEARCH ENDEAVOR
BAILED OUT IN IMMEDIATE SEARCH AREA DUE TO FIRE WARNING LIGHT
AND CONTROL DIFFICULTIES. AT 1240H, HELICOPTERS FROM NAKHON PHANOM
AND HC-54 FROM UDORN WERE DIRECTED TO PROCEED TO INCIDENT SCENE.
SHORTLY THEREAFTER ELECTRONIC SIGNAL WAS DETECTED BUT FADED BEFORE
A POSITIVE FIX COULD BE ESTABLISHED. AT 1345H AND 20 MINUTES AFTER
UH-34S WERE FORCED TO DEPART THE AREA DUE TO FUEL SITUATION, THE SIGNAL

WAS REESTABLISHED. A VISUAL SIGHTING W
[redacted]AN S MAD BY RE CH

RED
REPEAT OF PAGE FOUR

CONFIDENTIAL

WAS REESTABLISHED. A VISUAL SIGHTING W
T B S MAD BY RE CHIRN VT AN
HIT HH3ARES ESCORTED TO THE SCENE UNDER LOW
KEILINGS MADE A 20 FOOT HOIST PICKUP OF S-105 PILOT AND DEPARTED
AREA ENROUTE TO HOME STATION. IN THE MEAN TIME UH-34 HELICOPTERS
HAD REFUELED AND WERE RETURNING TO THE SCENE, AND HH-43 HELICOPTERS
WERE DISPATCHED TO FOR TO-REPLACE UH-34, HELICOPTERS ON SCENE AT
FUEL EXPIRATION TIME. DEBRIEFING OF WINGMAN OF DOWNED NAVY AIRCRAFT
REVEALED THAT TWO GOOD CHUTES HAD BEEN OBSERVED AND OIC CONTACT
HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH ONE MEMBER OF CREW IMMEDIATLEY FOLLOWING
PARACHUTE LANDING. WINGMAN'S DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION IN WHICH CREW
MEMBER WAS DOWN WAS PASSED TO CONTROL AIRCRAFT ON SCENE. AT 1550H
TWO BEACON SIGNALS WERE PICKED UP BY RESCAP AIRCRAFT. AT 1610H
ONE PILOT WAS VISUALLY SIGHTED, AND WHILE THE USMC UH-34 HELICOPTERS
WERE ENROUTE TO MAKE THE PICKUP, THE SECOND CREWMEMBER WAS SIGHTED.
FOLLOWING A HOIST PICKUP BY UDORN THE HELICOPTER
LANDED TO PICKUP THE SECOND ONE WHO HAD SUSTAINED A LEG INJURY.
GP-4.
ET

CONFIDENTIAL SECRET

ARODC # 653328 653823

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Rec# 11843

CONFIDENTIAL

Detachment 7
38th Air Rescue Squadron
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco Calif 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 7 38ARS 6 Aug 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: PARC (DOARO)
38 ARRESCUESQ
33 ARRECOVERYSQ
48 ARRECOVERYSQ
ARS

1. 38 ARS, Mission Number 744, 24 July 1965.

2. GUM

3. a. HU-16B (WIPE BRAVO)

b. H-34 (RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2)

c. HH-43F (IRON 21 and 41)

d. HC-54 (SPUD 30)

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS). effective on 14-3-15, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

e. HU-16B Crewmembers

(1). RCC - Brunner, Edward M.; Capt.; AO3081919; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(2). P - Rechlitz, David C., 1st Lt; 75858A; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(3). N - Glover, Carl D.; 1st Lt; AO3138073; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(4). RO - Mailloux, Albert H.; SSgt.; AF11204464; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(5). AM - Stradling, Norman L.; AlC; AF19557330; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(6). RS - Bradley, Thomas F.; AlC; AF24615822; 33rd Air Recovery Sq

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

CONFIDENTIAL

Hq PARC Log [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

4. Initial notification for WIPE BRAVO 0334Z. First pickup by IRON 21 or 41 at 0655Z; second pickup by RUTLEDGE 6-0 at 0822Z; third pickup by RUTLEDGE 6-2 at 0827Z.

5. CAP assistance: CANASTA 573, 577, 574, and 576. MERCURY Flight, VAPOR Flight.

6. AREA: Land pickup by helicopter.

7. Survivors untilized the URT-21 and possibly a URC-11 or URC-4. SAR aircraft used the ARA 25 and the APX 26.

8. Survivor name unknown for MERCURY Lead. Survivor names for FLYING ACE 508:

a. BORDONE, R.P.; LCDR; 584350; VA 75; CVA 62.

b. MOFFETT, P.R.; LT JG; 661922; VA 75, CVA 62.

9. a. At 0334Z WIPE BRAVO received instructions from GUM to divert from the scheduled relief assignment for WIPE BRAVO and to intercept and accompany RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 to a reported bailout site, coordinates 16:30N, 106:12E. Bailout call sign was FLYING ACE 508. BRAVO was instructed to assume on scene command for SAR activities. At this time 6-0 and 6-2 had been scrambled and were already enroute and about 40 miles from the site. BRAVO elected to remain over water and parallel the coast line Southeast bound to avoid hot areas and then proceed inland roughly on the same track as 6-0 and 6-2. This route placed BRAVO an estimated 100 miles from the site. Enroute BRAVO climbed to 10,500 feet.

b. Overland the weather was an overcast layer bases ragged 1500 feet to 2500 feet and tops 8000 feet to 9000 feet. Another overcast had a base at 15,000 feet, tops unknown. Visibility between layers was 15 miles. Visibility below the lower overcast was 5 miles to 10 miles and down to one mile in numerous scattered rainshowers. Occasional small breaks in the lower overcast permitted brief glimpes of the ground from altitude. However, these breaks closed as rapidly as they formed. These conditions prevailed throughout the entire activity.

c. The terrain was hilly to mountainous with occasional valleys having an average elevation of 1000 feet. Hills averaged up to 2000 feet with occasional mountains up to 4000 feet.

d. Numerous aircraft were already on scene while 6-0 and 6-2 and BRAVO were enroute. All aircraft were working Primary SAR UHF. Transmissions stated that two chutes were visible on the ground about 400 yards apart. One survivor was visible near one chute. Numerous aircraft monitored URT-21 transmissions. One aircraft reported voice communication with one survivor, and about this time weather began closing in overhead the site.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

e. At 0415Z BRAVO estimated a position 30 miles from the site and 6-0 and 6-2 reported almost at the site. At this exact time MERCURY Lead, an F-105 providing high RESCAP, declared a fire warning light, then a flame out, and that he was bailing out. His wingman MERCURY 3, reported a good chute and that it was descending into the lower overcast. MERCURY 3 immediately went into an orbit over head that position.

f. 6-0 and 6-2 were now in the general area of the original site and BRAVO was in the general area of the second site. The two sites were estimated to be 25 miles apart.

g. MERCURY 3 almost immediately reported receiving a strong UHF Guard tone at his position. BRAVO took a steer on MERCURY 3 and went to that position. Arriving there BRAVO also monitored a strong tone which was a continuous UHF tone and definitely not a URT-21 transmission. This tone could be monitored only in a small area and was easily lost. The URT-21 tone at the original site continued but was periodic and also easily lost. No visual contact could be made with the ground except by 6-0 and 6-2 who were operating at 1500 feet to 2000 feet at the original site. 6-0 and 6-2 continued working the original site with a WHIPLASH and a DECOY aircraft. BRAVO continued at the second site with MERCURY and COTTON PICKER. For 30 to 45 minutes all aircraft periodically monitored signals at both sites but with continuous loss of signals. The numerous transmissions began to hamper any attempted operation of the ARA 25. At this time BRAVO elected to concentrate all efforts on the stronger continuous UHF tone at the second site. BRAVO requested 6-0 and 6-2 to proceed to the second site. However, it was now near fuel bingo time 6-0 and 6-2. 6-0 declared bingo at 0500Z and was cleared to depart. 6-0 stated his estimated time for return would be 0730Z. By now CANASTA 573 and 577 had arrived to provide RESCAP for BRAVO. 573 and 577 found a hole in the lower overcast and went down taking over for COTTON PICKER 4 to search the second site at low level. Visibility was poor. At 0550Z 573 spotted a chute in the trees. At 0630Z 573 spotted MERCURY Lead and reported the survivor was waving. At about this same time BRAVO was notified by GUM that SPUD 30 was escorting IRON 21 and 41 from INVERT, and all were airborne and enroute. At 0615Z BRAVO contacted SPUD 30 who gave his position as 30 miles from BRAVO. SPUD 30 utilized the APX 28 for distance to BRAVO. BRAVO notified 573. 573 advised a rainshower was moving toward the survivor and visibility was decreasing. 573 requested the ETA of IRON 21 and 41. BRAVO gave an estimate of 20 minutes. It was understood by BRAVO that 573 then reported his bingo as 25 minutes away. So BRAVO took advantage of another break in the overcast to descend and relieve 573 until IRON 21 and 41 could be vectored in. BRAVO arrived at 2500 feet and three miles from 573 and 577 when 573 suddenly decided his bingo was 1000Z. BRAVO remained in the area at that altitude. SPUD 30 steered on BRAVO. IRON 21 and 41 descended from 8500 feet through the same break used by BRAVO.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

e. At 0415Z BRAVO estimated a position 30 miles from the site and 6-0 and 6-2 reported almost at the site. At this exact time MERCURY Lead, an F-105 providing high RESCAP, declared a fire warning light, then a flame out, and that he was bailing out. His wingman MERCURY 3, reported a good chute and that it was descending into the lower overcast. MERCURY 3 immediately went into an orbit over head that position.

f. 6-0 and 6-2 were now in the general area of the original site and BRAVO was in the general area of the second site. The two sites were estimated to be 25 miles apart.

g. MERCURY 3 almost immediately reported receiving a strong UHF Guard tone at his position. BRAVO took a steer on MERCURY 3 and went to that position. Arriving there BRAVO also monitored a strong tone which was a continuous UHF tone and definitely not a URT-21 transmission. This tone could be monitored only in a small area and was easily lost. The URT-21 tone at the original site continued but was periodic and also easily lost. No visual contact could be made with the ground except by 6-0 and 6-2 who were operating at 1500 feet to 2000 feet at the original site. 6-0 and 6-2 continued working the original site with a WHIPLASH and a DECOY aircraft. BRAVO continued at the second site with MERCURY and COTTON PICKER. For 30 to 45 minutes all aircraft periodically monitored signals at both sites but with continuous loss of signals. The numerous transmissions began to hamper any attempted operation of the ARA 25. At this time BRAVO elected to concentrate all efforts on the stronger continuous UHF tone at the second site. BRAVO requested 6-0 and 6-2 to proceed to the second site. However, it was now near fuel bingo time 6-0 and 6-2. 6-0 declared bingo at 0500Z and was cleared to depart. 6-0 stated his estimated time for return would be 0730Z. By now CANASTA 573 and 577 had arrived to provide RESCAP for BRAVO. 573 and 577 found a hole in the lower overcast and went down taking over for COTTON PICKER 4 to search the second site at low level. Visibility was poor. At 0550Z 573 spotted a chute in the trees. At 0630Z 573 spotted MERCURY Lead and reported the survivor was waving. At about this same time BRAVO was notified by GUM that SPUD 30 was escorting IRON 21 and 41 from INVERT, and all were airborne and enroute. At 0615Z BRAVO contacted SPUD 30 who gave his position as 30 miles from BRAVO. SPUD 30 utilized the APX 26 for distance to BRAVO. BRAVO notified 573. 573 advised a rainshower was moving toward the survivor and visibility was decreasing. 573 requested the ETA of IRON 21 and 41. BRAVO gave an estimate of 20 minutes. It was understood by BRAVO that 573 then reported his bingo as 25 minutes away. So BRAVO took advantage of another break in the overcast to descend and relieve 573 until IRON 21 and 41 could be vectored in. BRAVO arrived at 2500 feet and three miles from 573 and 577 when 573 suddenly decided his bingo was 1000Z. BRAVO remained in the area at that altitude. SPUD 30 steered on BRAVO. IRON 21 and 41 descended from 8500 feet through the same break used by BRAVO.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

21 and 41 went through the light shower and 573 indicated the position of the survivor. MERCURY Lead was picked up by 21 or 41 (unknown) at 0655Z. 21 and 41 climbed back to 8500 feet and departed for INVERT in company with SPUD 30. BRAVO and CANASTA 573 and 577 climbed to 9000 feet and proceeded to the original site.

i. Enroute BRAVO made radio contact with VAPOR 3 who reported he was receiving the URT-21 signal. BRAVO took a steer for VAPOR 3. Upon arriving that position BRAVO was able to monitor the URT-21. BRAVO attempted voice communication but had no success. CANASTA 574 and 576 had by now arrived upon the scene and took over as RESCAP for BRAVO. 573 and 577 went down down to search visually. At 0745Z BRAVO made radio contact with RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 who were inbound to the site for the second time. 6-0 and 6-2 were given steers and came back into the general area at 0800Z. At 0804Z 573 spotted one chute and the survivor. At 0810Z 577 spotted the other chute and survivor. 6-0 and 6-2 made visual contact with 573 and 577. 6-0 coordinated with 573. 6-2 coordinated with 577. Both 6-0 and 6-2 experienced difficulty spotting the exact site due to the necessity to operate at low altitude in poor visibility and weather, but 573 and 577 continued making low passes until 6-0 and 6-2 were within range to make voice communication with the survivors. 6-0 completed a pick up of one survivor of FLYING ACE 508 at 0822Z. 6-2 completed a pick up of the other survivor at 0827Z. 6-0 and 6-2 elected to proceed at low altitude to HUE PHUBAI. 573 and 577 could not operate VFR low enough so they both climbed out and were cleared to return to home station. BRAVO remained at 8000 feet with 574 and 576 and escorted 6-0 and 6-2 to HUE PHUBAI. BRAVO, 6-0, and 6-2 landed at 0920Z. CANASTA 574 and 576 were cleared to return to home station. The survivors were transferred to BRAVO and transported to Danang. BRAVO landed at Danang at 1005Z. The survivors were immediately turned over to the Flight Surgeon.

10. a. The primary aircraft and individuals responsible for the success of this mission were CANASTA 573, 574, 577, and 576 who were able to get down and make the actual spotting of the survivors and then indicate the positions to the helicopters. And also RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 and IRON 21 and 41 who were able to operate in the limited weather conditions and around the hazardous terrain to make the actual pick ups.

b. UHF communications were good. There was no unnecessary "Chatter". All stations were aware of when to maintain radio silence for the low level communications attempts with survivors.

EDWARD M. BRUNNER
Capt., USAF
RCC

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

REEP 3358

[redacted]

Detachment 7
38th Air Rescue Squadron
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco Calif 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DET 7 38ARS

6 Aug 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: PARC (DOARO)
38 ARESCUESQ
33 ARECOVERYSQ
48 ARECOVERYSQ
ARS

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75 GDS, under the authority of [illegible], by [illegible]

1. 38 ARS, Mission Number 744, 24 July 1965.

2. GUM

3. a. HU-16B (WIPE BRAVO)

b. H-34 (RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2)

c. HH-43F (IRON 21 and 41)

d. HC-54 (SPUD 30)

e. HU-16B Crewmembers

(1). ACC - Brunner, Edward M.; Capt.; AO3081919; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(2). P - Rechlitz, David C., 1st Lt; 75858A; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(3). N - Glover, Carl D.; 1st Lt; AO3138073; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(4). RO - Mailloux, Albert H.; SSgt.; AF11204464; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(5). AM - Stradling, Norman L.; AlC; AF19557330; 48th Air Recovery Sq

(6). RS - Bradley, Thomas F.; AlC; AF24615822; 33rd Air Recovery Sq

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

4. Initial notification for WIPE BRAVO 0334Z. First pickup by IRON 21 or 41 at 0655Z; second pickup by RUTLEDGE 6-0 at 0822Z; third pickup by RUTLEDGE 6-2 at 0827Z.

5. CAP assistance: CANASTA 573, 577, 574, and 576. MERCURY Flight, VAPOR Flight.

6. AREA: Land pickup by helicopter.

7. Survivors untilized the URT-21 and possibly a URC-11 or URC-4. SAR aircraft used the ARA 25 and the APX 28.

8. Survivor name unknown for MERCURY Lead. Survivor names for FLYING ACE 508:

a. BORDONE, R.P.; LCDR; 584350; VA 75; CVA 62.

b. MOFFETT, F.H.; LT JG; 661922; VA 75, CVA 62.

9. a. At 0334Z WIPE BRAVO received instructions from GUM to divert from the scheduled relief assignment for WIPE BRAVO and to intercept and accompany RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 to a reported bailout site, coordinates 16:30N, 106:12E. Bailout call sign was FLYING ACE 508. BRAVO was instructed to assume on scene command for SAR activities. At this time 6-0 and 6-2 had been scrambled and were already enroute and about 40 miles from the site. BRAVO elected to remain over water and parallel the coast line Southeast bound to avoid hot areas and then proceed inland roughly on the same track as 6-0 and 6-2. This route placed BRAVO an estimated 100 miles from the site. Enroute BRAVO climbed to 10,500 feet.

b. Overland the weather was an overcast layer bases ragged 1500 feet to 2500 feet and tops 8000 feet to 9000 feet. Another overcast had a base at 15,000 feet, tops unknown. Visibility between layers was 15 miles. Visibility below the lower overcast was 5 miles to 10 miles and down to one mile in numerous scattered rainshowers. Occasional small breaks in the lower overcast permitted brief glimpes of the ground from altitude. However, these breaks closed as rapidly as they formed. These conditions prevailed throughout the entire activity.

c. The terrain was hilly to mountainous with occasional valleys having an average elevation of 1000 feet. Hills averaged up to 2000 feet with occasional mountains up to 4000 feet.

d. Numerous aircraft were already on scene while 6-0 and 6-2 and BRAVO were enroute. All aircraft were working Primary SAR UHF. Transmissions stated that two chutes were visible on the ground about 400 yards apart. One survivor was visible near one chute. Numerous aircraft monitored URT-21 transmissions. One aircraft reported voice communication with one survivor, and about this time weather began closing in overhead the site.

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

e. At 0415Z BRAVO estimated a position 30 miles from the site and 6-0 and 6-2 reported almost at the site. At this exact time MERCURY Lead, an F-105 providing high RESCAP, declared a fire warning light, then a flame out, and that he was bailing out. His wingman MERCURY 3, reported a good chute and that it was descending into the lower overcast. MERCURY 3 immediately went into an orbit over head that position.

f. 6-0 and 6-2 were now in the general area of the original site and BRAVO was in the general area of the second site. The two sites were estimated to be 25 miles apart.

g. MERCURY 3 almost immediately reported receiving a strong UHF Guard tone at his position. BRAVO took a steer on MERCURY 3 and went to that position. Arriving there BRAVO also monitored a strong tone which was a continuous UHF tone and definitely not a URT-21 transmission. This tone could be monitored only in a small area and was easily lost. The URT-21 tone at the original site continued but was periodic and also easily lost. No visual contact could be made with the ground except by 6-0 and 6-2 who were operating at 1500 feet to 2000 feet at the original site. 6-0 and 6-2 continued working the original site with a WHIPLASH and a DECOY aircraft. BRAVO continued at the second site with MERCURY and COTTON PICKER. For 30 to 45 minutes all aircraft periodically monitored signals at both sites but with continuous loss of signals. The numerous transmissions began to hamper any attempted operation of the ARA 25. At this time BRAVO elected to concentrate all efforts on the stronger continuous UHF tone at the second site. BRAVO requested 6-0 and 6-2 to proceed to the second site. However, it was now near fuel bingo time 6-0 and 6-2. 6-0 declared bingo at 0500Z and was cleared to depart. 6-0 stated his estimated time for return would be 0730Z. By now CANASTA 573 and 577 had arrived to provide RESCAP for BRAVO. 573 and 577 found a hole in the lower overcast and went down taking over for COTTON PICKER 4 to search the second site at low level. Visibility was poor. At 0550Z 573 spotted a chute in the trees. At 0600Z 573 spotted MERCURY Lead and reported the survivor was waving. At about this same time BRAVO was notified by GUM that SPUD 30 was escorting IRON 21 and 41 from INVERT, and all were airborne and enroute. At 0615Z BRAVO contacted SPUD 30 who gave his position as 30 miles from BRAVO. SPUD 30 utilized the APX 28 for distance to BRAVO. BRAVO notified 573. 573 advised a rainshower was moving toward the survivor and visibility was decreasing. 573 requested the ETA of IRON 21 and 41. BRAVO gave an estimate of 20 minutes. It was understood by BRAVO that 573 then reported his bingo as 25 minutes away. So BRAVO took advantage of another break in the overcast to descend and relieve 573 until IRON 21 and 41 could be vectored in. BRAVO arrived at 2500 feet and three miles from 573 and 577 when 573 suddenly decided his bingo was 1000Z. BRAVO remained in the area at that altitude. SPUD 30 steered on BRAVO. IRON 21 and 41 descended from 8500 feet through the same break used by BRAVO.

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

21 and 41 went through the light shower and 573 indicated the position of the survivor. MERCURY Lead was picked up by 21 or 41 (unknown) at 0655Z. 21 and 41 climbed back to 8500 feet and departed for INVERT in company with SPUD 30. BRAVO and CANASTA 573 and 577 climbed to 9000 feet and proceeded to the original site.

i. Enroute BRAVO made radio contact with VAPOR 3 who reported he was receiving the URT-21 signal. BRAVO took a steer for VAPOR 3. Upon arriving that position BRAVO was able to monitor the URT-21. BRAVO attempted voice communication but had no success. CANASTA 574 and 576 had by now come upon the scene and took over as RESCAP for BRAVO. 573 and 577 went down lower to search visually. At 0745Z BRAVO made radio contact with RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 who were inbound to the site for the second time. 6-0 and 6-2 were given steers and came back into the general area at 0800Z. At 0804Z 573 spotted one chute and the survivor. At 0810Z 577 spotted the other chute and survivor. 6-0 and 6-2 made visual contact with 573 and 577. 6-0 coordinated with 573. 6-2 coordinated with 577. Both 6-0 and 6-2 experienced difficulty spotting the exact site due to the neccessity to operate at low altitude in poor visibility and weather, but 573 and 577 continued making low passes until 6-0 and 6-2 were within range to make voice communication with the survivors. 6-0 completed a pick up of one survivor of FLYING ACE 508 at 0822Z. 6-2 completed a pick up of the other survivor at 0827Z. 6-0 and 6-2 elected to proceed at low altitude to HUE PHUBAI. 573 and 577 could not operate VFR low enough so they both climbed out and were cleared to return to home station. BRAVO remained at 8000 feet with 574 and 576 and escorted 6-0 and 6-2 to HUE PHUBAI. BRAVO, 6-0, and 6-2 landed at 0920Z. CANASTA 574 and 576 were cleared to return to home station. The survivors were transferred to BRAVO and transported to Danang. BRAVO landed at Danang at 1005Z. The survivors were immediately turned over to the Flight Surgeon.

10. a. The primary aircraft and individuals responsible for the success of this mission were CANASTA 573, 574, 577, and 576 who were able to get down and make the actual spotting of the survivors and then indicate the positions to the helicopters. And also RUTLEDGE 6-0 and 6-2 and IRON 21 and 41 who were able to opefate in the limited weather conditions and around the hazardous terrain to make the actual pick ups.

b. UHF communications were good. There was no unnecessary "Chatter". All stations were aware of when to maintain radio silence for the low level communications attempts with survivors.

Edward M. Brunner

EDWARD M. BRUNNER
Capt., USAF
ACC

[redacted]

DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

[redacted] 23

OPENING [redacted] /SUSPENDING	
MISSION NUMBER:	38-754-27 JUL 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	CH-3C

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

P-F1

226

27 JUL 65 SECRET

OPTS JAW RUMMOA/AR67 2[illegible]1967-SSSS--RUMTFIA.

DE RUMSAR 1107 2081235

ZNY SSSSS

O 271233Z

FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN

TO RUEAWD/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC

RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB IL

RUMTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

RUMLKM/PACAF MICKAY AFB HAWAII

RUHLKT/PACARESCUECEN MICKAM AFB HAWAII

RUMADA/13AF CLARK AB PI

RUMSNA/MACV SAIGON RVN

CSM/2AD TSN AFLD RVN

RUMSAIA/W ADOC UDORN AB THAILAND

RUHDK/8234 TFW KORAT AB THAILAND

RUMSATD/6235 TFW TAKHLI AB THAILAND

RUHDLA/DET 1 3R ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND

RUMSATA/DET 5 3R ARS UDORN AB THAILAND

RUALAL/36 ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN

RUMDA/7PARS ANDERSEN AB GUAM

RUMADA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI

RUAKH/3 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA

BT

SECRET SAR 50622 JUL 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPR, MATS FOR MAOCC/A HQ MOP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PROC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.

1. ROS; 1-ARS-F1, OPENING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 3R ARS - 75A - 27 JULY 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 3R ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVES: A. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S HUDSON 02
B. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S MEALEY 02
C. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S CEDAR 02
D. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S DOGWOOD 02

5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-5-75 DAS, under the authority of DA, by [illegible]) 13 MAY 1970

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1107 SECRET

A. 2145N - 10513E
B. 2100N - 10513E
C. 2105N - 10514E
D. 2510N - 10513E

6. ALERTING AGENCY AND HOW ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: HC-54 WAS NOTIFIED BY WIZARD OR HUDSON 02 AT 0725Z. ALL OTHER AIRCRAFT WERE REPORTED DOWN WITHIN 20 MINUTES.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLED: FOUR F-105 PILOTS.
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION OR ENROUTE: MARGINAL WX DELAYED RECOVERY FORCES ENROUTE TO FORWARD OPERATING SITE. WX IN AREA OF PILOT RECOVERY NOT A FACTOR.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: CH-3C AND TWO HH-43B'S WERE SCRAMBLED FROM LIMA SITE 36 WHERE THEY WERE REFUELED. HC-54 ACCOMPANIED THEM TO LIMA SITE 36. ADDITIONAL REFUELING ACCOMPLISHED. CH-3 AND HH-43B'S PROCEED TO SITE OF OBJECTIVE AREA.
10. FUTURE PLANS: DEPENDENT ON DEBRIEFINGS OF OTHER WITNESSES.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: OBJECTIVE ALFA. DEBRIEFING OF HUDSON LEAD REVEALED THAT HUDSON 02 WAS HIT AT APPROX 5K FEET ALT, IMMEDIATELY WAS ENGULFED IN FLAME, BEGAN A SLIGHT CLIMB AND THEN WENT STRAIGHT IN. NO PARACHUTE WAS SPOTTED. OBJECTIVE BRAVO. DEBRIEFING OF

SECRET

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 1107 SECRET

MEALEY LEAD REVEALED THAT PILOT OF MEALEY 02 DID EJECT. PARACHUTE WAS SPOTTED IN A RIVER. THEY HAD SPOTTED A [illegible] IN THE RIVER BUT AT NO TIME DID THEY SEE [illegible]

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2
3 cy Repro w/ ARRS/DOOR
Ref. 2 cy To USAF HQ & MAC HAFB
1 cy To FT Belvoir VA

DUPLICATE

1 Cy Reproduced 14 AUG 68, AUTH ARODC.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

DUPLICATE

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
3 cy Repro w/ABRs/DUDs
Ref. 2 cy To USAF Hosp MAC, KAFB
1 cy To FT Belvoir VA

[redacted]

[redacted]

S E C R E T SAR 50522 JUL 65. MO USAF FOR AFXOPM, YATS FOR MADOD/A
XO MOR, ARS ROC ARODC, PACAF FOR PROCC-W, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-R1, OPENING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 32-ARS - 754 - 27 JULY 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVES: A. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S HUDSON 02
B. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S HEALEY 02
C. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S CEDAR 02
D. PILOT OF USAF F-105 C/S DOGWOOD 02
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

Classification (cancelled) changed to UNCLAS effective on 13 MAY 1970
GDS-B, under the authority of
by [redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1107 S E C R E T
A. 2045N - 1051
B. 2100N - 1051
C. 2125N - 10514E
D. 2510N - 10513E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: HC-54 WAS NOTIFIED BY WINGMAN OF HUDSON 02 AT 07252. ALL OTHER AIRCRAFT WERE REPORTED DOWN WITHIN 20 MINUTES.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLED: FOUR F-105 PILOTS.
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION OR ENROUTE: MARGINAL WX DELAYED RECOVERY FORCES ENROUTE TO FORWARD OPARATING SITE. WX IN AREA OF PILOT RECOVERY NOT A FACTOR.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: CH-3C AND TWO HH-43B'S WERE SCRAMBLED FROM LIMA SITE 98 WHERE THEY WERE REFUELING. HC-54 ACCOMPANIED THEM TO LIMA SITE 36. ADDITIONAL REFUELING ACCOMPLISHED. CH-3 AND HH-43B'S PROCEEDED TO SITE OF OBJECTIVE DELTA.
10. FUTURE PLANS: DEPENDENT ON DEBRIEFINGS OF OTHER WINGMEN.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: OBJECTIVE ALPA. DEBRIEFING OF HUDSON LEAD REVEALED THAT HUDSON 02 WAS HIT AT APPROX 50 FEET ALT, IMMEDIATELY WAS ENGULFED IN FLAME, BEGAN A SLIGHT CLIMB AND THEN WENT STRAIGHT IN. NO PARACHUTE WAS SPOTTED. OBJECTIVE BRAVO. DEBRIEFING OF

1 Cy Reproduced 14 AUG 68, AUTH ARODC.

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 1107 S E C R E T
HEALEY LEAD REVEALED THAT PILOT OF HEALEY 02 DID BAIL OUT. PARACHUTE WAS SPOTTED IN A RIVER. THEN LEAD SPOTTED A DINGHEY IN THE RIVER BUT AT NO TIME DID HE SEE SIGNS OF A SURVIVOR. HE NEITHER HEARD NOR SAW ANY SIGNALS. HE HAD TO DEPART FOR REFUELING AND WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE POSITION ON

[redacted]

ARODC # 65333

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PROGRESS / SUSPENDING / CLOSING REPORTS

MISSION NUMBER: 38-754-27 July 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: 3 F-105 / IPOB ON EACH ACFT

TYPE FLT PLAN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

STATUS: SUSPENDING

BRIEFED 29 July MTM

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. Date of report: 28 July 65 OBJECTIVE: ALPHA, BRAVO, CHARLIE
3. AREA SEARCHED LAST PERIOD/EFFECTIVENESS/RESULTS:
   ELECTRONIC SEARCH BY TACTICAL ACFT AND LISTENING WATCH BY RESCUE ACFT IN PROBABILITY FIX AREA DURING MOST OF THE DAY
4. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA (PROGRESS ONLY): NOT A FACTOR
5. LEADS AND SIGHTINGS: NONE
6. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT):
7. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT):
   REASON FOR SUSPENDING AND TIME (GMT): NEGATIVE RESULTS ON ELECTRONIC SEARCH AGENCY OF NO EVIDENCE OF SURVIVORS WITHIN LIFERAFT SEARCH SUSPENDED AT END OF DAY 28 July
   FUTURE PLANS (PROGRESS ONLY):
   WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA:
   FORCES AVAILABLE:
8. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED:
9. NUMBER OF SEARCH AIRCRAFT, SORTIES, AND FLYING HOURS:
   TODAY: TO DATE: 33/125
10. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):
    NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):
    NUMBER OF VESSELS:

ARS FORM 27 MAR 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

Briefed 28 July ans

MISSION NUMBER: 38-754-27 Jul 65

[redacted]ECTIVE/POB: 4 FIOS PILOTS

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO: —

STATUS: OPENING

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

13 MAY 1970

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by M

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.

2. DATE OF REPORT: 27 July 1965

3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

—

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: HC 54 WAS NOTIFIED BY WINGMAN of HUDSON 02 AT 0725Z. ALL OTHER ACFT REPORTED DOWN WITHIN 20 MINUTES.

5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT):

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): CH 3C AND 2 HH43 Bs WERE SCRAMBLED FROM LIMA SITE 98 WHERE THEY WERE REFUELING. HC 54 ACCOMPANIED THEM TO LIMA SITE 36. ADDITIONAL REFUELING ACCOMPLISHED. CH 3C AND HH43BS PROCEDED TO SITE of OBJECTIVE DELTA.

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT):

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT):

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT):

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION:

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): MARGINAL WX DELAYED RECOVERY FORCES ENROUTE TO FORWARD OPERATING SITE. WX IN AREA of PILOT RECOVERY NOT A FACTOR

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY:

11. ASSISTING AGENCIES:

12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME):

13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: FUTURE PLANS DEPENDENT ON DEBRIEFINGS of WINGMEN.

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS:

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE):

16. REMARKS: OBJ. ALPHA: DEBRIEFING of HUDSON LEAD REVEALED THAT HUDSON 02 WAS HIT AT APPROX 50 FEET ALT, IMMEDIATELY WAS ENGULFED IN FLAME, BEGAN A SLIGHT CLIMB AND THEN WENT STRAIGHT IN. NO PARACHUTE WAS SPOTTED.

[redacted]

OVER

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

ARCDC # 653404

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

d. NUMBER SAVED: _____

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS: _____

TOTAL: SORTIES _____ HOURS _____

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): _____

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: _____ RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): _____

NUMBER OF VESSELS: _____

h. REMARKS: _____

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

[redacted] MATS INDEX NR 4

F-105 Pilot Ejectee

On 24 July 1965 a CH-3C helicopter, assigned to the 38th Air Rescue Squadron, recovered a downed F-105 pilot.

An Air Rescue Service HC-54 on precautionary orbit was notified that four F-105's were missing 40 miles west of Hanoi. A CH-3C helicopter and two HH-43B helicopters were scrambled from Lima Site 98 where they were refueling. The HC-54 accompanied them to Lima Site 36 where additional refueling was accomplished. The helicopters then proceeded to the area of the SAR objective. The pilot of one F-105 was spotted on the ground and radio contact was established between the downed pilot and the Air Rescue HC-54 flying RESCAP. Continuous radio communication between the HC-54 and the downed F-105 pilot was maintained until the Air Rescue Service controlled CH3C helicopter arrived on the scene and recovered the pilot.

3 cy Repro by Dr. 1 Book
Dist. 2 cy To USAF Hosp Mark
1 cy To FT Belvoir VA

DOWNGRADED

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR

[redacted]

CLASS [redacted]
WORKING PAPER

Page 3

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Reg #11783

1 P-F1 Report

Detachment 5
38 Air Rescue Squadron
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96237

[redacted] ACTION: ARODC

INFO: ARCCO

Scr'd copies by ARRS/Docs 28 Aug 65 & USAF Hdqs Mcnd

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Capt Reeves

1 CH-3C to FT Belvoir VA 35 NM NW (Hanoi)

SUBJECT: Narrative Report, Mission Number 754

CH-3C Pilot, Capt Martin

TO: Hq PACAF
Hickam AFB, Hawaii

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR 205-2

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75 GDS, under the authority of 29, by

1. This report concerning mission 754, was flown on 27 July 1965. The crew members were: Rescue Crew Commander, Capt Robert R. Reeves, 48th ARS; Co-Pilot, Capt Emmett E. Williams, Jr., 36th ARS; Navigator, Capt Harrison N. Yoneda, 36th ARS; Flight Mechanic, TSgt Floyd L. England, 36th ARS; Flight Mechanic, SSgt Antranig A. Gurvnlian, 48th ARS; Radio Operator, SSgt Newton C. Boykin, 54th ARS. The recovery aircraft was an HC-54D, 42-72666, call sign SPUD 29, from 36th ARS, Tachikawa AB, Japan. Mission objective was to escort a CH-3C helicopter, call sign - SHED 85, to LIMA SITE 36, then orbit site 36 and standby for possible recovery of downed pilots.

2. At 0420Z, we departed Udorn AB, Thailand. We arrived at orbit area ALPHA (20-00N 104-29E) at 0449Z. At 0500Z SHED 85 was intercepted. We contacted 03Z, an Air America aircraft, for site 36 and site 98 weather. 03Z reported some holes in broken layers and alright for arrival of SHED 85 at site 98. He reported site 36 weather to be overcast with bases at 5,500 ft. The overcast had a hole 20 NM wide and visability was good. From our position the weather looked unfavorable in all quadrants as far as could be seen. SHED 85 was somewhat concerned with the weather at both sites, but continued on to site 98 which was enroute to site 36. At 0610Z SHED 85 landed at site 98 to refuel. Because of the questionable weather he felt that a refueling stop was necessary in the interest of safety. Two HH-43B helicopters from Udorn, PEDRO 1 & 2 also landed at site 98 approximately the same time. SPUD 06, an HC-54D from Udorn had escorted the PEDRO choppers to site 98. Together we orbited site 98 while waiting for SHED 85 to refuel. SPUD 06 and PEDRO 1 & 2 were remaining at site 98 on alert. At 0620Z we were advised that the weather at site 36 was favorable for SHED 85 to land. We attempted contact with SHED 85 on UHF and HF which he had been advised to maintain contact on while at site 98. We attempted contact through PEDRO aircraft without success. At 0642Z we finally contacted PEDRO 2 and he advised SHED 85 to take off ASAP as directed by Hq 38 ARS. SHED 85 advised us he would have had for 2 - 00 hrs flight when reaching site 36, providing he landed and dropped off some personnel and other weight. His ground time for refueling was 25 min. and this would give him 4 000 hrs of fuel. SHED 85 and SPUD 29 departed site 98.

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD

ARODC # 653847

DC No. 654348

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

At 0729Z we heard a call to BRIGHAM (Udorn Radar) over UHF giving the following position of HEALY-2 who went down - 2100N 105-18E. We advised SHED 85, SPUD 06, and Hq 38th ARS. 38th ARS advised us that CHESTNUT flight was due over target in 20 min and would provide RESCAF. At 0740Z CHESTNUT 20 advised that CEDAR 2 had also gone down at 21-05N 105-14E. At 0753Z 38th advised CHEVY flight would be in target area for RESCAF at 0803Z. At 0755Z we advised SHED 85 to take on enough fuel for 3 trips to target area and return as per 38th ARS instructions. 85 advised he could only make 2 trips. At 0810Z SHED 85 landed at site 36 and refueled. PEDRO 1 & 2 were close behind and also refueled at 36. At 0810Z LEOPARD and CHEVY flights advised they were in the area and had negative electronic signals or visual of any of the downed pilots. At 0813Z VICTORY LEAD relayed through whiplash flight that DOGWOOD 02 had gone down at 21-00N 104-58E. At 0825Z DOGWOOD 1 relayed that an electronic signal had been received from DOGWOOD 02 at 21-13N 104-56E. At 0832 38th ARS advised SAM ENVELOPE was effective for 45 NM radious of Hanoi. We were advised to remain clear and not approach the 45 NM radious above 1500 feet. This message was relayed to all aircraft in the target area. At 0902Z DOGWOOD flight departed target area. At 0914Z SHED 85 departed site 36. CHESTNUT and CHEVY flights departed area and WHIPLASH entered the area. We escorted SHED 85 via site 107 to the Black River 6 NM west of Yan Yen North Vietnam. At 0940Z one CHESTNUT aircraft who had remained on scene reported that he had sighted the pilot in an isolated area and that he was O.K. He estimated the elevation to be 7000 feet and was receiving electronic contacts each 15 minutes. At approximately 0942Z SPUD 06 requested RESCAF as he was behind us and approximately 25 NM south of us. At this time we only had 2 A1E's for low coverage. The RESCAF flights coming in were having to leave for refueling on the tankers or returning home plate. We requested all available RESCAP in order to help cover SPUD 06 and PEDRO 1 & 2. We especially needed low coverage for search, however we were advised that all A1H's and A1E's were committed on missions. At 0947Z DARC 98 and CANASTA 3 entered the target area. At 1005Z PANTHER 120 and SUNDOWN 112 entered the area. SHED 85 was advised to contact CANASTA flight for vector into target area. At 1025Z we reached the Black River and orrited to stay out of 45NM range of Hanoi. SHED 85 continued heading 070° as vectored by CANASTA flight. At 1030Z PANTHER and SUNDOWN flights departed area and CHESTNUT 3 and COBRA flights arrived on scene. CHESTNUT 3 was sent low to help with low cover of SHED 85. At 1026Z we advised SPUD 06 that LEOPARD and COBRA flights were inround and to contact them for RESCAP in their area. We also sent WHIPLASH flight to their area to cover until COBRA or LEOPARD came on scene. At 1038Z CANASTA 57Z and 57H sighted SHED 85 and lead him to the survivor at 1049Z and at 1102 SHED 85 advised he could not hoist the pilot up due to a hoist malfunction. He was vectored to a clearing by CANASTA flight where he landed. At 1114Z SHED 85 reported that the pilot had gotten out of the horse collar and was on board in good physical and mental condition. At approximately this time SPUD 06 advised they were given instructions to return to site 36 as no visual or electronic contacts had been made at any of the other locations. At 1114Z we vectored SHED 85 to our orbit position and at 1120Z we departed orbit with SHED 85 enroute to site 36. At 1143Z Hq 38 ARS requested to know if any aircraft

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

were available at site 36 to evacuate the pilot. SHED 85 reported a malfunction with one of his engines and felt that a night flight under these conditions was too hazardous to risk. PEDRO 1 & 2 were of the same opinion. There were no other aircraft available for evacuation so 38th ARS advised that Air America would evacuate him the next morning. At 1210Z two Air America helicopters took off and orbited site 36 in order to vector us in as it was dark. They also ignited 4 oil drums by 1220Z along with SHED 85 we arrived over site 36. The 2 Air America choppers led 85 down and he was on the site at 1228Z. He reported ground fire damage and advised he would talk to tech rep before departing. We vectored SPUD 06 and PEDRO 1 and 2 into site 36 at 1232Z. The 2 Air America choppers lead PEDRO 1 and 2 down to site 36. At 1259Z we departed site 36 with SPUD 06. We landed at Udorn AB at 1405Z. SPUD 06 landed approximately 1415Z.

The foremost problem during this mission was the enormous amount of UHF traffic working 364.2. SPUD 06 was escorting and controlling PEDRO 1 and 2 into one area as we were doing the same with SHED 85. RESCAP was coming in and out so rapidly that it was almost impossible to keep record of the aircraft. This was due mainly to the short bingo times for the majority of the aircraft. This also created a heavy workload on UHF. There was a shortage of A1H's for low level search and cover. Most of the jet aircraft were too low on fuel to provide low level search. The CH-3C crew seemed to lack confidence in our ability to navigate. He continually asked where he was and if we knew our position. This created more excess traffic on UHF. I recommend that two separate frequencies be used when two missions are being processed in close proximity. This of course would have to be coordinated in advance for RESCAP aircraft arriving on scene.

Particularly worthy of note was the risk SHED 85 took in continuing to the target area even though one of his engines had flamed out on landing at site 36 enroute. Also CANASTA 572 and 574 stayed on scene to guide SHED 85 to the survivor. They stretched their bingo time 30 minutes rather than leave the survivors position. The Air America helicopters and ground lighting were responsible for speedy location of site 36 during darkness. Without them it is possible we may not have found it at all.

Overall this recovery was successful due to the combined efforts and cooperation of all elements involved. The TACAN on the destroyer LOCAMOTIVE was invaluable in pin pointing our positions. Due to the increased traffic through site 36 I recommend placement of some type of homing BEACON there. It would help more than anything I can think of to recommend. Actually a portable TACAN at site 36 would probably be the best solution. In this area the helicopters fly high enough to receive TACAN. With TACAN equipment installed their capability would be increased considerably.

ROBERT E. [redacted]
Capt, USAF
HOC

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PF1

[redacted]

29 JUL 65 01 44

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

OFTS JAW RUWMQZA0312 2100117-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
ZNY SSSSS ZFH-1
VV THA020
OO RUCDAA RUWTFIA
ZNY SSSSS ZFH1
V MGW13
ARA262
OOTTQOOQMTHQPZZWTHUEWOQTHQBOYPWT
DE RUMSAR 1150 2091613
ZNY SSSSS
O 281613Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RN
TMRUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RIHTCMBXPACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MCV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD TN
RUM ATA/V ASOC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 TFW KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSATD/6235 TFW TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMBDL/DET 1 38 ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/DET 5 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUAUAL/36 ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUMRDA/79 ARS ANDERSON AB GUAM
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMBKH/3 ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

IMMEDIATE

3 cy Repro by ARRS/DCOR
Dist: 2 cy to USAF Hosp March
1 cy to Ft Belvoir VA

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

S E C R E T SAR 50826 JUL 65. USAF HQ FOR AFXDPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/A AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, SUSPENDING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 754 - 27 JULY 65
3. DATE OF REPORT: 28 JULY 65
4. AREA SEARCH AND PERCENT EFFECTIVE: ELECTRONIC SEARCH CONDUCTED BY MISSION AIRCRAFT.
5. WEATHER IN AREA: NOT A FACTOR
6. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL MISSING: A. PILOT OF USAF F105 CALLTLSIGN HUDSON TWO, B. PILOT OF USAF F105 CALLSIGN HEALEY TWO, C. PILOT OF USAF F105

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1150 S E C R E T [redacted]
KALLSIGN CEDER TWO.
7. REASON FOR SUSPENDING: TACTICAL AIRCRAFT WHICH CONDUCTED FIRST LIGHT ELECTRONIC SEARCH AND RESCUE AIRCRAFT MAINTAINING LISTENING WATCH WHILE OPERATING IN PROXIMITY OF AREA DURING MAJOR PORTION OF DAY FAILED TO RECEIVE ANY SIGNALS FROM SURIVAL EQUIPMENT. ABSENCE OF EVIDENCE, THE NATURE OF WHICH WOULD WARRANT FURTHER SEARCH EFFORT.
8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF F105 16 SORTIES 60 HOURS, USAF F4C 12 SORTIES 24 HOURS, USAF KC135 2 SORTIES 7 HOURS, HC54C 2 SORTIES 20 HOURS, HU-16 1 SORTIE 14 HOURS. 6&16:Z1351 2071420 ZES2 IMI ZES2 DIRECT TO RUMABA
ALL INFO AVAIL
BT

[redacted]

ARODC # 653404

HQ ARS SC No. 653898

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

24

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-761-28 JULY 65
SUBJECT: USN A4E
VICINITY: HH-43B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: 38-761-28 JULY 65

BRIEFED 29 JULY NKP

OBJECTIVE/POB: USN A4E / UPOB

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): ~~DET. 1-38 HH43 USN A1E~~ A1 28/0510Z

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): DET. 1-38/H443-B MADE GROUND pick up ~~DET~~ APPROX. 65 nm ENE NAKHON PHANOM

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1 RETURNED TO NAKHON PHANOM BY HC-130 THEN TO UBON BY USAF A1E

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 20 HOURS 45.10

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): NONE

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS:

h. REMARKS: USN A1E ALERTED HC-54 - HH43B SCRAMBLED FROM NAKHON PHANOM, ONE HC-54 FROM UBON

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____
   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____
   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

NNNN

28 JUL 65 22 37

ACTION ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

CCN 316

OFTS JAW RUWMQZA0291 2092229-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
ZNY SSSSS ZFH-1
THA993 AMA746VV ARB878
OO RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 1148 2091240
ZNY SSSSS
O 281240Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/;0-:-! #8:(-. -!? #-2-88
47#)(./PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENTHFLT CVATG CDRS
RUMABA/13AF CAB PHIL
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2D AIR DIV TSN RVN
RUMSATA/V ASOC UDORN AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET 1 38ARS HAKHON PHANOM AB THAI
RUMSAG/436TFS DANANG RN
RUMSAG/8TACFTRBOMSQ DANANG RN
RUMBDK/6234CMBTSPTGP KORAT AB THAI
BT

[redacted]

[redacted]

W H Report

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

S E C R E T SAR 50825 JUL 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

1/ RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 761 - 28 JUL 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY : 38TH ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USN A-4E PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1748N - 10547E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 28/0510Z USAF HC-54 THRU USN A1E.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 28/0515Z SC13S [redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

65 MI. ENE NAKHON PHANOM

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1148 S E C R E T
FROM NAKHON PHANOM AND AIRBORNE 0523Z . 28/0518Z SCRAMBLED HC-54 FROM UDORN. 28/0520T SCRAMBLED A1 FROM UDORN, PLACED UACKUP HH-43B ON IMMEDIATE GROUND ALERT.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USN A1E
9. NUMBR OF SURIVORS: ONE
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURIVORS: USAF HH-43B MAKING GROUND PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY USAF JJ-43B THEN TO UDORN BY USAF A1E.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USN A1H - 6 SORTIES FOR EIGHTEEN PLUS ZERO HOURS
USAF A1E - 2 SORTIES FOR FIVE PLUS FORTY HOURS
USAF HU-16 - 1 SORTIE FOC THREE PLUS ZERO HOURS
USAF HC-54 - 1 SORTIE FOR THREE PLUS ZERO HOURS
USAF F-104 - 2 SORTIES FOR TWO PLUS FIFTY HOURS
USAF F-105 - 4 SORTIES FOR SIX PLUS ZERO HOURS
USAF KC-135- 1 SORTIES FOR TWO PLUS ZERO HOUR
USAF HH-43 - 2 SORTIES FOR FOUR PLUS FORTY HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE
FOR PARC: LAST OPENNING REPORT TRANSMITTVED WAS 744. GP-4
BT

[redacted]

ARODC # 653390 JEM

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 653899

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

25

OPENING/CLOSING:	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-814-11 Aug 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HU-16B [redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

HME302TH4539MPB161AR
OO RUHLKM
DE RUMSAR 431 2230515
ZNY EEEEE
O 110500Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS. ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF ICKAM AKB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13 AF CLARK AB PI
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN TSN RVN
RUMSATD/5235 CMBT SPT GP TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 7 38 ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUABKH/33 ARS NAHA AB OANG AB RVN
RUMBDL/DET 1 38 ARS NAKHON PHANOM
RUMSATA/TACC UDORN AB THAILAND
BT

AUG 11 1965

835

OPR DO

C	DOP	LL	DI
DO	IW	DDL	CPT
DCR	DE	IC	DCI
CH	CPTD	IAS	SI
JA	DCAR	FOS	FOI
ISI	DOSM	CSM	CTF
SSO	6005	DCPE	R

IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS E F T O SAR 00366 AUG 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS
MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 814 -11 AUG 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF PILOT F-105
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1910N - 106-02E
6. ALERTING AGENCY ANFIDTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 11/0206Z USAF
U-16 RECEIVED BAILOUT CALL FROM F-105 PILOT, HU-16 RELAYED TO
38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 431 UNCLAS E F T O
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 11/0206Z PREPOSITIONED
USAF HU-16 DISPATCHED TO AREA, MC-54 AND HH-43B'S SCRAMBLED AS
BACKUP.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF PILOT
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: WATER PICKUP BY
USAF HU-16
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: WLIKNLOAKEN TO DANANG BY HU-16
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USN A1E 2 SORTIES FOR THREE PLUS ZERO HOIRS
USAF HU-16 1 SORTIE FOR TWO PLUS ZERO HOURS
USAF F-105 3 SORTIES FOR ONE PLUS FORTY FIVE HOURS
USAF MC-54 1 SORTIE FOR PLUS THIRTY MINUTES
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH.
NMNE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: NONE
FOR PARC. LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS MISSIMN 813.
PILOT OF HU-16 MAKING PICKUP WAS CAPT ROBERT W GRAUE, 27253A.
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

26

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-822-13 AUG 65
SUBJECT: USN AIH
VICINITY: HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

BRIEFED 16 AUG

MISSION NUMBER: 38-822-13 AUG 65

OBJECTIVE/POB: OBJ A USN A4/1 AUG
" B USN RF8/1 AUG
" C " A1-H/1 AUG

TYPE FLT PLN: TACTICAL

FROM - TO:

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): OBJ A - USN DESTROYER, OBJ B - USN DESTROYER, OBJ C - USAF HU-16 (25 M.N.W ORBIT)

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): SAME AS ABOVE

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 3

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 2 ABOARD SHIPS - 1 TAKEN TO DA NANG AB.

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS:

TOTAL: SORTIES 2 HOURS 5+40

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL):

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE):

NUMBER OF VESSELS: 2

h. REMARKS: SAR DESTROYERS NOTIFIED HU-16 ON A & B WINGMAN OF OBJ C NOTIFIED HU-16 - MADE OPEN SEA PICKUP OF SURVIVORS ALL SURVIVORS IN GOOD CONDITION.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____

   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____

   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PF1

IMMEDIATE

167/13

13 AUG 65 14 45

OFTS UAW RUWMQZC0170 2251436-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 527 2250920
ZNY SSSSS
O 130915Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQUSAF
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUMLKM/PARC MICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMLHL/CINPACFLT PEARL
RUAUBUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUB/CTG SEVEN SEVEN
RUMFUS/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT FIVE
RUMFUJ/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX
RUMABA/13AF CAB PHIL
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2AD TSN RVN
ZENCTE SEVEN ZERO PT TWO PT ONE PT ONE
RUMABA/31ARS CAB PHIL
BT

[redacted]

ACTION: ARODC
INFO ARCOI

S E C R E T SAR 50856 AUG 65. Q USAF FOR AFXOPH, USAF MPC FOR ZFPMSC, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

[redacted]

RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENNING/CLOSED REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 822 - 13 AUG 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: OBJ A: 1 USN A-4, OBJ B: 1 USN RF-8, OBJ C: A1H
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: OBJ A: APPROX 1925N -10655E, OBJ B: APPROX 1925N -10655E, OBJ C: 1853N -10556E. 1853N
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED:

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by PT

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 527 S E C R E T
OBJ A: SAR DESTROYER NOTIFIED U-16 IN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT
OBJ B. SAR DESTROYER NOTIFIED HU-16 IN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT
OBJ C: WINGMAN OF FIREWOOD 206 NOTIKED HU-16 IN PRECAUTIONARY

[redacted]

7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION:
OBJ A: DESTROYER PROCEEDED TO SCENE
OBJ B: DESTROYER PROCEEDED TO SCENE
OBJ C: U-16 PROCEEDED TO SCENE
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: OBJ A: USN DESTOYER. OBJ B: USN DESTROYER, OBJ C: USAF U-16
9. NUMBER OF SERVIVORS: OBJ A: 1 SURVIVOR, OBJ B: 1 SURVIVOR, OBJ C 1 SURVIVOR.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: OBJ A: ABOARD SHIP, OBJ B: ABOARD SHIP, OBJ C: TAKEN TO DANANG AB RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING OURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY: OBJ A: NONE, OBJ B: NONE, OBJ C: HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR FIVE PLUS FORTY OURS.
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/HICLES VESSELSMPARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: OBJ A: 1 USN DESTROYER, OBJ B: 1 USN DESTROYER.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: ALL SURVIORS REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENNING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 817
GP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

[redacted]

ARODC # 653678 JCM

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

Bq ARS SC No. 654182

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

287

21 SEP 65 20 54

PRIORITY

PFTC JAW RUMMZ0 0%8% 2642836-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 1175 264 1601
ZNY CCCCC
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUWTFIA 2231263 1605 H/M ZDK RUMSAG
29 263 0527 2 0 0 4 2 Z X THIS ANSWERS ALL SVC REQUEST X

ACTION: ARDC
INFO: ARCOL

PP RUMABA RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAG 29 263 0527
ZNY CCCCC
P 2 0 0 4 2 Z
FM DET 7 38ARS DANANG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RCHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSAR/38ARS HAN SON NHUH AB RVN
RUMABA/31ARS CLARK AB PI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARS-5 0 4 0 4 EEP 65.
SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. MISSION NUMBER: 822 13 AUGUST 1965.
2. FIREWOOD 285.
3. HU-16B.
PCC - CAPTAIN RICHARD F. REICHARDT - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ
CP - CAPTAIN FREDERICK A. BURKHARDT - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ
N - 1STLT DAVID N. GARDNER - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ
FM - SSGT PAUL E. LUCIEDZ - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ
RO - SSGT NORWOOD STEELE - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
LJ - SSGT RICHARD N. STONE - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ
4. 25 MINUTES.
5. 1 A-1H - USN: 1 HU-16 ESSAY BRAVO.
6. GULF OF TONKIN ; OPEN SEA; 18:33N - 105:55E.
7. UHF/DF, DYE MARKER HNNUNIJOKE FLARES
8. ROBERT J. HYLAND, LT, USNR, VA 145, USS CORAL SEA.
9. ESSAY CHARLIE WAS AIRBORNE MN SCRAMBLE TAKE OFF AT 0840H AND PROCEEDED NORTH ENROUTE HO AREA. NEW INSTRUCTIONS WERE RECEIVED TO ORBIT 19:00N - 107:0E. WHILE ON ORBIT AT OFRV PTL IT MN, DDXTLCSS KXLL WAS RECEIVED FROM FIREWOOD 285 AT 1325H. HIS WINGMAN HAD BEEN HITVY FLAK OVERLAND AND WAS HEADING OUT TO SEA. PROCEEDED TO AREA. WAS HOLD FIREWOOD 286 WAS IN THE WATER IN SIGHT. AT 1-/0H DROPIEANKS WAJA JETTISONED AND LANDING AT 1343H, ON HEADING OF 020. RAFT APPROACH WAS EXECUTED AND PARARESCUE MAN DEPLOYED TO ASSIST SURVIVOR ABOARD AT 1350H. TAKE OFF ACCOMPLISHED AT 1393 AFTER ALL PERSONNEL ABOARD SHRAPPED
N. RETURN TO DANANG AND RELEASED SURVIVOR HO MEDICAL AUTHORITIES. LOCATION MF PICKUP, 18:33N - 105:35E. SWELLS SYSHEMS, 4 - 6 FEET, WIND 120/8K. SURVIV R.J. HYLAND, LT, USNR, VA 145, U.S.S CORAL SEA.

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
10. NONE
GP-4
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 25-5-75, under the authority of DOS, by [illegible].

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

27

[redacted]

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-86Ø-24 AUG 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-1Ø5
VICINITY: CH-3C

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

38 + 860 - 24 Aug 65

Opening / Closing

Briefed By Capt. O'Donnell

352/24

24 Aug 65 21 18

OFTC JAW RUWMGZA0007 2362114-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 993 2361225
ZNY CCCCC
O 241225Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEA Q/HQ USAF
LUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RU LKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB MAW
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUMSMA/MACV
ZF/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSATA/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMGDK/6234 COMBAT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMBDL/DET 1 38 ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND

[redacted]

ACTION: ARODC
INFO ARCOI

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
EAS, by [illegible]

UNRDA/79 ARS ANDERSEN AFB GUAM
RUABK /33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50867 AUG 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, OPENING/CLOULNG REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 860 - 24 AUG 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS 105
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: 1 USAF AQPT PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 19-48N - 104-50E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED SAR AIRCRAFT AT 23/2300Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTIONS: 1 HC-54 AND 1 C -3C

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 993 C O N F I D E N T I A L
DIVERTED TO BAILOUT AREA
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: RECOVERY ELICOPTER DET 1 38 ARS.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE SURVIVOR
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: DET 1 7 ARS C -3C HELICOPTER MADE HOIST PICKUP FROM 60 FOOT HOVER.
1 . DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: DELIVERED TO UDORN AB THAILAND
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
HC-54 1 SORTIE FOR TWELVE PLUS ZERO HOUS.
A3E 4 SORTIES FOR FIFTEEN PLUS ZERO OURS
F-105 11 SORTIES FOR FORTY ONE PLUS FIFTY OURS
KC-135 4 SORTIES FOR EIGHT PLUS THIRTY HOURS
CH-3C 4 SORTIES FOR NINE PLUS FORTY HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: SURVIVOR REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION. HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT PILOT WOULD HAVE BEEN PICKED UP WITHOUT USE OF PERSONAL RADIO BEACON.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 838. GP-4.
BT

50 W Thank Hon

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ARS-----020
PFTE JAW RUWMQZA0248 2471044-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 358 2470338
ZNY EEEEE
P 040052Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO RUMBDF/DET & 38ARESCUESQ UDORN AB THALAND
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUWTBTA/4468TST SQ EGLIN AFB LA
RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLAND AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS E F T O DOARC 01590 SEP 65/PERSONAL FOR CAPTAIN JA
STANBOUGH FROM COLONEL DONALD T.SMITH,COMMANDER PARC.
MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS AREEXTENDED TO YOU AND YOUR
CREWMEMBERS FOR THE HEROIC RECOVERY OF A USAF CREWMAN ON
24 AUG 65.BE ASSURED THAT ALL AIR RESCURE UNITS
PERSONNEL INTHE PACIFIC VIEW YOUR ACTIVITIES WITH PRIDE.
BT

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC		
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCCI		
ARIM		

NNNNT

273

11 SEP 65 17 00

NNNNRFTE JAW RUWMQZC0657 254 1641-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 381 2540349
ZNY EEEEE
R 110244Z
FM CINCPACAF
TO RUMBDF/DET 5 38ARESCEUSQ UDORN AB THAILAND
INFO RUMSBJ/38ARESCEUSQ TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUWTFIA/HQARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUCDAA/HQ MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
ZEN/PACARESCUECENHICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/2ADIV TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
BT
UNCLAS E F T O C 31516 SEP 65/ PERSONAL FOR CAPTAIN JAMES
STAMBAUGH FROM GENERAL HUNTER HARRIS, CINC PACAF. MY PERSONAL
CONGRATULATIONS FOR YOUR NOTEWORTHY PILOT PICKUP
ON24 AUG 65. THE PROFESSIONALISM AND TEAMWORK DISPLAYED BY
ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS RECOVERY MISSION WERE NOTED WITH
PRIDE. PLEASE CONVEY MY WELL DONE TO ALL WHO TOOK PART.
BT

UNCLAS - EFTO

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ROUTING	ACTIVITY	COORDINATION & CLEARANCE
	COMDR	
	C/C	
	C/S	
	AROOP	
	ARSCP	

UNCLASSIFIED

X

PRIORITY
PRIORITY

ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

38ARS TSN AFLD RVN

INFO: PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII

UNCLAS/ARSCP 07609. AUG 65.

THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS. PART I. REFERENCE 38ARS 860 - 24 AUG 65. NEED FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR MATS NOT LATER THAN 02/1700Z: NAME AND HOME TOWN OF THE RESCUE PILOT AND SURVIVOR. PART II. REQUEST NAMES AND HOME TOWNS OF RESCUE PILOTS AND SURVIVORS ON ALL FUTURE MISSIONS INVOLVING SAVES. INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION IN THE REMARKS SECTION OF MISSION REPORTS.

31 163
AUG

494

GEORGE C. PINYERD, Maj., USAF

JAMES H. MOCKLEY, Major, USAF
Actg Chief, Ops Division

ORIGINATOR (Typed Name and Grade)	ACTION AGENCY	PHONE NUMBER	TYPIST'S INITIALS	DATE PREPARED
GEORGE C. PINYERD, Maj., USAF	ARSCP	494	RJ	31Aug65

COORDINATION SHEET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

28

CONFIDENTIAL

OPENING/CLOSING/	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-882-31 AUG 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HH-43B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

31 AUG 65

MISSION NUMBER: 38-882

OBJECTIVE/POB: USAF F-105 PILOT

TYPE FLT PLN:

FROM - TO:

STATUS: OPEN/CLOSE

[redacted]

[redacted]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.

2. DATE OF REPORT: 31 AUG 65

IIII SAVE IIIII

3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-73, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY:

5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT):

6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): 31/0811Z BY BRINGHAM CRC-UDORN COMBAT REPORTING CENTER

b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT):

c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT):

7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): HC-54 DIVERTED FROM PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT & HH-43 SCRAMBLED

8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: LOCATED BY HH-43 85 MI W HANOI, HELO LANDED & PICKED UP PILOT

9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE):

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5 38 ARS

11. ASSISTING AGENCIES:

12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME):

13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: ~~LOCATED BY HH-43~~

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS:

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 13 MAY 1970

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE):

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YRS DOD DIR 5200.10

16. REMARKS: ~~12 SORTIES FOR 17+20 HOURS~~

AT 0811Z ON THE 31ST, THE BRINGHAM CRC AT UDORN NOTIFIED ARS OF THE BAILOUT. AN HC-54 WAS DIVERTED FROM PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT & AN HH-43 WAS SCRAMBLED. THE HH-43 LOCATED THE PILOT 85 MI W OF HANOI. HE THEN LANDED, PICKED UP THE PILOT & RETURNED HIM UNINJURED TO UDORN. 12 SORTIES WERE FLOWN FOR 17+20 HOURS

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

[redacted]

ARODC # 653985

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): HH-93

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): HH-93

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: 1

d. NUMBER SAVED: 1

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/~~DECEASED~~: RETURNED TO UDORN

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS: 1 HC-54 1/2+30; 2 HH-43 3/4+00; 2 A1E 2/6+50; 6 F-105 6/4+00 TOTAL: SORTIES 12 HOURS D+20

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): NONE

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: _____ RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): _____

NUMBER OF VESSELS: _____

h. REMARKS: _____

SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

38-882 P-F1

1 SEP 65 03 43

[redacted]

62/1

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

OFTS JAW RUWMQZB0232 2440331-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 2B 2440100
ZNY SSSSS
BT
UNCLAS SVC ZUI RUWMCTA0860 2432150 X H/W ZDK RUMSAR 1299 2431520
OO RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 1299 2431520
ZNY SSSSS
O 311520Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
~~TO RUEA~~HQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM ADB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB AWAII
~~RUMASA~~/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
~~RUMSATA~~/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 COMBAT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/DET 5 38 ARS UDORN AFLD THAILAND
RUAUAP/36 ARS TAC IKAWA AB JAPAN
BT

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GAS, by [illegible]

S E C R E T SAR 50892 AUG 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 882 - 31 AUG 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5, 38 ARS, UDORN AFLD, THAILAND.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2105N - 10420E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFUD: BRINGHAM CRC, UDORN, THAILAND 31/0811Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HC-54 DIVERTED FROM PRE-

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1299 S E C R E T
AUTIONARY ORBIT, AND HH-43 ACFT SCRAMBLED TO SUSPECTED BAIL OUT AREA
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HH-43 ACFT.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: USAF F-105 PILOT.
10. USAF HH-43 LANDED [illegible] RECOVERED PILOT AT 0832Z.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RETURNED TO UDORN AFLD, THAILAND.
12. SORITES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:

[redacted]

ONE USAF HC-54	1 SORITE	2:30 HOURS
TWO USAF HH-43	3 SORTIES	4:00 HOURS
TWO USAF A1E'S	2 SORITES	6:50 HOURS
SIX USAF F-105'S	6 SORITES	4:00 HOURS

13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: PILOT WAS RECOVERED WITH ONLY MINOR INJURY. (SLIGHT SCRATCH ON LEFT EAR)
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING/CLOSING REPORT: MSN NUMBER 860, 24 AUG 65.
GP-4.
BT

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

ARODC # L5398.5 FEM

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

Bo ARS SC No. 654573

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

38-882 DPR P-F1

1 SEP 65 03 43

[redacted]

62/1

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

OFTS JAW RUWMQZB0232 2440331-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 2B 2440100
ZNY SSSSS
BT
UNCLAS SVC ZUI RUWMCTA0860 2432150 X H/W ZDK RUMSAR 1299 2431520
OO RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 1299 2431520
ZNY SSSSS
O 311520Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
~~TO RUEA~~HQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM ADB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
~~RUMABA~~/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
~~RUMSATA~~/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 COMBAT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/DET 5 38 ARS UDORN AFLD THAILAND
RUAUAP/36 ARS TAG IKAWA AB JAPAN
BT
S E C R E T SAR 50892 AUG 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR
MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 882 - 31 AUG 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5, 38 ARS, UDORN AFLD, THAILAND.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2105N - 10420E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFUD: BRINGHAM CRC,
UDORN, THAILAND 31/0811Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HC-54 DIVERTED FROM PRE-

AFS

[redacted]

85 W Hawaii

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET
CONFIDENTIAL

Reg 934 P-F1

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2
13 MAY 1970

Department of the Air Force
Detachment 5
38 Air Rescue Squadron (MATS)
APO San Francisco 96237

SUBJECT: Narrative Report, Mission 38 ARSQ 882 - 31 Aug 65

TO: Hq ARS (ARODC)
Orlando AFB, Fla
32813

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

E/10

1. At 1435L on 31 Aug 65, PEDRO 1 and 2 (Rescue Helicopters of Det 5, 38 ARSQ) departed deployment site 107 (2024N -10343E) enroute to an orbit point as near as practicable to the next scheduled air strike.

2. At approximately 1450L, the phrase, "Number 1 is down" or something similar was heard on UHF. PELT 06 (Rescue C-54) attempted to direct us toward the general area of bailout, the exact coordinates being unknown at that time.

3. Approaching the target area, PEDRO flight was very heavy with fuel because they had been prepared to fly orbit for an extended period. Realizing the difficulty of hovering with such a fuel load, PEDRO 1 jettisoned a barrel of JP-4 (460 Lbs).

so, it can be done

4. Prior to the arrival of PEDRO flight, PELT 06 and the Rescap had positively located the downed pilot at 2105N - 10420E. PEDRO flight arrived overhead at 1510L. PEDRO 1, the pickup helicopter started descent immediately. PEDRO 2 stood by at 10,000 ft. At approximately 2500 ft above the terrain, PEDRO 1 spotted the chute and an orange smoke flare and moved in for the pickup.

5. The terrain was made up of many small hillocks, 200 - 300 ft high and heavily covered with vegetation, tree height estimated 100 - 125 ft. The hillock on which the survivor was located was approximately 300 yards from the edge of a cultivated vally, down the middle of which was a well marked road. Estimated average terrain altitude, 2500 ft.

6. As the helicopter hovered over the chute, the hoist operator's interphone went dead. The survivor could not be seen. The hoist was lowered into the heavy foliage and within a minute or so, the hoist cable became taut. The hoist was raised and within seconds the pilot was seen emerging from the foliage. The survivor was secured in the helicopter and PEDRO 1 quickly departed the scene at 1520L.

7. During the hoist operation several groups of people were seen running toward the pickup area. However, warning rockets from the Rescap discouraged further approach. Additionally, two men were seen running up a stream

ARODC # 654126 [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

DET 5, 38 ARSQ 00033

Hq ARS SO

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

bed about 100 yards from the hovering helicopter. The co-pilot, alert to such an emergency, fired his M-16 in automatic almost continuously during the entire hoist operation. The helicopter did not sustain any battle damage. (order one new barrel)

8. The survivor was in good condition, although he had a deep lasceration in his left ear. The medic treated it and bleeding stopped.

9. PEDRO 1 rejoined PEDRO 2 and both helicopters proceeded to deployment site 36 (2000N - 10330E) for re-fueling, landing at 1645L. They departed site 36 at 1715 arriving Udorn AB, Thai at 1925L. Total time, 8:20, 6 sorties.

10. Crew members were as follows:

PEDRO 1			
RCC	Allen, David E.	Capt	24977A
CP	Forsythe, John K.	1/Lt	62593A
MT	Lockard, Bedford T.	A2C	AF19759640
HM	Lepsey, George O.	A3C	AF19799193
PEDRO 2			
RCC	Hurt, Hoyt B.	Capt	AO3040432
CP	Hart, Jake C.	Capt	AO3080167
MT	Fulford, William (NMI)	TSgt	AF25028215
HM	Dager, Robert W.	A1C	AF13843527

David E. Allen

DAVID E. ALLEN, Capt, USAF
Commander

Cy: Hq PARC
38 ARSQ

DET 5, 38 ARSQ 00033

CONFIDENTIAL

Hq ARS SC Hq.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

37

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-959-22 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	VNAF AIH
VICINITY:	HU-16B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Winchester Report

RHHMOFTC JAB RUHMQA 001 266 [illegible]6-CCCC--RUHTFIA.
DE RUHSAR 1328 22 1629
ZNY CCCCC
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC RUEANQ 5396 266 32 & RUHMCTA 5382
[illegible] 1948 X HW ZDK RUHSAR 972 261639
OO RUHSNA RUHADA RUHLHH RUCDAA RUEANQ RUHTFIA
DE RUHSAR 972 266 1638
ZNY CCCCC
O 222916Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEANQ/HQ USAF WAS DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUHTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHH/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RULHH/PACARESCHECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHADA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHSNA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUHSNA/JCS JOC MACSELN SAIGON RVN
RUHSAG/DET 7 38 ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUHADA/13ARS CLARK AB PI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 5 0959 SEP 6. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, WATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARCDC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F 1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 9V -22 SEP 66.
3. CONTROLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: VNAF A1H PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDEN: 13N-107 3E.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: HU-16ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT 22/1852ZHOURS.
7. TYE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTIONS: DIVERTED HU-16 FROM

PAGE 2 RUHSAR 972 C O N F I D E N T I A L
PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT TO LOCATION OF DOWNED PILOT 22/1841 HOURS.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE VNAF PILOT
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE A WATER LANDING AND RECOVERED VNAF PILOT IN GOOD CONDITION AT 22/1687 HOURS.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: RETURNED TO DANANG AB RVN
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 1 PLUS 28 HOURS
USN A E 2 SORTIES FOR 4 PLUS 30 HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND/PERSONNEL/VESSELS/VESSELS PARTICIPAED IN SEARC : NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: NONE.
FOR INFO: LAS OPENING REPOR RANSMITTED WAS 954.

CONFIDENTIAL

23 Sep 66

~~30 Sep~~
~~10 Opening/Closing~~
10 4

38-959.7 Sept
OPEN/CLOSING

CCN/140

ACTION: ARODC
INFO ARCOI

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 26-3-73, under the authority of [illegible], by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

73/26 26 SEP 65 19 06

RFTE JAW RUWMGZB0655 269[illegible]6-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLHM 8 2682044
ZNY EEEEE
R 25 [illegible]
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO RUMSAG/DET 7 3BARESCUESQ DANANG AB RVN
INFO RUMSBJ/3BARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AB VIETNAM
RUMADA/3 1ARESCUESQ CLARK AB PHIL
RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS E F T O/DOARC 0 1726 SEP 65/PERSONAL FROM COLONEL SMITH TO CAPTAIN DAVID K. RICHARDSON. MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU FOR EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE ON 22 SEP 65. YOUR SUCCESSFUL OPEN SEA PICKUPS OF DISTRESSED PILOTS ARE INDICATIVE OF HIGH PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE. PLEASE CONVEY MY ADMIRATION AND A WELL DONE TO YOUR CREW MEMBERS.
BT

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		✓
ARDOC		✓
ARPDC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARPDC		
ARPDC		
ARPDC		
ARPDC		✓
ARPDC		

3

my

RK Arook arm J.F.H

File with MSN folder

P

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL

52/26

26 SEP 65 11 09

PFTC JAW RUEBJTC0303 2691105-1-CCCC--RUMTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 58 2660830
ZNY CCCCC
P 231452Z
FM 38AREWCUESQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUMTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAIAII
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TSN AB RVN
RUMABA/31 ARESCUSEQ CAB PI
RUABGK/3/QUX MISSION NARRATIVE
1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE MISSION NARRATIVE OF A SAVE ON
22 SEPTEMBER 1965. MISSION NUMBER 959. THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARC MESSAGE UNCLAS DOARO-00639 14 APRIL 1965.
2. VNAF A-E ADVISROR FLYING ON THE SAME MISSION.
3. HU-16 - 51-5302
RCC - CAPTAIN DAVID K. RICHARDSON - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ -
PITTSFORD, NEW YORK
X2#CPR - 1ST LT DAVID H. HAINES - 31ST AIR RESCUE

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 84-5-15, under the authority of
CDS, by

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 58 C O NMF I D E N T I ASL
TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS
NAV - 1ST LT JACK O. SLOCOMBE - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ -
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
FM - SSGT PAUL E. LUCIER - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ -HYANNIS, MASS.
RO - SSGT RALPH S. RSHREUNER -31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - HONOLULU, HAWAII
PJ - SSGT DONALD G. SMITH 31TH AIR RESCUD SQ - PRAIRIE CITY#, OREGON
4. 1025H -; AIRBORNE DANANG FOR PRECAUTIONAUY SAR ORBIT,
1535H - NOTIFIED OF DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT AND BAILOUT.
1548H- OVER DOWNED PILOT
1554H - LANDED 17:09N - 117:04E
1600HK- VNAF PILOT PICKED UP
1605H - AIRBORNE FROM WATER
1700H M- LANDED DANANG
MISSION 959, LOGGED 6 & 35 HOURS. 2 SORTIES
5. FOUR NAVY A-1H (RESCAPV)
THREE VNAF A-E
TWO USAF F-214
TWO VNAF H-34
6. THESAREASAZ 17:09N, 117:04E, WHICH IS THE OPEN SEA TWO MILES
OFF SHORE FJOM THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TSN AB RVN
RUMABA/31 ARESCUSEQ CAB PI
RUABGK/3/QUX MISSION NARRATIVE
1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE MISSION NARRATIVE OF A SAVE ON 22 SEPTEMBER 1965. MISSION NUMBER 959. THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARC MESSAGE UNCLAS DOARO-00639 14 APRIL 1965.
2. VNAF A-1E ADVISROR FLYING ON THE SAME MISSION.
3. HU-16 - 51-5302
RCC - CAPTAIN DAVID K. RICHARDSON - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - PITTSFORD, NEW YORK
X2#CPR - 1ST LT DAVID H. HAINES - 31ST AIR RESCUE

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of CDS, by [illegible]

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 58 C O N F I D E N T I A L
TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS
NAV - 1ST LT JACK O. SLOCOMBE - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
FM - SSGT PAUL E. LUCIER - 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ. -HYANNIS, MASS.
RO - SSGT RALPH S. RSHREUNER -31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - HONOLULU, HAWAII
PJ - SSGT DONALD G. SMITH 31TH AIR RESCUD SQ - PRAIRIE CITY#, OREGON
4. 1025H -; AIRBORNE DANANG FOR PRECAUTIONAJY SAR ORBIT,
1535H - NOTIFIED OF DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT AND BAILOUT.
1548H- OVER DOWNED PILOT
1554H - LANDED 17:09N - 117:06E
1600HK- VNAF PILOT PICKED UP
1605H - AIRBORNE FROM WATER
1700H M- LANDED DANANG
MISSION 959, LOGGED 6 & 35 HOURS. 2 SORTIES
5. FOUR NAVY A-1H (RESCAPV)
THREE VNAF A-1E
TWO USAF F-214
TWO VNAF H-34
6. THESAREASAZ 17:09N, 117:06E, WHICH IS THE OPEN SEA TWO MILES OFF SHORE FJOM THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

[redacted]

PAGES3 RUMSAG 58 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. THE DOWNED PILOT WAS COVERED OY THE USAF ADVISOR TO THE VNAF A-1E PROGRAM. HE RADIOTED THE EMERGENCY AND THE ENTIRE FLIGHT CIRCLED THE DOWNED PILOT WHO WAS FLOATING IN HIS LPU. THGPILOT DID HAVE A URT-21 WHCIH WAS ACTIVATED OUT WAS NOT USED FOR HOMING DUE TO THE EXCELLANT CAP AND CLOSE PROSIMSITY OF THE ORBIT.
8. CAPTAIN N.V. TUOUNG, COMMANDER OF THE VIETNAM AIR FBCE SQUARRON 522 SERIAL NUMBER 53A/600016.
9. THE HU-16 WAS ORBITING 40 MILES NORTH OF THE SAJ INSIDENT. WHILE PROCEEDING TO THE SCEFE WE TRIED TO CALL OUR ADVANCED HELECOPTER BASE FOR THEIR SUPPORT. WE RECEIVED NO ANSWER VIA SSB RADIO. WHEN OVER THE PILOT WE CALLED ON UHF AND STILL NO AEBNSWER. A DISSSICISION TO LAND EAS MADE. WE HAD FIV AIRCRAFT COVERING US.GM AFTER LANDING AND WHILE TAXVING TWARD THE SURVIVOR, TOW VNAF H-3GJ ARRIVED AND TRIED TO MAKE THE PICK UO. THE SURVIVOR GRABBED ON TO THE RESCUE COLLAR BY HAND BUT FELL OFF AS SOON AS HE WAS OUT OF THE WATER. THE SECOND TIME HE GOTO THESSLING PROPERLY, HOWEVER, VSURVIVOR STILL HAD HIS PARACHUTE ON AND IT PULLED HIM OUT OF TTHE SLING WHEN HE WAS 20 FEE IN THE AIR. AZ THIS TIME, THE HU-16 TAXIED OVER TO THE SURVIMOR AND MADE A SUCCESSUFUL RECOVERY THE SURVIVOR WAS EXAMINED AND TREATED BY OUR PARASCEU MEDIC BEFORE

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 4 RUMSAG 58 C O N F I D E N T I A L
TAKE OFF. DURING THE TAKE OFF RUN, THE NAVY RESCAP CALLED SAYIFM THAT WE WERE BEING SHOT AT. A DOZEN LARGE SHELLS EXPLODED IN THE WAKE OF THE HU-16, WITH NO DAMAGE;. THE AIRCRAFT LANDED AT DANANG WITH OUT INCIDENT.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

38

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-968-24 SEP 65
SUBJECT: USAF F4C (2)
VICINITY: HU-16B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

IMMEDIATE

272

24 SEP 65 20 37

~~OFTC JAW RUWMQZ~~ C0562 2672026-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 1079 2671320
ZNY CCCCC
O 241310Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN ADLD RVN
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN [redacted]
RUABK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUWTRJA/47TH TFS MAKDILL AFB FLA
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OJS, by [illegible]

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50963 SEP 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/KLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 968- 24 SEPT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS, TSN AFLD, RVN.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: TWO F-4C USAF CREW MEMBERS.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1708N - 10758E
6. ALERTING AGEFKY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: ORC, TSN AFLD RVN 24/1712 HOURS.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: DIVERTED HU-16 ON PRECAUTIONARY [redacted]

PAGE TWO RUMSAR 1079 C O N F I D E N T I A L
ORBIT TO THE SCENE OF THE REPORTED BAILOUT. 24/1713 HOURS.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE(USAF HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/CONDITION: TWO USAF CREW MEMBERS, REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: HU-16 MADE A WATER LANDING AT 24/1734 HOURS, AND RECOVERED DOWNED CREW MEMBERS.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: RETURNED TO MEDICAL FACILITY AT DANANG AB, RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 1(00 OURS.
USAF F-4C 2 SORTIES FOR 2:00 HOURS.
USN A1H 2 SORTIES FOR 2:10 HOURS.
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR PARC(LAST OPENING/KLOSING REPORT, 38 ARS MSN 960, 22 SEPT 65.
GP-4
BT

DWEA 1110 EST. 25 SEP 65

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY

22/25 25 SEP 65 01 25 [redacted] 25/0430 RK

PFTC JAW RUWMQZB0143 2680112-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH 1
CZCCSB817ZCSRC894

PP RUPKM RUCDAA RUWTFI
DE IA
DE RUMSAR 1084 2671555
ZNY CCCCC
P 241545Z
FM 38ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLECEN HICKAMIAFB HAA
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 5096. SEP 65. TWO PART MESSAGE,
REFERENCE MISSION NUMBER 968, 24 SEPT 65.
PART ONE: HU-16 CREW MAKING RECOVERY:
RCC: MAJOR DONALD C. HOLLFELDER, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.
CO PIOOT: 1ST LT JOSEPH G. KIRBY, PHOENIX, ARIXONA.
NAVIGATOR: 1ST LT LAWRENCE A. BRITT, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
ENGINEER: SSGT PATTRICK D. MC COY, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.
PARAESCUEMAN: A2C ELDRIDGE M. NEAL, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINA.
RDAIO OPERATOR: A1C CLYDE L. PLAYER, CAYCE, SOUTH CAROLINA.
PART TWO: CREW MEMBERS RECOVERED:
CAPT. JACK D. GRAVES, AO -3004407, TAMPA, FLORIDA.
1ST LT WYLIE E. NOLEN, AO-3119631, SPRING DALE, ARKA[redacted]
GP-4.
BT

ACTION - ARODC

INFO: ARCOI

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-73, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

25 SEP 65
1110 E.S.T

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RK ARCOR Rasm
ANSCP

UNCLAS - EFTO

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC		
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARRG		

28 SEP 65 16 3

ECN/241

NNNNRTTE JAW RUWMQZA0244 2711640-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKV 331 2710334
ZNY EEEEE
R 280304Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAW
TO RUMSAG/DET 7 38ARS DANANG ABRVN
RUABGK/33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
INFO RUMSBJ/38 ARS TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLS E F T O/DOARC/ 01740. SEPT 65. PERSONAL COL SMITH
TO MAJOR DONALD C. HOLLFELDER. MY CONGRATULATIONS ON YTUR RECOVERY
MISSION ON 24 SEPT 65. THE "CAN DO" ATTITUDE DISPLAYED BY ALL
INVOLVED CONTRIBUTES IMMEASURABLY TO THE MORALE OF ALL FORCES
ENGAGED IN AIR OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. YOUR SUCCESSFUL OPEN
SEA PICK-UP IS INDICATIVE OF HIGH PROFESSIONAL COMPETANCE. PLEASE
CONVEY MY ADMIRATION AND A WELL DONE TO ALL MEMBERS OF YOUR CREW.
BT

UNCLAS - EFTO

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNN

CCN026

PRIORITY

PFTC JAW RUWMQZA0275 2690331-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 48 2681215
ZNY CCCCC
P 250652Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUESQ DANANG AB RVN
TT RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
UHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
UMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUWHSB/41ARESCUESQ HAMILTON AFB CALIF
BT

[redacted]

N F I D E N T I A L DET TU 38ARS-55422 SEP TYTM
SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. MISSION NUMBER 38ARS-968-24 SEPTEMBER 1965.
2. GRIZZLY 3 - F-4C.
TEM HU-16B
RCC - MAJOR DONALD C. HOLLFELDER - 33RD AIR RESCUE SQ - OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
CP - 1ST LT JOSEPH G. KIRBY - 33RD AIR RESCUE SQ - PHOENIX, ARIZONA
NAV - 1ST LTLAWRENCE A. BRITT - 33RD AIR RESCUE SQ -

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 48 C O N F I D E N T I A L

[redacted]

MONTGOMERY , ALABAMA
FM - SSGT PATRICK D. MCCOY - 33RD AIR RESCUE SQ - BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
RO - A1C CLYDE L. PLAYER - 41ST AIR RESCUE SQ - AZCE, SOUTH CAROLINA
RS - A2C EDLDRIDGE M. NEAL - 33RD AIR RESCUE SQ - CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINA
4. THIRTY MINUTES.
5. 2 - A-1, CANASTA 571 AND 579
1 - F-4C, GRIZZLY 3
MQATER, OPEN SEA, 17:08N - 107:05E.
7. ARA-25 HOMED IN ON PERSONNEL LOCATOR BEACON AND CAP AIRCRAFT. PINPOINTED SURVIVORS BY THEIR USE OF SIGNAL MIRROR.
8. TWO F-4C PILOTS FROM SAME AIRCRAFT. PILOT, CAPT JACK D. GRAVES A03004407, TAMPA, FLORIDA. CO-PILOT, 1ST LT WYLIE E. NOLAN, A03119631, SPRINGDALE, ARKANSAS.
9. SUMMARY OF EVFTS.
1705H - MAYDAY CALL RECEIVED ON GUARD FREQUENCY FROM GRIZZLY 3, F-4C REPORTING THAT GRIZZLY LEAD HAD BEEN HIT, WAS ON FIRE AND THE TWO PILOTS WERE EJECTING OVER THKE COAST. ACTION TAKEN BY

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 48 C O N F I D E N T I A L
CREW OF AGE BRAVO, HU-16 51-7144,MN PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT WAS TO ESTABLISH LOCATION OF INCIDENT BY USING ARA-25. BEARING TO INCIDENT WAS ESTABLISHED AND AGE BRAVO PROCEEDED TO THE SCENE AT MAXIMUM SPEED. 38TH AIR JSCUE SQUADRON, SALON, WAS NOTIFIED OF INCIDIENT BY RO. ON SSB.
1707H - RECEIVED CALL FROM GRIZZLY 3 WHO WAS ORBITING THE SCENE, BOTH PILOT HAD EJECTED SAFWY AND HE HAD THE CHUTES IN SIGHT.
1708H - OVERHEARD PILOT OF GRIZZLY LEAD TALKING ON GUARD CHANNEL . HE STATED HE WAS O K AND WAS GOING TO LAND IN TTE WATER NEAR HE CAOST.
1710H - CANASTA 571 AND 579 A-1 CAP AIRCRAFT PROCEEDING TO SCENE AHEAD OF AGE BRAVO.
1715H-CAP AIRCRAFT OVERSCENE. STATED BOTH PILOT BN WATER AND QPEARED TO BE 100 YARDS APART,OK, APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES OFF THE COAST.
1720H - AGE BRAVO STILL PRONEEDING TO SCENE ALTITUDE 500FEET. WWER EVALUATION, WINDS CALM, SINGLE LOW ROLLING SWELL APPROXIMATE HEIGHT 3 FEET. DIVIDED LANDING DIRECTION WOULD BE PARALELL TO THE SWEL. DROP TANKS WERE EMPTY AND NOT JETTISONED. [illegible] PILOTS WERE SIGHTED BY THEIR USE OF SIGNAL

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

MIRROR. IT WAS VERY HAZY AND THE MIRROR FLASHES WERE ECELLANT MEANS OF PIN POINTING THE SCEN.
1725H - AGE BRAVO INFORMED CAP HE WAS GOINT TO LAND. AN OPEN SEA TYPE APPROZCH AND LANDING WAS MADE THE AIRCRAFT COMING TO A STV 100 YARDS FROM ONE OF THE PILOTS. CAP A IRCRAFT REPORTED SHORE BATTERIES FIRING AT AGE BRAVO AND SURVIVORS. AGE BRAVO SPOTTED NUMEROUS WTER SPOUTS FROM SHELLS IN THE AREA. APPARENTLY THE MORE GUN BATTERIES WERE RANGING IN ON THE SITE. AGE BRAVO REQUESTED CQ TO HIT THE SHORE BATTERIES. CANASTA FLIGHT PROCEEDED TO SHORE LINE AND COMMENCED STRAFING AND BOMBING RUNS OF THE SUSPDTED LOCATION OF THE SHORE BATTERIES.
1726 - AGE BRAVO NEAR ONE PILOT AND MAKING APPROACH FOR PICKUP. NUMEROUS SHELLS IMPKTING IN AREA ANDIGETTING CLOSER.
1717H - FIRST PILOT NEAR REAR HATCH. PARARESCUE MAN IN WATER WITN LINE. ALL CREW MEMBRS ACEPT PIGT WERE IN THE REAR OF THE AIRCRAFT ASSISTING IN THE PICKUP.
1728H - FIRST PILOT AND PARARESCUE MAN ON BAORD SAFELY.
PROCEEDING TO SECOND PILOT 100 YARDS AWAY, SHELLS GETTING CLOSER.
1730H - SECOND PILOT BY REAR DOOR PARARESCUE MAN IN WATER WPH LINE.

CONFIDENTIAL

1731H - SECOND PILOT AND PARARESCUE MAN ABOARD AGE BRAVO. SHELS IMPACTING 10 TO 15. YARDS FROM AIRCRAFT.
1732H - AGE BRAVO AIRBORNE, BOTH PILOTS IN GOOD CONDITION. PARARESCUEMAN SKINNNED UP ON CHECST AND KNEES FROM BEING PULLED INTO AIRCRAFT OVER DOOR SILL.
1733H - AGE BRAVO DEPARTINVAREA FOR DANANG.
1735H - ALL AGENCIES NOTIFIED THAT THE PILOTS WOULD BE TAKEN TO DANANG AB.
1740H -ETA DANANG AB 1820H . FLIGHT LEVEL 2000 FEET, CRUISE POWER AIRCRAFT APPARENTLY OK AND HAD NOT SUSTAINED AX DAMAGE.
1745H - BOTH SURVIVORS HAVING COFFEE. PARARESCUE MAN OBSERVING THEM FOR SIGNS OF SHOCK.
1825H LANDED DANANG AND OFF LOADED SURVIVORS TO HOSPITAL PERSONNEL. MISSION CLOSED.
1835H - INSPECTED AIRCRAFT FOCDAMAGE. NONE WAS FOUND.
10. COMMENTS: EXCELLENT COORDINATION BY ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED RESULTED IN A SAVE OF WO AIR FORCE PILOTS IN MINIMUM TIME. THE CALMNESS AND LEVEL HEADED THINKING BY ALL CREW MEMBERS OF THE RESCU AIRCRAFT UNDER EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS WAS OUTSTANDING. GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

39

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]	
MISSION NUMBER:	38-954-21 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	CH-3C

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

38 954 21 SEP 65

THIS WAS BRIEFED FROM A NARRATIVE REPORT

MAOCO/A

113

PRIORITY

PFTS JAW RUWMQZ30651 272[redacted] RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 1004 2712228
ZNY SSSSS
P 282137Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
S E C R E T DOARO 50523 SEP 65. THE FOLLOWING 38 ARS MSG IS
RETRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFO.
S E C R E T SAR 50956 SEP 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/A
AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, PENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS -954-21 SEP 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS UDORN
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: 1 USAF F-105 PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1736 N 10543E (DRV)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: DOWNED PILOTS

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 1004 S E C R E T
WINGMAN REPORTED TO DET 1, 38 ARS AT 21/1624H.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: AT 21/1634H CH3C WAS
LAUNCHED FROM NAKHON PHANOM. PREPOSITIONED HC-54 AND HU-16 DIVERTED
FM ORBIT POSITION TO OBJECTIVE AREA, ATES SCRAMBLED FM UDORN
FOR CAP. 8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 1 USAF
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUR OF SURVIVOR: HOIST PICKUP BY CH-3C
USAF 11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM BY CH-3C,
THEN TRANSFERED TO HC-54 AND AIRLIFTED TO KORAT AB THAILAND. SUFFERED
LEG INJURY.
12. SORTIES AND FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:

USAF CH3C	1 SORTIE 1 HOUR	40 MINUTES
USAF HC54	3 SORTIES 9 HOUR	55 MINUTES
USAF A1E	2 SORTIES 4 HOURS	25 MINUTES
USN A4C	4 SORTIES 5 HOURS	30 MINUTES
USAF KC135	3 SORTIES 5 HOURS	
USAF F-105	10 SORTIES 15 HOURS	30 MINUTES

13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH:
NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO [illegible] PICKED UP BY CAP AIRCRAFT AND HC-54 IN

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS by FC

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUHLKM 1004 S E C R E T
ADDITION VOICE CONTACT WAS MADE. CH-3C DID NOT PICK [illegible] BEACON, AND
HAD VOICE CONTACT AT APPROX 3/4 OF A MILE. POSITION WAS PINPOINTED
BY THREE RED PEN FLARES SURVIVOR FIRED. CH3-C WAS UNDER GROUND FIRE
PRIOR TO, DURING AND FOR A SHORT TIME FOLLOW ING HOIST PICKUP.
THOUGHT TO HAVE RECEIVED HITS BUT DAMAGE NOT EVALUATED AT THIS TIME.
SURVIVOR: CAPT FREDERICK R. GREENWOOD A03103291 PHILADELPHIA PENN
CH-3 C CREW: AC CAPT MARTIN, GEORGE C.D
1LT WARREN, GEORGE CP
CC SSGT GIGGS, LEROY
O FM LAST NAME TART
O PJ LAST NAME SHERVER
LAST MISSION NUMBER 952 GP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

ARODC # 654454

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 655070

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

75/26

[illegible] 2[illegible] [illegible]-UUUU--RUWTFIA.

[illegible] 6 2[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]RESCUEGEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII

[illegible]/DET 1 3[illegible]RESCUESQ NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND

[illegible]/3[illegible]RESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD VIETNAM

[illegible] TEST SQ EGLIN AFB FLA

[illegible] ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

3

17RS

[illegible] 5 [illegible] SEP 6[illegible]/PERSONAL FROM COLONEL SMITH TO [illegible] GEORGE C. MARTIN. THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE [illegible] BY YOU AND YOUR AIRCREW ON 21 SEP 6[illegible] IS RECOGNIZED [illegible] APPRECIATED BY MYSELF AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE AIR RESCUE [illegible] IN THE PACIFIC AREA. YOUR PROFESSIONALISM REFLECTS HIGH [illegible] ON YOURSELVES AND THE U. S. AIR FORCE. PLEASE CONVEY [illegible] CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL PARTICIPATING CREW MEMBERS.

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		✓
ARCDC		✓
ARFDC		
ARGDC		
ARMDC		
ARCMS		
ARMTS		
ARMMS		✓
ARMS		

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNRFTS JAW RUWMUZA0118 2681740-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 1028 2680111
ZNY SSSSS
R 250007
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
S E C R E T DOARO 50520 SEP 65. THE FOLLOWING MSG IS
QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION.
S E C R E T FROM DET 150323 23 SEP 65
NARRATIVE REPORT OF 38 RESCUE MISSION, 21 SEP 65. WE WERE
NOTIFIED OF A DOWNED PILOT AT APPROXIMATELY 1600 HOURS ON THE
21ST SEP. THE CREW PROCEEDED IMMEDIATELY TO THE AIRCRAFT AND
WAS NOTIFIED THRU THE TOWER TO TAKE OFF ASAP. SOME DIFFICULTY
WAS ENCOUNTERED IN STARTING THE HELICOPTER NUMBER ONE ENGINE WO
NOT DEVELOP POWER AND CONSIDERABLE EFFORT WAS EXPENDED BY
PILOT, CO-PILOT AND GROUND CREW BEFORE ENGINE COULD BE MADE TO

C-13 PICK-UP SEA my

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 1028 S E C R E T
OPERATE PROPERLY. THIS RESULTED IN A DELAYED TAKEOFF AT 1620.
WE PROCEEDED NORTHEAST AT 9,000 FT TO THE P/U SITE BY-PASSING
KNOWN ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS. WE HAD NO KNOWN FIGHTER COVER ENROUTE.
ABOUT 5 MILES WEST OF THE TARGET AN F-105 MADE A STEEP DIVING PASS
RIGHT PAST THE CHOPPER AND WE OBSERVED HIM ALL THE WAY DOWN.
RIGHT AT GROUND LEVEL HE PULLED UP AND A VOICE
SAID QUOTE HE'S RIGHT THERE UNQUOTE. I SAID, QUOTE WAS THAT THE 105
TALKING? UNQUOTE THE F-105 PILOT REPLYED QUOTE AFFIRMATIVE UNQUOTE
AND WE HAD THE TARGET LOCATED. AT THIS TIME WE STARTED A LETDOWN FROM
2,000 FT AND HAVING ABOUT 1,800 POUNDS OF FUEL IN THE MAIN TANKS I
JETTISONNED THE REMAINING 250 GALLONS IN THE AUX TANK. THE PILOT WAS
DOWN IN THE ROUGHEST TERRAIN I HAVE YET SEEN IN SEA. I IMMEDIATELY
HAD SOME DOUBT THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO GET DOWN TO HIM. AT
THIS POINT THE SURVIVOR WAS UNOBSERVED BUT HIS CHUTE WAS EASILY
SEEN. THE PILOT SWTED 2 RED FLARES (BELIEVED TO BE PEN GUN).
THE FLARES WERE EASILY SEEN BUT NOT THE PILOT. DUE TO HIS ALMOST
INACCESSABLE POSITION I WAS FORCED TO MANEUVER SLOWLQCOVER
THE CHUTE FLYING A SERIES OF 4 CIRCLES, 2 TO THE RIGHT AND
2 LEFT. I HEARD GROUND FIRE ON BOTH RIGHT HAND CIRCLES AND
BELIEVE WE TOOK A HIT ON THE SECOND ONE, DURING MOST OF THIS

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED
IAW EO 13-205-2
13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
OAS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUHLKM 1028 S E C R E T
TIME HE HAD TWO WAY VOICE CONTACT WITH THE SURVIVOR WHO WAS
ATTEMPTING TO TALK US TO HIS POSITION. AT THIS POINT I SHOULD
LIKE TO RECOMMEND THAT IF HE AD HAD RED SMOKE INSTEAD OF FLARES
HE WOULD HAVE BEEN SEEN IMMEDIATELY. ESTABLISHING A HOVER ABOUT
100 FEET ABOVE HIS PARACHUTE I ASKED HIM ONCE AGAIN FOR HIS POSITION
FROM THE CHUTE. I WAS SURPRISED TO HEAR HIM SAY "YOU'RE TOO LOW,
I'M ABOVE YOU". I WAS HOVERING NEXT TO A NEAR VERTICAL WALL OF
SOLID ROCK AND AS I LOOKED UP I SAW HIM PERCHED ON A SMALL LEDGE.
FORTUNATELY I WAS ABLE TO RAISE THE HELICOPTER TO
A POSITION ABOUT 50 FEET ABOVE HIM WITH THE ROTOR TIPS APPROXIMATELY
10 FEET FROM THE ROCK WALL. THIS "ROCKWALL" EXTENDED
AROUND US ON THREE SIDES, EAST, SOUTH AND WEST AND IT WAS
NECESSARY TO HOVER IN SIDEWAYS ON AN EASTERLY HEADING TO REACH HIS
POSITION. IF HE HAD BEEN 10 FEET CLOSER TO THE WALL WE
WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REACH HIM AND AS THIS WALL ROSE AT LEAST
500' ABOVE US ALL OF THE CALBE AND ROPE WAS USELESS. THE
PILOT WAS ABLE TO POSITION HIMSELF PROPERLY ON THE TREE PENETRATOR
BUT DID NOT USE THE SAFETY STRAP.
REPEATING LAST LINE
BUT DID NOT USE THE SAFETY STRAP. AS SOON AS HE WAS FIRMLY

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PAGE 4 RUHLKM 1028 S E C R E T
SEATED ON THE APPARATUS I MOVED OFF IN A SLOW CLIMB TO THE EAST.
THE SURVIVOR WAS HOISTED ABOARD WITHIN THE NEXT 2 OR 3 MINUTES.
PICKUP WAS ACCOMPLISHED AT 1025Z. DURING THE DEPARTURE MORE GROUND
FIRE WAS HEARD AND AT LEAST 4 PEOPLE WERE SEEN FIRING. WE
RETURNED THE FIRE AND ONE OF THE FOUR WAS SEEN TO FALL. SHORTLY
BEFORE THE PICKUP, 2 A E'S, SANDY FLIGHT 1 AND 2 ARRIVED AND
PERFORMED LOW CAP. AS THE HELICOPTER DEPARTED THEY EXPENDED ROCKETS
IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO US AND THE HELICOPTER WAS ROCKED SEVERLY
FOR SEVERAL SECONDS. WE WERE GLAD TO HAVE THEM THERE BUT WERE NOT
ADVISED THAT THEY WERE GOING TO FIRE. THE RETURN TRIP WAS UNEVENTFUL AND
LANDING WAS MADE NKP AT 1100Z. I HAD REQUESTED DOCTOR AND AMBULANCE
STANDBY AS SURVIVOR HAD SUSPECTED BROKEN ANKLE.
HEROD 34 LANDED AT NKP TO AIRLIFT SURVIVOR. THE HELICOPTER
SUSTAINED 2 SMALL ARMS HITS RESULTING IN 8 HOLES. NO
MAJOR COMPONENTS WERE HIT. I WISH TO COMMEND ALL MEMBERS OF MY
CREW WHO PERFORMED IN A HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL MANNER.
AIRCRAFT COMMANDER MARTIN, GEORGE C., CAPT, CHICAGO, ILL
CO-PILOT WARREN, GEORGE W., 1LT WARRENTTEN,/ 943
#., DIGGE, LEE R. SSGT, WAYNOKA, OLA
HM GUNNER TART, SHELDON C. A1C CHICAGO, ILL

ARS first "KILL"

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 5 RUHLKM 1028 S E C R E T
PARARESCUE MAN SCHERZER, ROY E. A2C SWANTON, OHIO
SURVIVOR GREENWOOD, FREDERICK CAPT
BT

ARCDE #654415 9GM

Bq ARS SC No. 655000

SEARCH, LOCATE, RECOVER BY CH3C

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

40

OPENING/CLOSING:	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	D6-38-820-24 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-100
VICINITY:	HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING/CLOSING

DET 6 - 38th - 820 - 24 SEP 65

HOIST RECOVERY OF DOWNED
F-100 PILOT.

SAVE POSTED

Lee

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6 38th Air Res Sq, APO US Forces 96227 25 September 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 6-38-820-24 Sep 65

TO: Hq ARS (ARSCP)

1. Mission Number 6-38-820-24 Sep 65.

2. SAR alerted by UHF radio.

3. Type SAR aircraft used - 1 HH-43F helicopter.

Crew:

RCC Captain Carl G. Layman
CP Captain Dale L. Potter
HM TSgt Joseph W. Blaquiere
RS A2C William H. Pitsenbarger

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up - 10 Minutes.

5. RESCAP assistance - 2 armed HU-1B helicopters.

6. Area and type of pick-up - 20 ft high dense jungle type growth. Hoist pick-up.

7. Person picked up - Major Martin W. Barbena, 43378A, 6251st TACFTRWG, Bien Hoa RVN.

8. Summary of events: At 0804, 24 September 1965, the primary crew was scrambled for an A-1-H with hung ordnance. Before I could become airborned with the fire suppression kit I heard a MAYDAY call over UHF radio. An F-100 had a flame out east of the field. I immediately took off (0806L) and headed east. I made radio contact with the wing man on guard channel and had visual contact with an F-100 orbiting about 5 miles east. I didn't see the parachute but I did see smoke from the impacted aircraft. The wing man gave me directions to the parachute. After hovering over the parachute approximately 3 minutes and not seeing the pilot I moved 20 yards north to a small stream of smoke we had seen. It was determined later that the smoke was from a pen gun flare returning to earth. I moved back to the parachute and was getting ready to send my medic down when the pilot was sighted in the heavy undergrowth. A hoist pick-up was made utilizing the forest penetrator seat. The pilot was returned to Bien Hoa and delivered to the 6251st A.F. Dispensary. Flight time 0+15, 1 sortie.

Carl G. Layman
CARL G. LAYMAN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copies to:
38th ARS
PARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNN

UNCLAS-EFTO

CLN/244

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	[illegible]
ARCCO		
ARDDC		
ARDDC		
ARSDC		
ARDDC		
ARDDC		
ARDDC		
ARDDC		
ARDDC		

16 45

PTTE JAN RUWMCZA 0248 2711[illegible]-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKW 333 2710334
ZNY EEEEE
P 28[illegible]
FM PACARESCIECEN HICKAM AFB HA
TO RUMSAF/DET 6 38ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
INFO RUMSBJ/38 ARS TAN SON NHUT B RVN
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS E F T O/DCARC/ 01741. SEPT 65. PERSONAL COL SMITH TO CAPTAIN CARL C. LAYMAN. CONGRATULATION TO YOU AND YOUR AIRCREW FOR A JOB WELL DONE ON 24 SEPT 65. THE PROFESSIONALISM AND "CCAN-DO" ATTITUDE DISPAYED BY YOU AND YOUR AIRCREW HAS UNDOUBTEDLY CONTRIBUED IMMEASURABLY TO THE MORALE OF ALL U.S. FORCES ENGATED IN AIR OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. PLEAE EXTEND MY PERSONAL CONGRATUALATIONS TO ALL PARTCIPATING CREW MEMBERS.
BT
[illegible]

Arcom
ARSCP

UNCLAS-EFTO

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

41

OPENING/CLOSING:	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	D6-38-718-9 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	U S A Soldier
VICINITY:	H H-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Typed 4 Oct 65

FROM: Det 6 38ARescuesq, APO San Francisco 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative, 6-38ARS-718-9Sep65 11 Sep 65

TO: Hq, PARC (DOARO)

1. Mission Number 6-38ARS-718-9Sep65.

2. SAR alerted by Bien Hoa Tower.

3. Type SAR aircraft used - 2/HH-43F helicopters, one with fire suppression kit.

Primary Alert Crew:

RCC Capt Darvun E. Cook
CP Capt Donald E. Stranahan
HM TSgt Domenick J. Cocuzzi
RS A2C William H. Pitsenbarger

Secondary Alert Crew:

RCC Capt Raymond L. Murden
CP Capt Carl G. Layman
HM TSgt Joseph W. Blaquiere
RS A2C Michael R. Donegan

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up: Approximately 15 minutes.

5. CAP Assistance - One Army HU-1B directed us to the incident site and orbited the area until the pick-up was completed. No enemy fire was encountered.

6. Area and type of pick-up - Forest area with 100 foot trees, approximately 5 miles Northeast of Bien Hoa Air Base. Hoist pick-up using the forest penetrator.

7. Signalling equipment used to locate injured party - Smoke grenades were used by Army ground forces to mark incident site.

8. Injured party's name and serial number - E-4 Ralph Williams, RA13731708, "C" Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Division.

9. Summary of events:

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

At 1643L 9 Sep 65 the primary alert crew was notified by the Control Tower that an Army HU-1B had crashed 7 miles Southeast of Bien Hoa AB and that there was one person injured. At 1645L the primary alert crew scrambled with a fire suppression kit. At the same time the secondary alert crew scrambled without fire suppression kit. Both helicopters proceeded toward the incident site. Shortly after takeoff we were contacted by an Army HU-1B which was orbiting the site. He directed us there where we observed smoke grenades used by Army ground troops to mark the site. The pilot of the HU-1B informed us that there was no helicopter crash. He said that one Army enlisted man had been wounded by a short mortar round from US Army mortar.

Since the primary alert HH-43F had the FSK, the secondary alert helicopter hovered over the 100 foot trees and lowered the pararescue man with a URC-59 radio. The primary alert HH-43F returned to Bien Hoa AB to leave the FSK and pick-up a Stokes litter. The pararescueman examined the injured party, who had a chest wound, and consulted with the Army Medical Specialist with the ground party. The Army medic recommended that the patient be hoisted on the forest penetrator and evacuated to the Army Field Hospital rather than wait for the Stokes litter. The hoist pick-up was accomplished and the HU-1B led us to the helipad at the 173rd Airborne Brigade Hospital adjacent to Bien Hoa AB. As the hoist pick-up was being accomplished the primary alert HH-43F returned to the site to provide back-up in case of enemy fire or emergency.

The patient was delivered to the Army Field Hospital at 1710L. The primary and secondary helicopters landed at Bien Hoa AB at 1715L. Mission completed. Det 6 38ARSq 2/HH-43F - 4 sorties - 0:50, 1 US Army HU-1B sorties and time unknown.

RAYMOND L. MURDEN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copy to: 38 ARSq

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

At 1643L 9 Sep 65 the primary alert crew was notified by the Control Tower that an Army HU-1B had crashed 5 miles Southeast of Bien Hoa AB and that there was one person injured. At 1645L the primary alert crew scrambled with a fire suppression kit. At the same time the secondary alert crew scrambled without a fire suppression kit. Both helicopters proceeded toward the incident site. Shortly after takeoff we were contacted by an Army HU-1B which was orbiting the site. He directed us there where we observed smoke grenades used by Army ground troops to mark the site. The pilot of the HU-1B informed us that there was no helicopter crash. He said that one Army enlisted man had been wounded by a short mortar round from US Army mortar.

Since the primary alert HH-43F had the FSK, the secondary alert helicopter hovered over the 100 foot trees and lowered the pararescue man with a URC-59 radio. The primary alert HH-43F returned to Bien Hoa AB to leave the FSK and pick-up a Stokes litter. The pararescueman examined the injured party, who had a chest wound, and consulted with the Army Medical Specialist with the ground party. The Army medic recommended that the patient be hoisted on the forest penetrator and evacuated to the Army Field Hospital rather than wait for the Stokes litter. The hoist pick-up was accomplished and the HU-1B led us to the helipad at the 173rd Airborne Brigade Hospital adjacent to Bien Hoa AB. As the hoist pick-up was being accomplished the primary alert HH-43F returned to the site to provide back-up in case of enemy fire or emergency.

The patient was delivered to the Army Field Hospital at 1710L. The primary and secondary helicopters landed at Bien Hoa AB at 1715L. Mission completed. Det 6 38ARSq 2/HH-43F - 4 sorties - 0:50, 1 US Army HU-1B sorties and time unknown.

RAYMOND L. MURDEN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copy to: 38 ARSq

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

34

~~SECRET~~

OPENING/CLOSING:	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-919-10 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	USAF AIE
VICINITY:	HU-16B

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

38-919-10 SEPT 65

OPENING/CLOSING

USAF A-1E/1 POB. ACFT WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE WHILE ASSISTING IN SEARCH ON MISSION 38-917. ACFT LEFT SEARCH AREA TRYING TO REACH DANANG AB TRAILING SMOKE. HU-16 ON-SCENE COMMANDER ESCORTED THE A-1E. THE A-1E WAS FORCED TO DITCH APPROX. 40 mi. E DONG HOI. THE HU-16 MADE AN OPEN SEA LANDING ABOUT 30 SECONDS LATER AND PICKED UP THE UNINJURED PILOT APPROX THREE MINUTES AFTER LANDING. THE SURVIVOR WAS TAKEN TO DANANG AB IN GOOD CONDITION.

TOTAL OF 3 SORTIES/5:05 HOURS AND ONE SAVE.

BRIEFED 13 SEPT [illegible]

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of OAS, by [illegible]

[illegible]

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

ARODC # 654170

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

919 PF1

078/11

NNNNOFTS JAW RUWMQZB0650 2540334-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
ZNY SSSSS ZFH-1
VV THA389VV MPA005 ARA523
OO RUEAHQ RUWGBS RUCDAA RUWTFIA RUHLKM
DE RUMSAR 455 2531350
ZNY SSSSS
O 101345Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RULKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/20 TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAF/6251 TFW BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMABA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DA NKVAB RVN
BT

11 SEP 65 03 4[redacted]

[redacted]

IMMEDIATE

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

38-918
10 SEP 65
PILOT A1E

MAY 1970

ACTION ARODC
INFO ARCOI

S E C R E T SAR 50918 SEP 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-919-10 SEP 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF A1E
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1740N-1065E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 10/1730H PREPOSITIONED HU-16.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 10/1730H HU-16 ESCORTING

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 455 S E C R E T
A1H OVER WATER. H-34 SCRAMBLED FOR IMMEDIATE BACKUP.
8. AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE WATER PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: SURVIVOR TAKEN TO DANANG AB RVN
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY
USAF HU-16 ONE SORTIE FOR 2 PLUS 15 HOURS
USMC H-34 TWO SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 50 HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: A1E AND HU-16 WERE ON SCENE FOR RESCUE OF DOWN NAVY A4E MISSION 917. THE A1E WAS HIT AND WAS REURNING TO DANANG TRAILING SMOKE. THE HU-16 WAS ESCORTING. THE A1H HAD TO DITCH AND WAS FOLLOWED DOWN BY THE HU-16 FOR A WATER PICKUP.
PILOT MAKING PICKUP: CAPT VATIS, 31ARS CLARK AB PI
PILOT RESCUE WAS: CAPT PAUL V. GRAYBILL, 241 SHUMPERT ST, FT WALON BEACH, FLA
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 918. GP-4.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC # 654170

CONFIDENTIAL

88 ARS SC No. 654748

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

OFTC JAW RUWMQZC0650 2541340-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUWSAG 1118 2541230
ZNY CCCCC
DT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUHLCM 5270 2541101 X H/W ZDK
RUWSAG 54 2540800 O 110625Z X
OO RUWADA RUHLKM RUWTFIA
DE RUWSAG 54 2540800
ZNY CCCCC
O 110625Z
FM DET 7 30ARS DNG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PARC NICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUWSAR/30ARS TSN AB RVN
RUWADA/31ARS CAB PI
DT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 30ARS 50372 SEP 65.
SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. SAR MISSION NUMBER 919/10 SEPTEMBER 1965.
2. PILOT OF USAF A-1E/CALL SIGN SANDY 11/REPORTED THAT HIS WINGMAN SANDY 12, WAS TRAILING SMOKE AFTER BEING HIT BY GROUND FIRE ON A SEARCH FOR A DTINED A-4E PILOT NEAR VINH, NORTH VIETNAM.
3. HU-16B, CALL SIGN: MABLE BRAVO
RCC - CAPT MARTIN D. VATIS, 56051A, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

PAGE 2 RUWSAG 54 C O N F I D E N T I A L
CP - CAPT RICHARD R. LUND, A03046519, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - TACOMA, WASHINGTON.
N - CAPT DAVID L. ROSS, 69252A, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
RO - SSGT BOBBY R. TYNDALL, AF14434802, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - CLINTON, NORTH CAROLINA
FM - A2C ROBERT L. KEY, AF19704504, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA
RS - SSGT RICHARD N. STONE, AF17232968, 31ST AIR RESCUE SQ - SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
4. HU-16B WAS ORBITING AT 10000FEET, OVER WATER, SOUTHEAST OF VINH, AS ON SCENE COMMANDER DURING SEAJCH FOR A-4E PILOT. UPON NOTIFICATION THAT SANDY 12 WAS HIT AND TRAILING SMOKE, HU-16B DESCENDED AND INTERCEPTED HIM AS HE FLEW OUT TO SEA. HU-16B ESCORTED SANDY 12 TOWARD FRIENDLY TERRITORY BUT SANDY 12 WAS FORCED TO DITCH AT SEA WHILE NORTH OF THE DMZ. HU-16B LANDED WITHIN 30 SECONDS OF SANDY 12 AND PILOT WAS IN WATER APPROXIMATELY 3 TO 4 MINUTES.
5. PICK-UP WAS CAPPED BY USAF A1E (SANDY 11), HU-16B (MABEL CHARLIE), AND TWO USMC H-34 HELICOPTERS (MILLPOINT 1-1 AND 1-2).

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUWSAG 54 C O N F I D E N T I A L
6. QATER (OPEN-SEA) PICK-UP AT 17:26N, 107:16E 40 E DONG HOI
7 DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT (SANDY-12) REMAINED IN VISUAL CONTACT FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY TO PICK-UP.
8. SURVIVOR: CAPT PAUL V. GRAYBILL JR., 81101A, USAF
602ND FIGHTER SQUADRON (COMMANDO)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96227
HOME TOWN: FORT WALTON, FLORIDA 32548
9. WHILE ON SEARCH FOR DOWNED A-4E PILOT, SANDY 12, WAS FLYING LOW LEVEL PASSES IN SMALL VALLEY SOUTH OF VINH. THERE WERE MANY REPORTS OF GROUND FIRE (SMALL ARMS AND FLAK) THROUGHOUT THE SEARCH AND SEVERAL AIRCRAFT TOOK HITS OF NO CONSEQUNCE. WHEN SANDY 12 TOOK HIS HIT, HE IMMEDIATELY TURNED TO SEA, JOINED WITH SANDY 11, AND CAME INTO VIEW AS HE CROSSED THE COAST. HU-16B IMMEDIATELY TURNED ON-SCENE COMMAND OF THE SEARCH VINH OVER TO AN HC-54 (FADE 20), WHO WAS ALSO IN AREA, AND ESCORTED SANDY 12 TOWARD QUANG TRI, SOUTH VIETNAM SANDY 12 TRAILED SMOKE DURING ENTIRE TIME AND WHEN OIL PRESSURE DROPPED TO ZERO, HE ELECTED TO DTICH. HU-16B FOLLOWED SANDY 12 DOWN FINAL APPROACH AND LANDING AND EFFECTED PICKUP IMMEDIATELY.
CP-4

CONFIDENTIAL

IMMEDIATE

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

35

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-931-14 SEP 65
SUBJECT: USA L-19 (2)
VICINITY: HH-43F

[redacted]NTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDE

OFIC JAW RUWMQZC0201 2570913-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZE RUMSAR 588 257Ø24Ø
ZNY CCCCC
O 140230Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
XTO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUEPDA/DEPARTMENT OF ARMY WHASINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKS/CINCUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUMSVD/220 AVNCO DANANG AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T PTA L SAR 5Ø928 SEP 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBE
UC 38ARS - (931) - 14 SEP 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USA L-19 CREW
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1614N - 10805E 15NM N.W. DANANG
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY [redacted]H
HU-16 ON PREPOSITION ORBIT INTERCEPTER [redacted] RELAYED
TO 38ARS CONTROL CENTER

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS). effective on 14 SEP 65, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 588 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 14/0805H 2 ~~HH-43~~'S SCRAMBLED FROM DANANG AB RVN
8. AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE: USA L-19
9. NUMBER OF SUGLVIVORS: 2 USA
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HH-43, LANDED ON BRIDGE.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: PICKED UP IN GOOD CONDITION, BROUGHT TO DANANG ARMY OPERATIONS.
12. SORTIES/FLYING OURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43 3 SORTIES FOR 1 PLUS 30 HOURS
EZ USA L-19 1 SORTIE FOR 30 MINUTES
USAF F-104 1 SORTIE FOR 30 MINUTES
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: ACFT LANDED IN SHALLOW WATER, CREW WADED ASHORE AND WAS PICKED UP ON A BRIDGE. SURVIVOR: PILOT, 1LT THOMAS DAVIDSON, 05318152, LOUISBURG, TENN. OBS: SP5 HARRY I KEE, RA27354614, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. HELICOPTER PILOT: CAPT BRUCE A PURVINE, LONGBEACH, CALIF. FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT 928.
GP-4.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNOB215
PFTZ JAW RUWMQZCC0879 2592427-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 226 2590322
ZNY EEEEE
P 16DD59Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO RUMSAG/DET 7 38ARESCUESQ DANANG AB RVN
INFO RUMSBJ/38ARESCUESQ TSN RVN
RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS E F T 00ARC 01665 SEP 65/ PERSONAL FOR CAPT BRU
PURVINE FROM COL DONALD T. SMITH. CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED
ON YOUR RECOVERY OF 14 SEP 65. YOUR SUCCESS REFLECTS GREAT
CREDIT UPON YOURSELVES AND THE U. S. AIR FORCE. REQUEST ALL
CREW MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED BE CONGRATULATED ON THE EFFECTIVE
AND NOTEWORTHY TEAM WORK. A WELL DONE TO ALL.
BT

STAFF AGENCY	ACTION	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC		
ARPDC		
ARSDC		
ARMDC		
ARCAP		
ARSDC		
ARCCI		
ARUG		

Sgt Snipes —
File with man report folder
Purvine ARSCP

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

36

OPENING/CLOSING/ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
MISSION NUMBER: 38-943-17 SEP 65
SUBJECT: VNAF H-34 CREW
VICINITY: HH-43F (1)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNN

UNDERLINED PORTION CARRIED MAY BE IN ERROR
SERVICE WILL BE INITIATED UPON REQUEST.

PFI

[redacted]

PCN067 20 SEP 65 12 48

IMMEDIATE

OFTS JAW RUWMQZA 9528 2631237-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 867 2630735
ZNY SSSSS
O 200735Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CAB PHIL
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2AD TSN RVN
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38ARS BIEN HOA RVN
BT

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARLO

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
OAS, by [redacted]

S E CO E T SAR 50945. SEPT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC. 18 MAY 1970

1. CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 3875# -4 - 943 - 17 SEPT 65.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 18 SEPT 65.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE LOCATED BY USAF L-19 AT 11-05N 106-50E AT 17/2100L
5. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS, DECEASED AND OR MISSING: ONE VNAF CREW MEMBER RESCUED BYT WAS SEVERLY BURNED. FOUR CREW MEMBERS MISSING.
6. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS AND/OR RECOVERY OF DECEASED: THE ONE SURVIVOR WAS RETURNED TO TSN AFLD RVN BY A USAF [redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 867 S E C R E T
HH-43, FROM DET 6 38TH ARS, WHO LANDED AT THE SITE OF THE CRAS AND PICKED THE MAN UP.
7. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: USAF HH-43 RETURNED THE MAN TO TSN AFLD RVN WHERE HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO AN AMERCIAN AMEULANCE AND TAKEN TO A VIETNAESE HOSPITUTAL.
8. TOTAL TIME AND SORTIES BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:

USAF	HH-43	5	SORTIES 2 PLUS ARP HOURS
USAF	C-123	1	SORTIE 4 PLUS 00 HOURS
VNAF	H-43	2	SORTIES 1 PLUS 30 HOURS
VNAF	A1E	2	SORTIES 4 PLUS 40 HOURS
USA	UH1B	2	UE

CONFIDENTIAL

NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/CESSELS PARTICIPATING 8./3-4: : NOT AVAILABLE
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: THE ARVN SENT IN A GROUND PARTY AT FIRST LIGHT TO SECURE THE AREA AND SEAROM FOR THE FOUR MISSING MEN. NEGATIVE RESULTS WERE OBTAINED FROM THE SEARC AND THEY REPORTED THAT ACTIVE USAF SEARCH ASSISTANCE IS NO LONGER REQUIRED.
GP-4.

ARODC # 654284

[redacted]

654827

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD 5200.10

Bq ARS SC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

943

Action: ARODC
INFO ARCOI

358/17

17 SEP 65 22 17

OFTS JAW RUWMCZA05 18 2602204-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
ZNY SSSSS ZFH-1
CCSB88 1ZCZRA413
CO RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 767 2601740
ZNY SSSSS
O 171730Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AFB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSMA/JGS JOC MACSTELM SAIGON RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38TH ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
BT

IMMEDIATE

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

[redacted]

S E C R E T SAR 50943. SEPT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, NATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR AROK, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FORWM
MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS -943 -17 SEPT 65. OPENING ?
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: CREW OF VNAF H-34.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1105N - 1065E. 25NM N SAIGON
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: TACC TSN AFLD ADVISED VNAF H-34 LOST RADIO AND RADAR CONTACT WITH PARIS CRC. 17/2040 HOURS.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS) effective on 14-3-73, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 767 S E C R E T
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: FIVE VNAF.
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION OR ENROUTE: NOT A FACTOR
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 17/2042 HOURS PLACED HH-43 ON IMMEDIATE GROUND ALERT, AND ADVISED ARMY AVIATION THAT ARMED HELICOPTERS MAY BE REQUIRED.
10. FUTURE PLANS: ARVN GROUND TROOPS WILL BE DISPATCHED INTO THE AREA AT FIRST LIGHT AND ATTEMPT TO SECURE IT.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: HH-43 FROM BIEN HOA MADE A PICKUP OF ONE OF THE CREW MEMBERS. THE MAN WAS SEVERELY BURNED, AND WAS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO THE MEDICAL FACILITY AT TSN AFLD. THE CRASH SITE IS IN AN UNSECURE AREA, AND GROUND FIRE WAS ENCOUNTERED. FOR PARC: PILOT MAKING THE PICKUP WAS CAPT COOK, DARVAN E. 72848A, HOISINGTON, KANSAS. LAST OPENING/SUSPENDING REPORT WAS MISSION NUMBER 940, 17 SEPT 65.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

ARODC # 654262

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

Hq ARS SC No. 654879

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Copy to Vandegrift 2 Oct 65

AISCP

FROM: Det 6 38ARescueSq, APO San Francisco 96227 20 September 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative, 6-38ARS-943-17 Sep 65

TO: Hq ARS

1. Mission Number 6-38-943-17 Sep 65.

2. SAR alerted by 38ARS.

3. Type SAR aircraft used - 2/HH-43F helicopters.

Primary Alert Crew:

RCC Capt Darwan E. Cook
CP Capt Donald E. Stranahan
HM TSgt Domenick J. Cocuzzi
RS A2C William H. Pitsenbarger

Secondary Alert Crew:

RCC Capt Carl G. Layman
CP Capt Dale L. Potter
HM TSgt Joseph W. Blaquiere
RS A2C Michael R. Donegan

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up: Approximately 40 minutes.

5. CAP Assistance - Two armed Army HU-1B helicopters, two Al-E aircraft and one C-123 flareship.

6. Area and type of pick-up - Small rice paddy surrounded by forest areas.

7. Person picked-up - Lt Cao Dang An, 217 Sq, VNAF.

8. Summary of events:

On 17 September 1965 at 2100 hrs, Det 6 38th ARS was alerted for a possible mission on a VNAF H-34. About 15 minutes later, we were scrambled to the crash site .010°/18 miles from TSN. A flare ship was already over the spot dropping flares so we were able to head directly to the site in-spite of the low ceilings (varible 800' to 1500') poor visability and rain showers. On arriving over the site, we orbited about 5 minutes waiting for two armed HU-1B's to arrive from Tan Son Nhut AB. After the armed ships joined us, our primary aircraft went down for a low pass to evaluate the spot in formation with the HU-1B's while our secondary aircraft stayed high for coverage for us. On the low pass, ground fire was encountered and the

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

second HU-1B took one hit. Our secondary aircraft said they could see some tracers coming up. Another orbit was made with the primary aircraft coming to a hover over the crash and the HU-1B's continuing to circle around us. The wreckage appeared to be 90% burnt out and except for the blades at the outer edge of the crash, it couldn't be distinguished as a helicopter. There was no chance for anyone to be in the wreckage and still be alive. At this time a figure ran out of the trees in front of us and started waving his arms. He appeared to be wearing a flying suit and I could see his squadron patch. We landed a few yards away and signaled for him to run to the helicopter. Our pararescue man kept him covered with his AR-15 while the crew chief searched him for weapons. He didn't have a weapon of any kind so I called the HU-1B's and said we were coming out. As we left the spot the HU-1B's flew towards us firing rockets and tracers into the trees behind us. We climbed up and entered an orbit pattern with our secondary aircraft while questioning the VNAF pilot. We had some problem communicating with him due to language differences and his tense and excited state but understood him to say that he was the only one alive. Since he was badly burned and entering shock we decided to take him to the hospital at Tan Son Nhut AB and then come back if necessary. The weather got progressively worse toward Saigon and we were forced to descend to 300' to stay VFR. Visibility was limited and the AN/ARA-25 had to be used between the helicopters to stay together. The VNAF pilot was delivered to an ambulance and taken to the hospital where he was questioned by the Vietnamese. He then said that he thought 2 more people got out and ran into the woods. We were then alerted to go back as soon as the VNAF could secure the area with ground troops. VNAF decided to wait until morning and we were released from the mission. Returned to Bien Hoa without further incident.

I strongly recommend the adoption of a Decca type navigational system for use on all HH-43F's in RVN. It would have been invaluable on this particular mission and on any off base crash. A suitable substitute would be IFF equipment and VOR/TACAN. On all such missions we work with Paris control and the ability to be painted would greatly simplify our mission. Location of crash sites are often given in tacan positions which are not meaningful to us. The VHF radio could be eliminated to make room as UHF and FM are predominately used. Flight time: 2:40, 5 sorties.

Darvan E. Cook

DARVAN E. COOK
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Copies to:

Hq PARC
38th ARS

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

76/26

26 Sep 65 09 30

RTTE JDW RUWMCSA 6274 2690930-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLIM 5 2682044
ZNY EEEEE
R 25 1918Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO RUMSAF/DET 6 38ARESCUESQ BIEN HOA AB VIETNAM
INFO RUMSBJ/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD VIETNAM
RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS E F T O/DOARC 0 1729 SEP 65/PERSONAL FROM COL SMITH TO
CAPTAIN DARVIN E. COOK. MY CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RECOVERY
MISSION ON 17 SEP 65. THE "CAN DO" ATTITUDE DISPLAYED BY ALL
INVOLVED CONTRIBUTES IMMEASURABLY TO THE MORALE OF ALL
UNITED STATES AND REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM FORCES ENGAGED IN AIR
OPERATIONSIAN PLEASE CONVEY MY ADMIRATION
AND A WELL DONE TO ALL YOUR CREW MEMBERS.
BT

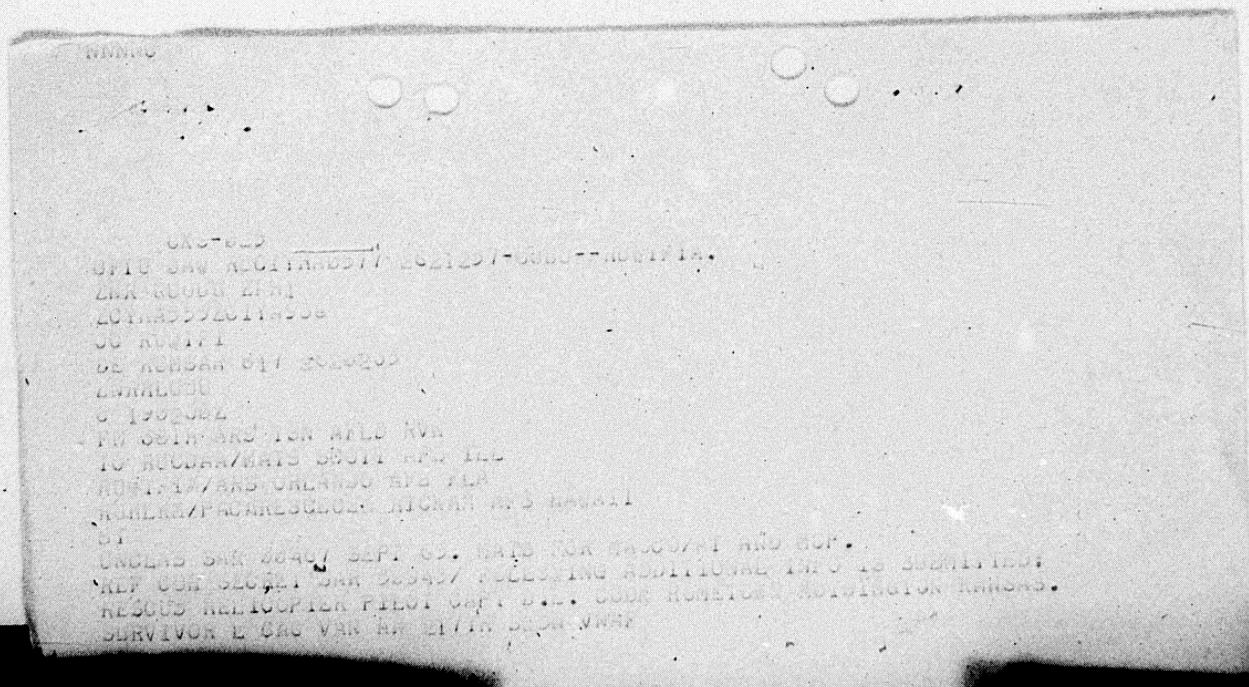
STAFF AGENCY	ACT
ARCCO	
ARCCG	
ARFCC	
ARDCG	
ARMDG	
ARMDC	
ARMDC	
ARMDC	
ARMDC	
ARMDC	

File with mon folder
Purpose

RK ARCOR Chron
ARSCP

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526



THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]	
MISSION NUMBER:	38-899-6 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

MISSION

38-899-6 SEPT. OPENEING/CLOSING REPORT. [redacted]

F-105 WITH 1 POB ON A TACTICAL FLIGHT PLAN. A PRE-POSITIONED HU-16 WAS ALERTED BY THE PILOT AS HE BAILED OUT AND DEPARTED ORBIT AREA IMMEDIATELY FOR AREA OF THE DOWNED PILOT(APPROX. 22 MI. NE DONG HOI), MADE A WATER LANDING TO PICK UP SURVIVOR AND RETURNED HIM TO DA NANG AB. THE SURVIVOR WAS REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION.

TOTAL: 2 SORTIES/5:10 HOURS.

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS), effective on 6 MAY 75, under the authority of [illegible], by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL

PFTC JAW RUMMQZB0029 2491547-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 248 2490748
ZNY CCCCC
P 060735Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AS TSN AFLD RVN
RUABKH/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBDK/6234TH CMBT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
BT

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 6 DEC 75, under the authority of
, by

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 5 09 SEPT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FGSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F 1, OPENNING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 899 - 6 SEP 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38TH ARS.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: 1 USAF F-105 PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1740N- 1065E. 22 MI NE Dong Hoi
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16, 6/0112Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: USAF HU-16 DEPARTED

PAGE TWO RUMSAR 248 C O N F I D E N T I A L
ORBIT ENROUTE TO LOCATION OF SURVIVOR, 6/0113Z
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 1 SURVIVOR
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16 PERFORMED WATER LANDING AND RECOVERED SD
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RETURNED SURVIVOR TO DANANG AB, RVN
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR FIVE PLUS TEN HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: SURVIVOR REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION. PERSONAL SURVIVIAL BEACON OPERATED FOR APPROX 15 MINUTES. LOST SIGNAL 10 MINUTES. SURXVOR USED SMOKE TO BE SIGHTED PRIOR TO PICKUP.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 889.
GP-4.
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PIKE F-1

NNNN

60

7 Sep 65 IMMEDIATE

ACTION: ARODE
INFO: ARCOI

OFTC JAW RUWMQZA0986 2501115-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 39 2490717
ZNY CCCCC
O 060529Z
FM DET 7 38ARS DAKNG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSAR/7ARS TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUABGK/33ARECOVERYSQ NAHA AB OKI
RUWHX/4 1ARS HAMILTON AFB CALIF
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARS 50359 SEP 6.
SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. 899 USB BT 6 SEPTEMBER 1965.
2. ELM LEAD -EQUIPPED PILOTS WINGMAN.
3. HU-16
RCC - HOLM, JOHN R.- CAPTAIN - 7B42 - 41 ARESCUE SQ -
LAKEFOREST, ILLINOIS.
CP - GLAESER, GEORGE E. CAPTAIN - A03038758 - 41ARESCUE SQ -
AUSTIN, TEXAS
N - LOMTAN, THOMAS O.7 CAPTAIN - 67264A - 41 ARESCUE SQ -

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 4-3-75, under the authority of
DOS, by

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 39 C O N F I D E N T I A L
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.
FM - STENKAMP, HUBERT G. - SSGT - AF19439567 - 41 ARESCUSQ -
BEND, OREGON.
PJ - FLEIMAN, J.E. - A2C - AF15675103 - 33 ARECOVJY SQ -
RUSSIA, OHIO.
4. NOTIFIED AT 0105Z, ON SCENE 0125. ON WATER 0132Z.
5. YES - 3 F-105'S AND 2 NAVS A-1'S.
6. 1W ILES EAST OF DONGHOI, DVN - 1638N X 106:43E - WATER PICKUP
7. ARA 25 - HOMING ON WINGMAN, MARK 13 MADE 0 DAY XOKE. NO
RADIO OR BEACON FROM SURVIVOR.
8. CLARK, JOHN T. - A03039296 - KPTAIN - 67TH TACTICAL FIGHTER
SQUADRON.
9. MABLE ALFA ON ORBIT AT 18:25N XOPU:2 E AT 9,000 FEET -
0105Z ALERTED BY ELMLEJ THAT ELM 2 HAD EJECTED OFF COUT OF
DONG HOI. WE PROCEEDED TO SCENE AT 215 KNOTS TAS.
0125Z - ON SCENE. OIL QICK OBSERVED. PILO NOT IN SIGHT OF ANY
AIRCRAFT.
0128Z - NAVIGATOR OBSERVED DAY XOKE 2 MILES ABEAM.
0130Z - DROPPED MK 6 MOD 3 40 MINUTE DAY SMOKE MARKER ABEAM PLOT.
JETTISONED DROP TANKS.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 39 C O N F I D E N T I A L
0132Z LANDED IN SEA.
0140Z - PARARESCUE MAN HAS PILOT ON BOARD.
0145Z - TAXING TWRD SHORE AND CALMER AATER.
813E -7 911 53 2-534 JATO TAKE OFF.
0249Z - LKDED DANANG AB RVN.
10. COMMENTS.
A. NO URT-21 OR URC-11 RECEIVED.
B. WATER CONDITIONS - WIND 215 DEGREES - 12 GUSTING - 20 KNOTS.
8 FOOT WIND WVE, PRIMARY SWELL MOVING 280 DEGREES, 10 - 12 FEET.
SECONDARY SWE
L MOVING 260 D433, 7 - 9 FEET. MANY 10159 127
1995 #993.7
C. SURVIVOR - NO APPARENT INURIES.
D. TEAM WORK AND EFFICIENCY OF ENTIRE CREW WAS OUTSTANDING.
E. DESITE ROUGHT SEAS - 4 JATO BOTTLES LOADED IN MINIMUM
TIME. TAKE OFF COMPLETD 5 MILES OFF SHORE.
GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

30

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

OPENING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-902-6 SEP 65
SUBJECT: USN AIH
VICINITY: HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

087/06

6 Sep 65 17 53 PRIORITY

PFTC JAW RUWMQZA0829 2491740-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 247 2490825
ZNY CCCCC
P 060825Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WAS INGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIAJFARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RULHL/CINCPACT PEARL ARBOR HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENHFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT
WA TG CDRS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/ CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMSAGGXDET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUABKH/33ARS NA A AB OKINAWA
BT

ACTION ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNC/AS).
effective on 14-5-75, under the authority of
GDS, by [illegible]

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50906 SEPT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH
MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-(#
13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCSJC 1-A
S-F-,7 03,8,&/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38TH ARSJA 902- 6 SEPPT 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38TH ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USN PILOT A-1H
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1938N - 10555E 15 S.E. THANH HOA
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMA[redacted]
ADVISED ON GUARD C ANFL, 06/1403H.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 247 C
N F I D E N T I A L
7. TYPE AND IME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: DICERTED HU-16 ON PRE-
KUTIONARY ORBIT TO AREA OF DOWNED PILOT, 06/1404H.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECICE: USAF HU-16
9. NUMBER OF SURVICORSJC ONE USN PILOT
10. AGENCS AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURCIVOR: USAF QJAQY MADE
WATER LANDING A 1414H, AND WAS AIRBORNE WITH REVOCERED PILOT AT
1423H.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RETURNED TO DANANG AB, RVN
12. S
TIESJXFLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 6:20 RS
13. NUMBER GOURND PERS
NNEL/VEHICLESJXVESSELS PARTICIPATED IN
SEARCH: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INNO: NAVY PILOT WAS RECOVERED IN GOOD CONDITION.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSNITTED WAS 901.
GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUNNOFTC JAW RUMNCZ B0798 252 02 1-CCCC--RUNTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 76 25 1083C
ZNY CCCCC
O 080632Z
FM DET 7 38ARS DNVAB RVN
TO RUNTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
~~RUALRM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII~~
RUMSAR/38ARSHSN AB RVN
RUMRGK/33ARCOVERYSQ NAHA AB OKI
BT
~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~ DET 7 38ARS-036 SEP 65.
~~SUBJECT:~~ MISSION NARRATIVE
1. MISSION NUMBER 902.
2. DOWNED PILT'S WINGMAN.
3. HU-16B
RCC - NICHOLAS, MANSEL E. - CAPT - A03025532 733 ARECOVERY SQ - COLDWATER, KANSAS.
CP - SISSON, DAVID A. - CAPTA A03058083 - 33 ARECOVERY SQ - SHAWVILLE, VIRGINIA
N - RECOUF, RONALFD. - 1ST LT - A03179083 - 33 ARECOVERY SQ -

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 76 C O N F I D E N T I A L
MEDINA, NEW YORK:
RO - MILLICAN, CHARLES L. - A1C - AF14*3428 733 ARECOVERY SQ - WAYNESVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
FM - HUYETT, LARRY D. -A1C - AF13606933 - 33 ARECOVERY SQ - MANCHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA
4. NOTIFIED AT 0600Z ON SCENE 0614.
5. YES - 2 A-4'S - 2 A-1H'S
6. 18 MILES SOUTHEASTMF THANH HOA, WATER - 19:38N - 105:55E
7. ARJ-25 HOMEING ON A/C ON SCENE RB. LT JAMES L. BURTON - 60997 - USN - WASHINGTON, D.C.
9. ABLE BRAVO ON GBIT AT 0315Z AT 5000 FEET AT 19:00N - 106:00E
AT 0600Z WE WERE ALERTED WIW MAN OF MAGIC STONE WAS ON FIRE AND TRYING TO MAKE IT TO THE WATER.
0604Z - WE WUE TOLD THAT MAGIC STONE 17 WAS IN THE WATER AND PILOT WAS IN THE WATER AND OK.
0604Z - WE WERE ON OUR WAY TO THE SCENE. WE ARRIVED ON SCENE AT 0612Z, WE WERE M THE WATER AT 0614Z, AND WERE OFF HE WATER AT 0625. PARARESCUE MAN WMENT INTO WTER WITH ROPE AND

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 76 C O N F I D E N T I A L
SWAM TO DOWNED PILO. THE PILOT WAS PULLED TO THE AIRCRJFT PARARESCUE MAN SWAM TO AIRCRAFT. LANDED AT DANKG 0805Z (1605H)
10. A. PILOT DID NOT USE ANY RADIO AID AND NO SMOKE DUE TO HE SEA CONDITION. WE HAD PILOT IN SIGHT 3 MILES OUT.
B. THE WATER WAS GOOD.WE HAD A SWELL SYSTEM FROM 120 DEGREES AND A HEIGHT OF 1 TO 2 FEET. WIND WAS LIGHT O VER.
C. THE CREW DD AN OUTSTANDING JOB. CUT OUR WATER TIME DOWN TO 9 MCUTES.
GP-4
BT

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ IMMEDIATE
9 SEP 65
02 31

38th 902

ACTION AROOL
INFO: ARCOI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
Cen/05

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS).
effective on 11-3-15, under the authority of
6-15, by DOE

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

31

OPENING/CLOSING/	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-901-6 SEP 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
VICINITY:	HH-43B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

17. FOR OPENING/CLOSING ONLY:

MISSION NUMBER: 38-901 (6 SEP 65)

OBJECTIVE/POB: F-105 PILOT

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

Briefed 8 SEPT AC

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

a. AGENCY SIGHTING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

b. AGENCY RECOVERING OBJECTIVE AND TIME (GMT): _____

c. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

d. NUMBER SAVED: _____

e. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: _____

f. SORTIES/HOURS BY UNITS: _____

TOTAL: SORTIES _____ HOURS _____

g. GROUND FORCES PARTICIPATING (TEAMS/PERSONNEL): _____

NUMBER OF VEHICLES: _____ RADIOS (FIXED/MOBILE): _____

NUMBER OF VESSELS: _____

h. REMARKS: _____

MISSION 38-901, 6 SEPT 65 AN OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

AN F-105 PILOT BAILED OUT 65 NM S.E. UDORN. ARS WAS ALERTED BY BRINGHAM CRC WITH DET 5, 38 ARS BECOMING THE CONTROLLING AGENCY. AN HH-43, SCRAMBLED FROM UDORN, LANDED IN AREA OF BAILOUT AND RECOVERED THE PILOT WHO WAS IN GOOD CONDITION AND WAS RETURNED TO UDORN.

TWO SORTIES FLOWN FOR 1HR AND 20 MIN.

ARS CREDITED WITH A SAVE!

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS effective on 14-5-75 under the authority of GAS, by NEF

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

MISSION NUMBER: _____

OBJECTIVE/POB: _____

TYPE FLT PLN: _____

FROM - TO: _____

STATUS: _____

1. RCS: 1-ARS-U1.
2. DATE OF REPORT: _____
3. COMPLETE FLT PLN/DESCRIPTION/PILOT'S NAME, UNIT (MIL), ADDRESS (CIVIL):

_____

_____

4. RCC ALERTED AT (GMT) BY: _____
5. COMMUNICATIONS SEARCH COMPLETED (GMT): _____
6. a. SAR FORCES ALERTED FIRST (GMT): _____
   b. SAR FORCES ALERTED SECOND (GMT): _____
   c. SAR FORCES ALERTED THIRD (GMT): _____
7. INITIAL FORCES DEPLOYED (GMT): _____
8. LAST KNOWN POSITION: _____
9. WEATHER (AT TIME OF INCIDENT ALONG INTENDED ROUTE): _____

_____

10. CONTROLLING AGENCY: _____
11. ASSISTING AGENCIES: _____
12. SAR MISSION COORDINATOR (NAME): _____
13. PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

14. WEATHER FORECAST IN PLANNED SEARCH AREAS: _____

_____

15. ANTICIPATED SAR FORCES AVAILABLE (NO. & TYPE): _____

_____

16. REMARKS: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

ARS Form 26 Mar 65

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

-OCNOTZ 07 SCP 1236

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PFTC JAW RUWM0ZC0167 2501229-CCCC--RUWTFIA.

DE RUMSAR 246 2490735
ZNY CCCCC
P 060735Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICCAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN ICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSATA/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSATA/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 CMBT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 50905 SEPT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODPACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPOGT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS- 901- 6 SEPT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5, 38TH ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1642N - 10345E. 65 SE UDORN
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: BRINGHAM CRC, 0935Z.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: SCRAMBLED HH-43 FROM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE TWO RUMSAR 246 C O N F I D E N T I A L
UDORN AT 0945Z.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAFHHH-43 HELICOPTER
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF F-105 PILOT
10. AGENCY
WD METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVO: USAF HH-43 LANDED IN AREA OF BAILOUT , AND RECOVERED PILOT AT 0235Z.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RETURNED TO UDORN, THAILAND
12. SORTIES/FLHWN AND AGENCY: ONE USAF HH-43
2 SORTIES FOR ONE PLUS TWENTY HOURS.
13. NQMBER OROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: SURVIVOR RECOVE
ED IN GOOD CONDITION.
FOR PARC. LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 899.
GP-4.
BT

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOZ

TU 1700Z

Classification (cancelled) (changed to ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~) effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by DS

BITE SAVE
POSTED 7.C.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

32

OPENING/CL IN[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D7-38-532-6 SEP 65
SUBJECT: USAF B-57 (2)
VICINITY: HH-43F

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY . RIORITY

PAGE F1

187/08

8 SEP 65

NNNNPFTC JAW RUWMOZB0563 25 11054-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 133S 250 1945
ZNY CCCCC
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUCDAA8130 2591805 H/W ZDK RUMSAG
102 2491220 ALSO FOR RUWTFIACLEAR ANY WIRE URSTA MAY HAVE PENDING
ON SUBJ MSG X
PP RUCDAA RUEADX RUEAHQ RUWTFIA RUHLKM RUMABARUMSBJ
DE RUMSAG 102 2491220
ZNY CCCCC
P 060140Z
FMSDET 7 38 ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
INFO RUHLKM/HQ PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSAR/38 ARESCUE SQ TSN AFLD RVN
RUCDAA/HQ MATS MAOCO AT SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEADX/HQ TAC BANGLEY AFB VA
RUEAHQ/HQ USAF AFXOPH WASH DN
RUMSBJ/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/12TBS CLARK AB PI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7, 50360 6 SEP 65
RCS: 1-ARS-F1,SOPENING/NLOSING REPORT. DET 7, 38ARS 532, 6 SEP 65
LBR MISSION. AIRCREW RECOVERY OF TWO CREW MEMBERS FROM B-57
BAILOUT IN WATER AT 1605N 10812E.
PRIMARY CRASH NOTIFICATION FOR DECLARED EMERGENCY CONDITION
AT 0738Z. HH-43F AIRBORNE AT 0740Z WITH FIRE SUPPRESSION KIT.
ONE HH-43F ROTORS TURNING ON GOUND MONITOR OF RADIO. THE B-57
ON LONG FINAL WAE OBSERVED TO ROLL INTO INVENTED DIVE AND CREW
BAILOUT. ABT 0744Z. AIRBORNE HH-43F DEPOSITED FSK ON GRAES AREA
ADJACENT TO RUNWAY. THE SECONDARY HH-43F WAS LAUNCHED. THE PRIMARY

CONFIDENTIAL

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLAS
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
OAS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 102 C O N F I D E N T I A L
HH-43F MADE AN APPROACH TO THE PILOT, CAPT HAMANN, WILFORD C. WHO
WAS JUST INFLATING HIS LPU. THE SECOND HH-43F ABOUT 5 SECONDS
BEHIND PULLED IN OVER THE NAVIGATOR, 1/LT LANE, ROBERT '. BOTH
CREW MEMBERS WERE ABOUT 150 FEET APART. THE PILOT WAS PICKED UP
ON THE FOREST PEETRATOR, AND THE NAVIGATOR WAS PICKED UP IN THE SLING.
THE PARACHUTE WAS CUT FROM THE NAVIGATOR AFTER HE WAS ABOARD HE
HELICOPTER. AF AMBULANCE MET HELICOPTERS AT THE ALERT PAD9ESTIMATE
BOTH CREW MEMBERS ON BOARD HELICOPTERS WITHIN 3 MINUTES OF BAILOAT.
7 SORTIES 40 MINUTES. NEGATIVE FILM. BASE 10 WORKING ON STORY. GP-4

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

33

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-918-10 SEP 65
SUBJECT: USA OIE (2)
VICINITY: HH-43F

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

42

[redacted]

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-898-50CT65
SUBJECT: USA SOLDIERS (7)
2 HH-43F's

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

270/5

5 Oct 65 22 55

NOTIFICATION

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED ARS

TELEPHONE NUMBER 494

PERSON CONTACTED ERRISON

OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT BF

ACTION: ARODC

INFO: ARCOI

[redacted]

[redacted]

OFTS JAW RUMMQGA0017 278225 1-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAF 10C 278 1510
ZNY SSSSS
O 05 1500Z
FM DET 6 38ARESCUESQ BNH RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUEPDA/DEPT OF ARMY
RUCDAA/MATS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECE HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHS/CINUSARPAC
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN.
RUMSBJ/2AD IV
ZEN/625 TFW
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT
RZEN/COMD GEN 173AB BNH RVC
BT
S E C R E T DET 6/38ARS 50317 OCT 65.
HQ USAF (AFXOPH)MATS (MAOCO/AT/MCP) ARS (ARODC) APACAF (PFOCC-H)
13AF (JSARC) 38ARS (SAR)
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 6-898-5 OCT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY DET 6 38ARS IBIEN HOA AB RVN
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: EVACUATE 31 US ARMY CASUALTIES FROM DENSELY WOODED AREA IN WAR ZONE D
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT : 1105 N 1065E
6. ALTERNATING AGENCY: 38ARESCUESQ SARCC 5 OCT 65 1535L SAIGON TIVE

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLA). effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of GDS, by [illegible]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
19 MAY 1970

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAF 10C S E C R E T
MTYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION SCRAMBLE TWO HH-43IF HELICOPTERS AT 1540L SAIGON TIME
8. AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE DET 6 38ARS HH-43F
9. NUMBER OF DECEASED 24 WOUNDED 7 DECEASED
10. ATENCY AND METHOD OF RECEOVERY OF SURVIVORS AND DECEASED TWO HH-43F HELICOPTERS LANDED AND MED EVAC 24 WOUNDED 7 DECEASED AND 3 OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL
11. DISPOSITION OF DECEASED ALL PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO 173AIRBORNE BRIGADE FIELD HOSPITAL. 1700 POUNDS OF WEAPGNS AND EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTED TO 173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE.
12. SORTIES FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY EIGHTEEN SORTIES 4 PLUS 30 HORS FLOWN BY TWO HH-43F HELICOPTERS.
13. N/A
14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ALERT CREW
RCC RAYMOND L MURDEN
CP DALE L POTTER
HM TSGT KENNETH L PERKINS
RS A1C RICHARD O STEINERT
SECONDARY CREW

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAF 10C S E C R E T
RCC CAPT CHARLES P NADLERDGLCP 1ST LT JOSEHPH T CONNELL
HM TSGT RICHARD H CONNON
RS SSGT LEON FULLWOOD
PHOTOGRAPHS WERE TAKEN ON THE MISSION BY ONE HH-43F CREW MAMBER FROM THE AIR AND BY AN UNKNOWN ASSOCIATED PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER ON THE GROUND. DISTRIBUTION HAS NOT BEEN MADE AS YET. MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT WILL FOLLOW. FIVE OF THE WOUNDED WERE SAVES CONFIRMED BY THE ARMY 3RD SURGICAL HOSPITAL.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 12 YEARS. DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC #6545 8496 M

SQ ARS SC No. 055302

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

398 P-F1

27015

5 Oct 65 22 55

NOTIFICATION

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED MCS

TELEPHONE NUMBER 414

PERSON CONTACTED ERRISON

OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT BP

IFR

[redacted]

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

[redacted]

ZFTS JAW RUWMQGA0017 278225 1-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAF 18C 278 1510.
ZNY SSSSS
O 051500Z
FM DET 6 38ARESCUESQ BNH RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUEPDA/DEPT OF ARMY
RUCDAA/MATS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECE HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHS/CINUSARPAC
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSBJ/2AD IV
ZEN/625 TFW
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT
RZEN/COMD GEN 173AB BNH RVC
BT
S E C R E T DET 6/38ARS 5 03 17 OCT 65.
HQ USAF (AFXOPHO MATS (MAOCO/AT/MCP) ARS (ARODC) APACAF (PFOCC-HD
13AF (JSARC) 38ARS (SAR)

Classification (cancelled) (changed to UNCLA).
effective on 14-3-75, under the authority of
GDS, by [redacted]

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F 1 OPENING/CLOSING REORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 6-898-5 OCT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY DET 6 38ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: EVACUATE 31 US ARMY CASUALTIES FROM DENSELY WOODED AREA IN WAR ZONE D
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT : 1105 N 10655E
6. ALTERNATING AGENCY: 38ARESCUESQ SARCC 5 OCT 65 1535L SAIGON TIME

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2
18 MAY 1970

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAF 18C S E C R E T
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION SCRAMBLE TWO HH-43F HELICOPTERS AT 1541L SAIGON TIME
8. AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE DET 6 38ARS HH-43F
9. NUMBER OF DECEASED 24 WOUNDED 7 DECEASED
10. ATENCY AND METHOD OF RECEOVERY OF SURVIVORS AND DECEASED TWO HH-43F HELICOPTERS LANDED AND MED EVAC 24 WOUNDED 7 DECEASED AND 3 OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL
11. DISPOSITION OF DECEASED ALL PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO 173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE FIELD HOSPITAL. 1700 POUNDS OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTED TO 173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE.
12. SORTIES FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY EIGHTEEN SORTIES 4 PLUS 30 HORS FLOWN BY TWO HH-43F HELICOPTERS.
13. N/A
14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ALERT CREW
RCC RAYMOND L MURDEN
CP DALE L POTTER
HM TSGT KENNETH L PERKINS
RS A1C RICHARD O STEINERT
SECONDARY CREW

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAF 18C S E C R E T
RCC CAPT CHARLES P NADLER/OIC CP 1ST LT JOSEHPH T CONNELL
HM TSGT RICHARD H CONNON
[redacted] MISSION BY ONE HH-43F CREW MAMBER FROM
[redacted] PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER ON THE

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Copy to Vandenjagt —
20 Oct 65
Pugile

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO US Forces 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 7 Oct 1965

TO: Hq Pacific Air Rescue Center (DOARO), APO US Forces 96553

1. Mission number 6-38ARS-898-5 Oct 65.

2. SAR alerted by 38ARSq

3. SAR aircraft used: 2 HH-43F's. All crewmembers from Det 6, 38ARSq.

PRIMARY ALERT CREW
RCC Capt Raymond L. Murden
CP Capt Dale L. Potter
HM TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins
RS A2C Richard O. Steinert

SECONDARY ALERT CREW
RCC Capt Charles P. Nadler
CP 1/Lt Joseph T. Connell
HM TSgt Richard A. Connon
RS SSgt Leon Fullwood

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pickup of first load of casualties: 20 Minutes.

5. CAP assistance: Two Army UH-1B armed helicopters, 2 USAF A-1E's and one USAF Forward Air Controller in O-1F.

6. Area and type of pickup: 8 nautical miles northeast of Bien Hoa AB in dense jungle terrain in war zone "D" (11 05N - 106 53E).

7. Signalling equipment used: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names not available.

9. Summary of events:

At 1535L 5 Oct 65, 38th Air Rescue Squadron SARCC called informing us that the Army had thirty one casualties eight miles northeast of Bien Hoa AB. Primary and secondary alert HH-43F helicopters scrambled at 1540L. The third alert crew was called in to provide LBR coverage while primary and secondary alert crews were on the mission.

Bien Hoa tower informed us that there was artillery firing in the northeast quadrant from Bien Hoa. We requested that artillery fire be stopped. We circled just north of the runway for approximately five minutes until tower informed us that the artillery fire had ceased. An

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

escort of two armed UH-1B helicopters scrambled from Tan Son Nhut AB as requested by 38th SARCC.

We were led to the site by an Air Force Forward Air Controller in an O-1F. As we approached the site we were joined by the armed Hueys. Personnel on the ground used smoke grenades to mark their location. They had blasted a small clearing from the dense jungle. The trees in the area were 125 to 150 feet high. The floor of the clearing was strewn with felled trees and stumps. Army UH-1B medical evacuation helicopters had evaluated the clearing and determined that it was too small for them to get into.

From initial evaluation of the clearing it appeared that it would be necessary to recover the casualties by using the hoist and stokes litter. I decided to descend as far as possible into the chimney like opening to reduce the length of hoist pickups. As we descended it was determined that we would be able to descend all the way to the ground. The landing was accomplished by straddling stumps and maneuvering the helicopter to avoid the many felled trees. The UHF/VHF antenna under the front of the helicopter was touching a stump in front and the bottom of the vertical stabilizers were resting on limbs of felled trees.

The diameter of the clearing was so small that on the first approach of each H-43, during the vertical descent into the clearing at about 75 feet, the rotor blades contacted light foliage. Three crew members, TSgt Perkins, TSgt Connon and SSgt Fullwood remained at the site to assist with the wounded, enlarge the clearing, improve the landing area and direct the landings. Two chain saws were flown in on a subsequent sortie.

During the course of the mission we learned that the casualties were from "A" Company, 173rd Airborne Brigade and that the casualties had been sufferred during the previous four hours in a battle with the Viet Cong 600 meters from the clearing. While operating at the site there were several explosions nearby of unknown origin. During one climbout the primary alert H-43 was thirty feet above the ground when it was blown several feet rearward by the concussion of an explosion.

The primary alert H-43 made six trips from the site to the Third Field Hospital and the secondary alert H-43 made three round trips. There was a total of eighteen landings, sixteen of which were on unprepared area. Total sorties: 18. Total flying time 4:30. Sorties and time of assisting aircraft unknown.

Inspection of the H-43's after completion of the mission revealed no damage. Green streaks were found on the outer portion of the right rotor blades of both H-43's caused by blades striking foliage. There was no damage to the blades.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

10. Comments:

See mission report number 6-38ARS-898-5 for casualty information.

The day after the mission I called the three medical agencies that treated the casualties to obtain information to determine the number of saves. Third Surgical Hospital said that there were seven positive saves.

Raymond L Murden

RAYMOND L. MURDEN, Capt., USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO US Forces 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 7 Oct 1965

TO: Hq Pacific Air Rescue Center (DOARO), APO US Forces 96553

1. Mission number: 6-38ARS-898-5 Oct 65.

2. SAR alerted by 38ARSq

3. SAR aircraft used: 2 HH-43F's. All crewmembers from Det 6, 38ARSq.

PRIMARY ALERT CREW
RCC Capt Raymond L. Murden
CP Capt Dale L. Potter
RM TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins
RS A2C Richard G. Steinert

SECONDARY ALERT CREW
RCC Capt Charles P. Nadler
CP 1/Lt Joseph T. Connell
RM TSgt Richard A. Connon
RS SSgt Leon Fullwood

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pickup of first load of casualties: 20 Minutes.

5. CAP assistance: Two Army UH-1B armed helicopters, 2 USAF A-1E's and one USAF Forward Air Controller in O-1F.

6. Area and type of pickup: 8 nautical miles northeast of Bien Hoa AB in dense jungle terrain in war zone "D" (11 05N - 106 53E).

7. Signalling equipment used: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names not available.

9. Summary of events:

At 1535L 5 Oct 65, 38th Air Rescue Squadron SAR CC called informing us that the Army had thirty one casualties eight miles northeast of Bien Hoa AB. Primary and secondary alert HH-43F helicopters scrambled at 1540L. The third alert crew was called in to provide LER coverage while primary and secondary alert crews were on the mission.

Bien Hoa tower informed us that there was artillery firing in the northeast quadrant from Bien Hoa. We requested that artillery fire be stopped. We circled just north of the runway for approximately five minutes until tower informed us that the artillery fire had ceased. An

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

escort of two armed UH-1B helicopters scrambled from Tan Son Nhut AB as requested by 3dth SARCC.

We were led to the site by an Air Force Forward Air Controller in a U-1F. As we approached the site we were joined by the armed Hueys. Personnel on the ground used smoke grenades to mark their location. They had blasted a small clearing from the dense jungle. The trees in the area were 125 to 150 feet high. The floor of the clearing was strewn with felled trees and stumps. Army UH-1B medical evacuation helicopters had evaluated the clearing and determined that it was too small for them to get into.

From initial evaluation of the clearing it appeared that it would be necessary to recover the casualties by using the hoist and stokes litter. I decided to descend as far as possible into the chimney like opening to reduce the length of hoist pickups. As we descended it was determined that we would be able to descend all the way to the ground. The landing was accomplished by straddling stumps and maneuvering the helicopter to avoid the many felled trees. The UHF/VHF antenna under the front of the helicopter was touching a stump in front and the bottom of the vertical stabilizers were resting on limbs of felled trees.

The diameter of the clearing was so small that on the first approach of each H-43, during the vertical descent into the clearing at about 75 feet, the rotor blades contacted light foliage. Three crew members, TSgt Perkins, SSgt Conner and SSgt Fullwood remained at the site to assist with the wounded, enlarge the clearing, improve the landing area and direct the landings. Two chain saws were flown in on a subsequent sortie.

During the course of the mission we learned that the casualties were from "A" Company, 173rd Airborne Brigade and that the casualties had been sufferred during the previous four hours in a battle with the Viet Cong 600 meters from the clearing. While operating at the site there were several explosions nearby of unknown origin. During one climbout the primary alert H-43 was thirty feet above the ground when it was blown several feet rearward by the concussion of an explosion.

The primary alert H-43 made six trips from the site to the Third Field Hospital and the secondary alert H-43 made three round trips. There was a total of eighteen landings, sixteen of which were on unprepared area. Total sorties: 18. Total flying time 4:30. Sorties and time of assisting aircraft unknown.

Inspection of the H-43's after completion of the mission revealed no damage. Green streaks were found on the outer portion of the right rotor blades of both H-43's caused by blades striking foliage. There was no damage to the blades.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

10. Comments:

See mission report number 6-38ARS-898-5 for casualty information.

The day after the mission I called the three medical agencies that treated the casualties to obtain information to determine the number of saves. Third Surgical Hospital said that there were seven positive saves.

RAYMOND L. MURPHY, Capt., USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

43

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-929-90CT 65
SUBJECT: USA SOLDIERS (3)
2 HH-43F'S

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

IMMEDIATE

90CT65 16 20

FTC JAW RUWMCGB0623 282 1600-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
MSAF 960 282 12 10
CCCCC
12 00Z
ET 6 38ARESCUESQ BNH RVN
UWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
~~HQ~~/CSAF
~~BOA~~/DEPT O ARMY
DAA/MATS
~~L HM~~/PACAF
~~HLHM~~/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAIII
UMEVA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUHSBJ/2AD IV
~~RUMABA~~/ 13AF CAB PI
~~RUMAR~~/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT
~~RUMSVB~~/COMD GEN 173AB BNH RVN
BT
CONFIDENTIAL DET 6/38ARS 50323 OCT 65.
FOR CSAF (AFXOPH), MATS (MACCO/AT/NCP), ARS ARCOC, PACAF (PFOCC-H)
13AF (JSARC) 38ARS (SAR).
1. RCS 1-ARS-F 1 OPENING /CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER 6-38ARS-929-9 OCT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY DET 6 38ARESCUESQ
4. SAR OBJECTIVE EVACUATE 3 WONDED ARMY PERSONNEL FROM WAR ZONE "D"
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT 110N 106 33E
6. ALERTING AGENCY 173RD AB BRIGADE 9 OCT 65 1345L
7. TYPE AD TIVE OF INITIAL SAR ACTION 2 HH-43F AT 1355L 90CT 65

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 2 RUMSAF 960 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE DET 6 38ARS
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS 3
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS 2 HH-43F UTILIZING THE RESCUE HOIST AND STROKES LITTER FROM A HOVERING ALTITUDE OF 35 FT.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS 2 SURVIVORS EVACUATED TO A FORWARD FIELD HOSPITAL AND 1 SURVIVOR EVACUATED TO 173 AB HOSPITAL
12. SORTIES/FLYING HORS BY TSPE ACFT AND AGENCY 11 SORTIES PLUS 38 HOURS BY 2 HH-43F
13. N/A
14. ALERT CREWS
NR 1 HH-43F CREW
RCC CAPT DARVAN E. COOK
CP MAJ WILLIAM T. HAYES JR
HM TSGT DOMENICK J. COCUZZA
RS A1C WILLIAM H PITSENBARGER
MISSION NARRATIVE TO FOLLOW
BT

NR 2 HH-43F CREW
CAPT DALE L. POTTER
CAPT RAYMOND L. MURDEN
TSGT KENNETH L PERKINS
SSGT GEORGE G. SCHIPPER

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14 3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

Action: ARODC
Info: ARCOI

203

ARS

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED ARS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 499
PERSON CONTACTED Sgt Peterson
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT PC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO US Forces 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narative Report 9 Oct 1965

TO: Hq Pacific Air Rescue Center (DOARO), APO US Forces 96553

1. Mission Number: 6-38ARS-929-9 Oct 65.

2. SAR alerted by 173rd AB.

3. SAR aircraft used: 2 HH-43F's. All crewmembers from Det 6, 38th ARS.

PRIMARY ALERT CREW:

RCC Capt Darvan E. Cook
CP Maj William T. Hayes Jr.
HM TSgt Domenick J. Cocuzzi
RS AlC William H. Pitsenbarger

SECONDARY ALERT CREW:

RCC Capt Dale E. Potter
CP Capt Raymond L. Murden
HM TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins
RS SSgt George E. Schipper

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up of first casualty: 50 minutes.

5. CAP assistance: Two Army UH-1B armed helicopters.

6. Area and type of pick-up: 18 nautical miles northeast of Bien Hoa AB in secondary growth jungle in war zone (D). (11° 07' N 106° 33' E).

7. Signalling equipment used: Smoke gernades.

8. Survivors names not available.

9. Summary of events:

At 1345L, 9 Oct 65, the 173rd AB called us to evacuate ~~some~~ wounded personnel from the jungle south of Ben Cat. The clearings they were in were too small for the army helicopters to land. Both HH-43's were airborne in 10 minutes and 20 minutes later landed at an army forward control site. There we picked up an army captain to show us where to go and 2 armed UH-1B's for escort. We proceeded to the evacuation sites which were marked by ground personnel with smoke gernades. The jungle growth was about 20' high but very

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

dense, so the hoist was used with the stokes litter. The armed UH-1B's circled continually during the pick-ups. In all, 3 hoist pick-ups were made. Two were made by the primary crew and both casualities airlifted to the forward army site. The secondary made one pick-up and transported him to the 173rd Field Hospital near Bien Hoa AB. Six (6) sorties, four (4) plus 40 hours.

DARVAN E. COOK, Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] 44

OPENING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER 38-1027- 13 OCT 65
SUBJECT USAF F-105
CH-3C

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PF 1027

~~SECRET~~ 1027

IMMEDIATE

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~DETS~~ JAW RUWMQGB0459 2870151-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 509 2861940
ZNY SSSSS
O 131930Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQUSAF
RUWGBS/USAFMPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA ARS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CAB PHIL
ZEN/2AD TSN RVN
RUMSMA/MAC SAIGON
RUMRDA/79ARS ANDERSON AB GUAM
RUMBDF/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAI
RUMBDL/DET 1 38ARS NAKHON PHANOM THAI
RUMBDA/6235CSG TAKHLI AB THAI
BT

38-1027-13 OCT 65

~~SECRET~~

action ARODC
~~Nuclear~~ ARCOI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

mtr

S E C R E T SAR 51007 OCT 65. H USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCOX
AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
WM MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 1027 - 13 OCT 65
EM CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RM SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT (TRIUMPH 01)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2132N - 103-17E (DRV)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLH NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIFIED
HC-54 ON PREPOSITIONED ORBIT 13/1406H
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: DIVERTED PREPOSITIONED

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 509 S E C R E T
HC-54 TO AREA FROM LIMA 36, DIVERTED A-1E'S FOR RESCAP 13QRPUH.
CH-3C SCRAMBLED FROM L-36 13/1420H. 2 ADDITIONAL A-1E'S SCRAMBLED
FROM UDORN 13/1431H.
OM AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF WINGMAN
OM NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF
QPM AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURIVORS: USAF CH-3C LANDED
TO MAKE PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURIVORS: TAKEN BY CH-3C TO UDORN AB THAILAND
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY.

C-54	1 SORTIE	6 PLUS 30	
CH-3C	3 SORTIES	4 PLUS 00	
HH43	2 SORTIES	3 PLUS 00	
A1E	4 SORTIES	17 PLUS 20	
F105	13 SORTIES	14 PLUS 00	
KC135	3 SORITES	2 PLUS 00	

QEM NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN
SEARCH. NONE
QRM ADDITIONAL INFOC
LAST MISSION REPORT WAS 1005. THE SURVIVOR WAS MAJOR JAMES RANDALL
FROM WICHITA KANAS. THE HELICOPTER WAS UNDER GROUND FIRE DURING

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 509 S E C R E T
THE PICKUP. THE ACFT RECEIVED SOME HITS BYT WAS ABLE TO RECOER AT
LIMA SITE 36, AND LATER FLH TO UDORN THAILAND. MAJOR RANDALL WAS IN
[illegible] AT LEAST ONE CUT THAT WOULD REQUIRE STITCHES. DURING
[illegible] RANDALL CONDITION IMPROVIED AND WAS ABLE TO
[illegible] STANDING BY AT UDORN AND THE DE-

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~ZEIS~~ JAW RUWMQGB0459 2870 D T-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 589 2861940
ZNY SSSSS
O 131935Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQUSAF
RUWGBS/USAFMPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUFLIH/PACAF
RUFLIH/PARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CAB PHIL
ZEN/2AD TSN RVN
RUMSMA/MAC SAIGON
RUMRDA/79ARS ANDERSON AB GUAM
RUMEDF/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAI
RUMEDL/DET 1 38ARS NAKHON PHANOM THAI
RUMEDA/6235CSG TAKHLI AB THAI
BT

38-1027-13 OCT 65

ARS

~~SECRET~~

action: ARODC
~~Info~~ ARCOI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

MTR

S E C R E T SAR 51887 OCT 65. H USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCOX AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F 1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
RM MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS - 1027 - 13 OCT 65
EM CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RM SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT (TRIUMPH 01)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2132N - 103-17E (ORV)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: WINGMAN NOTIFIED HC-54 ON PREPOSITIONED ORBIT 13/1908H
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: DIVERTED PREPOSITIONED

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
IAW AFR-205-2

U.S. MAY NOT

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 589 S E C R E T
HC-54 TO AREA FROM LIMA 36, DIVERTED A-E'S FOR RESCAP 13QRPUH.
CH-3C SCRAMBLED FROM L-36 13/1920H. 2 ADDITIONAL A-E'S SCRAMBLED FROM UDORN 13/1931H.
RM AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF WINGMAN
QM NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF
QPM AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURIVORS: USAF CH-3C LANDED TO MAKE PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURIVORS: TAKEN BY CH-3C TO UDORN AB THAILAND
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY.
C-54 1 SORTIE 6 PLUS 30
CH-3C 3 SORTIES 4 PLUS 00
HH43 2 SORTIES 3 PLUS 00
A-E 4 SORTIES 17 PLUS 20
F-105 13 SORTIES 14 PLUS 00
KC-135 3 SORTIES 2 PLUS 00
QEM NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH. NONE
QRM ADDITIONAL INFOC
LAST MISSION REPORT WAS 1905. THE SURVIVOR WAS MAJOR JAMES RANDALL FROM WICHITA KANAS. THE HELICOPTER WAS UNDER GROUND FIRE DURING

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 589 S E C R E T
THE PICKUP. THE ACFT RECEIVED SOME HITS BYT WAS ABLE TO RECOER AT LIMA SITE 36, AND LATER FLW TO UDORN THAILAND. MAJOR RANDALL WAS IN SHOCK AND HAD AT LEAST ONE CUT THAT WOULD REQUIRE STITCHES. DURING THE FLIGHT TO UDORN MAJOR RANDALL CONDITION IMPROVED AND WAS ABLE TO MOVE ABOUT. A MEDICAL OFFICER WAS STANDING BY AT UDORN AND THE DECISION TO KEEP THE PILOT AT UDORN OR RETURN HIM TO HIS HOME STATION WILL BE MADE BY MEDICAL OFFICER. THE HELICOPTERS HOIST WAS INOPERATIVE RESULTING IN A GROUND PICKUP. ANH ADDITIONAL INFO AND NAMES OF THE CH3C AND HC54 CREW MEMBERS WILL FOLLOW.
GP-4
BT

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ARODC #654729 Rev
655361

DINN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] 45

[redacted]

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1Ø55-22 Oct 65
SUBJECT: USAF AiE
HH-43F

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CCN/022

Hallow

P-F1

OFTS JAW RUWTVSA0217 2960000-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 880 95 1042
ZNY SSSSS
O 22 1042Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUWGDS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO FLA
RUHLHM/PACAF
RUHLHM/PACARESCUCEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAF/1 ACS BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38 ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
BT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-75

action ARODC
info ARCOI

IMMEDIATE

DOWNGRADED
[illegible] 2-2
13 MAY 1970

S E C R E T SAR-51026 OCT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. OPENING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS-1055-22[redacted] 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: II DIRECT [redacted] SUPPORT CENTER (DASC)
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: 1 USAF AIE PILOT (LOCK 01)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1534N 10743E RVN (37NM SSW OF PLEIKU) (13341N)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 22/0137H BY II DASC.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: 1 USAF

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 880 S E C R E T
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION: NOT A FACTOR
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: FLARE SHIP AND WINGMAN IMMEDIATELY OVER DOWNED PILOT FLYING CAP. 22/0137 TWO F-100S LAUNCHED FROM TAN SON NHUT FOR CAP. 22/0158 ARMY FIRE TEAM PLACED ON IMMEDIATE ALERT AT PLEIKU AND SPECIAL FORCES CAMP SENT OUT PATROL.
10. FUTURE PLANS: ATTEMPT PICK UP AT FIRST LIGHT BY HH-43F HELICOPTERSVM FROM BIEN HOA. THEY WILL BE IN PLACE AT PLEIKU AND LAUNCH TO BE OVER [redacted] AT 0645H.
AT 0700H TWO AIES WILL BE ON SCENE WITH HELICOPTERS, ONE AIE WILL HAVE SMOKE TO COVER RESCUE. SECOND SET OF AIES WILL ARRIVE AT 0715H FOR ADDITIONAL COVER.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: PILOT BAILED OUT WHILE MAKING STRAFFING PASS IN VICINITY OF SPECIAL FORCES CAMP WHICH WAS UNDER VC ATTACK. HE HAD VOICE CONTACT WITH WINGMAN. HIS POSITION WAS REPORTED AS 200 METERS FROM PERIMITER OF SPECIAL FORCDS CAMP. PATROL WAS DISPATCHED BUT DID NOT MAKE CONTACT WITH OBJECTIVE. DURING THE DAY ARMY HELICOPTERS MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO GET INTO OBJECTIVE SITE BUT WERE DRIVEN OFF BY WHAT THEY ESTIMATED WAS FIVE MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENTS. PILOTS POSITION HAS BEEN PINPOINTED IN A CLUMP OF TREAD APPROX 25 FEET HIGH. VOICE CONTACT WAS MAINTAINED, LAST TRANSMISSION REPORTED AT 2000H 22 OCT. AT 22/1835H

[redacted]

1055-22 OCT
Opening

23/1830Z
Col Mask
Advised HH-43
picked up pilot
Elliot on MSN
38-1055.
closing to
follow.
M.

[redacted]

ARODC # 654874 [illegible]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 880 S E C R E T [redacted]
II DASC REQUESTED HH-43S BE FURNISHED TO BE IN PLACE AT PLEIKU FOR FIRST LIGHT RECOVERY ATTEMPT. TWO HH-43FS LAUNCHED FROM BIEN HOA AT 23/0030H ESCORTED BY O.E. ESTIMATE ARRIVAL AT PLEIKU 23/0300H.

655525

Hq ARS SC No

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

HOLLON

PRIORITY

action: ARODC
chp: ARCOI

[redacted]

38-1055 23 OCT 65
closing

PFTC JAW RUWTVSB0120 2970831-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH1
CZCCSB424ZCRVA138
PP RUWTFIA RUCDAA
DE RUMSAR 897 2960810
ZNY CCCCC
P 2960800Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MJTS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13 AF CALRK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGGN RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMSAF/1 ACS BIEN HOA RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38TH ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51028 OCT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH. MAS FOR MAOCO/ATHAND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1. CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS -1055 -23 OCT 6
3. DATE OF REPORT: 23 OCT 65. 1055
4. SAR OBJECTIVE LOCATED BY LICK 02 A1E WINGMAN AT 21/1735Z
5. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 1 USAF PILOT
6. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: 2 USAF HH-43F, HOIST PICKUP 23/0343Z
7. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: DOWNED PILOT TAKEN TO HOLLOWAY ARMY

1 Save

XPAGE 2 RUMSAR 897 C O N F I D E N T I A L
AIR FIELD DISPENSARY FOR A MIDICAL CHECK.
8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43F
USAF L-19
USAF F-100
USAF A1E
USA UH-1B
9. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE.
10. ADE HTIOONNAALL INFO: REFERENCE NUMBER 9. GROUND PERSONNEL (SPECIAL FORCES PATROL) HAD ATTEMPTED TO MEET THE DOWNED PILOT OUTSIDE THEIR CAMP BUT WERE DRIVEN BACK BY VC FIRE. REFERENCE NUMBER 8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW ASAP.
GP-4.
BT

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEARS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO US FORCES 96227 28 Oct 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq PARC (DOARO), APO US FORCES 96553

1. Mission number 38-1055-23 Oct 65.

2. Notification: Det 6, 38th ARS first notified by Bien Hoa COC. Coordination and dispatch made by 38th Air Rescue Center.

3. SAR aircraft used: 2 HH-43F's. All crewmembers from Det 6, 38th ARS.

PRIMARY ALERT CREW

RCC	Capt Dale L. Potter	FV3069261
CP	Capt David C. Henry	FV3110010
HM	TSgt Richard A. Connem	AF17390646
RS	SSgt Leon Fullwood	AF14626923

SECONDARY ALERT CREW

RCC	Capt Raymond L. Murdem	FV3087594
CP	Capt Raymond H. Matthews	FV3009200
HM	TSgt Domenick J. Cesmasi	AF12289309
RS	AlC William H. Pitsenberger	AF15680744

4. Cover aircraft used during pilot pickup. Two (2) USAF A-1E's, 3 army UH-1B armed helicopters, one USAF forward air controller in an O-1F.

5. Location of pickup: One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile SW of Plei Me Special Forces Camp. 1336 N 107 33E.

6. Terrain and type of pickup utilized: Small jungle clearing covered with dense elephant grass and small bushes. Pilot picked up from a two foot hover.

7. Signaling equipment used: URC 10 radio was used by downed pilot and smoke rockets used by FAC to mark pickup location.

8. Recovered pilots name: Captain Melvin C. Elliott.

9. Summary of events:

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

At 0030L, 23 Oct 65, two Det 6, 38th ARS HH-43F helicopters were dispatched by the 38th Air Rescue Squadron SARCC to the Pleiku area for the purpose of recovering Captain Melvin C. Elliott who had bailed out of his A-1E at 0130 hours on 22 Oct 65. The bailout has occurred while Captain Elliott was participating in the air to ground action around the Plei Me Special Forces Camp.

Because of the long distance involved between Pleiku and Bien Hoa (218 N.M.) and the lack of navigational equipment in the HH-43F a FAC O-1F was sent to accompany the 43's. Because of fuel limitations the flight was to stop at Ban Me Thout for refueling.

At departure time the weather between Bien Hoa and Pleiku was reported 2500' scattered 10,000 feet broken to overcast with scattered rain showers. Fifteen minutes after departure from Bien Hoa the flight was in weather at 7000' indicated. A climb was made to 9,500' and the rest of the first leg to Ban Me Thout, Vietnam was 50% on top and 50% in weather. Turbulance and sporadic rain showers were encountered in the clouds. The cloud deck ended at Ban Me Thout and a VFR approach was made and refueling accomplished. Due to the weather the first leg required 2+00 of flying. Departing Ban Me Thout at 0245 the last leg again was made in weather at 5000' indicated, arriving Pleiku at 0400 hours.

At Pleiku contact was made with TASC-TWO, for final briefing on the pilot pickup. The recovery operations plan called for the pickup to be made shortly after day light at approximately 0715 hours. Because of the large Viet Cong force around the Plei Me Camp and the concentration of automatic weapons, three air strikes were planned for between 0645 and 0715 to silence as much ground fire as possible. At this time I was briefed on Elliotts location in the jungle outside the Plei Me camp by a FAC who had just returned from there.

Departing Pleiku at 0530 hours we proceeded to Army Holloway for refueling and coordination with the Huey Fire Control Team. At Holloway their CCC directed us to a 0600 briefing for army chopper personnel who were going to participate in the recovery. At this briefing I was informed that the Army was going to use one of their slick UH-1B's for the pickup and that the plan had been approved by the TASC-2 Commander. I was invited and volunteered to proceed with the Hueys to Plei Me and watch the show.

Departing Holloway at 0630 hours 23 Oct 65 in company with 4 armed UH-1B's and 1 slick UH -1B we proceeded to the Plei Me area. The air strikes were made as scheduled but the FAC on scene became unsure of Elliotts position so the pickup attempt was called off. The uncertainty of Elliotts position at this time stemmed from the fact that the night before (22 Oct 65) the army had made an unsuccessful attempt in recovering him and in doing so had revealed his position to the V.C. This forced Elliott to change his position, and caused a temporary situation where

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

his exact location was unknown. Heavy automatic weapons fire was still prevalent in the pickup zone at this time.

With the pickup postponed indefinately all helicopters returned to Holloway Field at 0815 L 23 Oct 65. After landing at Holloway the recovery of Elliott went into a hold status until the FAC's could again pin point his location.

At 1030L the FAC's again made radio contact with Elliott and were able to plot his position. At this time Elliott said the location he was now in seemed relative quiet and he believed a successful pick-up could be accomplished. At this time I was at TASC-TWO Headquarters discussing the situation with the senior TASC-TWO controller. With the new information I decided to shoot for a 1130L pickup of Elliott. A call was made to the army COC at Holloway and arrangements made for a 3 ship UH-1B fire control team to provide cover for the pickup.

At 1110L we departed Holloway in company with the three armed Hueys for the Plei Me Camp. Arriving over Plei Me at 1120, contact was made with the FAC who was to mark Elliotts position for the pickup. The FAC informed us that a C-123 which was making supply drops to the camp was receiving heavy fire from a point close to Elliotts position. Before the pickup could be made this gun position would have to be neutralized. At 1130L two A-1E's that were flying CAP over the site were called in to strike the gun position. A double napalm drop was made and the ground fire ceased.

At 1135L all helicopters, the FAC, and Elliott went to guard channel for communicating. During the pickup the FAC marked Elliotts position with a smoke rocket and we made our approach in over the Plei Me Special Forces Camp to his position which was ½ mile SW of the camp. The location of the pickup was a 300' by 35' opening in the jungle. This opening was carpeted with 6' elephant grass and various small trees. When we were about 2/3 of the way down the length of the clearing Elliott was spotted coming out of the trees on the left. I made a rudder turn to the left to put the side cabin door on his side. Because of the grass and small trees a landing was impossible but we were able to hover at a 2 foot altitude. Elliott crawled through the grass and vines to the helicopter and was pulled into the cabin by the crew chief and the pararescueman. Take off was immediate and we departed the area by the same route used for the approach. Time in the clearing was 2-3 minutes. Throughout the approach and while we were hovering, the army UH-1B's were laying down a solid blanket of rocket and machine gun fire around our position. Their coverage was outstanding.

The UH-1B formation commander said we received ground fire on take off but it was not effective. We were probably not in sight of the V.C. gunners and they were only firing at sound.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

At the time of his pickup (1L43L), Captain Elliott had spent 34 hours hiding from the Viet Cong who surrounded the Plei Me Special Forces Camp. Several times during this period the Viet Cong had made intensive searches for him. Captain Elliott is to be commended for the initiative and patience that he exhibited while waiting for rescue. The conditions that he faced were quite hostile.

Once the actual rescue pickup was started coordination and timing among the different parties was outstanding and the mission was completed in minimum amount of time.

Dale L. Potter
DALE L. POTTER
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Return to AROOR

COL THORNE'S DESK

mtm / AROOR

NNNNMS
ARS....015

PFTU J
W RUWTVSA0756 0150829-UUUU--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSBJ ZOTRA 01 1001
ZNR UUUUU
P 130955Z ZEL
FM 38ARSQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
TO ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
UNCLAS 38CCO 01088 NOV 65. FOR ARODC. KARSCHNER TO THRONE
CONCUR WITH REQUEST EXCEPT RECOMMEND DATE OF 6 THROUGH 19 JAN.
TREATRE CLEARANCE NORMALLY REQUIRES 30 DAYS PRIOR NOTICE. TO RE-
QUEST WAIVER COULD JEOPARDIZE CHANCE OF APPROVAL. BEFORE DEPARTURE
REQUEST WE BE ADVISED OF PROPOSED ITINERARY AND SPECIFIC AREAS OF
INTEREST. TRANSPORZATION TO MANY OF OUR DETACHMENTS IS DIFFICULT
TO ARRANGE AND MOST TIME CONSSMING. WE WILL AWAIT YOUR ANSWER
BEFORE REQUESTING CLEARANCE.
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

46

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1073-28 Oct 65
SUBJECT: USN F4B (2)
2HH-43F's

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PF1 CCN/081

SECRET

IMMEDIATE

OFTS JAW RUWTVSB0191 3020629-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 1108 3011235
ZNY SSSSS
O 281230Z
LM 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUCJAA/MATS SCOTT AFN ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHJHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAIAII
RBRTUL/:9.3 ENTHFLT
UMFCR/ALL SEVENTH CVA TG CDRS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUMBDL WXDET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDB/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDB/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMRDA/79TH ARS ANDERSON AB GUAM
RUAUA[redacted] AB OKINAWA
BT [redacted]

HRS

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARC01

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 19-3-75

S E C R E T SAR 51073 OCT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1073-28 OCT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS UDORN AB, THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: CREW OF USN F-4B (EGGSHELL 104)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1635N- 10624E (LOAS)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 28/1240H, WIGMAN OF EGGSHELL
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 28/1240H DIVERTED PREPOSITIO-

SECRET [redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1108 S E C R E T
EDHU-16 TO DOWNED AIRCRAFT, LAUNCHED HC-54 FROM UDRON, THAILAND, LAUNCHED 2 HH-43B FROM NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND, AND CAP AIRCRAFT TO AREA. LAUNCHED HH-43B FROM DANANG AB RVN AS BACKUP TO PREPOSITION AT QUANG TRI, RVN. 8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: HU-16 AND CAP AIRCRAFT
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 2 USN
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: USAF HH-43B ONE HOIST PICKUP FROM 100 FEET OTHER FRVM 50 FEET.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVPVORS: TAKEN TO MEDICAL AUTHORITIES AT NAKHON PHANOM AFLD THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 1 SORTIE 2 PLUS 00
USAF HC-54 1 SORTIE 7 PLUS 05
USAF HH-43B 2 SORTIES 6 PLUS 40
USAF Q1E 4 SORTIES 19 PLUS 30
USN A1H 4 SORTIES 18 PLUS 00
USN F8F 4 SORTIES 12 PLUS 00
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 15 MAY 1970

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUHLK/PACRESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAIAII
RUHFUL/:9.3 ENTHFLT
UMFOR/ALL SEVENTH CVA TG CDRS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUMSDL/XDET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDB/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDB/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMRD/38TH ARS ANDERSON AB GUAM
RUAM[redacted] AB OKINAWA
BT [redacted]

(INFO: AFCOS)

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 1-3-75

S E C R E T SAR 51073 OCT 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1073-28 OCT 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS UDORN AB, THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: CREW OF USN F-4B (EGGSHELL 104)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1635N- 10624E (LOAS)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 28/1240H, WIGMAN OF EGGSHELL
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 28/1240H DIVERTED PREPOSITIO-

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1108 S E C R E T
EDHU-16 TO DOWNED AIRCRAFT, LAUNCHED HC-54 FROM UDRON, THAILAND, LAUNCHED 2 HH-43B FROM NAKHON PHANOM, THAILAND, AND CAP AIRCRAFT TO AREA. LAUNCHED HH-43B FROM DANANG AB RVN AS BACKUP TO PREPOSITION AT QUANG TRI, RVN. 8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: HU-16 AND CAP AIRCRAFT
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 2 USN
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURIVORS: USAF HH-43B ONE HOIST PICKUP FROM 100 FEET OTHER FRVM 50 FEET.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVPVORS: TAKEN TO MEDICAL AUTHORITIES AT NAKHON PHANOM AFLD THAILAND.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 1 SORTIE 2 PLUS 00
USAF HC-54 1 SORTIE 7 PLUS 05
USAF HH-43B 2 SORTIES 6 PLUS 00
USAF Q1E 4 SORTIES 19 PLUS 30
USN A1H 4 SORTIES 18 PLUS 00
USN F8F 4 SORTIES 12 PLUS 00

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2 15 MAY 1970

13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: 2 GOOD CHUTES WERE SPOTTED. THE HU-16 THAT WAS RETURNING TO HIS HOME BASE WAS DIVIRTED TO THE AREA AND BECAME ON

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 1108 S E C R E T
SCENE COMMANDER UNTIL HE WAS REPLACED BY HC-54. BFE BEEPER WAS PICKED UP FROM THE CREW OF EGGSHELL. THE CHUTES LANDED ABOUT ONE MILE APART. EACH OF THE HH-43B MADE ONE PICKUP AT 28/1420H. WEATHER IN AREA NOT A FACTOR. VOISE CONTACT WAS ESTABLISHED WITH ONE SURVIVOR, AND FLARES FIRED BY SURVIVOR AIDED IN PINPOINTING POSITION.
SUVIVORS: LT CMDR AUSTIN M. LINDSEY, GULFPORT MISS; LT ROBERT W COPPER PHIL, PENNA: RESCUE CREWS: HH-43F: P CAPT BURDEAUX, P. MIAMI FLA: CP CAPT UHL, W.R., ATLANTA GA; PJ A/1C BIRTEL, H.W., HAWKLEY PENNA; MECH A/1C TADEWALD, L.J., PALMDALE CALIF: SECOND CREW, HH-43F P CAPT MCMILLAN C.E., FT WORTH, TEX; CP CAPT RUSH, C.P., CHARLOTTE S.C., MECH A/2C PAPARELLA, QUEENS, N.Y. LAST MISSION REPORT 1069.
GP-4.
BT

[redacted]

ARODC #655988

NNNN

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

Hq ARS SC No. 655650

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

47

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1084 - 1 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USAF RF-101
HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

38-1084 - 1 NOV 65
OPEN/CLOSE

[redacted]

OFTS JAW RUEBJTA0375 3051337-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 4 3050550
ZNY SSSSS
O 010530Z
FM 38H ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUMGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCOAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUOLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMSAC/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUMODF/DET 5 38TH AJS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232CWBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
BTN

action: ARODC
info: ARCOI

CCN/100

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
HRS
11 MAY 1970

RELEASED SUBJECT TO
CONTROL
HAS BEEN REQUESTED

S E C R E T SAR 51037 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXDPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/A
AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38TH ARS- 1084 - 1 NOV 65.
3.. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 TH ARS
4. OBJECTIVE: 1 USAF PILOT F-105?
SWORD 98
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2051N 10630E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: SOAS 99 RF-101
WINGVSDM PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT. 1/0305Z NOTIFIED UH-16
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: HUAOY LEFT PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT

107:29
TELE PARC
5V
MPE

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 4 S E C R E T
TO PROCEED TO THE LOCATION OF THE DOWNED PILOT AT 0305Z.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: LOCATED BY USAF HU-16 1/0356Z.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS 1 USAF PILOT
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OFFSURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE WATER
PICKUP.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: FLOWN TO DANANG AB RVN
12. SORTIES:FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 3 PLUS 00 HOURS
USAF F-104 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 00 HORS
USAF F-105 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 99 HOURS
USN A1H 2 SORTIES FOR 3 PLUS 00 HOURS
13. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED INNSEARCV
NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: THE PILOT BAILED OUT AT 0302Z. THE PILOT WAS
PICKED UP AT 0408Z ANT TOOK OFF AT 0413Z. THE PILOT WAS IN GOOD PHYSICAL
ADITION AND REPORTED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT HIT HIS AIRCRAFT. HU-16
REPORTED REKIEVING GROUND FIRE (SMALL ARMS) FROM A JUNK. THE A1H (LOCKET)
AIRCRAFT SANK THE JUNK.
HU-16 CREW: RCC CAPT DAVID P WESTEN BARGER, FIRFIELD, OHIO. GP
CAPT DAVID E WENDT, BOULDER, COLORADO. NAV 1ST LT DONALD S PRICE,

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted] CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 4 S E C R E T
PENNSAUKEN, NEW JERSEY. FE A1C JAMES M ALLEN, MIAMI, FLA. RO SSGT FRANK
J TROMBINO, MONTERELY PARK, CALIF PAR A2C JAMES E PLEIMAN, NOT
AVAILABLE. FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED AAS 1081.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC # 654122

[redacted]

45Z Called PARC and checked on SAVE?
[illegible] confirmed [illegible]

Hq ARS [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRTC JAW RUWTVS0497 3101858--CCCC--RUNTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 63 3061030
ZNY CCCCC
P 020430Z
FM DET 7 38ARS DANANG AB RVN
TO RUNTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
INFO RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN
RUMSBJ/38ARS TSN AB RVN
RUABAB/33ARECOVERY SQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARS SO 48. NOV 65. SECTION 1 OF 2.
1. MISSION NUMBER AND DATE: NR 1084/1 NOV 65.
2. SAR ALER BY: RADIO ON GUARD BYSWORD 99
3. TYPE SAR AIRCRAFT USED: HU-16S, TMP IBIAN
CREW
POSITION NAME ORGAN HOMEOWN
CREW COMDR CAPT DAVID P. WESENBARGER 33 ARECOVERY LANCASER, OHIO
CO-PILO CAPT DAVID K. WEND 33 ARECOVFRY BOULDER, COLO
NAVIGATOR 1S LT DONALD S. PRICE 33 ARECOVERY PENNSAUKEN, N.J.
RADIO OPR SSGT FRANK J. TROMBINO 33 ARECOVERY MONTEREY PARK, CAL

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 63 C O N F I D E N T I A L
FLT MECH A1C JAMES M. ALLEN 33 ARECOVERY OXFORD, FLA
PARAESCUE/A2C JAMES E. PLEIMAN 33 ARECOVER RUSSIA, OHIO
4. TIME FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION TO PICKUP: 1 PLUS 07
5. C AGHDDISANCE: N/A
6. AREA AND TYPE PICKUP: WAER 20DEG 0N 107DEG 28 E
7. SIGNALING EQUIPMENT USED TO LOACTE DOWNED PILOT: MK13 MODO FLARE AND DYE MARKER.
8. SURVIVOR NAME: HUGGINS, NORMAN P. SERIAL NO. FV3006007, HOMETOWN MULLINS, SOUTH CAROLINA
9. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: CROWN ALPHA, HU-16 NO. 10071 WAS ON STATION 15 MIKES NORTHEAST OF HON MATT ISLAND, COORDINATES 19OON, 106 10E. AT 1102 WE OVER EARD A CALL ON GUARD CHANNEL FROM SWORD 99, AN F-101. HE SAED THAT HIS WINGMAN, SWORD 98 HAD BEEN HIT AND BAILED OU. BAILOUT COORDINATES WERE GIVES AS 20ODEG 51 N 107DEG 30E (40 MILES EAST OR HAIPHONG AND 140 NORTHEAST OF OUR ORBIT STATION). SWORD 99 FURTHER STATED TRAT HE HAD SEE THE PARACHUTE OPEN BUT HAD NOT SEEN IT LAND. HE THOUGHT HIS WINGMAN LANDED ON AN ISLAND. CROWN ALPHA ARRIVED IN THE SEARVH AREA AT 11#5 WIH TWO A-1 RESCPA (LOCKET 590 ANF592) AND VENUS FLIGHT AS TOP COVER (F-104'S). WE INITIALLY SIGHTED AN OIL SLICK 2 MILES EAST OF A LARGE ISLAN[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 63 C O N F I D E N T I A L A
IN THE LLEE QUAN-LAN GROUP. AT 1158 SWORD 99 REPORTED SIGHTING AN ORANGE SMOKE SIGNAM FRO T E WEST SIDE OF THE ISLAND. RAIN SHOWERS I N HE AREA WERE VERY HEAVY. A 1200 WE SIGHED THE ORANGE SMOKE APPROXIMAELY 100 YARDS OFF SHORE. AT 1202 CAPT WENDT SPOTTED THE SURVIVOR AND COMMENCED COUNT DWN FOR SMOKE DROP, AS SURVIVOR WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 YARDS OFF STAR-BOARD WING. AT CAPT WENDT'S COMMAND A 15 MIN SMOKE BOMB WAS RELEASED BY [redacted]
ALLEN FROM AN ALTITUDE OF 00 FEE. WE HE TURNED ONTO DOWN WIND (225DEG) FOR A LOW PASS OVER THE AREA. ONBAGE LEG RAIN BECAME INTENSE AND AN INSTRUMENT LET DOWN WAS COMMENCED. THE A/C BROKE OUT OF THE RAIN AT 100 FEET, 2 MILES SHORT OF THE SMOKE. THE WATER WAS SMOOTH BUT VERY SHALLOW. ON THIS PASS REEDS WERE OBSERVED GROWING OUT OF THE WATER TO BE IMMEDIATE LEF AND RIGHT OF THE AIRCRAT IRACK. THE TRACK WAS INTO THE WIND (12 KTS) ORALLEL TO THE CAOST AND APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS FROM THE BEACH. THE SURVIVOR WAS SIGHTED BRIEFLY ON THIS PASS. HE WAS BEING APPROACHED BY A SMALL JUNK WHICH WAS ABOUT 150 YARDS SOUTHEAST OF THE SURVIVOR. THE RIGHT SCANNERS REPORTED GUN FLASHES FROM THE JUNK AND I REQUESTED LOCKET FLIGHT TO NEURALIZE THE JUNK. WATER DEPTH WAS ESTIMATED A 10 FEET IN A CHANNEL 300 FEET WIDE,

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

15 MIKES NORTHEAST OF HOT MATT ISLAND. COORDINATES [illegible]
AT 1102 WE OVER HEARD A CALL ONGUARD CHANNEL FROM SWORD 99, AN F-101.
HE SAED THAT HIS WINGMAN, SWORD 98 HAD BEEN HIT AND BAILED OUT.
BAILOUT COORDINATES WERE GIVEN AS GOODEY 91 N 107DEG 30E (40 MILES EAST
OR HAIPHONG AND 140 NORTHEAST OF OUR ORBIT STATION). SWORD 99
FURTHER STATED THAT HE HAD SEE THE PARACHUTE OPEN BUT HAD NOT
SEEN IT LAND. HE THOUGHT HIS WINGMAN LANDED ON AN ISLAND. CROWN
ALPHA ARRIVED IN THE SEARCH AREA AT 1145 WITH TWO A-1 RESCAP
(LOCKET 590 ANF592) AND VENUS FLIGHT AS TOP COVER (F-104'S).
WE INITIALLY SIGHTED AN OIL SLICK 2 MILES EAST OF A LARGE ISLAND

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 63 C O N F I D E N T I A L A
IN THE LAEE QUAN-LAN GROUP. AT 1153 SWORD 99 REPORTED SIGHTING
AN ORANGE SMOKE SIGNAM FRO T E WEST SIDE OF THE ISLAND. RAIN
SHOWERS I N HE AREA WERE VERY HEAVY. A 1200 WE SIGHED THE
ORANGE SMOKE APPROXIMAELY 100 YARDS OFF SHORE. AT 1202
CAPT WENDT SPOTTED THE SURVIVOR AND COMMENCED COINT DWN
FOR SMOKE DROP, AS SURVIVOR WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 YARDS OFF STAR-
BOARD WING. AT CAPT WENDT'S COMMAND A 15 MIN SMOKE BOMB WAS RELEASED BY MC
ALLEN FROM AN ALTITIDE OF 30 FEE. WE HF TURNED ONTO DOWN
WIND (225DEG) FOR A LOW PASS OVER THE AREA. ONBASE LEG RAIN
BECAME INTENSE AND AN INSTRUMENT LET DOWN WAS COMMENCED. THE
A/C BROKE OUT OF THE RAIN AT 100 FEET, 2 MILES SHORT OF THE SMOKE.
THE WATER WAS SMOOTH BUT VERY SHALLOW. ON THIS PASS REEDS WERE
OBSERVED GROWING OUT OF THE WATER TO HE IMMEDIATE LEF AND RIGHT
OF THE AIRCRAT TRACK. THE TRACK WAS INTO THE WIND (12 KTS)
ORALLEL TO THE CAUSI AND APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS FROM THE BEACH.
THE SURVIVOR WAS SIGHTED BRIEFLY ON THIS PASS. HE WAS BEING
APPROACHED BY A SMALL JUNK WHICH WAS ABOUT 150 YARDS SOUTHEAST
OF THE SURVIVOR. THE RIGHT SCANNERS REPORTED GUN FLASHES FROM
THE JUNK AND I REQUESTED LOCKET FLIGHT TO NEURALIZE THE JUNK.
WATER DEPTH WAS ESTIMATED A 10 FAST IN A CHANNEL 300 FEET WIDE.

[redacted]

PAGE 4 RUMSAG 63 C O N F I D E N T I A L
100 YARDS OUT AND PARALLELL TO THE COAST. THE WATER ON EITHER
SIDE OF THIS CHANNEL WAS ESTIMATED AT 3 FEET DEEP. WHILE CROWN
ALPHA WAS CLIISONED. THE LEFT
TANK FAILED TO FALL OFF AND ATTEMPTS TO SHAKE IT LOOSE AT
THAT TIME FAILED. ANOTHER INSTRUMENT FINAL WAS COMMENCED
IN HEAVY RAIN AND A FINAL SHAKING OF THE A/C FREED THE
LEFT DROP TANK. A LOW DRAG WAS ESTABLISHED AND THE A/C
TOUCHED DOWN 1500 FEE SHORT OF OUT SMOKE BOMB. ON TAXIING UP TO THE
SURVIVOR, WHO WAS WEARING AN LPU WE OBSERVED 3 OTHER SWIMMERS
IN THE WATER. A PISTOL BATLE BETWEEN THE SURVIVOR AND ONE OF
THE SWIMMERS WAS OBVIOUSLY IN PROGRESS. I TAXIED BETWEEN THE OPPOSING
PARTIES PLACING THE SURVIVOR ON THE PORT SIDE WITH TWO
OF HIS WOULD BE CAPTERS ON THE STARBOARD SIDE. THE FLIGHT
MECHANIC, A1C ALLEN OPENED FIRE WITH AN M-16 FIRE OUT THE
STARBOARDMYOMBINO, RADIO OPERATOR, WHO WERE DRAGGING
HIM AND THE SURVIVOR TOWARD THE AMPHIBIAN BY THE ATTACHED ROPE.
THE CO-PILOT, CAPT WENDT, STOOD IN HIS SEAT AND KEPT THE REST OF
THE CREW POSTED ON HE LOCATION OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE
ORIGINATING FROM THE HI
LS BEHIND THE BEACH. THIS FIRE WAS OF
CONSIDERABLE CONCERN AS HE PROJECTILES COULD BE SEEN SPLASHING
INTO THE WATER ABOUT 100 TO 150 FEET OFF THE STARBOARD SIDE.
THE EXACT POINT OF FIRE FROM THE ISLAND COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED
FOR STRIKE BY OUR RESCAP. THE SURVIVOR AND AIRMAN PLEIMAN
WERE PULLED ABOARD BY LT PRICE AND SGT TROMBINO. THE AMPHIBIAN WAS
BACKED UP SLIGHTLY AND ABRUPTLY TURNED 180 DEG TO PORT IN ORDER TO
AVOID THE SWIMMER OFF THE BOW AND TO BE IN POSITION FOR DOWNWIND
TAKE OFF IN THE SAME CHANNEL USED FOR LANDING RAIN WAS AIN
ENCOUNTERED DURING TAKEOFF ROLL AND TRANSITION WAS MADE TO
INSTRUMENT TAKE OFF PROCEDURES. THE AIRCRAFT BROKE WATER AT 1211
FOR A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES ON THE WATER. OP COVER F-104'S WERE
BT

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNN

CONFIDENTIAL

PFTC JAW RUCIYH80149 3121405-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
OE RUMSAG 64 3061030
ZNY CCCCC
P 020430Z
FM DET 7 38ARS DANANG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
INFO RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN
RUMSBJ/38ARS TSN AB RVN
RUABAB/33ARECOVERY SQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

CCW/CXS/ARS

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARS 50548. NOV 65. FINAL SECTION OF 2. REPLACED BY F-105'S (DODGE 3 AND 4) AND VROWN ALPHA PROCEEDED TO DANANG. LANDING WAS MADE AT 1430 WITH 800 LBS OF FUEL REMAINING ON BOARD AFTER 9 HOURS 30 MINUTES OF FLIGHT.

10. COMENTS:

A. THE SURVIVOR, CAP HUGGINS REPORTED THATHE HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN HIS PISTOL BATTLE WITH THE SWIMMERS FOR APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES BEFORE WE ARRIVED. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHICH HAD BEEN DIRECTED AT HIM BEFORE OUR ARRIVAL WAS INTENSIFIED UND TRAINED ON US AS WE MADE OUR PASES OVER HIM.

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 64 C O N F I D E N T I A L

WE DID NOT OBSERVE THIS FIRE UNTIL AFTER LANDING, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF THSRAIN.

B. CAPT HUGGINS HAD TWO RADIOS, NEITHER OF WHICH WERE USEABLE TO HIM. HIS URC 11 WAS COMPLETELY INOPERATIVE. HIS URJT 21 WAS STRAPPED TO HIS BACK AND HE COULD NOT FIND IT OR REACH IT. HTE BEACON DID NOT OPERATE BECAUSE IT WAS NOT TURNED ON. THE WHITE PLASTIC SAFETY BUTTON HAD BEEN EXTRACTED BUT OBVIOUSLY THE BEACON HAD BEEN PACKED WITH THE ON/OFF SWITCH IN THE OFF POSITION. THE BEACON CHECKED FINE ONCE IT WAS TURNED ON.

C. THIS MISSION WAS LARGELY POSSIBLE DUE TO THE USE OF A-1'S AS RESCPA. THESE AIRCRAFT ARE BY FAR THE MOST COMPATIBLE FIGHTER AVAILABLE FOR USE WITH THE HU-16. THEIR ENDURANCE, LOW ALTITUDE, SLOW SPEED CAPABILITY, AND EXTREMELY ACCURATE FIRE POWECWERE ALL ESSENTIAL TO THIS MISSION.

GP-4
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

NNNN

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

48

OPENING/CLOSING/S [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D4-PARC-269-28 May 65
SUBJECT: USA UH-1B (1)
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DET 4 PARC 269
28 MAY 65
OPEN/CLOSE

BRIEFED
1 JUN 65

IN
D-
106 40E
TAN SON NHUT

1 Same posted auto.

22 SORTIES
5+50 HRS

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 4
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96227

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 4 PARC

31 May 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative , 4PARC269/28 May 65

TO: Hq PARC (DOARO)
APO US FORCES 96553

1. Mission number 4PARC269/28 May 65

2. SAR alerted by Bien Hoa tower primary crash circuit and telephone from 118th Aviation Company.

3. Type SAR aircraft used - 2 HH-43F helicopters with fire suppression kits.

Primary Alert Crew:

RCC	Capt	Beryl E. Warden Jr.
CP	1stLt	Joseph E. Connell
HM	SSgt	Kelly R. Hughes
PJ	A2C	Richard O. Steinert

Secondary Alert Crew:

RCC	Capt	John A. Boyles
CP	Capt	Kenneth L. Spaur
HM	SSgt	Emil F. Miehlke
PJ	TSgt	Harold E. Moak

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up. Approximately 15 minutes.

5. CAP assistance - None.

6. Area and type of pick-up. South side of Bien Hoa Air Base. Man extracted from burning wreckage.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate survivor - None.

8. Survivor's name and Serial number not available.

9. Summary of events:

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

The primary alert crew (Capt Warden) initiated their scramble when the primary crash phone range. Almost simultaneously, the duty officer from the 118th Aviation Company called on the telephone and said that they had a mid-air collision between two UH-1B helicopters in their area. The secondary alert crew was scrambled.

The primary alert crew arrived on the scene about three minutes after notification and noted two fires about 100 yards apart. Personnel on the ground motioned them to one of the fires and the FSK was positioned and the fire-fighters off-loaded. While this crew was fighting the fire, an Army helicopter evacuated the only survivor of this crash, a crewmember who had been thrown clear of the wreckage.

The secondary alert crew arrived on the scene approximately five minutes after initial notification, positioned the FSK, off-loaded the fire-fighters at the other fire and began fighting the fire. The helicopter fuselage was inverted and after most of the fire was put out the fire-fighters, with the help of numerous Army personnel who had arrived on the scene, raised one side of the wreckage and extracted the survivor of this aircraft. The survivor was placed aboard the secondary HH-43F and flown to the 34th TAC Gp Dispensary where he was given emergency first-aid and then evacuated to the Navy Hospital in Saigon.

10. Comments: Sgt Moak, the Pararescueman on the secondary alert crew, sustained a back injury while moving the wreckage. The extent of his injury is not known at this time.

FOR THE COMMANDER

JOHN A. BOYLES
Captain, USAF
Operations Officer

Copy to: Det 3 PARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

49

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER D6-38-446-20 Jul 65
SUBJECT USAF F-100
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

F-1

F-1

OPEN/CLOSE
DET 6-38th-446

Briefed 21 July
ARB

NNNNVE
INOTOFTE JAW RUWTVSA0124 2020050-EEEE--RUWTFIA.
ZNY EEEEE ZOV RUCQCS
CCSB312ZCJVD516
OO RUCQSH
DE RUMSAF 124D 2011700
ZNY EEEEE
O 201655Z
FM DET 6 38 ARESCQUESQ BIEN HOA AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLORIDA
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMXJ/2ADIV TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
BT
UNCLAS E F T O DET 6/38ARS 00248 JUL 65.
FOR CSAF (AFXOPH), MATS (MROCC/AT) & (MCP), ARS (ARSCP), PACAF (PFOCC-H), 13AF (JSARC).
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 6-38-446/20 JUL 65.
EMX CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 6, 38TH AIR RESCUE SQA
4. SR OBJECTIVE: 1 PILOT OF USAF F-100. 1 SURVIVOR 1 SAVE
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1055N 10654E. 6 NAUTICAL MILES EAST SOUTHEAST BIEN HOA AB, RVN.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DATE/TIME ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: BIEN

PAGE 2 RUMSAF 124D UNCLAS E F T O
HOA TOWER 20 JUL 65, 1953L.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INTIAL SAR ACTION: HH-43F SCRAMBLED AT 1955L.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: DE36/38ARS.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: DET 6/38ARS. BAILOUT OCCURRED OVER UNSECURE TERRITORY AT NIGHT IN HEAVY RAIN. HH-43F ON IMMEDIATE ALERT SCRAMBLED WITHIN TWO MINUTES OF NOTIFICATION. URT-21 BEEPER SIGNAL WAS PICKED UP ON UHF 243.0 IMMEDIATELY AFTER TAKEOFF. HELICOPTER HOMED IN ON SIGNAL AND PROCEEDED TO GENERAL AREA FLYING AT 500 FTBM SECOND HH-43F ARRIVED ON SCENE 10 MINUTES LATER. DUE TO POOR VISIBILITY, HEAVY RAIN, AND ERRATIC HOMING NEEDLE SWING, BOTH HELICOPTERS DESCENDED TO 25 FEET AND CONDUCTED LOW LEVL SEARCH WITH FLOODLIGHTS AND LANDING LIGHT. DURING THIS TIME SPORADIC TRACER FIRE WAS OBSERVED AND ONE GUN FLASH IN CLOSE PORXIMITY TO THE SEARCHING HELICOPTERS. AFTER 10 MINUTES OF FURTHER SEARCH THE DOWNED PILOT WAS LOCATED AND RECOVERED. PILOT WAS LOCATED THROUGH THE USE OF HELICOPTER LANDING LIGHT AND FLOODLIGHTS ONLY. PILOT FLARES OR STROBE LIGHTS WERE NOT USED.

PAGE 3 RUMSAF 124D UNCLAS E F T O
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RELEASED TO USAF DISPENSARY, BIEN HOA AB, RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS: HH-43F/3 SORTIES 1:10. C-47/1 SORTIE 0:40.
13. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES INVOLVED: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: FOR ARS. NARRATIVE REPORT FOLLOWS.
BT

4/1+50

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 6
38th Air Rescue Squadron (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO US FORCES 96227

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 6/38ARS 23 July 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 6-38-446-20 Jul 65.

TO: Hq ARS (ARSCP)
Orlando AFB, Fla

1. Mission Number 6-38-446-20 Jul 65.

2. SAR alerted by Bien Hoa tower on primary crash circuit.

3. Type SAR aircraft used - 2/HH-43F helicopters.

Primary Alert Crew:

RCC Capt Carl G. Layman
CP Maj William T. Hayes, Jr.
HM TSgt Joseph W. Blaquiere
PJ A2C Michael R. Donegan

Secondary Alert Crew
RCC Capt Darvan E. Cook
CP Capt Donald E. Stranahan
HM TSgt Domenick J. Cocuzzi
PJ A1C Kenneth W. Williams

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up: Twenty minutes.

5. CAP assistance - None.

6. Area and type of pick-up - Helicopter landed in hostile unprepared territory.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate survivor - URT-21 radio.

8. Survivor's name and serial number - 1st Lt William Barriere, 70688A. 429th Tactical Fighter Sq, Cannon AFB, New Mexico.

9. Summary of events: At 1953 hours, 20 July 1965, the primary crash circuit was activated at Bien Hoa Air Base, and the rescue alert crew was advised that an F-100 pilot had ejected from his disabled aircraft east of the field. It was night, and a thunderstorm was directly over the field bringing with it heavy rain, a ceiling of 400 feet, and 30 knot winds.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

The rescue alert crew scrambled within two minutes of notification and immediately after takeoff started receiving an emergency beeper tone on guard channel over the UHF radio. With direction finding equipment on the HH-43F it was determined that the signal was coming from the east. Capt Layman, the Rescue Crew Commander, immediately proceeded towards the emergency signal flying at approximately 300 feet above the ground in an effort to maintain visual ground contact in the heavy rain and low ceilings. As the helicopter approached a position approximately 5 miles east of Bien Hoa Air Base, the direction finding needle started giving erratic readings and rotated aimlessly. At this time flares were being dropped immediately to the east and several bursts of automatic tracer fire were observed within a few hundred yards of the helicopter. The downed pilot had landed on the edge of a firefight between elements of the 1st Airborne Division, US Army, and the Viet Cong. As homing indications for the emergency beeper signal were still erratic, and due to the observed ground fire, Capt Layman initiated a random pattern search to provide as ellusive a target as possible to the Viet Cong. During this time all crew members were especially vigilant to observe flares, strobe light or flashlight signals, and guard channel was continuously monitored for emergency transmissions from the downed pilot. During this period the flares ceased dropping but sporadic ground fire was still observed. After five minutes of intensive search it appeared likely that the F-100 pilot was unable to signal the rescue helicopter due to injuries received on ejection or upon making ground contact during darkness and with winds gusting to 30 knots. Another possibility was that he had been captured by the Viet Cong. If the downed pilot was unable to contact the helicopter the only way he could be rescued would be by visual sighting from the helicopter utilizing floodlights to provide necessary illumination. All crewmembers with the exception of the pilot (Capt Layman) armed their AR-15 automatic weapons and, with the copilot (Major Hayes) scanning to the left, the helicopter mechanic (TSgt Blaquiere) scanning to the right, and the pararescue technician (A2C Donegan) scanning to the rear, Capt Layman turned on all external floodlights and the landing light and brought the helicopter down to 50 feet where he initiated sweep searches of the general area at about 20 to 30 knots airspeed. After five minutes the primary helicopter was joined by another rescue helicopter which aided in the search. Both helicopters continued to receive very erratic bearings from the emergency radio beacon. For another five minutes the search continued with both helicopters searching at low speed within 50 feet of the ground with all external floodlights on. During this time the helicopters were extremely vulnerable targets and all crew members were in great personal danger from hostile small arms and mortar fire. Tracer fire continued to be seen and one mortar round was observed to explode. Most of the search effort was conducted over and between the American and Viet Cong positions. When the US Army first sighted the helicopters they ceased firing while the helicopters were in their line of fire. Once the search commenced all tracers and mortar fire observed by the helicopter crews were of Viet Cong orgin. At the end of 20 minutes searching, including over ten minutes under extremely hazardous conditions, the downed pilot was spotted simultaneously by two crew members. Capt Layman landed immediately in front of the pilot, and while Major Hayes covered the area to the left, and TSgt Blaquiere covered the area to the right, Airman Donegan ran to the pilot who was crouching by a bush, and led to the helicopter. The apparently uninjured pilot was then returned to Bien Hoa Air Base and released to the base dispensary for observation. Later questioning of the downed F-100 pilot indicated that

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

he was unable to use his signaling devices due to the proximity of the Viet Cong.

10. If public release of this information is contemplated it is requested that any mention of Major Hayes be withheld. Neither his wife or parents are aware that he is flying helicopters in Viet Nam.

William T. Hayes Jr.

WILLIAM T. HAYES, JR.
Major, USAF
Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

66.

DET 6
38 AR.

PRIORITY

VV SAA538V KVV MSA638
PP RUMSAF
DE RUWTFIA0966 2502355
ZNR UUUUU
/P 072300Z
FM ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
TO RUMSAF/DET 6 38ARSQ BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUHLKXPARC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
INFO RUMSBJ/38 ARSQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
BT
UNCLAS ARSCP 07792. SEP 65.
MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART 1. FOR DET 6-38ARS: REQUEST MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT ON MISSION NR 6-38-446-20 JUL 65 BE SUBMITTED TO THIS HQ ASAP. PART 2. FOR HQ PARC: THIS MISSION INVOLVES THE RECOVERY OF USAF F-100 PILOT AND SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN NUMBER OF "SAVES". REQUEST SUBMISSION IAW UNCLAS ARSCP 07609 AUG 65 ON MISSION REPORTS.
BT

TOR COMMCEN 1500 Z
ADDRESSIFIED Z
MSG NBR 8-119

NNNNUEX

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ROUTING	ACTIVITY	COORDINATION & CLEARANCE
	COMDR	
	V/C	
	C/S	
	ARCOP	
	ARSCP	

UNCLASSIFIED

X

PRIORITY

ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

DET 6 38ARESCUESQ BIEN HOA AB RVN

PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII

INFO: 38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN

UNCLAS ARSCP 07223. SEP 65. 07/2300Z

MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART 1. FOR DET 6-38ARS: REQUEST MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT ON MISSION NR 6-38-446-20 JUL 65 BE SUBMITTED TO THIS HQ ASAP. PART 2. FOR HQ PARC: THIS MISSION INVOLVES THE RECOVERY OF USAF F-100 PILOT AND SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN NUMBER OF "SAVES". REQUEST SUBMISSION IAW UNCLAS ARSCP 07609 AUG 65 ON MISSION REPORTS.

7 2115Z
SEP 1965
1 1

A1C McCully 494

HOLLON H. BRIDGES, LT COL, USAF
CHIEF, CURRENT OPERATIONS DIV

COORDINATOR (Typed Name and Grade)	ACTION AGENCY	PHONE NUMBER	TYPIST'S INITIALS	DATE COORDINATED
A1C McCully UNCLAS	ARSCP	494	af	7Sep65

COORDINATION SHEET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

50

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]

MISSION NUMBER: D5-PARC-313-2 JUN 65

SUBJECT: USAF HH-43F (4)

HH-43F

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PFI ACTION: ARODC
INFO ARCOI
ARBDC

NNNNWXSHA117ZCJVD049
CO RUCQSH
ZFH-1
ZC AB561ZCEJD903
O RUEAHQ RUCQSH
DE RUMSAG 20 08/0903Z
O 800429Z
FM DET 5 PACARESCUECEN DANANG AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLML/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMADA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUABAB/1ST MAW IWAKUNI MCAS JAPAN
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSBJ/2AD TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
ET
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 5 PARC -50206 JUN 65.
HQ USAF FOR AFXOPR, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC,
PACAF FOR PFOCC-R , 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER, DET 5 PARC-313-2JUNE 1965.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5 PARC.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: USMC O-1E CREW.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 16 11N-108 OSE.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DIG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: DANANG
[redacted], 2/1904 HURS,
TOWER

COL YOUNG ARIOS HAS COPY. (MDH)

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Declassified
By Authority of 5905
By _____ (Date)

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 20 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: TWO HH-43F S SCRAMBLED AT 1906 HOURS. PROCEEDED TO CRASH AREA.
8. AGENCY LOCATION OBJECTIVE: UAF HH-43F LOWERED PARESCUE MAN BY HOIST TO DETERMINE IF THERE WERE SURVIVORS.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: TWO DECEASED.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SUVIVORS AND/OR RECOVERY OF DECEASED: GROUND PARTY RECOVERED BODIES.
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: DECEASED RELEASED TO USMC ISPENSARY AT DANANG AB, RVN.
12. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT OF CONTROLLING ASSISTING ORGANIZATIONS: USAF HH-43F 3 SORTIES 1 PLUS 05; USA UH-1B; 2 SORTIES 1 PLUS 30.
13. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL: 50 NUNGS SECURED THE AREA.
14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: USAF HH-43F SERIAL NUMBER 63-9713 WAS INCAPACITATED BY UNFRIENDLY GROUND FIRE DURING RECOVERY MISSION. ALL CREW MEMBERS OF THE HH-43F WERE RECOVERED WITH ONLY MINOR INJURIES. SECOND HH-43F SERIAL NUMBER 63-9714. RECOVERED CREW MEMBERS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING INCIDENT.
ET

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED AT 12 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YRS.

Declassified Aug 68, Auth ARODC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

BRIEFED 02 June 65

DET 5, PARC

ARS---005
CZCSRA342ZCQVA562
PP RUCQSH
DE RUMSBJ 36A 033051Z
P 030459Z
FM 2AD TSN RVN
TO RUHLKM/CINCPACAF
INFO RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUCQSH/ARS
RUWHNF/DEPTIGUSAF NORTON AFB CALIF
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUCDAA/MATS
BT
UNCLAS E F T O 2103A 00207 JUN 65. FOR 103A; AFXOPI; AFIAS; 13CSA. SUBJ: AIRCRAFT MISHAP REPORT (IAW PACAFR 127-4). FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (SPECIAL HANDLING REQUIRED); SEE AFR 127-4). DELIVER DURING FIRST DUTY HOUR.
A. 02 JUNE 65 - 1925H.
B. 1611N - 10803E.
C. HH-43F - S/N 63-9713.
D. MATS, ARS, PARC, DET 5, DANANG ABN RVN.
E. LOCKHARD, FLOYD R., CAPT, A03856376, DET 5 PARC ARS, MATS.
F. MINOR INJURIES.

PAGE 2 RUMSBJ 36A UNCLAS E F T O
G. SSGT KILPATRICK, DEWEY A., AF 14289763, HELICOPTER MECHANIC, IN CABIN, MINOR INJURIES.
A2C SMITH, RANDOLPH M., AF18666374, PARARESCUE SPECIALIST, MINOR INJURIES.
H. APPROX 2567 TOTAL, 1755 FIRST PILOT; 27; 69 AND 101.
I. 0 PLUS 20.
J. AIRCREW RECOVERY MISSIN FOF OWNED MARINE 0-1 A/C.
K. AT 1706H. RESCUE 95 AND 96 WERE SCRAMBLED BY DANANG TOWER ON AN AIR CREW RECOVERY MISSION FOR A DOWNED MARINE 0-1. ARRIVING AT THE SCENE, RESCUE 95 INITIATED RESCUE ATTEMPT BY SENDING PARA-MADIC DOWN IN SLING AS CRASHED A/C WAS LOCATED ON SIDE OF HILL AND ACCESSIBLE ONLY FROM GROUND. WITH PARAMDIC ON GROUND, RESCUE 99 PICKED UP A HOVER TO SUBDUE FLAMES AT CRASH SCENE. PILOT, AND TWO GROUND WITNESSES HEARD SEVERAL LOUD REPORTS. ONE GROUND WITNESS LINKED THEM GO .45 CALIBER PISTIL SHOTS. IMMEDIATELY, PILOT NOTED GRADUAL DETERIORATION OF FORE AND AFT CYCLIC CONTROL, CYCLIC ROUGH-NESS AND PITCH CONTROL BECAME INEFFECTIVE. HELICOPTER BEGAN TO PITCH FORWARD AND SETTLE INTO SIDE OF HILL. PILOT WAS UNABLE TO CHECK RATE OF DESCENT AND HELICOPTER SETTLED INTO A WOODED SLOPE STRIKING TREE WITH LEFT ROTOR HEAD BEFORE IMPACT WITH GROUND.

PAGE 3 RUMSBJ 36A UNCLAS E F T O
RESCUE 96 PICKED UP CREW MEMBERS AND RETURNED THEM TO DANANG.
L. AND M. NONE.
N. RESCUE LOCAL/1000'
O. DANANG AIR BASE, RVN.
P. CLEAR 10 PLUS VISIBILITY.
Q. MISHAP CASUED BY HOSTILE ACTION. THIS IS A FINAL REPORT.
R. A/C IMPACTED IN HOSTILE AREA. RVN TROOPS SECURING AREA IN PREPARATION FOR SALVAGE OPERATION.
S. N/A
T. N/A
U. NO/NO.
V. NON
W. NO
X. NO/MACV/UNK.
Y. JAMES J. FETZER MAJ, USAF, FSO, 2741.
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNN

ACFT MISHAP

BRIEFED 03 June 65

DET 5, PARC

ARS---805
CZCSRA340ZCQVA562
FF RUCQSH
DE RUMSBJ 36A 03/0510Z
P 030459Z
FM 2AD TSN AVN
TO RUHLKM/CINCPACAF
INFO RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUCQSH/ARS
RUWHNF/DEPTIGUSAF NORTON AFB CALIF
RUMASA/13AF CAB PI
RUCDAA/MATS
BT
UNCLAS E F T O 2IGSA 00267 JUN 65. FOR IGSA; AFXOPI; AFIAS; 13CSA. SUBJ: AIRCRAFT MISHAP REPORT (IAW PACAFR 127-4). FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (SPECIAL HANDLING REQUIRED); SEE AFR 127-4). DELIVER DURING FIRST DUTY HOUR.
A. 02 JUNE 65 - 1925R.
B. 1611N - 10808E.
C. HH-43F - S/N 63-9713.
D. MATS, ARS, PARC, DET 5, DANANG ABN RVN.
E. LOCKHARD, FLOYD R., CAPT, A03058376, DET 5 PARC ARS, MATS.
F. MINOR INJURIES.

PAGE 2 RUMSBJ 36A UNCLAS E F T O
G. SSGT KILPATRICK, DEWEY A., AF 14289763, HELICOPTER MECHANIC, IN CABIN, MINOR INJURIES.
A2C SMITH, RANDOLPH M., AF18666374, PARAESCUE SPECIALIST, MINOR INJURIES.
H. APPROX 2567 TOTAL, 1755 FIRST PILOT; 27; 69 AND 101.
I. 0 PLUS 20.
J. AIRCREW RECOVERY MISSIN FOF OWNED MARINE 0-1 A/C.
K. AT 1706R. RESCUE 95 AND 96 WERE SCRAMBLED BY DANANG TOWER ON AN AIR CREW RECOVERY MISSION FOR A DOWNED MARINE 0-1. ARRIVING AT THE SCENE, RESCUE 95 INITIATED RESCUE ATTEMPT BY SENDING PARA-MADIC DOWN IN SLING AS CRASHED A/C WAS LOCATED ON SIDE OF HILL AND ACCESSIBLE ONLY FROM GROUND. WITH PARAMDIC ON GROUND, RESCUE 99 PICKED UP A ROVER TO SUBDUE FLAMES AT CRASH SCENE. PILOT, AND TWO GROUND WITNESSES HEARD SEVERAL LOUD REPORTS. ONE GROUND WITNESS LINKED THEM GO .45 CALIBER PISTIL SHOTS. IMMEDIATELY, PILOT NOTED GRADUAL DETERIORATION OF FORE AND AFT CYCLIC CONTROL, CYCLIC ROUGHNESS AND PITCH CONTROL BECAME INEFFECTIVE. HELICOPTER BEGAN TO PITCH FORWARD AND SETTLE INTO SIDE OF HILL. PILOT WAS UNABLE TO CHECK RATE OF DESCENT AND HELICOPTER SETTLED INTO A WOODED SLOPE STRIKING TREE WITH LEFT ROTOR HEAD BEFORE IMPACT WITH GROUND.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

MWNT

ARS.....743
CZCSRA199ZCCSB395
OGSRUCQSH
ZFR-1
CCSB899ZCQVA217
OO RUCQUM
DE RUMSAG 128 02/1535Z
O 0214432
FM 23ABGP DANANG AB RVN
TO RUMSBJ/2AIRDIV TAN SON NHUT RVN
INFO RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHLKM/PCAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUWHNF/DEP TIG USAF NORTON AFB CALIF
RUCDAQ/MATS SCOT AFB ILL
GUCQSH/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAREUUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
BT
UNCLAS E F T O 23CSO 00854 JUNE 1965.
FOR; 2IGSA; 13CSA; AFIAS; PFCSA; & PFOCO; MAIOS, MASJA, MACSG,
MADOC, MAMDC & MAPDC.
AIRCRAFT MISHAP REPORT FINAL MESSAGE PACAF REG 127-4. FOR
OFFICIAL USE ONLY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AF REG 127-4.
A. 2 JUNE 1965, 1925H.
B. 16 11' NORTH, 108 08E.
C. HH-43F, SN 63-9713
D. MATS, ARS, PARC, DET 5, DANANG AIR BASE, RVN
E. LOCKHART, FLOYD R., CAPT., AO3058376, DET 5 PARC, ARS, MATS

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 128 UNCLAS E F T O
F. MINOR INJURIES
G. SSGT KILPATRICK, DEWEY A., AF14289763, HELICOPTER MECHANIC,
IN CABIN, MINOR INJURIES.
A2C SMITH, RANDOLPH M., AF 18666374, PARARESCUE SPECIALIST,
MINOR INJURIES.
H. APPROX 2567 TOTAL, 1755 1ST PILOT, 27, 69 & 101 LAST 30, 60, 90
I. 20 MINUTES
J. AIRCREW RECOVERY MISSION FOR DOWNED MARINE O-1.
K. AT 1706H, RESCUE 95 & 96 WERE SCRAMBLED BY DANANG TOWER
ON AN AIRCREW RECOVERY MISSION FOR A DOWNED MARINE O-1. ARRIVING
AT THE SCENE, RESCUE 95 INITIATED RESCUE ATTEMPT BY SENDING
PARAMEDIC DOWN IN SLING AS CRASHED AIRCRAFT WAS LOCATED ON SIDE
HILL AND ACCESSIBLE ONLY FROM GROUND. WITH PARAMEDIC ON GROUND,
RESCUE 95 PICKED UP A HOVER TO SUBDUE FLAMES AT CRASH SCENE.
PILOT, AND TWO GROUND WITNESSES HEARD SEVERAL LOUD REPORTS.
ONE GROUND WITNESS LIKENED THEM TO .45 CALIBER PISTOL SHOTS.
IMMEDIATELY, PILOT NOTED GRADUAL DETERIORATION OF FORE AND
AFT CYCLIC CONTROL, CYCLIC ROUGHNESS AND PITCH CONTROL BECAME
INEFFECTIVE. HELICOPTER BEGAN TO PITCH FORWARD AND SETTLE INTO
SIDE OF HILL. PILOT WAS UNABLE TO CHECK RATE OF DESCENT AND

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 5 PARC

7 June 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: HQ ARS (ARSCP)

1. Mission Number: 5-313 - 2 June 1965

2. SAR Alerted by: Danang AB Tower

3. SAR Aircraft Used: HH-43F

4. Crew;

a. Rescue Crew Commander: Capt Jim E. Hartley

b. Co-pilot: Capt James V. Berryhill

c. Crew Chief: SSgt Homer L. Ramsey

d. Pararescue: A2C William J. Flower

5. Rescap: UH-1B

6. Narrative: At 1904 hours on 2 June 1965, the primary crash phone rang and tower advised us that a L-19 had crashed and was burning on a mountain side ten miles north of Danang (1611N 10808E). At 1907 hours helicopters63-9713 and 63-9714 were airborne proceeding to the crash site. I was the rescue crew commander on 63-9714 flying cover for 63-9713. We arrived at the crash site at 1915 hours and 713 made an approach and lowered his pararescue man down by hoist to determine if there were any survivors. At approximately 1920 hours my pararescue man stated 713 just crashed. I started descending and made an approach over the downed helicopter. SSgt Ramsey (crew chief) lowered A2C Flower (pararescue) down the hoist to render assistance. The two crewmembers that were in a state of shock were hoisted up first. Knowing that the remaining personnel had only minor injuries and being at maximum gross weight, I elected to return the injured crewmembers to Danang. I returned to the crash site at 1935 hours and picked up the other crewmembers. We returned to Danang arriving at 1950 hours.

JIM E. HARTLEY
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Info Copy to: HQ PARC(DOARO)
Det 3 PARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Detachment 5
Pacific Air Rescue Center (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96337

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Det 5 PARC

7 June 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative

TO: HQ ARS (ARSCP)

1. Mission Number: 5-313 - 2 June 1965

2. SAR Alerted by: Danang AB Tower

3. SAR Aircraft Used: HH-43F

4. Crew;

a. Rescue Crew Commander: Capt Jim E. Hartley

b. Co-pilot: Capt James V. Berryhill

c. Crew Chief: SSgt Homer L. Ramsey

d. Pararescue: A2C William J. Flower

5. Rescap: UH-1B

6. Narrative: At 1904 hours on 2 June 1965, the primary crash phone rang and tower advised us that a L-19 had crashed and was burning on a mountain side ten miles north of Danang (1611N 10808E). At 1907 hours helicopters 63-9713 and 63-9714 were airborne proceeding to the crash site. I was the rescue crew commander on 63-9714 flying cover for 63-9713. We arrived at the crash site at 1915 hours and 713 made an approach and lowered his pararescue man down by hoist to determine if there were any survivors. At approximately 1920 hours my pararescue man stated 713 just crashed. I started descending and made an approach over the downed helicopter. SSgt Ramsey (crew chief) lowered A2C Flower (pararescue) down the hoist to render assistance. The two crewmembers that were in a state of shock were hoisted up first. Knowing that the remaining personnel had only minor injuries and being at maximum gross weight, I elected to return the injured crewmembers to Danang. I returned to the crash site at 1935 hours and picked up the other crewmembers. We returned to Danang arriving at 1950 hours.

Jim E. Hartley

JIM E. HARTLEY
Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Info Copy to: HQ PARC(DOARO)
Det 3 PARC

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

51

OPENING/CL	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER	38-1088-1 Nov 65
SUBJECT	USN A4C
	CH-3C

[redacted]
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RELEASED SUBJECT TO
CORRECTION RERUN
HAS BEEN REQUESTED

WDCSAN/CG USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUHTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHH/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHH/PACIFIC SURFACE HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHPCL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUHPFL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUHPUR/ALL SEVENTH FLT TG CDRS
RUHHAA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHHAA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/23D TAW AB NON
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUHHBL/DET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUHHDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUHHDF/TACC RCC UDORN THAILAND
BT

ACTION: ARODC
INFO: ARCOI

S E C R E T SAR 91039 NOV 65. MSG USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MACOS/
AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-14, 13AF FOR JOARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER 38 ARS-1000 - 1 NOV 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVES: 1 USN PILOT (A-4C)
5/LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 19030N-10340E
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS NOTIFIED: SH WINGMAN NOTIFIED 1015Z ON
RECOVERY AND IT SAVE.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: SCRAMBLED USAF HH-43B FROM

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUHHAA 32 S E C R E T
NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND AT 0637Z.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF CH-3C ESTABLISHED VOICE AND VISUAL
CONTACT AT 0950Z AND 0956Z RESPECTIVELY.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS ONE USN PILOT
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR. USAF CH-3C HOIST
PICKUP, PILOT WAS ON BOARD THE CH3C AT 0958Z
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: PILOT WAS TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM AB
THAILAND WHERE A MEDICAL OFFICER WAS STANDING BY.
12. SUMY
CDR21)48,4 /07A 26 5655 -SFT AND AGENCY
7 USK AHE USN
1 2RL0826 CH3C USAF
4 16RL0800 A1E USAF
2 6RL0836 HH3E USAF
1 7RL0835 HC54 USAF
1 3RL0850 CH3C135 USAF
8 20RL0818 9165 USAF
[redacted]ES1-p33) 0-050:80-5 of 8, 3-4s/s
NONE
13 ADDITIONAL INFO:
PILOT IS LT CDR BILLY V. WHEAT. THE PILOT WAS REPORTED TO BE IN
SEVERE PAIN SUFFERING FROM A GROIN INJURY. A MEDICAL OFFICER WAS IN

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUHHAA 32 S E C R E T
CONTACT WITH THE CH3C ON UHF RADIO AND HAD A AMBULANCE STANDING BY
HC54 THAT WAS ON THE SCENE DIRECTED NAKHON PHANOM THAILAND TO PROVIDE
MED EVAC ASSITANCE. THE HC54 WAS ALERTED AND ARRIVE AT 0631Z
AND THE HH3'S AT 0634Z. THE WINGMAN REPORTED SEEING THE CHASE GOING
INTO THE TREES AND SANK FROM THIS SAME LOCATION. THE SAR ACFT WERE OVER
THE AREA AT 0751Z THEY REPORTED POSITIVE ELECTRONIC SIGNALS THE
CH3C WAS ALERTED WHEN THE HH3'S BECAME/POSITION LOW ON FUEL
AND WAS ARRIVE AT 0955Z. A PARAMEDIC WAS LOWERED TO EXAMINE THE
PILOT. IT IS BELIEVED AT THIS
TIME THAT THE INABILITY OF THE HH3'S TO LOCATE THE DOWNED PILOOOTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTT
TTTTTTTT
WAS BECAUSE THE PILOT WAS INJURED.
FOR PARC: LAST MISSION NUMBER 1005
CP-4
BT

[redacted] HRS SC No. 655722

DOWNGRADED
I/W AFR 205-2
18 MAY 1970

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC # 655018 9/M

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

OPTS JAB RUNTVEAG../ 3061320-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
JAGAR 32 3[illegible]250
Y SSSSZ
A. 3[illegible] ARS TSN AFLD RYN
FOBEAAN/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUHDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUHTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHH/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHH/PACINCSUBPAC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLGL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUHPFL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUHPGG/ALL SEVENTHFLT TG CDRS
RUHMAA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHMAA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2AD TSN AB ROK
ZEN/CTE 76.2.1.1
RUHBDL/DET 1 36TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUHBDF/DET 5 36TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUHBDF/TACC RCC UDORN THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51039 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPN, MATS FOR MACOA/
AF AND HCP, ARS FOR ARCDC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JRARC.
1. RCSs 1-ARS-F1 SPECREP/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER 36 ARS-1006 - 1 NOV 65
3. COMMAND AND AGENCY: 36 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: 1 USN PILOT (A-6C)
5/LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 19830N-10540E 65 NE NAKHON PHANOM
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS NOTIFIED: SH WINGMAN NOTIFIED HA16 ON
RECONNOISSANCE MIT 040CZ.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: SCRAMBLED USAF HH-43B FROM

[redacted]TIAL

PAGE 2 RUHBAR 32 S E C R E T
NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND AT 060TZ.
8. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USAF CH-3C ESTABLISHED VOICE AND VISUAL
CONTACT AT 0910Z AND 0920Z RESPECTIVELY.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USN PILOT
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR. USAF CH-3C MADE HOIST
PICKUP. PILOT WAS ON BOARD THE CHSC AT 0950Z
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: PILOT WAS TAKEN TO NAKHON PHANOM AB
THAILAND WHERE A MEDICAL OFFICER WAS STANDING BY.
12. SORT

G0921>68,4 /DTG 76 5685 -AFT AND AGENCY

7	UNK	ANE	USN	
1	2RL0826	CHSC	USAF	
4	16RL0900	A1E	USAF	
2	4RL0830	HH43B	USAF	
1	7RL0835	HC54	USAF	
1	3RL0850	CKC135	USAF	
6	2[illegible]RL0900	9165	USAF	

[illegible]BLE31-033) 6-450:80-5 &: 8, 3-4:/:
NONE
13. ADDITIONAL INFO:
PILOT IS LT CDR BILLY V. WHEAT. THE PILOT WAS REPORTED TO BE IN
MODERATE PAIN SUFFERING FROM A GROIN INJURY. A MEDICAL OFFICER WAS IN

SECRET

P-F1

ARS CCN077

RELEASED SUBJECT TO CORRECTION RERUN HAS BEEN REQUESTED

ACTION: ARCDC
INFO: ARCOI

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS 14-3-75
By [illegible] (Date)

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

52

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-1Ø47-6 Nov 65
SUBJECT: F/MIL AUST[redacted]
HH-43F

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

6-38-1047 (6 NOV 65).

OPENING/CLOSING REPOIT

DET 6, 38 ARS WAS called upon to EVACUATE TWO AUSTRALIAN GROUND FORCE CASUALTIES Located 10NM EAST OF BIEN HOA.

DET 6 AS the controlling AGENCY deployed TWO HH 43F's TO THE CASUALTY AREA.

A HOIST AND STOKES LITTER PICK UP WAS accomplished AND THE TWO AUSTRALIAN SURVIVORS were released TO THE U.S. ARMY 3rd MOBILE EVACUATION HOSPITAL.

ARS WAS credited WITH ONE CONFIRMED SAVE ON this MISSION.

TOTAL OF 4 SORTIES FOR 2 HR & 40 MIN

Briefed - 8 NOV 65

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] 6 Nov 65 1738 6538-1047

OPR

245/ARS

6 Nov

ARS

1 SAVE CLAIMED
SEE ITEM 12

OFTC JAW RUMTVSB0475 3101745-CCCC--RUMTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH-1
CZCCSB205ZCKSA303
OO RUCEAA RUMTFIA
DE RUMSAF 1350 3101405
ZNY CCCCC
O 061400Z
FM DET 6 38ARESCUESQ BIEN HOA AB RVN
TO RUMTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUCEAA/MATS
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSAR/38ARESCUESQ TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
RUMSBJ/2ADIV TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
ZEN/6251TFW BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUEAHQ/USAF
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L/DET 6/38ARS 50357 NOV 65.
FOR ARS(ARSCP). MATS (MACCO/AT AND MCP). PACAF (PFOCC) 13AF (JSARC)
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING/CLOSING ?
2. DET 6, 38/1047/6 NOV 65.
3. TACTICAL EVACUATION. TWO AUSTRLIAN CASUALTIES.
4. 173RD FAC
5. 2 HH-43F DEPLOYED. 1755 HRS LCL, 6 NOV 65.
6. 11 04N, 107 03E.
7. CLEAR 15 MILES VISIBILITY.
8. DET Y, 38TH ARS.
[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAF 1350 C O N F I D E N T I A L
9. DET 6, 38TH ARS.
10. DET 6, HOIST AND STOKES LITTER.
11. 2 SURVIVORS.
12. 1
13. RELEASED TO 3RD MOBILE EVACUATION HOSPITAL (US ARMY).
14. CONTROLLING 4 SORITES/2-4.0 HOURS. ASSISTING UNKNOWN.
15. UNKNOWN.
16. PRIMARY ALERT CREW:
CAPT RAYMOND L. MURDEN
CAPT KARL G. KING
A1C GERALD C. HAMMOND JR.
A1C WILLIAM H. PITSENBARGER
SECONDARY CREW:
CAPT CHARLES P. NADLER
CAPT MAURICE G. KESSLER
TSGT KENNETH L. PERKINS
A1C HENRY J. O'BEIRNE
NARRATIVE REPORT WILL FOLLOW.
BT

SAVE

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GSD 14-3
By [illegible] (Date) 75

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO San Francisco 96227 8 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Narrative report of save during mission Det 6/38-1047-6 Nov 65 in accordance with PACAREScuecen Msg 00639 APR 65.

2. Detachment 6, 38th ARS was requested by a 173rd Forward Air Controller to evacuate two casualities from "D" zone, coordinates 1104 N, 10703 E.

3. At 1755 hours, 6 Nov 65, Det 6 scrambled the following HH-43F helicopters and crews: Primary Alert Crew in helicopter 63-1712, RCC Captain Raymond L. Murden, FV3087594, Co-Pilot Captain Karl G. King, FV3103564, Helicopter Mechanic A1C Gerald C. Hammond, AF11365690, Pararescueman A1C William H. Pitsenbarger, AF15680744. The secondary crew in Helicopter 63-1711 consisted of Captain Charles P. Nadler, FR32161, RCC, Captain Maurice G. Kessler, FV3024099, Co-Pilot, TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins, AF15466708, Helicopter Mechanic, and A1C Henry J. O'Beirne, AF12580938, Pararescueman.

4. Initial notification was received at 1752 hours. At 1755 hours the helicopters departed Bien Hoa Air Base and arrived over the general area at 1810 hours. Army helicopters marked a bomb crater with smoke, and ground personnel started moving the casualities toward the crater. Hoist pickups were started at approximately 1845 hours and completed at 1905 hours.

5. Upon arrival of the HH-43F helicopters, one army O-1F aircraft, and one UH-1B helicopter was capping the area. Three armed UH-1B helicopters and two A-1E aircraft arrived to cap the area, after arrival of the HH-43F's. The secondary alert HH-43F remained in orbit to provide back up.

6. The area was covered with dense undergrowth, with scattered trees up to 100 feet high. Hoist pickups were made from a bomb crater using the stokes litter.

7. Smoke bombs were dropped by the army helicopters to mark the area.

8. Survivors were Sgt A. J. McIvor, AD6310927 and Pvt Glen B. Woodward, 16293. Both were assigned to 1st Platoon, Company A, Royal Australian Regiment. Sgt McIvor was suffering from serious head wounds, Pvt Woodward from shoulder wounds.

9. After notification the HH-43F helicopters proceeded to the area, contact with the forward air controller aircraft and the army UH-1B helicopter was established. The UH-1B dropped smoke bombs in a bomb crater and reported that the ground personnel were moving the survivors toward the crater. The FAC aircraft reported seeing gunfire to the south of the area when the UH-1B

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

flew over. After survivors were moved to pickup spot the primary HH-43F, piloted by Captain Murden made an approach and lowered the stokes litter by hoist. The personnel on the ground disconnected the litter from the hoist cable, but they did not load the survivors into the litter. AlC Pitsenbarger was then lowered by hoist, and loaded the survivors into the litter. After the last survivor was hoisted aboard, AlC Pitsenbarger was hoisted aboard and the HH-43F's departed for Bien Hoa. The last two pickups were made after dark, and it was necessary to use the floodlights to remain clear of the trees and see the persons being hoisted. After returning to Bien Hoa, the survivors were released to the Army Third Mobile Evacuation Surgical Hospital. Hospital personnel later confirmed one save.

Raymond L. Murden

RAYMOND L. MURDEN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

7

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO San Francisco 96227 8 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Narrative report of save during mission Det 6/38-1047-6 Nov 65 in accordance with PACAIRESCOMCHAN Msg 00639 APR 65.

2. Detachment 6, 38th ARS was requested by a 173rd Forward Air Controller to evacuate two casualities from "D" zone, coordinates 1104 N, 10703 E.

3. At 1755 hours, 6 Nov 65, Det 6 scrambled the following HH-43F helicopters and crews: Primary Alert Crew in helicopter 63-1712, RCC Captain Raymond L. Murden, FV3087594, Co-Pilot Captain Karl G. King, FV3103564, Helicopter Mechanic A1C Gerald C. Hammond, AF11365690, Pararescueman A1C William H. Pitsenbarger, AF15680744. The secondary crew in Helicopter 63-1711 consisted of Captain Charles P. Nadler, FR32161[illegible] RCC, Captain Maurice G. Kessler, FV3024099, Co-Pilot, TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins, AF15466708, Helicopter Mechanic, and A1C Henry J. O'Beirne, AF12580938, Pararescueman.

4. Initial notification was received at 1752 hours. At 1755 hours the helicopters departed Bien Hoa Air Base and arrived over the general area at 1810 hours. Army helicopters marked a bomb crater with smoke, and ground personnel started moving the casualities toward the crater. Hoist pickups were started at approximately 1845 hours and completed at 1905 hours.

5. Upon arrival of the HH-43F helicopters, one army O-1F aircraft, and one UH-1B helicopter was capping the area. Three armed UH-1B helicopters and two A-1E aircraft arrived to cap the area, after arrival of the HH-43F's. The secondary alert HH-43F remained in orbit to provide back up.

6. The area was covered with dense undergrowth, with scattered trees up to 100 feet high. Hoist pickups were made from a bomb crater using the stokes litter.

7. Smoke bombs were dropped by the army helicopters to mark the area.

8. Survivors were Sgt A. J. McIvor, AD6310927 and Pvt Glen B. Woodward, 16293. Both were assigned to 1st Platoon, Company A, Royal Australian Regiment. Sgt McIvor was suffering from serious head wounds, Pvt Woodward from shoulder wounds.

9. After notification the HH-43F helicopters proceeded to the area, contact with the forward air controller aircraft and the army UH-1B helicopter was established. The UH-1B dropped smoke bombs in a bomb crater and reported that the ground personnel were moving the survivors toward the crater. The FAC aircraft reported seeing gunfire to the south of the area when the UH-1B

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

flew over. After survivors were moved to pickup spot the primary HH-43F, piloted by Captain Murden made an approach and lowered the stokes litter by hoist. The personnel on the ground disconnected the litter from the hoist cable, but they did not load the survivors into the litter. AlC Pitsenbarger was then lowered by hoist, and loaded the survivors into the litter. After the last survivor was hoisted aboard, AlC Pitsenbarger was hoisted aboard and the HH-43F's departed for Bien Hoa. The last two pickups were made after dark, and it was necessary to use the floodlights to remain clear of the trees and see the persons being hoisted. After returning to Bien Hoa, the survivors were released to the Army Third Mobile Evacuation Surgical Hospital. Hospital personnel later confirmed one save.

SIGNED
RAYMOND L. MURDEN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

4 [redacted]

54

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1110-6 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USN SH-3 (2)
CH-3C

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

PRIORITY

[redacted]

PFTS JAH RUHTV3B0188 3168434-SSSS--RUHTFIA.
BE RUMBAR 316 3121640
ZNY SSSSS
P 081635Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUHEBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUHTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKN/PACAF
RUHLKN/PACAF
RUHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHLKN/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAW
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
ZEN/CTE SEVEN ZERO PT TWO PT ONE PT ONE
RUMBDL/DET 1 38TH NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAD
RUMBDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232 CMBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMGAF/6251 TFW BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFOR/ALL SEVENTH FLEET CVA TG CDRS
RUHLKN/7STH ARS HICKAM AFB HAW
RUABKN/33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
RUAUAP/36TH ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUMABA/31 ARS CAB PI
BT
S E C R E T SAR 31047 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/
AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, SUSPENDING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38TH ARS - 1110 - 6 NOV 65
3. DATE OF REPORT: 8 NOV 65
4. AREA SEARCH: VICINITY OF 2838N - 10330E
5. WEATHER IN AREA: 1500 FT LOW OVERCAST WITH MT PEAKS VISIBLE
6. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL MISSION: 5 USAF. (A) A1E (SANDY 12) ONE.
(B) CREW OF CH-3C (JOLLY GREEN GIANT) THREE. (C) A1E (SANDY 14)
ONE.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMBAR 316 S E C R E T
8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY: AS OF
7 NOV 65.

USAF HC-54	2 SORTIES FOR 14 PLUS 20 HRS	
USAF A1E	8 SORTIES FOR 32 PLUS 10 HRS	
USAF CH-3C	2 SORTIES FOR 6 PLUS 10 HRS	
USN A1H	4 SORTIES FOR 16 PLUS 00 HRS	
USN SH-3	2 SORTIES FOR 7 PLUS 00 HRS	
USAF F-4C	10 SORTIES FOR 30 PLUS 00 HRS	
USAF KC-135	4 SORTIES FOR 8 PLUS 10 HRS	
USAF F-105	6 SORTIES FOR 12 PLUS 20 HRS	
USN UH-2	2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 20 HRS	

FLYING TIME AND SORTIES FOR 8 NOV 65 NOV AVAILABLE.
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH:
NONE.
[redacted] A FIRST LIGHT SEARCH WAS INITIATED AND NO
[redacted] DURING EARLY PORTION OF THE SEARCH
[redacted]

SCN082/ARS

Action: ARODC
Info: ARC01

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Declassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 12-3-75

4 cy Rpt w/ARS/ltr of all Messages pertaining to this mission
Dist 1 cy to USAF Hosp TRAVIS
1 cy Sheppard
1 cy weather
1 cy to FT Belvoir VA

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUHSB5/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUCDAA/MATS
RUHTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAW
RUMABA/13AF CAB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
ZEN/CTE SEVEN ZERO PT TWO PT ONE PT ONE
RUMBDL/DET 1 38TH NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAD
RUMBDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232 CMBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSAF/6251 TFW BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFOR/ALL SEVENTH FLEET CVA TG CDRS
RUHLKM/76TH ARS HICKAM AFB HAW
RUABKM/33 ARS NAHA AB OKI
RUAUAP/36TH ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUMABA/31 ARS CAB PI
BT

Action: ARODC
Info: ARCO1

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2
18 NOV 1970

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Declassified
By Authority of GDS 10-3-75
By _____ (Date)

S E C R E T SAR 51047 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MACOV/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, SUSPENDING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38TH ARS - 1110 - 6 NOV 65
3. DATE OF REPORT: 8 NOV 65
4. AREA SEARCH: VICINITY OF 2030N - 10530E
5. WEATHER IN AREA: 1500 FT LOW OVERCAST WITH MT PEAKS VISIBLE
6. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL MISSION: 5 USAF. (A) A1E (SANDY 12) ONE. (B) CREW OF CH-3C (JOLLY GREEN GIANT) THREE. (C) A1E (SANDY 14) ONE.

[redacted]

8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY: AS OF 7 NOV 65.

USAF HC-54	2 SORTIES FOR 14 PLUS 20 HRS	
USAF A1E	8 SORTIES FOR 32 PLUS 10 HRS	
USAF CH-3C	2 SORTIES FOR 6 PLUS 10 HRS	
USN A1H	4 SORTIES FOR 10 PLUS 00 HRS	
USN SH-3	2 SORTIES FOR 7 PLUS 00 HRS	
USAF F-4C	10 SORTIES FOR 30 PLUS 00 HRS	
USAF KC-135	4 SORTIES FOR 8 PLUS 10 HRS	
USAF F-105	6 SORTIES FOR 12 PLUS 20 HRS	
USN UH-2	2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 20 HRS	

FLYING TIME AND SORTIES FOR 8 NOV 65 NOV AVAILABLE.

4 cy/Rpts by ARAS/Encl of all Messages pertaining to this mission
Dist 1 cy to USAF Hosp TRAVIS
1 cy " " " Shepperd
1 cy " " " Wheeler
1 cy to FT Belvoir VA

9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: NONE.
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: A FIRST LIGHT SEARCH WAS INITIATED AND NO BEACON SIGNALS WERE RECEIVED DURING EARLY PORTION OF THE SEARCH BY AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA. AFTER SEVERAL PASSES OVER THE AREA WITHOUT DRAWING ANY SIGNALS OR GROUND FIRE A BEEPER WAS HEARD AT 0930H. A FEW MINUTES AFTER THE BEEPER SIGNAL WAS RECIVED AND AIRCRAFT ENTERED THE AREA TO PINPOINT THE POSITION, HEAVY GROUND FIRE

[redacted]

WAS REPORTED. AT 1005H THE SECOND BEEPER SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED AND WHEN THE AIRCRAFT WENT INTO THE AREA THEY DREW MORE INTENSTIVE GROUND FIRE. AIRCRAFT GOING INTO THE AREA AFTER EACH SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED HAD DRAWN HEAVY GROUND FORE AND ALSO REPORTED TAKING DIRECT HITS. TWO A1E'S SUFFERED SERIOUS ENOUGH DAMAGE TO CAUSE THEM TO SITHDRAW FROM THE AREA. ON SCENE REPORTS INDICATE THAT FORCES IN THE AREA SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN DUE TO THE INTENSITY OF GROUND FIRE. THE MISSION WAS SUSPENDED AT 1044H AFTER COORDINATION THE COMDR 2AD.
DISREGARD MISSION REPORT 38TH ARS - 1103 - 5 NOV 65 AND USE AS REFERENCE FOR MISSION REPORT 38TH ARS UDORN - 1110 - 6 NOV 65. GP-4.
BT

[redacted]

By ARC SC No. 655884

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC #655173

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OFT: JAW RUWTVSAC020 3 0804- S--RUWTFIA.
ME RUMSAR 232 3110525
ZNY SSSSS
O 070520Z
FM 38ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMBDL/DET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232 CMBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PERAL HARBOR HA
88

IMMEDIATE

38-1110
6 NOV
SAVED
2 CH-3C

CCN/062/ARS

[redacted]

RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT CVA TG CDRS
DYZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1.
RUHLKM/76TH ARS HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUAUAP/36ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUABGK/33ARS NAMA AB OKINAWA
RUMABA/31ARS CLARK AB PI
BT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

Action: ARODC
Info: ARCO1

S E C R E T SAR 51046 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR USARC.
1. PROGRESS REPORT 1
2. MISSION NUMBER : 38TH ARS UDORN-1110-06NOV 65.
3. DATE OF REPORT: 7 NOV 65.
4. AREA SEARCHED: VICINITY OF 20-29N 105-27E.
5. WEATHER IN SEARCH AREA: NOT A FACTOR.
6. RESULTS OF SEARCH: USN SH3 (NGEL 07) PICKED UP TWO CREW MEMBERS OF DOWNED USN SH3 (NOMBLE 02). USAF CH3C (JOLLY GREEN GIANT) PIKCED UP TWO CREW MEMBERS OF NIMBLE 02. USN ANGLE PICKED UP ONE CREW MEMBER

DOWNGRADED
IAW E 2[illegible]-2
13 MAY 1970

IMMEDIATE

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 232 S E C R E T
OF USAF CH3C (JOLLY GREEN GIJBT).
7. FUTURE PLANS: RESCUE OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS AT THIS TIME [redacted]
8. SORTIES/FLYING TIME: NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.
9. NUMBER GROUND /VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH:
NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.
10. ADDITIONAL INFO: AT DUSK ON 06 NOV NAVY ANGLE MADE A PICK UP OF ONE CREWMTMBER OF (JOLLY GREEN GIANT)-USAF CH3C. AT FIRST LIGHT 07 NOV NAVY SH3(NIMBLE 02) MADE ATTEMPT ON PICK UP IN THE AREA OF JOLLY GREEN GIANT. NIMBLE 02 WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE, LOSING FUEL AND ATTEMPTING TO MAKE IT TO OPEN WATER BUT WAS FORCED DOWN AT 19-53N 105-11E. ANGEEL 07 ATTEMPTED PICK UP ANDMADE SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY OF TWO OF MBERS. JOLLY GREEN GIANT ASSISTED ANGEL 07 AND PICKED UP THE REMAINING TWO CREW MEMBERS. ALL AIRCRAFT THEN RETURNED TO LIMA 36. TWO USAF A1E'S WERE ALSO HIT BY GROUND FIRE BUT WERE NOT FORCED DOWN. BEACONS AND VOICE CONTACT WITH CREW VB DOWNED JOLLY GREEN GIANT HAD BEEN MADE BY CAP AIRCRAFT. RESCUE OPERATIONS STILL IN PROGRESS AT THIS TIME, ADDITIONAL INFO WILL FOLLOW. BEEPER SIGNALS IN THE AREA INDICATED SEVERAL PERSONNEL ALSO POSSIBILITY THAT PILOT OF A1E (SANDY 12 STILL AT LARGE). NO INFORMATION AT THIS TIME ON PILOT OF MISSION A1E (SANDY 14

[redacted]

GP-4 Hq ARS SC No. 655829

BT

NOTIFICATION

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED ARS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 494
PERSON CONTACTED [signature]
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT [signature]

ARODC # 655120

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CCN/046/ARS

PRIORITY

[redacted]

[redacted]

Action: ARDC
Info: ARCOL

PFTS JAW RUNTVS80636 3110532-SSSS--RUNTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 1019 3110040
ZNY SSSSS
P 070009Z
FM PACARESCUENCEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
TO ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
S E C R E T/PRCOP/5 1589 NOV 65. THE FOLLOWING MSG IS
QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. QUOTE:
SECRET
JOPREP PINNACLE:OPREP-3 (U)
1. FOLLOWING IS DEBRIEF OF NIMBLE 62 CREW, SH3A TEMP ATTACHED TO INDEPENDENCE; NIMBLE 62 LAUNCED FROM INDEPENDENCE AT 1515H, REFULLED FROM TUCKER AT 1700H AND WAS ON STATION, 19-00N/105-45E AT 1800H. A FEW MONMENTS LATER PROCEEDED OVER BEACH WITH LOCKET ONE HDG 317 DEGREES, 90 KNOTS 10,000 FT. COAST IN POINT 19-00N/105-37E. PROCEEDED TO 19-25N/105-12E THEN TO 19-53N/0PTAQQE THEN TO PICK UP POINT, 20-06N/

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted]
(Date) 19-3-75

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 1019 S E C R E T
105-29E DESCENDING TO 2,000 FT. LOCKET THREE AND FOUR WERE IN RESCUE AREA. LOCKET A/C FLEW OVER SURVIVOR MARKING SPOT BY TURNING ON LIGHTS. SURVIVOR LIGHTED CIGARETTE LIGHTER AND NIMBLE 62 SIGHTED HIM ON TOP OF 1500 FT HILL. PICK-UP ACCOMPLISHED IN LESS THAN 2 MINUTES UTILIZING HORSE COLLAR SLING. TIME OF PICK UP 1855H NIMBLE 62 ACCOMPANIED BY LOCKET ONE RETURNED TO TUCKER TO REFUEL VIA INBOUND ROUTE THENCE TO INDEPENDENCE LANDING AT 2325H. COAST OUT AT 2000H. HELO CREW OBSERVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND FLAK BURSTS IN PICK UP AREA.

PRIORITY

2. FOLLOWING IS DEBRIEFF OF SURVIVOR, SSGT BERKELY E. NAUDLE, DET 5 38TH ARS: CH-3C DEPARTED LIMA 36 AT 0940H AND HEADED NORTH TO ORBIT POINT AND WAITED FOR SANDY ACFT. SURVIVOR (CREW CHIEF). NOT SURE OF POSITION BUT BELIEVES THEY THEN HEADED EAST IN COMPANY WITH SANDY ACFT. WX WAS BROKEN AND PATCHY AND AS HELO DESCENDED THROUGH 8000 FT, APPROX 5MILES WEST OF OBJECTIVE AREA (20-07N/105-28E), HEAVY FLAK ENCOUNTERED. CREW CHIEF SAW MANY TRACERS ENTER HELO AND BELIEVES FUEL LINES WERE RUPTURED AS FUEL LEAKS WERE OBSERVED. TRACERS CONTINUED TO ENTER HELO WHICH SUDDENTLY IGNITED INTO LARGE BALL OF FIRE. PARA-MEDIC SHOUTED VZFIRE! AND BAILED OUT. CREW CHIEF FOLLOWED BUT WAS STILL ATTACHED TO GUNNERS BELT. WHILE ATTEMPTING

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUHLKM 1019 S E C R E T
TO RELEASE GUN BELT HE SAW PARA-MEDIC CHUTE OPEN. AFTER RELEASING GUN BELT AND OPENING CHUTE HE SAW 2 MORE CHUTES OPEN . AT THIE POINT HE BECAME DISORIENTED BUT BELIEVES HELO CRASHED JUST WEST OF HIM. AFTER NORMAL DESCENT AND LANDING ON HILLSIDE HE HID CHUTE IN UNDERBRUCH. KEPT 3 SQUARE YARDS OF CHUTE FOR SIGNAL PANEL. COMMENCED CRAWLING UP HILLSIDE, DISCARDING HELMET FLAK VEST AND HARNESS WHICH HAMPERED TRAVEL THROUGH THICK UNDERGROWTH. UPON ARRIVAL AT TOP OF HILL, HEARD MANY VOICES AND SAW HELO BURNING. MANY TRUCKS AND PERSONNEL AROUND HELO AND AT BASE OF HILL. HID BETWEEN 2 ROCKS AND TURNED ON BEEPER. WHEN SANDY ACFT LEFT EH AREA HE SECURED HIS BEEPER. ATTEMPTED VOICE CONTACT WITH RESCAP BUT NO ANSWER. ALSO [redacted] WITH SIGNAL MIRROR. SURVIVOR SPENT DAY BETWEEN [redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

JOPREP PINNACLE:OPREP-3 (U)

1. FOLLOWING IS DEBRIEF OF NIMBLE 62 CREW, SHDA TEMP ATTACHED TO INDEPENDENCE; NIMBLE 62 LAUNCED FROM INDEPENDENCE AT 1515H, REFUELED FROM TUCKER AT 1700H AND WAS ON STATION, 19-03N/105-45E AT 1800H. A FEW MOMENTS LATER PROCEEDED OVER BEACH WITH LOCKET ONE HDG 317 DEGREES, 90 KNOTS 14,000 FT. COAST IN POINT 19-20N/105-37E. PROCEEDED TO 19-25N/105-12E THEN TO 19-33N/OPTAGGE THEN TO PICK UP POINT, 20-06N/

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 19-3-75

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 1019 S E C R E T

105-29E DESCENDING TO 2,000 FT. LOCKET THREE AND FOUR WERE IN RESCUE AREA. LOCKET A/C FLEW OVER SURVIVOR MARKING SPOT BY TURNING ON LIGHTS. SURVIVOR LIGHTED CIGARETTE LIGHTER AND NIMBLE 62 SIGHTED HIM ON TOP OF 500 FT HILL. PICK-UP ACCOMPLISHED IN LESS THAN 2 MINUTES UTILIZING HORSE COLLAR SLING. TIME OF PICK UP 1855H NIMBLE 62 ACCOMPANIED BY LOCKET ONE RETURNED TO TUCKER TO REFUEL VIA IN-BOUND ROUTE THENCE TO INDEPENDENCE LANDING AT 2325H. COAST OUT AT 2000H. HELO CREW OBSERVED SMZLL ARMS FIRE AND FLAK BURSTS IN PICK UP AREA.

2. FOLLOWING IS DEBRIIIIEF OF SURVIVOR, SSGT BERKELY E. NAUGLE, DET 5 38TH ARS: CH-3C DEPARTED LIMA 36 AT 0940H AND HEADED NORTH TO ORBIT POINT AND WAITED FOR SANDY ACFT. SURVIVOR (CREW CHIEF). NOT SURE OF POSITION BUT BELIEVES THEY THEN HEADED EAST IN COMPANY WITH SANDY ACFT. WX WAS BROKEN AND PATCHY AND AS HELO DESCENDED THROUGH 8000 FT, APPROX 5MILES WEST OF OBJECTIVE AREA (20-07N/105-28E); HEAVY FLAK ENCOUNTERED. CREW CHIEF SAW MANY TRACERS ENTER HELO AND BELIEVES FUEL LINES WERE RUPTURED AS FUEL LEAKS WERE OBSERVED. TRACERS CONTINUED TO ENTER HELO WHICH SUDDENTLY IGNITED INTO LARGE BALL OF FIRE. PARA-MEDIC SHOUTED VZFIRE! AND BAILED OUT. CREW CHIEF FOLLOWED BUT WAS STILL ATTACHED TO GUNNERS BELT. WHILE ATTEMPTING

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUHLKM 1019 S E C R E T

TO RELEASE GUN BELT HE SAW PARA-MEDIC CHUTE OPEN. AFTER RELEASING GUN BELT AND OPENING CHUTE HE SAW 2 MORE CHUTES OPEN. AT THIE POINT HE BECAME DISORIENTED BUT BELIEVES HELO CRASHED JUST WEST OF HIM. AFTER NORMAL DESCENT AND LANDING ON HILLSIDE HE HID CHUTE IN UNDER-BRUCH. KEPT 3 SQUARE YARDS OF CHUTE FOR SIGNAL PANEL. COMMENCED CRAWLING UP HILLSIDE, DISCARDING HELMET FLAK VEST AND HARNESS WHICH HAMPERED TRAVEL THROUGH THICK UNDERGROWTH. UPON ARRIVAL AT TOP OF HILL, HEARD MANY VOICES AND SAW HELO BURNING. MANY TRUCKS AND PERSONNEL AROUND HELO AND AT BASE OF HILL. HID BETWEEN 2 ROCKS AND TURNED ON BEEPER. WHEN SANDY ACFT LEFT EH AREA HE SECURED HIS BEEPER. ATTEMPTED VOICE CONTACT WITH RESCAP BUT NO ANSWER. ALSO ATTEMPTED TO SIGNAL WITH SIGNAL MIRROR. SURVIVOR SPENT DAY BETWEEN TWO ROCKS EXAMINING HIS SURVIVAL PACK, TRIMMING TWIGS, RADING CHART CLEANING NAILS ETC. IN ORDER TO KEEP HIS OCCUPIED. VOICES CONTINUED ALL DAY AND OFTEN HEARD HACKING SOUND IN BRUSH. APPROX 1700 HE HEARD JET NO PROP ACFT AND ESTABLISHED VOICE CONTACT WITH ACFT. A1ACFT PINPOINTED SURVIVOR BY MARKING WITH LIGHTS FOR NIMBLE 62 WHO EFFECTED PICK-UP AND RETURN. SURVIVOR USED CHICKLETS TO QUENCY THIRST. RECOMMENDS CLOSE ADHERENCE TO PROCEDURES LEARNED

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL

NOTIFICATION
ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED AFS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 4921
PERSON CONTACTED [illegible]
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT [illegible]
Re ARS SC No. 655828
AFRDC # 655119

PAGE 4 RUHLKM 1019 S E C R E T

WHILE AWAITING RESCUE.

SURVIVOR HAD FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT/

SE (1) NOR BEACON
(2) ARC-11 RADIO
(3) SIGNAL MIRROR
(4) POCKET KNIFE
(5) CLOTH SURVIVAL CHART
(6) BLOOD VHIT

IN ADDITION HE CARRED SMALL BOTTLE ASPIRIN, SMALL BOTTLE WATER PURFICIATION TABLETS, 3 PROPHYLACTIC, 24 ROUND 238 SHELL AMMO, CIGARET LIGHTER, AND 1 PACK CIGARETTES,. US ED NOR BEACON, RADIO, SIGNAL MIRROR, AND CIGARET LIGHTER. SURVIVOR IN EXCELLENT CONDITION WITH MINOR BURNS AND SCRATCHES.

UNQUOTE:

GP-4

BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

CCM/140/ ARS

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

OFIS JAW RUWTVSA0476 3121852-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 219 3101206
ZNY SSSSS
O 061205Z ZFD
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/WYS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUMSAF/6251 TAC FTR WG BIEN HOA RVN
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMBDL/DET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/TACC RCC UDRON AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232 CMBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSAF/6251 TAC FTR WG BIEN HOA RVN
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51045 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/
AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS UDORN-1110-6 NOV 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: (A) A1E PILOT (SANDY 12). (B) CREW OF HC-3C
(JOLLY GREE GIANT). (C) PILOT A1E (SANDY 14)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: (A) 2030N-10533E. (B) 2029N-10527E.
(C) VICINITY OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: (A). 06/1151H

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

Action: AROPC
Info AR COI

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 216 S E C R ET
REHAYED ZDROUGHT SSDSRDRON ABL

SUSPECTED DUPLICATE

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

OFIS JAW RUWTVSA0476 3121852-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 219 3101206
ZNY SSSSS
O 061205Z ZFD
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/WYS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUMSAF/6251 TAC FTR WG BIEN HOA RVN
HICKAM AFB HAWAII
HICKAM AFB HAWAII

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS 13 MAY 1970
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

OFIS JAW RUWTVSA0476 3121852-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 219 3101206
ZNY SSSSS
O 061205Z ZFD
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
RUWG3S/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/WYS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUMSAF/6251 TAC FTR WG BIEN HOA RVN
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
RUMBDL/DET 1 38TH ARS NAKHON PHANOM AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/TACC RCC UDRON AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/6232 CMBT SPT GP UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSAF/6251 TAC FTR WG BIEN HOA RVN
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51045 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/
AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS UDORN-1110-6 NOV 65
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: (A) A1E PILOT (SANDY 12). (B) CREW OF HC-3C
(JOLLY GREE GIANT). (C) PILOT A1E (SANDY 14)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: (A) 2030N-10533E. (B) 2029N-10527E.
(C) VICINITY OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT.
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: (A). 06/1151H

SUSPECTED DUPLICATE

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 216 S E C R SKT
RELAYED ZDROUGHT SSD,SRDRON ABL
THUNLAND. (B) 06/1352H RECEIVED THROUGH
SSB, NAKHON AB, THAILAND.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: (A) 1 USAF. (B) 4 USAF (C) 1
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION OR ENROUTE: NOT A FACTOR.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: (A) 06/1148H LAUNCHED CH-3C
FROM LIMA 36. ALSO PREPOSITIONED HC-54 INTO THE AREA. (B) 06/2351 4H
NAVY LAUNCHED WITHSJC- O TGMSITENI :#-3C
10. FUEFRE PLANS: UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: CH-3C LAUNCHED TO ATTEMPT PICKUP OF SANDY 12.
CH-3C HIT BY GROUND FIRE, BURNING AND FOUR CHUTES OBSERVED. 2AD
ADVISED FORCES TO WITHDRAW FROM THE AREA. 2 HH-43'S LAUNCHED FOR
ATTEMPT PICKUP OF CH-3C CREW DFT WERE WITHDRAWN AGAIN BY 2AD DUE TO
HEAVYHAONCDITRATIONSHMF GROUND FIRE. CAP AIRCRAFT LAUNCHED TO AREA TO
SEARCH FOR CREW MEMBERS. CAP AIRCRAFT HAD VOICE CONTACT WITH CH-3C
CREW. CH-3C FROM PHANOM BEING PREPARED FOR LAUNCH IS OUT OF
COMMISSION AT THIS TIME. NAVY SH-3 WENT INTO THE AREA ESCORTED BY USAF
A1ZHWMD SIDEWINDER FLIGHTS. THE SH-3 REMAINDED UNTRW BINOVHDUEL THEN
RETURNED HOME. NEGATIVE SIGHTINGHPFJREW MEMBER RORTVCHUTES REPORTED.
NEGATIVZ BEEPER OR VOICE CONTACT WITH CREW OF CH-3C MADE. HVONTACT
WIEHUSANDYTHAT WAS ESCORTING NAVY COPPER. SANDY 14

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 216HYHZ V G E T
HAS NOT ARRIVED AT HIS HOME STATION AND WINGMAN HAD NO VISUAL OR
ELECTRONIC CONTACT WITH HIM AFTER THE REPORTED RADIO LOSS.
FOR PARC: LA Y OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 1103.
GP-4.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

NNNN

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPS 13 MAY 1970
By [illegible] (Date) 4-3-75

ARODC # 655131

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ ARS SC No. 655847

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ Rec 10555

TACC Rescue Control Element
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96237

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Copies sent to CONUS + Atlantic Centers & Sqdns. 24 Nov

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TACC/Capt. Reeves

10 Nov 1965

SUBJECT: Narrative Report, Mission Number 1110

Exec: Send copy of the str mnts opns.

TO: Hqs PARC, Hickam AFB Hawaii

Crown 29 was an HC-54D, No. 42-72666, assigned to 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan. The following crewmembers manned the aircraft:

RCC - Robert R. Reeves, FR58833, 42ARSQ, Eglin AFB, Florida
CP - John A. Vogt, FR73445, 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan
NAV - Robert P. Sarbell, FV3139046, 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan
RO - E. L. Wasley, AF16394371, 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan
FM - V. L. Flores, AF19359605, 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan
FM - G. W. Ashworth, AF18441596, 36 Air Recovery Squadron, Tachikawa AB, Japan

B/7

1. On 7 November 1965 Mission Number 1110 was briefed by Lt Col Hamilton, Director of TACC, Udorn. Crown 29 was to proceed to Sam Tev and orbit. We were to back up the Navy who was already searching for Sandy 12 and 14 and Jolly Green 85. If not successful we were to request permission from Compress to enter the mission. Jolly Green was to refuel at Site 11 with Sandys orbiting overhead for use if needed.

2. The following agencys were involved:

TACC/Rescue Control Element - Compress
38th Air Rescue Squadron, Tan Son Nhut - King
HC-54 On Scene Commander - Crown 29
HU-16 On Scene Commander - Crown Alpha
Destroyer - Astronaut
Navy A1-H5 - Locketts
Navy Choppers - Nimble 62 and Angel 07
Navy F8s - Sea Grape 103 and 104
A-1Es - 2 Sandys and 3 Hobos
F-4Cs - Bango Flt and Zebra Flt
CH-3 - Jolly Green 76
HH-43s - Pedro 3 and 4

4cy Repr by ARRS/Dvrd Def. 1cy to USAF Hoop Trans 1cy " " Shipped 1cy " " Restored 1cy to FT Belvoir

MAY 1970

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

3. Crown 29 departed Udorn AB, Thailand at 2244Z with an ETA at Sam Tev orbit point of 2344Z. My radio operator reported having difficulty reading Compress. This difficulty was experienced on almost every early morning flight and later cleared up. As we proceeded toward orbit point we were reading Compress weak but readable. At 2323Z we were reading King 5 by on HF and he requested us to advise Lockett Flight, in search area, to contact Crown Alpha who was working off coast. We advised Lockett flight to contact Crown Alpha on SAR primary.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ~~SECRET~~

Hq ARS SC No. 656084
DDC # 655367 65011

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Approximately 2333Z we relayed to Compress through King that we had negative contact with Jolly Green and could not get his ETA at Site 11. We arrived on orbit at 2344Z. We could hear Lockett Flights UHF transmissions. They were talking on Guard to someone which turned out to be some of the survivors in the search area. The navigator got a radar (APX-28) fix on them. He had numerous targets on the Sarah Receiver also. We pinpointed their position at 060° 66NM from Sam Teu. Lockett Flights high cap left at 2345Z and we advised that Zebra Flight was due in the area at 0010Z. We attempted contact with Zebra on SAR Primary and Guard without success. At 2346Z Astronaut advised, bogeys closing on SAR area from the North. Approximately the same time we received a Red Mig Alert over HF in the same quadrant. We attempted contact with Zebra Flight again on Guard numerous times without success. Lockett was trying to get Cap from Astronaut also. At 2347Z Locketts advised they were receiving heavy ground fire. Shortly afterwards Lockett 2 was hit and reported boost control failure, fumes in cockpit, and he was unable to open canopy. The problem looked critical, but fortunately the fumes cleared and Lockett 2 said he was O. K. and would continue to search. At 2350Z Lockett 3 reported that they were receiving strong VRT-21 signals. Lockett flight was still picking up considerable ground fire. We advised Crown Alpha to attempt contact with Zebra flight as requested by King. Crown Alpha could not contact Zebra either, nor could Locketts. Nimble 62 was hit by ground fire as he was crossing into the SAR area. He reported heavy ground fire and his fuel tanks were damaged. He estimated only 30 to 40 minutes of fuel remaining and could not return to the destroyer due to rapid fuel loss and fumes in the cockpit. This was at 0005Z and Astronaut advised that the Bogeys had turned back to a 360° heading. This took some of the pressure off, but we still had no High Cap. Lockett flight started searching for a landing area for Nimble 62. Lockett 3 located an open area large enough for the damaged chopper. It was only 24NM East of our orbit position at Sam Teu. My navigator advised me of the bearing and distance to L. Site 36 and we knew Nimble 62 could not make it that far. He was too far from any friendly sites to recover. Lockett flight requested Astronaut to scramble another chopper for pickup of 4 crewmembers. Angel 07 was scrambled by the Navy for the recovery. At 0015Z King advised us that Bango Bravo flight was estimating the area in 30 minutes. We advised Crown Alpha. We confirmed negative high cap with Compress at 0022Z. At 0028Z Lockett 3 led Nimble 62 to the landing spot on top of a mountain where trees had been chopped down. It was just large enough for him to land with relative safety. The navigator pinpointed Nimble 62 on the APX 28 with a bearing of 111° for 26NM from Sam Teu. The co-pilot sighted them visually as they were orbiting the landing area. They reported no hostile ground fire or movement. When Angel 07 reported some doubt of recovering all 4 survivors we called Sandy flight at Site 11 and requested they relay to Jolly Green to expedite refueling at Site 11. At 0035Z Lockett 3 advised that Nimble 62 had landed safely and all were outside the chopper and appeared to have no injuries. At 0040Z Angel 07 was crossing coastline and Lockett 3 advised him he could not land and would have to hover out of ground effect. At this point I decided to scramble Jolly Green for back-up for Angel 07. We had no contact with Pedro 3 and 4 at Lima Site 36 so we could not scramble them. Just about this time Pedro 4 contacted us. He had taken off from L. Site 36 to give Jolly Green a steer to 36. He thought Jolly Green was enroute to 36 and became worried when they figured he was overdue. While we were talking to Pedro 4 Compress advised us to put the Pedros on Red Alert at 36. We advised Pedro 4 to land and standby Red Alert. This was at 0055Z and since Pedros were advised to

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL

hold Red Alert at 36 I immediately called Sandy flight and requested they scramble Jolly Green and escort him to San Teu. At 0110Z Compress advised that Bango Bravo was on tanker and would contact us when off. Sandy flight advised us that Jolly Green's ETA was 0210Z. Compress was advised. At 0120Z Compress requested that we move Lockett flight out of the area so Bango Bravo could plot and suppress flak. We advised there was no flak or ground fire in the area. Compress requested that Sandy 13 plot flak and we advised there was no Sandy 13 in the area. At 0139Z Angel 07 reported 1st pickup of one survivor. He only had 7 minutes till Bingo fuel and advised we would probably have to use Jolly Green. We advised Jolly Green. At 0140Z we started vectoring Bango Bravo into our position and at 0145Z he passed directly overhead. He was a welcome sight as the area had no high cap for approximately 1+58. His Bingo time was 0215Z. Compress advised us to use Sandy 13 and Hobo 91 as forward air controllers for Bango Bravo. We advised 91 and decided to keep them with us in case Lockett 3 and Angel 07 needed them for assistance. At 0151Z Angel 07 recovered second survivor on slow running pickup due to weight and altitude. At 0156Z Bango Alpha arrived in area for high cap. At 0158Z Angel 07 departed for the destroyer. At 0200Z Jolly Green and Sandy flight and Hobo flight arrived at San Teu and we had Lockett 3 vector us to the scene. We located the 2 remaining survivors and orbited directly overhead so Jolly Green could see us and fly directly to the scene. At 0205Z Compress advised us to proceed with primary mission after recovery of Navy survivors. Bango Bravo bingoed at 0215Z and headed for a tanker. Jolly Green started jettisoning fuel since he was too heavy for recovery at that altitude. He only had 2+00 hours of fuel remaining after jettisioning. We advised him to return to Site 36 with two Sandys and refuel or launch Pedros for primary search. At 0217Z Compress again advised us to have Sandy 13 take Bango Bravo to primary area for expending. We again advised that there was no Sandy 13 in the flight and that Bango Bravo was recycling on tanker. At this time Lockett, Sandy and Hobo flights escorted Jolly Green over scene. We all went to (UHF) guard to preclude excess traffic and all were advised to maintain radio silence except as necessary. At 0222Z Jolly Green recovered both survivors and said they were in good condition. After Jolly moved out of area Lockett 3 expended rockets into the disabled chopper as directed by Astronaut. Sandy and Hobo followed suit and the chopper was left in roaring flames. Lockett 3 departed as he was low on fuel. The other Locketts had departed approximately 15 minutes earlier. At 0227Z Compress advised return all Sandys not taking part in strike. At 0228Z Bango Alpha, Sandys, Hobos, Jolly Green and Crown 29 headed for primary search area. At 0233Z Jolly Green advised he would only have 20 minutes fuel for search in primary area. Compress was notified and they advised us to send Jolly Green to Site 36. Jolly Green was advised and we sent 1 Sandy and 1 Hobo with him for escort. At 0240Z remaining Sandys, Hobos, Bango Alpha and Crown 29 continued toward primary area. Five minutes later Bango Alpha said he would Bingo in ten minutes and Bango Bravo would be back in 30 minutes. New Lockett aircraft reported coming in but they had no high cap. They requested high cap from Astronaut. With no high cover for 20 minutes at least, we advised Lockett to hold short and Sandy, Hobo, and Crown 29 pulled back to San Teu awaiting high cap. At 0302Z Compress again advised us to have Sandy 13 direct high cap for expending ordnance and we advised that no Sandy 13 was anywhere in the area to be found. We checked with the Sandys and found out that Hobo 93 had been Sandy 13 in the days previous search. He was enroute with Jolly Green to Site 36 and said he did not have enough fuel to return to the search area and get back to home plate.

CONFIDENTIAL SECRET

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

At 0318Z we told Compress that Jolly Green and Hobo 93 and Sandy were 7 minutes out of Site 36. At 0324Z Astronaut said Seagrape 103 and 104 were inbound for high cap, but no one could make contact. At 0326Z we advised Compress that remaining Sandys and Hobos would only have 30 minutes to search in primary area if they left immediately. Locketts had 2+00 hours in search area, but still no high cap. Compress advised we would have 4 Bango Bravos and 2 Bango Alphas for flak suppression. They advised to use Sandys as forward air controllers for the ordnance expending. Sandy, Hobo and Lockett flights did not know the positions of any flak or ground fire in the primary search area. They said they could draw fire possibly, but we all agreed that this was not good practice as there was no high cap and they would have to recover before either Bango flight could return to the area. At 0335Z Compress advised us to recall all Sandys, Hobos and high cap ASAP, and for Crown 29 to proceed to Site 36 and orbit. When Harbormaster (destroyer) heard us recall our forces he recalled Lockett flight. We arrived at Site 36 at 0410Z and advised Compress that Jolly Green was on the ground and the 2 survivors had departed on a Porter (Papa Charlie Echoe) for Site 20. From there they would be taken to Udorn via another aircraft. We departed Site 36 at 0545Z after being relieved by Crown 29. We landed at 0647Z.

4. Pertinent comments: There was a breakdown in high cap during this entire effort. Out of the 3+41 hours covering the span when cover was needed we only had 1+05. Lockett flight and Nimble 62 were left in the primary SAR area without cover and about the same time bogeys approached from the North. We considered using Pedros for Angel 07 backup, but were told to leave them at Site 36 on Red Alert. We could not enter the primary search area (for Jolly Green 85 and 2 Sandys downed) because there was no high cover provided after the recovery of the 2 navy survivors. Sandys could not direct expending of ordnance because by the time Bango Bravo started back to the SAR area all Sandys and Hobos were Bingo fuel. None of the low cover aircraft knew the location of the ground fire. I decided when the Navy chopper went down and only 2 could be recovered this became our primary mission. I considered the 2 positive survivors paramount over 4 possible recoveries with whom no visual contact had been made. Even though the Navy survivors appeared to be in an isolated area (mountain peak with valleys and villages around it 5NM distant) I could not by pass them for possible recoveries. Overall except for high cover we thought the recovery of the navy survivors was handled with flexibility which is the by-word of rescue. As on scene commander I had to use my best judgement of the situation when the Navy chopper was downed. The complexion was suddenly completely changed. Major Halsworth, Col Karschner, and Col Mask all agreed that I made the proper decision. They were the responsible rescue personnel attending the crews debriefing. My reason for mentioning this is that 2nd Air Division was directing this mission. Col Hamilton briefed the crew before departure and Col Carter, Chief of Operations for Deputy Commander, 2nd Air Division, debriefed. In the debriefing I was criticized for not carrying out the mission as briefed. My reason for deviating was obvious I thought. The entire mission changed before we even got to orbit. In addition Lockett 2 had been shot up as had Nimble 62 and all reported heavy ground fire in the area. Jolly Green 76 would have been taking much more than Rescues policy of a calculated risk, but this is not why I did not proceed as briefed. The Log at TACC reflected that we had been advised to scramble the Pedros for back-up of Angel 07 and to take Jolly Green to the briefed SAR area.

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

65011

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

This was not the case and the RCC of Pedro 3 at Site 36 confirmed that he heard Compress advise us to have Pedros on the ground at Site 36 on Red Alert. The recovery of the Nimble 62 crew went very smoothly. Lockett 3 and Nimble 62 demonstrated some of the best teamwork I have witnessed. Lockett2's refusal to abandon the search after being in trouble himself was commendable. Having 2 UHFs and 2 HFs on Crown 29 has been the best modification to an HC-54 in a long time. The co-pilot coordinated the high cover and worked with Astronaut on SAR secondary and I handled the recovery on SAR primary and guard. The result was excellent radio dicipline and a minimum of confusion. These 2 duplicate radios have kept A/C 42-72666 from having a single radio abort since it left Tachikawa 15 October 1965.

5. Recommendations: It has become difficult to know who the rescue crews are responsible to. One day it appears to be TACC and the next its back to the Rescue Element. I would recommend for the best mission accomplishment that this rescue operation be left to the Rescue Controllers and Element Commander who are trained for and have the experience to best perform this function. A continuation of this confusing situation could cause a rescue crew commander to err in judgement and result in a tragedy. I recommend that all HC-54s operating in South East Asia be equipped with 2 UHF and 2 HF radios. The station for the airborne controller is not needed but the table and areas for charts and recording scheduled Bingos, etc., prove helpfull. My entire crew agrees that the airborne controller is not needed and is a waste of valuable manpower. The extra radio equipment has been the God send of this modification. It is important that the co-pilot be able to transmitt on the second UHF set independantly of the Pilots, however, each should be able to monitor and transmitt on the other set if so desired. The refueling situation at the sites is critical in some cases during missions. Better equipment is needed for faster refueling. The old slow hand pump method could and probably has caused the failure of a recovery mission. If not, it will. We could give better coverage with more HC-54 planes and crews. We cannot cover the entire area with one 54 airborne. We also need more choppers for better placement and faster reaction.

6. Everyone is trying hard to recover our downed pilots. I don't mean to sound critical and every word I have mentioned is sincere and meant to be constructive. My concern is that we recover every pilot who goes down if possible and that the air rescue image is enhanced.

Robert R. Reeves

ROBERT R. REEVES
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 11 3 73

Cy to: Hq ARS
38 ARS
36 ARS
48 ARS

SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

(501)

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

Folder #55 [redacted]

[illegible] 3111429-SSSS--RUNTFIA.
ZNY [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] RUHLKM RUNTFIA RUMABA RUEPAA [illegible]
DE RUMBDF [illegible] 3111[illegible]
ZNY SSSSS
[illegible]
[illegible] 6232GMBTSPTGP UDORN AB THAPO
RUEAHC/CSAF
RUMBBS/AFPMSC RANDOLPH AFB TEX
RUMSMA/VOMUSMACV SAIGON RVN
RUMBC/COMUSMACTHAI
RUMSBJ/2DAIRDIV TSN RVN
RUMSBJ/38ARS TSN RVN
INFO RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUNTFIA/HQ AIRRESCUE SVC ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUNTFIA/1360ABGP ORLANDO FLA
RUMABA/[illegible]AF CLARK AB PI
[illegible]DC/6236GMBTSPTGP DON MUANG AB THAI
[illegible]AA/AFAFC 3800 YORK ST DENVER COLO
[illegible]
[illegible] R E T 6232BPO 20171 NOV 65.
[illegible]SUALTY MESSGE MISSING-NON BATTLE-YUPPLEMENTARY REPORT. REF MY
[illegible]1476, 6 NOV /5, INITIAL CASUALTY MESSAGE-NON-BATTLE.
[illegible] LILLY REPEAT LILLY, HWARREN ROBERT
[illegible]IN
[illegible]57557 REPEAT FR575570
[illegible]INGLETON, JERRY ALLEN
[illegible]ST LIEUTENANT
[illegible]4076 REPEAT FR64076
[illegible]CORMIER, REPEAT CORMIER, M ARTHUR

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

ACTION: ARPDC
Info: [redacted]: ARODC
Info: ARCOI

BRIEFED 8 NOV
MSN IS SUSPENDED
COL Beauly has the briefing written

[redacted]

18 MAY 1970

DOWNGRADED
[illegible]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMBDF 38HY E C R E T
[illegible]SSGT
C. AF12454730 REPEAT AF12454730
[illegible] NAUGLE REPEAT NAUGLE, BERKLEY EUGENE
[illegible]
[illegible] AF23997726 REPEAT AF23997726
[illegible] DET 5, 38 AIR RESCUE SQUADROMP UDORN AB THAI, ATCHD TO
NAKON PHANOM AB THAI.
[illegible]ASE OF FLIGHT ORIGIN: NAKON PHANOM AB, SHHAI, BASE OF LAST
[illegible]TURE: NAKOMHPHANOM AB, THAI, FINAL DESTINATION: NAKON
[illegible]OM AB, THAI. POSITION OF LAST COMMUNICATIONS ; 20 DEGREES20
[illegible]MINUTES NORTH 105 DEGREES, 30 MINUTES EAST.
[illegible]1237L 2 6 NOV 65.
[illegible]OLLY GREEN (VH-3) HELICOPTER WITH AVOVE NAMED CREW MEMBERS
[illegible]OOK OFF FROM NAKON PHANOM 6 NOV 65, HTAKE OFF TIME NOT AVAILABLE,
ON A RESCAP MISSION OVER NORTH VIET NAM. CH-3 WAS DOWNED BY GROUND
FIRE AT 1230G, 6 NOV 65, WHILE APPROACHING SAR AREA. HHC-54 ACFT IN
AREA RECEIVED MAY DAY AT 1235L, 6 NOV 65. LEAD ESCORT SANDY-13,
[illegible] CAPT GEORGE [illegible]. KORONSBEIN, FR26129, SAW FOUR CHUTES LEAVE
JOLLY GREEN AND HE MADE VOICE AND BEEPER CONTACT WITH ONE OF THE
JOLLY GREEN CREW. HE ALSO SAW ONE CREW MEMBER ON THE GROUND GATH-

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMBDF 38 [illegible]
FRING HIS CHUTE [illegible] IN THE AREA. [illegible]
[illegible]
THE RESVAP COPT[illegible]
[illegible] JOLLY [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] NAUGLE, [illegible] NAUGLE, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
FOLLOW [illegible] CONTINUES FOR OTHER THREE CRE[illegible]
[illegible]

655837

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

NNNNS.....044

OFTU JAW RUWTVSAD696 3101701-UUUU--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMBDF 66A 3101201
ZNR UUUUU
O 061156Z ZFF1

NOTIFIED -
WCOL BRIDGES ✓
COL THORNE ✓
COL WILLIAMS ✓
CAPT BROSCHAT ✓
COL BEAUDRY

COL BRIDGES
WILL NOTIFY
COL BROOKS

FILE WITH
MSN 38-1116

GO RUMBC RUMBDC RUMABA
DE RUMBDF 66A 3101201
ZNR UUUUU
O 061156Z ZFF1
FM 6232CSG UDORN AB THAILAND
TO RUEAHQ/CSAF
RUMGBS/AFPMSC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUMSMA/COMUSMACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSBJ/2D ADIV TSN AB RVN
RUMSBJ/38ARS TSN RVN
INFO RUCBAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUHLAM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUWTFIA/HQ AIR RESCUE SVC ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUWTFIA/1362AB GP ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHQ/CINCPAC
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMBDC/6236CSG DON MUANG AB THAI
RUWGKB/AFAFC 3825 YORK ST DENVER COLO
BT
UNCLAS 88376. FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY. CASUALTY MESSAGE-
MISSING-NON-BATTLE.
A. LILLY REPEAT LILLTY, WARREN ROBERT
B. CAPTAIN
C. FR57557 REPEAT FR57557
A. SINGLETON, JERRY ALLEN
B. FIRST LIEUTENANT
C. FR64876 REPEAT FR64876.
A. CORMIER, REPEAT CORMIER, ARTHUR
B. SSGT

PAGE 2 RUMBDF 66 UNCLAS
C. AF12454736 REPEAT AF12454736
A. NAUGLE REPEAT NAUGLE, BERKLEY EUGENE
B. SSGT
C. AF23997726 REPEAT AF23997726
D. DET 5 38 AIR RESCUE SQUADRON UDORN AB THAI, ATCHD TO NAKON PHANOM AB THAI.
E. BASE OF FLIGHT ORIGIN: NAKON PHANOM AB THAI, BASE OF LAST DEPARTURE: NAKON PHANOM; FINAL DESTINATION: NAKON PHANOM AB THAI. POSITION OF LAST COMMUNICATION: CLASSIFIED, WILL BE FURNISHED IN A CLASSIFIED SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.
F. 1257L - 6 NOV 69.
G. DOWNED IN SOUTHEAST ASIA ON SAR MISSION. CLASSIFIED SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT WILL FOLLOW.
H. (1) CAPT LILLY:
WIFE: JANE D. LILLY, 5938 BINKLEY, DALLAS, TEXAS
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS. CLARENCE F. LILLY, 5938 BINKLEY
DALLAS, TEX
(2) LT SINGLETON:
WIFE: BARBARA J. SINGLETON, 9275 MEADOWGLEN, DALLAS, TEXAS
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS VIRGIL E. SINGLETON, 3420 24TH ST, GREELY

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

RUWGKB/AFAFC 3800 YORK ST DENVER COLO
BT
UNCLAS 80376. FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY. CASUALTY MESSAGE-
MISSING-NON-BATTLE.
A. LILLY REPEAT LILLTY, WARREN ROBERT
B. CAPTAIN
C. FR57557 REPEAT FR57557
A. SINGLETON, JERRY ALLEN
B. FIRST LIEUTENANT
C. FR64076 REPEAT FR64076.
A. CORMIER, REPEAT CORMIER, ARTHUR
B. SSGT

PAGE 2 RUMBDF 66 UNCLAS
C. AF12454730 REPEAT AF12454730
A. NAUGLE REPEAT NAUGLE, BERKLEY EUGENE
B. SSGT
C. AF23997726 REPEAT AF2399726
D. DET 5 38 AIR RESCUE SQUADRON UDORN AB THAI, ATCHD TO NAKON PHANOM
AB THAI.
E. BASE OF FLIGHT ORIGIN: NAKON PHANOM AB THAI, BASE OF LAST
DEPARTURE: NAKON PHANOM; FINAL DESTINATION: NAKON PHANOM AB THAI.
POSITION OF LAST COMMUNICATION: CLASSIFIED, WILL BE WPRNISHED IN A
CLASSIFIED SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.
F. 1237L - 6 NOV 65.
G. DOWNED IN SOUTHEAST ASIA ON SAR MISSION. CLASSIFIED SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORT WILL FOLLOW.
H. (1) CAPT LILLY:
WIFE: JANE B. LILLY, 3508 BINKLEY, DALLAS, TEXAS
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS. CLARENCE P. LILLY, 3508 BINKLEY
IQ DALLAS, TEX
(2) LT SINGLETON:
WIFE: BARBARA J. SINGLETON, 9270 MEADOWGLEN, DALLAS, TEXAS
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS VIRGIL E. SINGLETON, 2428 24TH ST, GREELY

PAGE 3 RUMBDF 66 UNCLAS
COLORADO.
(3) SSGT CORMIER:
WIFE: EILEEN M. CORMIER, 1101 THOMPSON DR, BAY SHORE, NEW
YORK.
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS ARTHUR J. CORMIER, GODDARD ST, OPA LOCKER,
FLORIDA
(4) SSGT NAUGLE:
WIFE: ANGELES C. ANUGLE, 40 BARLOW ST, GETTYSBURG, PA
FATHER & MOTHER: MR & MRS. GEORGE W. NAUGLE, 40 BARLOW ST, GETTYSBURG,
PA.
I. NEXT OF KIN TO BE NOTIFIED BY HQ USAF.
J. (1) CAPT LILLY - 26 AUG 65.
(2) LT SINGLETON - 25 AUG 65
(3) SSGT CORMIER - 27 AUG 65
(4) SSGT NAUGLE - 31 AUG 65
K. ACTIVE DUTY.
L. YEAS, PAY STATUS AS CREW MEMBERS.
M. (1) CAPT LILLY - SENIOR PILOT
(2) LT SINGLETON - PILOT
(3) SSGT CORMIER - CREW MEMBER

PAGE 4 RUMBDF 66 UNCLAS
(4) SSGT NAUGLE - CREW MEMBER
N. (1) CAPT LILLY:
JANE BAILIE LILLY, WIFE, 3508 BINKLEY, DALLAS, TEXAS
(2) LT SINGLETON:
BARBARA JEAN SINGLETON, WIFE, 9270 MEADOWGLEN, DALLAS, TEXAS
(3) SSGT CORMIER:
EILEEN M. CORMIER, WIFE, 1101 THOMPSON DR, BAY SHORE, NEW YORK.
(4) SSGT NAUGLE:
ANGELES C. NAUGLE, WIFE, 40 BARLOW ST, GETTYSBURG, PA
O. N/A
BT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

PARC

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By LYD (Date) 14-5-75

0811645 Z

IMMEDIATE

ARSORLANDO AFB FLA

MCP SCOTT AFB ILL

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2

ROUTING	ACTIVITY	COORDINATION & CLEARANCE
	COMDR	
	V/C	
	C/S	
	AROOP	
	Mockley	
	ARSCP	
	Peterson	

SECRET ARSCP 50520 NOV 65.

SUBJECT: NARRATIVE REPORT ON MISSION 38-1110 (6 NOV 65).

OPENING AND PROGRESS REPORT #1 AND SUSPENSION BY TELECON PARC AND HQ ARS. THIS MISSION IS QUITE COMPLEX AND THE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS NECESSITATES A DETAILED BRIEFING. AN A1E W/1 POB WAS DOWNED 45 NM SOUTHWEST OF HANOI ON EARLY 6 NOV WHILE ON A SEARCH MISSION FOR THE F-105 PILOT THAT WAS DOWNED BY A SURFACE TO AIR MISSILE ON 5 NOV. (THE F-105 MISSION 38-1103 WAS BRIEFED AS AN OPENING REPORT LAST FRIDAY.) DET 1 LAUNCHED A CH-3C W/4 POB'S FROM LIMA SITE 36 EARLY ON 6 NOV TO SEARCH FOR THE DOWNED A1E PILOT. THE CH-3C WAS HIT BY HEAVY GROUND FIRE, THEN CAUGHT FIRE AND CRASHED 40 NM SSW OF HANOI. A COMBAT COVER ACFT SPOTTED FOUR CHUTES FROM THE CH-3C APPROXIMATELY 60 NM SSW OF HANOI AND ESTABLISHED RADIO GROUND CONTACT WITH ONE OF THE DOWNED CREW MEMBERS. AN UNDISCLOSED NUMBER OF HH-43'S WERE LAUNCHED IMMEDIATELY AND ATTEMPTED TO PICKUP THE DOWNED CH-3C CREW BUT THEY WERE DRIVEN BACK BY EXTREMELY

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

8 1100
NOV 1965
1

SSGT PETERSON 494

ARODC #655116

[redacted]

JAMES H. MOCKLEY, MJ, USAF
ACTG CHIEF, CURRENT OPS DIV

ORIGINATOR (Typed Name and Grade)	ACTION AGENCY	PHONE NUMBER	TYPIST'S INITIALS	DATE PREPARED
SSGT PETERSON	ARSCP	494	af	8Nov65

COORDINATION SHEET 80 ARS SC No.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

BE A VIET-CONG TRAP. FOLLOWING IS A RECAP ON MISSION: 4 TOTAL ACFT DOWN--2 A1E'S, ONE CH-3C AND ONE NAVY SH-3. THERE ARE FIVE PERSONS STILL MISSION, TWO A1E PILOTS AND THREE DET 1 CH-3C CREW MEMBERS. ARS RESCUED A TOTAL OF TWO CREW MEMBERS AND THE NAVY RESCUED A TOTAL OF 3 CREW MEMBERS. ARS IS CREDITED WITH TWO SAVES ON THIS MISSION. SORTIES AND HOURS FLOWN ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. GP FOUR.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

13 MAY 1970

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

HEAVY ENEMY GROUND FIRE. ON THE SAME DAY, 6 NOV, AT DUSK A NAVY SH-3 FROM THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER INDEPENDENCE PICKED UP THE CREW CHIEF OF THE CH-3C IN VICINITY OF THE BAILOUT AREA ON TOP OF A 1500 FOOT HILL. RADIO GROUND CONTACT WAS MADE WITH THE CREW CHIEF B UT HE WAS ACTUALLY SPOTTED BY THE USE OF HIS PERSONAL CIGARETTE LIGHTER. THE CREW CHIEF, WHO SUFFERED ONLY MINOR SCRATCHES AND BURNS, WAS RETURNED TO THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER INDEPENDENCE. TWO A1E'S ESCORTED THE NAVY SH-3 FROM A POINT OVER WATER TO THE BAIL-OUT AREA. DURING THE ESCORT ONE A1E WAS DOWNED BY ENEMY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE 10NM NW OF THAN-HOA. ON FOLLOWING MORNING, 7 NOV, A NAVY SH-3 FROM CARRIER INDEPENDENCE SEARCHED FOR THE REMAINING THREE CREW MEMBERS OF THE CH-3C; DURING THE SEARCH THE SH-3 WITH FOUR POB'S WAS HIT BY ENEMY GROUND FIRE AND WAS FORCED DOWN 20 NM SW OF THE CH-3C BAILOUT AREA. A SECOND NAVY SH-3 FROM THE CARRIER INDEPENDENCE PICKED UP TWO OF THE FOUR SH-3 CREW MEMBERS AND A DET 1 CH-3C PICKED UP THE REMAINING TWO IN THE VICINITY OF THE FORCED LANDING AREA. ALL FOUR NAVY SH-3 CREW MEMBERS SURVIVED. DURING THE SH-3 RESCUE OPERATION TWO COMBAT COVER A1E'S WERE HIT BY GROUND FIRE BUT WERE NOT FORCED DOWN; AT THIS POINT ALL RESCUE ACFT RETURNED TO LIMA SITE 36 IN LAOS. BEEPER SIGNALS RECEIVED DURING ENTIRE SEARCH INDICATED GROUND SURVIVAL OF SEVERAL PERSONNEL INCLUDING POSSIBILITY THAT THE FIRST A1E PILOT DOWN IS STILL AT LARGE. AT ~~0130L~~ 0630Z THIS MORNING PARC CALLED AND ADVISED 38TH SUSPENDED THIS MISSION DUE TO QUESTIONABLE ELECTRONIC SIGNALS RECEIVED WHICH WERE SUSPECTED TO

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
ARSCP By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1 OPE

Lt Col Rottman
NOTIFIED
M

15 20

[redacted]

CONFIDENTIAL

OFTS JAW RUWTVSB0418 3101513-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSALA 353D 3101129
ZNY SSSSS
O 061124Z
FM 38ARSQ TSN AFLD RVN
TO ZEN/2 AIR DIV TSN AB RVN
INFO RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUWHNF/DEP TIG USAF NORTON AFB CALIF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS — ARS
RUHLKM/PACAFARESCUECEN
BT

DOWNGRADED IAW EO 13526 13 MAY 1970

218/ARS

Action: ARODC
Info: ARC01

S E C R E T 40018 NOV 65. 38 OPS. AIRCRAFT MISHAP REPORT. THREE HOUR MESSAGE PACAF REG 127-4 AND MATSUP 1 TO AFR 127-4. FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY (SPECIAL HANDLING REQUIRED. SEE AFR 127-4). FOR 13 AF (BCSA), PACAF (PFCSA & PFOCO), DEP TIG USAF NORTON AFB (AFIAS) MATS (MAIOS, MASJA, MACSG, MAODC, MAMDC AND MAPDC, ARS (ARSCP, ARIOS).

A. 6 NOV 65, 1352H
B. 20 DEG 29'N 105 DEG 27'E
C. CH-3C, 639685
D. MATS, ARS, 38TH AIR RESCUE SQUADRON

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSALA 353D S E C R E T
3. LILLY, WARREN R, CAPT, FR57557, DETACHMENT 5, 38TH ARS MATS (ARS) UDORN AB, THAILAND, PILOT. SINGLETON, JERRY A, 1ST LT, FR 64076 DETACHMENT 5, 38TH ARS MATS (ARS), UDORN AB THAILAND, CO-PILOT. CORMIER, ARTHUR, SSGT, AF 12454730, DET 5, 38TH ARS, MATS (ARD) UDORN AB THAILAND. PARARESCUE. NAUGLE, BERKELEY E, SSGT, AF 17385794, DET 5, 38TH ARS (MATS), (ARD), UDORN AB, THAILAND, CREW CHIEF.
F. UNKNOWN, 4 CHUTES SIGHTED.
G. NONE.
H. TOTAL PILOT HOURS, TOTAL 1ST PILOT HOURS LAST 30, 60, 90 DAYS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.
I. DURATION OF FLIGHT TWO (2) HOURS.
J. AIRCREW RECOVERY IN HOSTILE COUNTRY.
K. AIRCRAFT HIT BY GROUND FIRE, OBSERVED TO BE ON FIRE, CREW BAILED OUT.
L. N/A
M. N/A
O. 2030N - 10533E
P. UNKNOWN, NOT A FACTOR
Q. HOSTILE ACTION.
R. N/A
S. N/A

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 655830

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

PAGE 3 RUMSALA 353D S E C R E T

ARODC # 655122 9/6/71

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1 OPS

Lt Col Rottman
NOTIFIED

[redacted]

OFTS JAW RUWTVSB0418 3101513-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSALA 353D 3101129
ZNY SSSSS
O 061124Z
FM 38ARSQ TSN AFLD RVN
TO ZEN/2 AIR DIV TSN AB RVN
INFO RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUWHNF/DEP TIG USAF NORTON AFB CALIF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS
RUHLKM/PACAFARESCUECEN
BT

[redacted]

DOWNGRADED IAW EO 13526 13 MAY 1970

18/ARS

Action: ARODC
Info: ARC01

S E C R E T 40018 NOV 65. 38 OPS. AIRCRAFT MISHAP REPORT. THREE HOUR MESSAGE PACAF REG 127-4 AND WATSUP 1 TO AFR 127-4. FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY (SPECIAL HANDLING REQUIRED. SEE AFR 127-4). FOR 13 AF (BCSA), PACAF (PFCSA & PFOCO), DEP TIG USAF NORTON AFB (AFIAS) MATS (MAIOS, MASJA, MACSG, MAODC, MAMDC AND MAPDC, ARS (ARSCP, ARIOS).
A. 6 NOV 65, 1352H
B. 20 DEG 29'N 105 DEG 27'E
C. CH-3C, 639685
D. MATS, ARS, 38TH AIR RESCUE SQUADRON

[redacted]

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSALA 353D S E C R E T
3. LILLY, WARREN R, CAPT, FR57557, DETACHMENT 5, 38TH ARS MATS (ARS) UDORN AB, THAILAND, PILOT. SINGLETON, JERRY A, 1ST LT, FR64076 DETACHMENT 5, 38TH ARS MATS (ARS), UDORN AB THAILAND, CO-PILOT. CORMIER, ARTHUR, SSGT, AF12454730, DET 5, 38TH ARS, MATS (ARD) UDORN AB THAILAND. PARARESCUE. NAUGLE, BERKELEY E, SSGT, AF17385794, DET 5, 38TH ARS (MATS), (ARD), UDORN AB, THAILAND, CREW CHIEF.
F. UNKNOWN, 4 CHUTES SIGHTED.
G. NONE.
H. TOTAL PILOT HOURS, TOTAL 1ST PILOT HOURS LAST 30, 60, 90 DAYS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.
I. DURATION OF FLIGHT TWO (2) HOURS.
J. AIRCREW RECOVERY IN HOSTILE COUNTRY.
K. AIRCRAFT HIT BY GROUND FIRE, OBSERVED TO BE ON FIRE, CREW BAILED OUT.
L. N/A
M. N/A
O. 2030N - 10533E
P. UNKNOWN, NOT A FACTOR
Q. HOSTILE ACTION.
R. N/A
S. N/A

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 655830

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

PAGE 3 RUMSALA 353D S E C R E T
T. NONE
U. NO
V. NONE
W. UNKNOWN
X. NO, MACV WILL RELEASE.
Y. HIGH, JOHN M. CAPT, SAFETY OFFICER 2312.
GP-4

ARODC # 655122

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CCN/041/ARS

[redacted]

PFTS JAW RUWTVSA0963 3110510-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 1020 3110041-
ZNY SSSSS
P 070010Z
FM PACARESCUECEN HICKAAM AFB HAWAII
TO ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
S E C R E T PRCOP 50590 NOV -65. THE FOLLOWAING MSG IS QUOTED
FOR YOUR INFORMATION-. QUOTE-.
JOPREQ PINNACLE-/OPREP-3
SAR INCIDENT 6 NOV (-C-)
A-. MY -061736Z NOTAL
B. CTG -77.0 3061820Z NOTAL
1-. ON -6 NOV-, CTG 77.3 PARTICIPATED IN SAR OPERATIONS FOR AAIR FORCE
SURVIVORS OF ONE F-105, ONE A1E-, AND ONE SAR HELO, ALL REEPORTED
DOWAN IN THE DRV-. THIS REPORT IS BASED ON DEBRIEFING AINFORMATION
AVAILABLE ON BOARD USS ORISKANY, AND SUPPLEMENTS AOTHER OPREP--3
REPORTS SUBMITTED BY 2AD AND DTG 737.7. REFS A AND B ALSO PERTAIN.

Action: ARODC
Info: ARC01

DOWNGRADED
IAW EO-205-2

13 MAY 1970

PAGE 2 RUHLKM 1020 S E C R E T
23. TWO ORISKAANY A13H ACFT, VOICE CALLS LOCKET 581A AND 589, ESCORTED
INDEPENDENCE SH-3 HELO, VOICE CALL NIMBLE 62, TO THE SAR SCENE, IN
THE VICINITY OF 20-33N/105-41E RPT 20-33N/105-41E. TWO OTHER
LOCKET A1H ACFT ASSISTED IN THE SEARCH, AS WELL AS A4 ACFT FROM
USS IDEPENDENCE-. AT -061124Z, NIMBLE 62 REPORTED ONE SURVIVOR FROM
DONED AF HELO CREW HAD BEEN RECOVERED. LOCKET ACFT HAD LOCATED
THIS SURVIVOR BY BEEPER SIGNAL, ACOICE CONTACT-, AND FINALLY THE
FLAME OF HIS PERSONAL CIGARETTE LIGHTER.
3.E AS THESE SAR FORCES RETURNED TO THEIR BASES, FOUR MORE ORISKANY
A-1H ACFT AND A SECOND SH-3 HELO PRECEEDED TO THE SCENE. THE SEARCH
WAS CONTINUED UNTIL -161540Z. ALTHOUGH INTERMITTENT BEEPER SIGNALS
WERE HEARD, POSITIVE CONTACT WITH SURVIVORS COULD NOT BE OBTAINED.
AT ABOUT 061440Z, ONE VEHICLE WAS OBSERVED AT 20-31N/105-43E,
TRAVELING RAPIDLY TOWARD THE SAR AREA.
4. SAR SOPS HVE BEEN DISCONTINUED UNTIL DAYLIGHT ON 7 NOV, WHEN
ORISKANY A1H ACFT WILL RESUME THE SEARCH.
GP-
BT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unscheduled
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

Bq ARS SC No. 655826

[redacted]

NOTIFICATION

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED ARS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 494
PERSON CONTACTED Linnahill
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT RO

ARODC # 653117

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1 APE

IMMEDIATE

OFTS JAW RUWMQGB 0286 3101341-SSSS--RUWTFIA
DE RUMSALA 350 3101120D
ZNY SSSSS
O 061115Z
FM 2 AIR DIV TSN AB RVN
TO RUHLKM/PACAF
RUEAHQ/SAF
RUMABA/13AF CVARK AB PI
RUMSMA/COMUSMACV SAIGON
INFO RUWTFIA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
S E C R E T /WDOCO-O 07015 NOV 65
SUBJ: APEX BEELINE REPORT. FOR: CSAF, AFOOP-CP; COMUSMACV FOR J-3 JOC (AIRUECTION)
A. 6NOV 65 0533 APPROX 2029N 10527E
B. A/C MISHAP
C. (1) CH-3
(2) UDET 1 38 ARS
(3) NAKHON PHANOM
(4) RESCUE MISSION FOR SANDY 12 (A1E)
(5) SA/C WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE, CAUGHT FIRE AND CRASHED.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

Action: ARODC
Info: ARC01

[redacted]

13 MAY 1970 196/ARS

IMMEDIATE

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSALA 350K S E C R E T
FOUR CREWMEMBERS WERE SEEN BAILING OUT AND WERE CONTACTED ON THE GROUNDKK SAR UNSUCCESSFUL TO DATE BUT STILL IN PROGRESS 6/[redacted]
(6) GRUND FVRE
(7) 3500 SCTD VAR BKN 10000 SCT, HIGH SCT 101 FEW TRW.
D. UNK
E. NONE
F. 1 CH-3C DESTROYED
G. UNK
BT

CONFIDENT

[redacted]

ARODC #655121 JGM 8a ARS SC No. 655831

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

53

CONFIDENTIAL

[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1111-7 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USN A4C
HU-16B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

38-1111 (7 NOV 65)

OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

AN A4C NAVY PILOT WAS downed IN tonkin GULF 30NM EAST OF Than HOA Shortly AFTER HE requested AN emergency intercept. A pre-positioned precautionary orbiting HU-16 diverted to site and MADE an open/SEA pick-up. The HU-16 pilot reported that UNfriendly Vessels were approaching The F4C pilots raft at time of pick-up. The surviving F4C pilot who was NOT injured was returned to Danang A.B.

ARS WAS credited with ONE SAVE on this mission.

TOTAL ONE SORTIE FOR 2 HR & 20 MIN.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS Briefed 8 NOV 65
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 2 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUMSAR 234 3110740 O 070735 SUBJ
MSG PASSED WITH DUAL CLASSIFICATION, MSG SHOULD BE CONFIDENTIAL
VICE SECRET X FLC ZDH ANSWERS ALL SVC'S X
DE RUMSAR 234 3110740
ZNY CCCCC
O 070735Z
FM 38ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUMTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFD FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMFLH/COMSEVENFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT DVANCORS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUHLKM/76ARS HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUAUAP/36ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUMABA/31ARSCLARK AB PI
RUABGK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBDL/DET 1 UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/TACC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 7 DANANG AB RVN
BT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51047 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT SND MCP, ARF FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC. 1. RCS: T1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1111-7NOV65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF A4C (OLD SALT)
5. LOCATION OFNINCIDENT: 19-53N 106-1ME (GKLF OF TONKIN)
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 07/1207HOY 25NM ENE THANH HOA
PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 1207H DIVERTED PREPOSITIONED

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 234 C O N F I D E N T I A L
HU-16 TO SITE OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT.
8. AGENCY LOACTING OBJECTIVE: PREPOSTIONED HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USN.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: HU-16 MADE WATER PICK UP
11. DISPOSTION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO MEDICAL FACILITY AT DANANG AB RVN
12. SORTIES/FLYING TIME: HU-16 ONE SORTIE FOR 2 PLUS 20 HOURS.
13. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: CROWN ALFA(HU16) WHILE RETURNING TO HOME BASE MONITORED CALL THAT OLD SALT(A4C) WAS IN NEED OF INTERCEPT. HE WAS ENROUTE TO THE AREA WHEN WE RECEIVED A CALL FROM CROWN BRAVO, WHO WAS ALREADY AT THE SITE. WE ADVISED CROWN BRAVO THAT ALFA WOULD MAKE THE PICK UP BUT BRAVO REPORTED UNFRIENDLY VESSELS WERE APPROACHING THE DOWNED PILOTS RAFT AND THAT HE WASNDECENDING AT THE PRESENT TIME FOR THE PICK UP. CROWN BRAVO MADE A SUCCESFFUL WATER PICK UP AND RETURNED THE UNINJURED PILOT TO DANANG AB RVN.
RCC: 1LT JOSEPH G KIRBY, PHOENIX, ARIZONA.
GP: 1ST LT ROBERT KRAMEJRN TRENTON NEW JERSEY.
NAV: CAPT ROGER CASLETT, MILES TEXAS
FM: SSGT PARTICK MCCOY, BALTIMORE MD
RO: SSGR HAROLD ERUNSON FERGUSON FALLS MINN

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 234 C O N F I D E N T I A L
PJ: A1C LARRY HUYETT, MANCHESTER PA
SURVIVOR: LT COMDR CHARLES G. WASK, EFFINGHAM ILL
FOR PARC: LAST MISSION REPORT 1110.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

NOTIFICATION
ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED AFSS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 1705
PERSON CONTACTED Tinkell
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT 120

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

CCN/691/ ONE SAVE

OFTC JAW RUWTVSA0069 3111151-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 2196 3110910
ZNY CCCCC
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUMSAR 234 3110740 O 070735 SUBJ
MSG PASSED WITH DUAL CLASSIFICATION, MSG SHOULD BE CONFIDENTIAL
VICE SECRET X FLG ZDH ANSWERS ALL SVC'S X
DE RUMSAR 234 3110740
ZNY CCCCC
O 070735Z
FM 38ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUCDMA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT DVANCORS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUHLKM/76ARS HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUAUAP/36ARS TACHIKAWA AB JAPAN
RUMABA/31ARSCLARK AB PI
RUABGK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBDL/DET 1 UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/TACC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMSAG/DET 7 DANANG AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51047 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT SND MCP, ARF FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC. 1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1111-7NOV65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF A4C (OLD SALT)
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 19-53N 106-1ME (GULF OF TONKIN) 25NM ENE THANH HOA
6. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 07/1207HQY PREPOSITIONED USAF HU-16.
7. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 1207H DIVERTED PREPOSITIONED

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 234 C O N F I D E N T I A L
HU-16 TO SITE OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT.
8. AGENCY LOACTING OBJECTIVE: PREPOSTIONED HU-16.
9. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USN.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: HU-16 MADE WATER PICK UP
11. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: TAKEN TO MEDICAL FACILITY AT DANANG AB RVN
12. SORTIES/FLYING TIME: HU-16 ONE SORTIE FOR 2 PLUS 20 HOURS.
13. NUMBER OF GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING: NONE.
14. ADDITIONAL INFO: CROWN ALFA(HU16) WHILE RETURNING TO HOME BASE MONITORED CALL THAT OLD SALT(A4C) WAS IN NEED OF INTERCEPT. HE WAS ENROUTE TO THE AREA WHEN WE RECEIVED A CALL FROM CROWN BRAVO, WHO WAS ALREADY AT THE SITE. WE ADVISED CROWN BRAVO THAT ALFA WOULD MAKE THE PICK UP BUT BRAVO REPORTED UNFRIENDLY VESSELS WERE APPROACHING THE DOWNED PILOTS RAFT AND THAT HE WASNDECENDING AT THE PRESENT TIME FOR THE PICK UP. CROWN BRAVO MADE A SUCCESFFUL WATER PICK UP AND RETURNED THE UNINJURED PILOT TO DANANG AB RVN.
RCC: 1LT JOSEPH G KIRBY, PHOENIX, ARIZONA.
GP: 1ST LT ROBERT KRAMEJRN TRENTON NEW JERSEY
[redacted] CASLETT, MILES TEXAS
[redacted] BALTIMORE MD

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY

8 NOV 65 16 02

PFTC JAW RUWTVSB0113 3121548-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH-1
VV THA089VV MPB134SLLLLLLGVVG AGA567
PP RUWTFIA RUHLKM R
DE RUMSAG 18 3120445
ZNY CCCCC
P 080230Z
FM DETN7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA.
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
CUABGK/33 ARECOVERY SQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT

CCN 108/ARS

make 13 copies

[redacted]

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 50570. NOV 65
MISSION NARRATIVE.
1. MISSION NUMBER: 1111/7 NOV 65
2. SAC ALERTED BY: UHF ON SAR FREQ 364.2 CALL FROM WINGMAN.
3. TYPE SAR AIRCRAFT USED: HU:16B AMPHIBIAN
CREWNCOMMANDER 1ST LT JOSEPH G. KIRBY 33ARS PHOENIX ARIZ
CO-PILOT 1ST LT ROBERT M. KRAMER, 33ARS TRENTON, N.J.
NAVIGATOR CAPT ROGER J. COSLETT, 33ARS, MILES, TEXAS
RADIO OPR SSGT HAROLD R. ERICKSON, 33ARS, FERGUS FALLS, MINN
FLT MECH SSGT PARTICK B. MCCOY, 33ARS, BALTIMORE, MD

Action ARODC
Info: ~~[illegible]~~
all Staff agencies ARS
AARC
CARC
WARC
EARC
41ARSQ
48ARSQ
54ARSQ
55ARSQ
57ARSQ
58ARSQ

PAGE 2 RUMSAV 18 C O N F I D E N T I A L
PARARESCUE SSGT LARRY D. HUYETT, 33ARS, MANCHESTER, PA
4. TIME FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION TO PICK-UP 0:17 MINUTE [redacted]
5. RESCAP ASSISTANCE 2 A1E'S (USN) 2 A4(S.
6. WATER PICK-UP AT 2010W-10645E.
7. ARA -25 HOMER TO WINGMAN ON CRASH SCENE. ORANGE SMOKE FROM SURVIVOR.
8. SURVIVOR: LCDR CHARLES GALE WACK, 595696 USN VA 163-HOMETOWN EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS.
9. CROWN BRAVO WAS ENROUTE TO ORBIT POSITION WITM AN ETA OF 0416 WHEN A BAILOUT CALL WAS HEARD ON SAR COMMON FREQ AT 0410. THE WINGMAN REPORTED OLD SALT 343 HAD BAILED OUT AND HAD A GOOD CHUTE. AN IMMEDIATE HEADING TO THE DOWNED PILOT WAS REQUESTED OF THE SAR CONTROL DESTROYER (PARTRIDGE). DUE TO MANY SQUAWKF HE WAS UNABLE TO GIVE POSITIVE INFO BUT ESTIMATED SURVIVOR WAS 360/25NM FROM CROWN BRAVO. METO POWER WAS APPLIED AND ADF STEERS REQUESTED OF THE WINGMAN ORBITING THE BAILOUT AREA. 340 DEG. WAS THE FIRST STEER. SURVIVOR WAS REPORTED IN THE WATER WITH A GOOD RAFT AT APPROX 0414. AT 0421 THE SURVIVOR WAS SIGHTED 1/2 MILE NORTH OF A FLEET OF JUNKS AND 15 MILES OFF SHORE. EXTERNAL FUEL TANKS WERE JETTISIONED AT 0423. A WATEC LANDING IN SLIGHT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date)
14-3-75

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 18 C O N F I D E N T I A L
SEA CONDITIONS WAS MADE AT 0425. SURVIVOR WAS INNTHE AIRCRAFT AT 0427 AND THE AICCRAFT WAS OFF THE WATER WITHOUT INCIDENT AT 0429. THE SURVIVOR WAS UNINJURED. CROWN BRAVO RETURNED TO DANANG, AND LANDED AT 0614 FOR A TOTAL OF 3:45 FLYING TIME.
FOR 38ARS:
10. COMMENTS: SURVIVORS URT-21 OPERATED INTERMITTENTLY AND WAS OF LITTLE VALUE IN THIS RESCUE. NOTED AN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF TRANSMITTING ON PRIMARY SAC FREQ 364.2 DURING RECOVECY. SINCE EXCESS OF TRANSMISSIONS COULD HAMPER RECOVERY OF FUTURE SURVIVORS, REQUEST ALL FRIENDLY FORCES SEA BE ADVISED TO AVOID USE OF SAR FREQ EXCEPT WHEN NECESSARY TO ASSIST SAR FORCES.
GP-4
BT

[redacted]

ARS
629
PERSON CONTACTED Sgt Meadows
CONTACT [signature]

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

55

OPENING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1114-8 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USA Soldiers (2ø)
HH-43B & HH-43F

IA

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE

1114

[redacted]

CCN/114/ARS

Action: ARODC

Info: ARCO1

UNNNOFTC JAW RUEBJTA03 [illegible] 651-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH-1
VV THA229VV MPB035V [illegible]
OO RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 323 3130230
ZNY CCCCC
O 0[illegible]0215Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/MATS
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF
RUHLKM/PACARESQUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV
RUHLHS/CINCUSARPAC
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMSVB/173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSARF/III DASC BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38 TH ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF6251 CSG BIEN HOA AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51048 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC. 1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1114-8 NOV 65.
3. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38TH ARS.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE: MEDICAL EVACUATION OF US ARMY CASUALTIES, 173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE.
5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1108N - 10657E (RVN)
6. ALERTING AGECNY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 08/1230H ASSISTANCE REQUESTED THRU COMBAT OPERATIONS TACC, TSN AB, RVN, BY

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By LWD (Date) 14-3-75

IMMEDIATE

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 323 C O N F I D E N T I A L
173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE.
7. PERSONNEL INVOLVED: TOTAL NUMBER OF FORCES TO BE EVACUATED KNOWN
TSZTHIS TIME DUE TO OPERATION IN PROGRESS. ESTIMATE 111 CASUALTIES INCLUDING 42 KIA.
8. WEATHER IN AREA OF LAST KNOWN POSITION OR ENROUTE: NOT A FACTOR.
9. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 08/1230H ALERTED HOIST EQUIPPED HH-43F FROM BIEN HOA AB RVN (DET 6 38TH ARSQ).
10 FUTURE PLANS: CONTINUE EVACUATION UTILIZATING HOIST EQUIPPED HH-43 ACFT UNTIL HELICOPTER LANDING AREA CLEARED TO PERMIT US ARMY HELICOPTERS TO LAND.
11. ADDITIONAL INFO: GROUND OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS AT THIS TIME. USAF HH-43 HAVE EVACUATED APPROX 20 US ARMY. EVACUATION HAS BEEN HAMPERED DUE TO EXCESSIVE GROUND ACTION AND TERRAIN FEATURES. TREES ARE REPORTED TOP 150 FEET. HELICOPTER LANDING AREA REPORTED OPTNL AT TIME OF THIS MSG.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 1111. GP-4.
BT

ARS
194

ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED
TELEPHONE NUMBER
PERSON CONTACTED Allison
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

1117

PRIORITY

NNNNFFTC JAW RUWWQGC09[illegible] 319[illegible]37-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 535B 3161655
ZNY CCCCC
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZUI RUWTFIA 8260 3172215 X H/W ZDK
RUMSAR 355 3131305

PP RUMSVA RUMSVB RUMABA RUHLKM RUHLHS RUEAHQ RUCDAA RUWTFIA
DE RUMSAR 355 3131305
ZNY CCCCC
P 091305Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIW/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHS/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSVA/ACV SAIGON RVN
RUHLHS/CINCUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HAWAII
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMSVB/173 AIRBORNE BRIGADE BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF/III DASC BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF/DET 6 38TH ARS BIEN HOA AB RVN
RUMSAF/6251 CSG BIEN HOA AB RVN
BT

CONN 044/ARS

Action: ARODC
Info: ARCOL

NOTIFICATION
ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED ARS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 491
PERSON CONTACTED ANDERSON
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT PG

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51049 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. 1-ARS-F1. CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER 38TH ARS-1114-8 NOV 65. (MED EVAC USA 173RD AB)
3. DATE OF REPORT: 9 NOVEMBER 1965.
4. SAR OBJECTIVE LOCATED BY: 173RD AIRBORNE BRIGADE.
5. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS AND DECEASED: COMPLETE FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE. THREE US ARMY HELICOPTER UNITS LACKING FIGURES. TOTAL FOR TWO US ARMY UNITS EQUALS 106 CASUALTIES EVACUATED INCLUDING 27 KIA. ALL KIA ARE US AMRY. 3 WIA ARE AUSTRALIAN.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 355 C O N F I D E N T I A L
ESTIMATE OF COMPLETE FIGURES WOULD BE TOTAL 140 CAUSUALTIES INCLUDING 42 KIA.
6. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS/RECOVERY OF DECEASED: UTILIZED HOIST EQUIPPED USAF HH-43 HELICOPTERS UNTIL LANDING ZONE CLEARED OUT OF JUNGLE EARLY 09 NOV TO ENABLE ARMY HELICOPTERS TO EVACUATE. TOTAL 50 CASUALTIES INCL 5 KIA EVACUATED BY USAF HH-43 HELICOPTERS. 20 SAVES BYUSAF OUT OF THAT 50 TOTAL.
7. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: RELEASED TO US ARMY (173RD AB) MEDICAL PERSONNEL, BIEN HOA AB RVN.
8. TOTAL SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43F 61 SORTIES FOR 9 PLUS 55
USAF HH-43B 10 SORTIES FOR 5 PLUS 00
USA UH-1B 77 SORTIES FOR 34 PLUS 30
NOTE: USA UH-1B SORTIES INCLUDE 57TH MED EVAC AND 283RD MED EVAC UNITS ONLY. OTHER USA TOTALS NOT AVAIL.
9. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING: 4 COMPANIES US INF. (173RD)
10. ADDITIONAL INFO:
CREW: BIEN HOA. PILOT. CAPT HENNINGSON, EDWIN A, FV3039781, AGE 31 WATER VLIET, NY. CO-PILOT. CAPT BACHMAN, RONALD L, FR66227, AGE 30, LAKE STEVENS WASH.
GP-4.
BT

WH Report number

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS. DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96227 9 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 38-1112-8 Nov 65
(Initial Mission Summary - 9 saves)

TO: 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96307

THRU: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq (Commander), APO US FORCES 96227

1. Mission number: 38-1112-8 Nov 65.

2. SAR alerted by: Rescue Coordination Center, 38th Air Rescue Squadron.

3. Type SAR aircraft used: One (1) HH-43F helicopter.

Crew:

RCC	Captain Edwin A. Henningson	FV3039781	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Ronald L. Bachman	FR66227	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt George E. Schipper	AF19525873	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt David E. Milsten	AF19601684	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	A1C Alexander Montgomery	AF19535951	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to first pick up: Fifty-five minutes.

5. CAP assistance: 2 U.S. Army armed HU-1B helicopters.

6. Area and type of pick ups: Recovery made with rescue hoist and stokes litters from hostile area heavily wooded with trees 150-180 feet high. Coordinates 1107 N. 10656 E.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate wounded evacuees: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names and serial numbers: Neither available nor possible to determine.

9. Summary of events:

At 1245 hours, 8 Nov 65, a call was received from the Rescue Coordination Center at 38th ARSq that a group of 173rd Batallion personnel were in need of immediate air-evac of 50 US Army wounded from an area 13 miles at 38 degrees from Bien Hoa Air Base (coordinates YT 115-305. The army personnel on the ground reported they were trying to secure the area of Viet Cong (VC) fire and were also attempting to clear some kind of a landing/pickup area. There was a slight delay in the scramble time due to efforts to secure another HH-43 as a top cover ship (Det 6, 38th ARS had only one helicopter in commission at the time) and also to make arrangements for fire support/ cover from one of the Army's armed HU-1B (Huey) units. We were finally able to secure cover from the 501st element of the 173rd Batallion who used the call sign Firebird 91. Our recovery aircraft was instructed to use the call sign Pedro 1. Pedro 1 departed Bien Hoa at 1305 hours arriving over

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

the designated area at 1315 hours. We were instructed by the army gun ships to orbit at 2,500 feet until such time as they completed their firing passes and had determined that the area was ready for us. At this time heavy rain showers were moving in from the east and made it extremely difficult to keep track of the spot and move in on it. We were instructed to remain in the eastern quadrants relative to the pick up point (PUP) and the evac landing zone (LZ) since personnel on the ground were engaged in continuous contact with the VC immediately west of these areas. The first approach to the PUP was accomplished in heavy rainshower with the aid of smoke and vectoring over the radio by both ground and airborne instructions. Although the controlling agencies for this mission had been identified as Python Control (339.6 UHF) and Diesel Stamp #1 (43.8 FM) we were never able to make radio contact with either of these parties; as a result Firebird 91, the armed army HU-1B not only acted as firepower/protector, but also coordinated the entire operation of evacuation and airlift. After considerable hovering around over the trees in the area, the selected PUP was located; it was simply a spot over trees 150-180 feet tall, and at this point none of the trees had been cut down, nor any foliage removed. The paramedic crewmember was lowered into the trees, along with a power chain saw and fuel for the saw. Then the hoist operator lowered a stokes litter into the trees to bring up the first of twelve (12) army wounded who were to be recovered in this manner. There was no clear area for the hoist operator to maneuver the litter into/through, so all he could do was to try as best he could to thread the stokes litter up and down through the branches. We were instructed to airlift the evacuees to a small LZ clearing ¼ mile north of the PUP, where they were to be picked up and air-evaced by Dustoff (a slick HU-1B Flight). During the first round trip we learned that the chain saw had broken, and that personnel in the clearing were requesting another saw, tools and more gasoline. They were also out of ammunition so we were asked to airlift in two cases of ammo, which we let down in the litter with the first pick up. One more wounded was winched up via stokes litter at which time our Firebirds reported they would have to return to Bien Hoa for fuel, and invited us to join them. Our fuel state at this time was 320#. We air-evaced the patient we had on board to the 173rd "Mash" area, then returned to Bien Hoa for fuel. Firebird flight advised us to delay getting airborne back to the site for awhile as they were in the process of blasting out a landing area in the trees. (However, when we arrived at the scene, we found the area unchanged from before). Following a phone call from Firebird we were airborne to pick up our stokes litter at the "Mash" area and then flew on to the scene. As before, we were instructed to orbit at 2,500 feet while the "Hueys" (Army HU-1B) and Mohawks completed their firing passes, and recomned the area. At the word from Firebird, we again proceeded to pick up the wounded via stokes litter, picking up seven (7) on this series of sorties, and each time bringing supplies from the LZ to the PUP area on the return trip. During this segment of the mission, personnel at the PUP again reported they were out of ammunition, and so we airlifted 6 more cases of ammo into them. In addition, 2 cases of TNT, 10 cases of medical supplies (Dextran, etc), 2 more power saws, gasoline and tools. During this period of time the HU-1B's reported taking hits (battle damage, apparently from small arms fire) just east

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

of the PUP/ELZ area, and we were instructed to stay in real tight between the PUP and the ELZ in order to minimize our exposure to ground fire. On a previous run, personnel in the ELZ clearing reported what appeared to be small arms fire directed at our '43 from a point at the west edge of the clearing. Sometime during this same period of the operation, the "Hueys" also cautioned us on what appeared to be small arms fire directed at us. Throughout the recovery operation, the hoist appeared to be overheating; we could smell the strong, acrid odor coming from the cabin. We were concerned about losing the hoist during a sustained operation like this with 300 to 360 feet of cable being winched for every pick-up. Toward the latter part of this portion of the mission a few of the smaller trees directly below the chopper in the PUP area had been felled making the operation somewhat less strenuous. Our pararescue man, Sgt. Schipper who went down on the hoist the first time was later discovered to have suffered injured ribs. On the last sortie at the PUP during this trip the paramedic was recovered from the PUP and we then returned to the 173rd "Mash" area to off-load another wounded Army man. The "Hueys" were once again low on fuel and our fuel state was 280#. From the "Mash" area we returned to Bien Hoa to refuel and coordinate the next segment of the evacuation. Fifteen minutes later we were airborne enroute to the 173rd area to pick up our litter, then continued on to the evacuation area only to find as before that we would have to orbit at 2,500 feet until advised to go in due to the fact that both Navy and Air Force fighter aircraft were conducting heavy air strikes immediately adjacent to the area in which we were working. There was also considerable artillary fire in the area. However, the gunship advised that the firing would continue and to go ahead and "get on with it". At this time what appeared to be ground fire of some kind sailed past the side of the helicopter, and we were advised to get down low and stay in tight. We were once again vectored into the PUP by the higher flying HU-1 aircraft (personnel on the ground at the PUP were out of smoke flares) and proceeded to continue with the recovery of litter patients via the hoist, each time returning with medical supplies, etc. Following the evacuation of the second of this "batch" of evacuees we airlifted in 20 cases of C-Rations. After dropping the rations the hoisting crew continued with the recovery operation only to find that the hoist was inoperative. We flew to the ELZ to attempt to repair the hoist, but after landing discovered that the hoist cable has sheared and was irreparable. We were requested to make 2 more C-Ration delivery flights. Following the first of these (10 cases) when we returned to the ELZ for another load we were waved off. We loitered in the area to learn if we could be of further assistance and since there seemed to be some confusion as to whether they needed us to haul anything else we decided to return as quickly as possible to Bien Hoa to attempt rapid repair of the hoist and return to the scene before nightfall. At Bien Hoa it was learned that there would be a minimum delay of 1 hour for replacement of the hoist cable. The crew was also advised that they were to be relieved to eat and for a rest break. A summary of statistics for the mission up to this point reflects: 35 sorties flown for a total of 4:25 hours of flying time, 12 personnel evacuated by stokes litter and hoist (9 saves). Airlifted in the following equipment and supplies to the PUP: 8 cases of ammunition,

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

2 cases TNT, 10 cases of medical supplies, 30 cases of C-Rations, 4 chain saws, 3 cans gasoline plus miscellaneous tools, rope, etc.

Edwin A. Hennington

EDWIN A. HENNINGSON
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96227 10 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report-38-1112-8 Nov 65
(Second Mission Summary - 5 saves)

TO: 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96307

THRU: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq (Commander), APO US FORCES 96227

1. Mission number: 38-1112-8 Nov 65.

2. SAR alerted by: Rescue Coordination Center, 38th Air Rescue Squadron.

3. Type SAR aircraft used: One (1) HH-43F helicopter.

Crew:

RCC	Captain Charles P. Nadler	FR32161	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Maurice G. Kessler	FV3024099	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins	AF15466708	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	AlC Henry J. O'Beirne	AF12580938	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to first pickup: Mission preplanned on 8 Nov 65 to allow a 0600 takeoff on 9 Nov 65.

5. CAP assistance: Two (2) U.S. Army armed UH-1B helicopters.

6. Area and type of pickups: Recoveries made using rescue hoist, stokes litter and forest penetrater from very hostile heavily wooded jungle area with trees 150-180 feet high. Coordinates 1107 N. 10656 E.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate wounded evacuees: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names and serial numbers: Neither available or possible to determine.

9. Summary of events:

On the evening of 8 Nov 65, Major Bliss of the US Army 173rd Airborne Brigade requested that we land at the Third MASH Hospital in the 173rd AB area north of the Bien Hoa runway at 0605. We did so and were briefed on radio frequencies, artillery firing and cover aircraft. We departed the area with four soldiers, two chain saws and gasoline at 0615. We arrived in the area of YT 115-305 at 0625 and followed a UH-1B over the hole in the jungle where the pickups were to be made. We encountered tracer fire which passed some 50 feet to our left. We broke to the right and descended to tree top height over the hole. Four soldiers and their equipment were lowered in five hoist operations using the forest penetrater. The stokes litter was then lowered and a badly wounded soldier was hoisted into the helicopter. This constituted our first save. We returned him to the 3rd MASH hospital, picked up 4 more soldiers and

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

returned to the hole. Personnel on the ground succeeded in enlarging the hole so that we were able to descend vertically 180 feet and land. We offloaded the soldiers, loaded 4 more seriously wounded soldiers into the helicopter (two of whom were saves), took off and landed at the 3rd MASH hospital. We loaded water cans aboard the helicopter and made a thrid trip into the hole, evacuating six soldiers. We flew to 3rd MASH hospital with the wounded. On the fourth trip into the hole, we evacuated the last four wounded soldiers. We offloaded them at 3rd MASH hospital and refuelled the helicopter at Bien Hoa AB. We departed Bien Hoa at 1000 and were diverted to YT 157-264 to pick up Australian wounded. Two stokes litters were lowered through 100 feet trees and one seriously wounded soldier was picked up. We offloaded him at a collection point from where UH-1B's flew wounded and KIA's to Saigon and Bien Hoa 3rd MASH hospital. This man constituted our fourth save. We made a second trip to the same area, picked up a second wounded Australian soldier, and flew him to the collection point. On the third trip into the area, we lowered our pararescue technician to the ground on the forest penetrator. He rode up with the third wounded Australian and informed us that there were no more wounded in that area. We offloaded that soldier at the collection point and proceeded to YT 115-305 to pick up some KIA's. As we were about to enter the hole, we were asked to pick up three litters at the collection point and bring them with us into the hole so that the KIA's would be removed. After loading the KIA's, we were told that one more wounded man was being carried into the area and would arrive in fifteen minutes. I decided to wait for him and when he arrived, he was promptly loaded and taken to 3rd MASH hospital. This soldier was our fifth save. We offloaded the KIA's at the clearing station and returned to our landing area at Bien Hoa AB at 1155.

We flew a total of twenty five sorties for five hours and ten minutes and picked up 19 wounded and three KIA's. We made a total of six hoist operations with the forest penetrator and three with the stokes litter. We transported 8 soldiers and 400 pounds of equipment into the hole. We are credited with five saves.

I strongly suggest that the HH-43F be equipped with the high speed hoist so as to reduce the length of time in a hover. Hoist operations and rescues would be made in less time thus allowing the helicopter greater fuel reserve and range. It also reduces the time that the helicopter is very vulnerable to enemy ground fire.

for CHARLES P. NADLER
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

48 ARCS

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96227 9 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 38-1113-8 Nov 65
(Initial Mission Summary - 9 saves)

TO: 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96307

THRU: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq (Commander), APO US FORCES 96227

1. Mission number: 38-1113-8 Nov 65.

2. SAR alerted by: Rescue Coordination Center, 38th Air Rescue Squadron.

3. Type SAR aircraft used: One (1) HH-43F helicopter.

Crew:

ROC	Captain Edwin A. Henningson	FV3039721	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Ronald L. Basham	FR66227	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt George E. Schipper	AF19525873	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt David E. Milsten	AF19601684	Det 6, 38th ARS
MM	AlC Alexander Montgomery	AF19535991	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to first pick up: Fifty-five minutes.

5. CAP assistance: 2 U.S. Army armed HU-1B helicopters.

6. Area and type of pick ups: Recovery made with rescue hoist and stokes litters from hostile area heavily wooded with trees 150-180 feet high. Coordinates 1107 N. 10656 E.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate wounded evacuees: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names and serial numbers: Neither available nor possible to determine.

9. Summary of events:

At 1245 hours, 8 Nov 65, a call was received from the Rescue Coordination Center at 38th ARSq that a group of 173rd Battalion personnel were in need of immediate air-evac of 50 US Army wounded from an area 13 miles at 38 degrees from Bien Hoa Air Base (coordinates YT 115-305. The army personnel on the ground reported they were trying to secure the area of Viet Cong (VC) fire and were also attempting to clear some kind of a landing/pickup area. There was a slight delay in the scramble time due to efforts to secure another HH-43 as a top cover ship (Det 6, 38th ARS had only one helicopter in commission at the time) and also to make arrangements for fire support/ cover from one of the Army's armed HU-1B (Huey) units. We were finally able to secure cover from the 501st element of the 173rd Battalion who used the call sign Firebird 91. Our recovery aircraft was instructed to use the call sign Pedro 1. Pedro 1 departed Bien Hoa at 1305 hours arriving over

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

the designated area at 1315 hours. We were instructed by the army gun ships to orbit at 2,500 feet until such time as they completed their firing passes and had determined that the area was ready for us. At this time heavy rain showers were moving in from the east and made it extremely difficult to keep track of the spot and move in on it. We were instructed to remain in the eastern quadrants relative to the pick up point (PUP) and the evac landing zone (ELZ) since personnel on the ground were engaged in continuous contact with the VC immediately west of these areas. The first approach to the PUP was accomplished in heavy rainshower with the aid of smoke and vectoring over the radio by both ground and airborne instructions. Although the controlling agencies for this mission had been identified as Python Control (339.6 UHF) and Diesel Stamp #1 (43.8 FM) we were never able to make radio contact with either of these parties; as a result Firebird V1, the armed army HU-1B not only acted as firepower/protector, but also coordinated the entire operation of evacuation and airlift. After considerable hovering around over the trees in the area, the selected PUP was located; it was simply a spot over trees 150-180 feet tall, and at this point none of the trees had been cut down, nor any foliage removed. The paramedic crewmember was lowered into the trees, along with a power chain saw and fuel for the saw. Then the hoist operator lowered a stokes litter into the trees to bring up the first of twelve (12) army wounded who were to be recovered in this manner. There was no clear area for the hoist operator to maneuver the litter into/through, so all he could do was to try as best he could to thread the stokes litter up and down through the branches. We were instructed to airlift the evacuees to a small ELZ clearing ½ mile north of the PUP, where they were to be picked up and air-evaced by Dustoff (a slick HU-1B flight). During the first round trip we learned that the chain saw had broken, and that personnel in the clearing were requesting another saw, tools and more gasoline. They were also out of ammunition so we were asked to airlift in two cases of same, which we let down in the litter with the first pick up. One more wounded was winched up via stokes litter at which time our Firebirds reported they would have to return to Bien Hoa for fuel, and invited us to join them. Our fuel state at this time was 320#. We air-evaced the patient we had on board to the 173rd "Mash" area, then returned to Bien Hoa for fuel. Firebird flight advised us to delay getting airborne back to the site for awhile as they were in the process of blasting out a landing area in the trees. (However, when we arrived at the scene, we found the area unchanged from before). Following a phone call from Firebird we were airborne to pick up our stokes litter at the "Mash" area and then flew on to the scene. As before, we were instructed to orbit at 2,500 feet while the "Hueys" (Army HU-1B) and Mohawks completed their firing passes, and recovered the area. At the word from Firebird, we again proceeded to pick up the wounded via stokes litter, picking up seven (7) on this series of sorties, and each time bringing supplies from the ELZ to the PUP area on the return trip. During this segment of the mission, personnel at the PUP again reported they were out of ammunition, and so we airlifted 6 more cases of same into them. In addition, 2 cases of TNT, 10 cases of medical supplies (Dextran, etc), 2 more power saws, gasoline and tools. During this period of time the HU-1B's reported taking hits (battle damage, apparently from small arms fire) just east

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

of the PUP/HLZ area, and we were instructed to stay in real tight between the PUP and the HLZ in order to minimize our exposure to ground fire. On a previous run, personnel in the HLZ clearing reported what appeared to be small arms fire directed at our A/C from a point at the west edge of the clearing. Sometime during this same period of the operation, the "Hueys" also cautioned us on what appeared to be small arms fire directed at us. Throughout the recovery operation, the hoist appeared to be overheating; we could smell the strong, acrid odor coming from the cabin. We were concerned about losing the hoist during a sustained operation like this with 300 to 360 feet of cable being winched for every pick-up. Toward the latter part of this portion of the mission a few of the smaller trees directly below the chopper in the PUP area had been felled making the operation somewhat less strenuous. Our parajumper man, Sgt. Schipper who went down on the hoist the first time was later discovered to have suffered injured ribs. On the last sortie at the PUP during this trip the paramedic was recovered from the PUP and we then returned to the 173rd "Mash" area to off-load another wounded Army man. The "Hueys" were once again low on fuel, and our fuel state was 2800#. From the "Mash" area we returned to Bien Hoa to refuel and coordinate the next segment of the evacuation. Fifteen minutes later we were airborne enroute to the 173rd area to pick up our litter, then continued on to the evacuation area only to find as before that we would have to orbit at 2,500 feet until advised to go in due to the fact that both Navy and Air Force fighter aircraft were conducting heavy air strikes immediately adjacent to the area in which we were working. There was also considerable artillary fire in the area. However, the gunship advised that the firing would continue and to go ahead and "get on with it". At this time what appeared to be ground fire of some kind sailed past the side of the helicopter, and we were advised to get down low and stay in tight. We were once again vectorradiate the PUP by the higher flying HU-1 aircraft (personnel on the ground at the PUP were out of smoke flares) and proceeded to continue with the recovery of litter patients via the hoist, each time returning with medical supplies, etc. Following the evacuation of the second of this "batch" of evacuees we airlifted in 20 cases of C-Rations. After dropping the rations the hoisting crew continued with the recovery operation only to find that the hoist was inoperative. We flew to the HLZ to attempt to repair the hoist, but after landing discovered that the hoist cable has sheared and was irreparable. We were requested to make 2 more C-Ration delivery flights. Following the first of these (10 cases) when we returned to the HLZ for another load we were waved off. We loitered in the area to learn if we could be of further assistance and since there seemed to be some confusion as to whether they needed us to haul anything else we decided to return as quickly as possible to Bien Hoa to attempt rapid repair of the hoist and return to the scene before nightfall. At Bien Hoa it was learned that there would be a minimum delay of 1 hour for replacement of the hoist cable. The crew was also advised that they were to be relieved to eat and for a rest break. A summary of statistics for the mission up to this point reflects: 35 sorties flown for a total of 4.25 hours of flying time, 12 personnel evacuated by stoken litter and hoist (9 saves). Airlifted in the following equipment and supplies to the PUP: 8 cases of ammunition,

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

2 cases TNT, 10 cases of medical supplies, 30 cases of C-Rations, 4 chain saws, 3 cans gasoline plus miscellaneous tools, ropes, etc.

KENNETH A. HENNINGSEN
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Send copy to ARS
+B

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96227 10 Nov 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report-38-1112-8 Nov 65
(Second Mission Summary - 5 saves)

TO: 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO US FORCES 96307

THRU: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq (Commander), APO US FORCES 96227-

1. Mission number: 38-1112-8 Nov 65.

2. SAR alerted by: Rescue Coordination Center, 38th Air Rescue Squadron.

3. Type SAR aircraft used: Two (1) HH-43F helicopter.

Crew:

RCC	Captain Charles F. Hadler	FR32161	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Maurice G. Kessler	FV3024099	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins	AF15466708	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	A1C Henry J. O'Beirne	AF12580938	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to first pickup: Mission preplanned on 8 Nov 65 to allow a 0600 takeoff on 9 Nov 65.

5. CAP assistance: Two (2) U.S. Army armed UH-1B helicopters.

6. Area and type of pickups: Recoveries made using rescue hoist, stokes litter and forest penetrator from very hostile heavily wooded jungle area with trees 150-180 feet high. Coordinates 1107 N, 10656 E.

7. Signaling equipment used to locate wounded evacuees: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors names and serial numbers: Neither available or possible to determine.

9. Summary of events:

On the evening of 8 Nov 65, Major Bliss of the US Army 173rd Airborne Brigade requested that we land at the Third MASH Hospital in the 173rd AB area north of the Bien Hoa runway at 0605. We did so and were briefed on radio frequencies, artillery firing and cover aircraft. We departed the area with four soldiers, two chain saws and gasoline at 0615. We arrived in the area of YT 115-305 at 0625 and followed a UH-1B over the hole in the jungle where the pickups were to be made. We encountered tracer fire which passed some 50 feet to our left. We broke to the right and descended to tree top height over the hole. Four soldiers and their equipment were lowered in five hoist operations using the forest penetrator. The stokes litter was then lowered and a badly wounded soldier was hoisted into the helicopter. This constituted our first save. We returned him to the 3rd MASH hospital, picked up 4 more soldiers and

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

returned to the hole. Personnel on the ground succeeded in enlarging the hole so that we were able to descend vertically 150 feet and land. We offloaded the soldiers, loaded 4 more seriously wounded soldiers into the helicopter (two of whom were saves), took off and landed at the 3rd MASH hospital. We loaded water cans aboard the helicopter and made a third trip into the hole, evacuating six soldiers. We flew to 3rd MASH hospital with the wounded. On the fourth trip into the hole, we evacuated the last four wounded soldiers. We offloaded them at 3rd MASH hospital and refueled the helicopter at Bien Hoa AB. We departed Bien Hoa at 1000 and were diverted to YT 157-264 to pick up Australian wounded. Two stokes litters were lowered through 100 foot trees and one seriously wounded soldier was picked up. We offloaded him at a collection point from where UH-1B's flew wounded and KIA's to Saigon and Bien Hoa 3rd MASH hospital. This man constituted our fourth save. We made a second trip to the same area, picked up a second wounded Australian soldier, and flew him to the collection point. On the third trip into the area, we lowered our pararescue technician to the ground on the forest penetrator. He rode up with the third wounded Australian and informed us that there were no more wounded in that area. We offloaded that soldier at the collection point and proceeded to YT 115-305 to pick up some KIA's. As we were about to enter the hole, we were asked to pick up three litters at the collection point and bring them with us into the hole so that the KIA's would be removed. After loading the KIA's, we were told that one more wounded man was being carried into the area and would arrive in fifteen minutes. I decided to wait for him and when he arrived, he was promptly loaded and taken to 3rd MASH hospital. This soldier was our fifth save. We offloaded the KIA's at the clearing station and returned to our landing area at Bien Hoa AB at 1155.

We flew a total of twenty five sorties for five hours and ten minutes and picked up 19 wounded and three KIA's. We made a total of six hoist operations with the forest penetrator and three with the stoken litter. We transported 8 soldiers and 400 pounds of equipment into the hole. We are credited with five saves.

I strongly suggest that the ~~UH-1F~~ be equipped with the high speed hoist so as to reduce the length of time in a hover. Hoist operations and rescues would be made in less time thus allowing the helicopter greater fuel reserve and range. It also reduces the time that the helicopter is very vulnerable to enemy ground fire.

CHARLES P. KADLEK
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 56

NRO/CL 1-C/	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-1138-17 Nov 65
SUBJECT:	USN F-8E
	HU-16B

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OFTS JAN RUNTVS00002 32*1958-SSSS--RUNTFIA.
DE RUSAR 643 3216745
ZNY SSSSS
17*739Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUCDAA/ATC SCOTT AFB ILL
RUNTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENFLT CVA TG CDRS
RUMABA/1CAF CLARK AB PI
RUMSAA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2ND TSN AB RVN
ZEN/CTE 70 2 1 1
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUMSAA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI
BT

P-FFC 269 | PRO

13 Copies

IMMEDIATE

LCo 19302/20

38-1138-17 Nov
Open/Close
Note Garbled Copy

[redacted]

SECRET SAR 51057 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR #FXCPH, MATS FOR
ARCC/ AT AND MCP.ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS - 1138 - 17 NOV 65.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: USN F8E PILOT (RED FLMGH ONE)
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: USN WINGMAN
ALERTED HU-16 AT 17/0354Z THUS [illegible] SAR VESSEL ON SAR STATION
5. TYPE AN

5. TYPE AN OIE OF INITIAL SAR ACTVN: HU-16 WENT TO INVESTIGATE
REPORT OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1913N - 10748E 120NM EPP, VIEW in [illegible] GULF

ONE COMBAT SAVE USN F8E PILOT BY HU-16 WATER PICK-UP

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 643 SECRET
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: NOT A FACTOR
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS
9. AGENCY LOATING OBJECTIVE: USN WINGMAN
10. AGENCY AND METHOD USED TO ESCUE SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE A
WATER PICKUP AT 0444Z.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 1 USN PILOT
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: FLOWN TO DANANG AB, RVN BY HU-16
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 6 PLUS 20
USN F8E 1 SORTIE FOR 1 PLUS 00 HOURS
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH:
NONE
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: THE PILOT OF THE F8E COMMANDER ROBERT S CHEW JR,
REPORTED THAT HE WAS DOWNED BY ANTI AIRCRAFT FIRE WHILE HITTING HIS
TARGET. THE WINGMAN SAW HIM EJECT AND NOTIFIED THE NAVY SAR VESSEL
AND THE USAF HU-16 (CROWN CHARLIE). CHARLIE HAD BEEN RELIEVED ON
PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT BY CROWN ALFA BUT MAINTAINED A LISTENING WATCH
ON EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES DURING HIS TRIP HOME.
FOR PARC: LAS OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 1136.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 643 SECRET
CREW TAKING PICK UP: CC CAPT DAVID K RICHARDSON, PITTSFORD, NY.
CP 1STLT DAVID H HAINES, TAYLORVILLE, IL. 1STLT JACK O BLOCOMBE,
LONG BEACH, CALIF. FM SSGT WILLIAM J REID, JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS
RO SSGT FRANK J TROMBINO, MONTEREY PARK, CALIF. BAR TSGT WILLIAM V
VARGAS, KOLOA, KAUAI, HAWAII. NAME OF SURVIVOR: COMMANDER ROBERT S
CHEW JR, HOME TOWN SAN DIEGO, CALIF AND JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND.
CP-4
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

[redacted]

13 MAY 1970

ARODC # 655343 [illegible]
SQ ARS SC No. 656065

NNNN WH Report written

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

1138

R-1-1 269 Ltr

13 Copies

FCC 19304/20

38-1138-17 Nov Open/Close Note Garbled Copy

FTS JAW RUMTVSR0002 3241958-0SSS--RUMTFIA.

DE RUMSAR 643 3210745

ZNY SSSSS

172732Z

FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN

TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF

RUCDAA/ ATS SCOTT AFB ILL

RUMTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA

RUHLK/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII

RUHLK/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII

RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII

RUHFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT

RU FOR/ALL SEVENFLT CVA TO CORS

RU AEA/13AF CLARK AB PI

RU SVK/ ACV SAIGON RVN

ZEN/2ND TCW AD RVN

ZEN/CTE 78 2 1 1

RU SAR/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN

RUMSAA/31 ARS CLARK AB PI

BT

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

S E C R E T SAR 51157 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR ADCO/ AT AND CP, ARS FOR ARDOC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC.

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT

2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS - 1138 - 17 NOV 65.

3. SAR OBJECTIVE: USN F8E PILOT (RED FLIGHT ONE)

4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG: ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: USN WINGMAN ALERTED HU-16 AT 17/0354N THUR USN SAR VESSEL ON SAR STATION.

5. TYPE AN OINE OF INITIAL SAR ACTVN: HU-16 WENT TO INVESTIGATE REPORT OF DOWNED AIRCRAFT.

6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1913N - 10738E 120 NM E of Vinh in Tonkin Gulf

ONE COMBAT SAVE USN F8E PILOT BY HU-16 WATER PICK UP

Mc

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 643 S E C R E T

7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: NOT A FACTOR

8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS

9. AGENCY LOATING OBJECTIVE: USN WINGMAN

10. AGENCY AND ETXCD USED TO RESCUE SURVIVORS: USAF HU-16 MADE A WATER PICKUP AT 0444Z.

11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 1 USN PILOT

12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE

13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: FLOWN TO DANANG AB, RVN BY HU-16

14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 6 PLUS 20
USN F8E 1 SORTIE FOR 1 PLUS 00 HOURS

15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE

16. ADDITIONAL INFO: THE PILOT OF THE F8E COMMANDER ROBERT S CHEW JR, REPORTED THAT HE WAS DOWNED BY ANTI AIRCRAFT FIRE WHILE HITTING HIS TARGET. THE WINGMAN SAW HIM EJECT AND NOTIFIED THE NAVY SAR VESSEL AND THE USAF HU-16 (CALLSIGN CHARLIE). CHARLIE HAD BEEN RELIEVED ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT BY CALLSIGN ALFA BUT MAINTAINED A LISTENING WATCH ON EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES DURING HIS TRIP HOME.

FOR PARC: LAS OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED

CONFIDENTIAL

DECLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS 14-3-75
By Lt (Date)

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PFTC JAW RUWTVSA0480 3270048-CCC

DPE

042

--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAG 59 3211130
ZNY CCCCC
P 170745Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN [redacted]
TO RUMABA/71ARESCUE SQ CLARK AB PI
RUABGK/33ARECOVERY SQ NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
ZT

action: ARODC
info: ARCOI

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 50591. NOV 65
1. 17 NOV 65 38ARESCUE SQ MISSITN NO. 1138
2. FLEET FOX
3. HE-163
RCC-RICHARDSON, DAVID K. CAPTWN PITTSFORD, N.Y.
CP-HAINES, DAVID W.1ST LT, TAYLORVILLE, ILL
NOV-SLOCOMBE, JACK O. 1ST LT, LONG BEACH, CALIF
AM-REID, WILLIAM J. SSGT, JUNR89, 1856, KANSAS
R.O.-TROMBINO, FRANK J. SSLT, MONTEREY PARK, CALIF
P.J.-VARGAS, WILLIAM V. TSGT, KOLOA, KAUAI, HAWAII

PALE 2 RUMSAG 59 C O N F I D E N T I A [redacted]
4. 15 MINS
5. MILESTONE 601-611 A1H'S
6. 1913N 10748Z WATER RECOVERY
PUM NONE-VISUAL
SH CMDR CHEW, ROM
T S. JR USN S/N 512972 SAN DIEGOPH CALIF-
JAMESTOWN, RI
8. AT 0406ZRED FLASH ONE WAS HEADING FROM TARGET TO
AN AIR REFUELING TANKER. HE HAD TAKEN A HIT AND WAS LOOSING
FUEL QUICKLY. THE HU-16 HAD THE A/C IN VISUAL CONTACT AND WAS
IN TRAIL. CONTACT WAS LIST AT 0415Z DUE TO DIFFERENCE IN
AI
SPEED. AT 0431 FLEETFOX NOTIFIED THE HU-16 THAT THE PILOT
HAD EJECTED AND GAVE RANGE AND BEARING TO THE A
EA. AT 0436
VISUAL CONTACT WAS MADE OF THE PILOT IN HIS LIFE RAFT. AN
UNEVENTFUL LANDING WAS MADE AT 0439Z AND THE PILTT WAS PICKED
UP AT 0444Z. TAKE OFF WAS MADE AT 0454Z AND THE HU-16
RETURNED TO DANANG WITH THE SURVIVOR.
GP-4
ST

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unscheduled
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-75

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

[redacted] 57

...EN G/CL 1-2/	[redacted]
M... NUM...	38-1141-18 Nov 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-1Ø5
	HH-43B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

462 1 ARS

FM JAN RUEJTAA973 3[illegible]19-SSSS--RUNTFIA.
ZNY SSSSS ZEN-1
R [illegible] UPS100 VV ARA63
FM RUHLKA/RUNTFIA
DE RUHLKA 081 3241554
ZNY SSSSS
T
S E C R E T SVC ZUI RUNTFIA9118 3232359 H/M ZEL RUHSAR 743 3230815 X
FD TO ALL OTHER ADDEES X
FM RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
DE RUHSAR 743 3250815
ZNY SSSSC
122810Z
F 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF
RUNGRS/USAF HPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/ATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUNTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKY/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKY/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUAA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUHDF/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUHDF/DET 5 38TH ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUHDA/79TH ARS ANDERSEN AB GUAM
RUHDK/6234 CMBT SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51159 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MACCO/AT AND OP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFDCC-H, 13 AF FOR JSARC. 1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS- 1141 -18 NOV 65
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT USAF F-105 (CALL SIGN OAK)
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 18/1443 H SINGHAM F F-105 THROUGH HC-54.
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 18/1443H LAUNCHED HH-43. ERO MAHON PHANOM DIVERTED HC-54 TO AREA.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1814 - 10532E 25 NM South Vinh

PAGE 2 RUHSAR 743 S E C R E T
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: WX NOT A FACTOR
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 7/13 TFW AK
9. AGENCY EXECUTING OBJECTIVE: SINGHAM OF F-105
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: HH-43 MADE A PICKUP OF THE PILOT
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED/HQ: ONE USAF
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: SURVIVOR TAKEN TO NKP THAILAND
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HC-54 1 SORTIE FOR 2 PLUS 25 HOURS
USAF HH-43 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 00 HOURS
USAF A-1E 4 SORTIES FOR 3 PLUS 40 HOURS
USAF KC-135 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 20 HOURS
OSM FSF UNAVAILABLE
15. NUMBER GUNO PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH: NONE.
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: VISUAL WAS MADE ON THE PILOT UNTIL THE PICKUP. HH-43 MADE SUCCESSFUL PICKUP AND THE SURVIVOR REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION. CREW MAKING PICKUP AC 1ST LT FREDERICK T DYKES, SALISBURY, MARYLAND. CP 1ST LT KENNETH S GRIFFIS, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

PAGE 3 RUHSAR 743 S E C R E T
PJ A2C PHILLIP D CARLSON, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. SURVIVOR: CAPT LARRY LAHAFFEY, NORWALK, OHIO.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED SAR 1814 SP-H.
BT

DOWNGRADED AT 2 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

IAW AFR 205-2
18 MAY 1970

38-1141-18 NOV OPEN/CLOSE
This is Corrected Copy

CONFIDENTIAL

ONE COMBAT SAVE USAF
HH-43 PICK-UP
THE

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

W/H Report written

AROD C # 65534 (ARS)

GP ARS SC No. 65462

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

3 JAN 66 1300

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCC		
ARODC		
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARHQ		
ARAMS		

CCN 68/ ARS

FFIC JAN RUEBJTA0013 0051255-CCCC--RUEBSBA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFN1
ZCCRBBBEZCBRC3 04
FP RUEANB RUFRBS RUCDAA RUEBSBA RUHLHH
DE RUEBAR 69 0050259
ZNY CCCCC
P 050545Z
FM 3D AEROP TSN AB RVN
TO RUEANB/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUAHBS/USAF HPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEBSBA/MAC ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLHH/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHH/PACREDCOMCEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUDAGA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUEBAR/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/AMD TSN AB RVN
RUEBBF/TACC RCC UDORN AB THAILAND
RUEBBF/DET 5 3ETN ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUEBDA/7ETN ARS ANDERSEN AB GUAM
RUEBDK/0234 CBST SPT GP KORAT AB THAILAND
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 0700 JAN 66. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCD/AI AND HCP, ARS FOR ARXDC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JRARC. REFERENCE SECRET MSG SAR 51859 MISSION NUMBER 3CNRS-114/18 NOV 65 CREW MAKING PICKUP WAS: RCC CBST JOYB B HEIDERICK, CP 1LT CHARLES R. SHEET, NN A2C CHARLES E WEAKLEY, PJ A1C HARRY W BIRTEL. CREW LISTED ON REPORT WAS ON HIGH COVER HH-43. GP-4.
BT

38-1141-1800

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DOWNGRADED AT 2 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPS
By [illegible] (Date) 4-3-75

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

58

[redacted]	
MISSION NUMBER:	38-1150-20 Nov 65
SUBJECT:	USA Soldiers (2)
	2 HH-43F's

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

DFTC JAW RUCDJT [illegible] 3252243-CCCC--RUNTFIA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH-1
R [illegible] RUEA MRUCDDA RUNTFIA
DE RUSAR 9305 3251540
ZNY CCCCC
T
C O N F I D E N T I A

SVC EVT RUHLC [illegible] 3251308 H/R 204 RUSAR

R 1? 324105Z X
FM RUCDAN RUEA U RUEKDA RUNTFIA

DE RU SAR 819 324738
ZNY CCCCC
R 301845Z
FM 38ARS TSN RVN
TO RUEA/USCHQUSAF
RUEKDA/DA
RUCDAA/USATC
RUNTFIA/ARS
RUHLK/PACAF
RUHLR/7AASC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHS/CINCUSARPAC
RUAHA/13AF CAS PHIL
RUSHA/AMB SAIGON
EEN/2AD TSN RVN

USAF/DET 6 38ARS BIEN HOA
T
C O N F I D E N T I A L S R 51362 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCC/AT AND NCP, ARS FOR ARCOC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1 OPENING / CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER
: 38 ARS-1150-28 NOV 65
3. AR OBJECTIVE: 50 USA BATTLE CASUALTIES
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALL NOTIFIED: 28/2045H
111 DASC NOTIFIED USARC A TAN ON NHUT AB.
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL AR ACTION: 28/2045H SCRAMBLED ONE HH-43F FROM BIEN HOA WITH ARMED UH1B ESCORT. 28/2050H SCRAMBLED 3 HU1B MED EVAC ACFT FROM TAN SON NHU.

PAGE 2 RUNSA 819 C O N F I D E N T I A

6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 11-13N 106-43E (RVN)
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: NOT A FACTOR.
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38 ARS TAN SON NHT AB RVN
9. AGENCY
CATING OBJECTIVE. N/A
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF
ESCUE OF SURVIVORS// HE
ICOPTERS
ANDED.
(WITH USA AND USAF USED)
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 50 TTTAL. 41 EVACED BY ARMY, 9 BY RESCUE HH-43F. 12. NUMBER OF PERSONS AVED: ARMY AVES UNK. DET 6, 8PT, DET 6, 3 ARS CLAIM 2 AVES.
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: USA HU1B EVACED 38 TT NORWARD AID STATION AND 11 TT BIEN HOA. USAF HH43 EVACED 9 TT TAN SON NHUT AB.
14. SORTIES AND FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USA HU1B 22 SORTIES 8 HOURS
USAF HH-43 11 SORTIES 4 HOURS
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNE
PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: N/A
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: TWO ADDITIONAL HH-43S SCRAMBLED FROM TAN SON NHUT

8345 H. R/C CLAIMING AVES: CAPT KEESLER, W.O. ANNOOSE, M. DAK.
DET 6 38ARS, NOR PARC
AST MISSION REPORT [illegible] 1144.

GP-4
T

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS

13 Copies

Action: ARDC
Info: all Staff agencies and Field Units

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

DUPLICATE

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

59

CRYPTO/CLOSING/S [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1167-26 Nov 65
SUBJECT: USA UH-1B (6)
HH-43B

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

2167

CONFIDENTIAL

adden: AROOC
info: all SAR engineer
& fld Units

28 Nov 65 0030

JAW RUMTVSA0898 3320809-CCCC--RUMTFIA.
(SAR 1008 3300625
ZNY CCCC
O 260620Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUEPDA/DEPARTMENT OF ARMY WASH DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUMTFIA/ARS ORLAND AFD FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHS/CINCUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HAWAII
RUMADA/13AF CALRK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZNE/2AD TSN AB RVN
ZEN/38TH ARS LNR SEC TSN AD RVN
RUMSVT/101ST AVIATION SOC TRANG
BT

(CNS2/ARS

38- 1167- 26 Nov 65
USA HU-113/6POB

OPENING/CLOSING

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAR 51066 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOP, MATS FOR ~~MACOO AT AND MOP, ARS FOR~~ ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1/ 4:: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS - 1167 - 26 NOV 65.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: US ARMY HU-1B, WARRIOR 23, 6POB
4. ALERLDNG AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: PARIS CONTROL
26/0855H HU-1B GOING DOWN 1026N 10619E (RVN)
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: SCRAMBLED 1 HH-43B, 3 F-100,
2 HU-1B 0900H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1026N 10619E (RVN) 30 S.W. TAN SON NHUT

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1008 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: CLEAR.
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE. USAF FAC
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS: 38ARS TAN [redacted] AB
LBR HH-43B PICK UP.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: 6 USA
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: 6 (6 COMBAT SAVES ARMY CREW SEA)
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS: REORNED TO TAN SON NHUT AB [redacted] MEDICAL AUTHORITIES.
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HH-43B 2 SORTIES FOR 1 PLUS 00 HOURS
USAF F-100 3 SORTIES FOR 1 PLUS 15 HOURS
USA HU-1B 5 SORTIES FOR 3 PLUS 30 HOURS
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICAPTED IN SEARCH:
NONE.
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: USA HU-1B, CALL SIGN WARRIOR 23, HAD AN ENGINE FIRE WHICH CAUSED AN INFLIGHT EXPLOSION. THE CREW MADE AN AUTO ROTATION INTO A RICE PADDY THEN SET UP A DEFENSE PERIMITER. THE AREA WAS REPORTED TO BE AN UNFRIENDLY ONE SO USAF F-100'S WERE SCRAMBLED TO PROVIDE CAP FOR THE DOWNED CREW. USA ARMED HUEYS WERE DISPATCHED

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPSD
By LpD (Date) 14-3

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

[redacted]

PAVE 3 RUMSAR 1008 C O N F I D E N T I A L
AFTER A USAFHH-43B FCOM TSN AB, RVN WERE SCRAMBLE AND WERE USED AS ADDITIONAL BACK UP FIRE TEAM. WHILE THE F-100 CIRCLE THE DOWNED CREW CAPT FRANK CHASE LANDED HIS HH-43B ANDMADE A SUCCESSFULY RECOVERY OF THE SIX ARMY CREW MEMBERS AND RETURNED THEM TO TSN AD, RVN, WHERE THEY WERE TURNED OVER TO MEDICAL AUTHORITERS. THE SIX CREWMEMBERS WERE REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION.
CREW MAKING PICKUP: CAPT FRANKLIN L CHASE, FR 65736, HAPHINTON, MASS.
CAPT CHARLES DUNN, FR 68759, BABYLON, NY.V SSGT CURTIS W. THOMAS,
AF 13469971, EIREJG PA. A2XC JERRY E NIDIFFER, AF 14818489, ELIZEXETH.
TENN.
FOR PARC
LASTING OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 1154. GP-4

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 6Ø

OPEN C/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER	38-1174-28 Nov 65
SUBJECT	USN F8E
	HU-16B

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OFTS JAW RUWTVSB0453 3321952-SSSS--RUWTFIA.
DE RUMSAR 1109 332175
ZNY SSSSS
O 281748Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB MVFLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBER HAWAII
RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUMFCR/ALL SEVENTHFLT CVA TG CDRS
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AFLD RVN
ZEN/CTE 70.2.1.1
RUABGK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMSAG/38ARS DET 7 DANANG AFLD RVN
RUDLKP/58ARS WHEELUS AB LIBYA
BT

P-F1

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

action ARODC
Info: ALL STAFF AGENCIES, ALL CENTERS AND [redacted] SQUADRONS

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Unclassified
By Authority of GPS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

S E C R E T SAR 51067 NOV 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JXLVC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38TH ARS-1174-28 NOV 1965.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: PILOT OF A NAVY F8E (REDFLASH)
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIATLLY NOTIFIED: HU-16 IN A PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT RECEIVED A DESSTRESS SIGNAL AT 1440H/ 28 NOV.
5. HU-16 DEPARTED PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT AT 1440H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1953N/10604E (GULF OF TONKIN)
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: NOT A FACTOR
8. CONTROLING AGENCY: 38TH ARS TSN AFLD RVN

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 1109 S E C R E T
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: USN A1H CAP ACFT LOCATED MAN IN WATER BIA SEA DYE MARKER.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: USAF HU-16 MADE WATER PICKUP AT 1506H.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: RETURNED TO DANANG AB, RVN.
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOUR BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY: USAF: HU-16, 2 SORTIES/2 PLUS 10 HOURS. USN: A1H, 3 SORTIES/6 PLUS 00 HOURS.
15. NUMBER VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH: ONE USN DESTROYER (FLEET FOX).
16. ADDITIONAL INFO:
HU-16 AFTER RECEIVING MAYDAY CALL FROM RED FLASH PROCEEDED IN HIS DIRECTION. NAVY DESTOYER CALL SIGN FLEET FOX GAVE VECTORS IN AN ASSIST AND ALSO VECTORED HU-16 CAP AIRCRAFT TO AREA OF REDFLASH. HU-16 THEN TRACKED IN ON CAP AIRCRAFT IFF TILL A VISUAL WAS MADE. THE DOWNED MAN WAS SPOTTED VIA SEA DYE. HE WAS SURRONDED BY A JUNK FLEET THAT WAS BEING STRAFFED BY HU-16 CAP AIRCRAFT. HU-16 MADE SEA LANDING AND PARA RESCUE MAN JUMPED INTO WATER AND HELPED THE PILOT TO REACH THE AIRCRAFT. A SUCCESSFUL WATER TAKEOFF WAS MADE AND THE PILOT, REPORTED

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
18 MAY 1970

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 1109 S E C R E T
TO HAVE SOME CUTS ON NECK AND HAND, WAS RETURNED TO DANANG AB., RVN.
CREW PILOT: HIGGINSON, GLENN A. MAJ FV 2079727
UKIAH CALIF. 58 ARS
CP: LINSEISEN, FRANK J. CAPT FR 57044
WALLER TEXAS
NAV: LEMON, CARL F. 1/LT FV 3122877
DELL CITY, OKLAHOMA
RO: NUCHOLES, WILLIAM O. SSGT AF 17101925
GREENVILLE, VA.
FLT MECH: MARTINEL, LYLE E. TSGT AF 16434498
VAL PARISO, FLORIDA
PARA RESCUE: HAWCO, RAYMOND J. TSGT AF 43060737
PHILADELPHIA, PA
SURVIVOR: HARRINGTON, FRANK H. LT JG 653308 USN
BENNINGTON, VERMONT
LAST OPENING REPORT 1172.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARODC # 655466

656180
Hq ARS SC No.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

61

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1188-2 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USN F4B (2)
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

OPENING/CLOSING

38-1188-2

2 U.S. NAVY PERS.

Saves Posted on Memo Board - 2 COMBAT

SEA-ACR 5 Dec 65 / DPE

RGR3
ARS...[illegible]
PTTE JAW [illegible]
DE RUMSAF [illegible]
ZNY [illegible]
F [illegible]
FM DET 6 [illegible]
TO RULAHQ/CSAF
RUCSAA/MATS
RUMLAB/PACAF
RUWTFIA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUMLAM/PACARESCUECEN [illegible] AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/[illegible] CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUMSBU/[illegible] TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
RUMSBU/[illegible] TAN SON NHUT AFLD RVN
RUMSBE/U S S ENTERPRISE
BT
UNCLAS [illegible] DEC 65/ FOR [illegible] (AFRCPR), MATS (MACCO/AT AFD MCP), ARS (ARSCP), PACAF (PACCOR), [illegible] (USARC).
1. RCS: 1-ARS-M1 OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38-1188-2.
3. BAR OBJECTIVE: PICKUP TWO US NAVY PERSONNEL WHO EJECTED FROM F-4B AT LOCATION [illegible], [illegible].
4. ALERTED BY: [illegible] AT [illegible], 2 DEC 65.
5. SCRAMBLED ONE HR-46F AT [illegible].
6. LOCATION: [illegible], [illegible].
7. WEATHER: CLEAR WITH SCATTERED RAINSHOWERS.

PAGE 2 RUMS [illegible]
8. CONTROLLED BY: [illegible].
9. AGENCY MAKING PICKUP: DET 6, 38 ARS HR-46F HELICOPTER.
10. LANDED AND LOADED ONE MAN ON LITTER, SECOND MAN IN SEAT.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: TWO.
12. NUMBER OF SAVES: TWO FROM HOSTILE AREA.
13. SURVIVORS FLOWN TO: [illegible] AIRPORT, [illegible], RVN WHERE THEY WERE LOADED ABOARD A C-[illegible], CALL SIGN [illegible], THEN FLOWN TO TAN SON NHUT AFLD, RVN.
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE: [illegible] HR-46F HELICOPTER.
15. UNKNOWN.
16. U.S. NAVY [illegible] PICKED UP WERE [illegible] WAYNE SCHMIDT, [illegible] AND [illegible] T.J. POTTER, [illegible]. [illegible] HAD A POSSIBLE FRACTURED PELVIS AND HIP. PERSONNEL WERE FROM U.S.S. ENTERPRISE.
ARS CREW MEMBERS [illegible]: RESCUE CREW COMMANDER, CAPT [illegible] L. [illegible], [illegible], RESCUE CREW COPILOT, CAPT CHARLES F. [illegible], [illegible], CREW CHIEF, [illegible] KENNETH L. [illegible], AF [illegible]. RESCUE SPECIALIST, [illegible] O'BRIEN ADMINISTERED MORPHINE AND OTHER AID TO [illegible]. PICKUP WAS MADE IN HOSTILE AREA.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO San Francisco 96227 6 Dec 1965

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Mission Number: 38-1188-2 Dec 65.

2. SAR Alerted By: 38th ARescueSq

3. SAR Aircraft Used: 1 HH-43F

RCC Captain Raymond L. Murden, Det 6, 38ARS
CP Captain Charles P. Nadler, Det 6, 38ARS
HM TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins, Det 6, 38ARS
RS A1C Henry J. O'Beirne, Det 6, 38ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up: 0:48.

5. CAP assistance: 1 C-123, 2 O-1F's.

6. Area andtype of pick-up: Land, coordinates 11 39N - 106 32E and 11 39N - 106 33E.

7. No signalling equipment used to locate downed personnel.

8. Survivors Names: Lt/J.G. Donald Wayne Schmidt 659705
Lt/J.G. T. J. Potter 655752
Both were from U.S.S. Enterprise.

9. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: We were notified at 1402L by 38th ARS - SARCC that one F-4B pilot had bailed our at XT 775 890 11 39N - 106 38E. I requested that 38th SARCC arrange for armed helicopter escort and since we had only one HH-43F in commission I requested that they scramble one HH-43B from Tan Son Nhut to provide backup for us. Since our HH-43F was on LBR alert with reduced fuel, immediate refueling was requested. We checked on artillery firing in the local area and were informed that there was artillery fire in the southeast quadrant of Bien Hoa AB. There was no firing to the north. Meanwhile, the crew chief and pararescueman were loading the equipment we normally take on an off base mission, ie., stokes litter, chain saw and rope. As soon as refueling was accomplished we departed Bien Hoa AB at 1410L and proceeded toward the crash site at an altitude of 4,000 feet as instructed by 38th SARCC to avoid possible ground fire. We contacted Paris Control on UHF. Paris Control informed us that a C-123 call sign CREAMO 53 and two FAC's in O-1F's were circling the bailout area. I asked Paris Control if they had any information on our armed escort. Paris replied negative. CREAMO 53 said that there were two crew members down. One appeared to be injured. There was a doctor aboard CREAMO 53. They suggested that we land at Hon Quon, a dirt strip

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

approximately 5 miles away, after picking up the survivors and transfer them to the C-123 for transport to Tan Son Nhut. During the radio conversation with CREAMO 53 we used the UHF/DF to obtain bearings to his location. We established radio contact with one of the FAC's, Viper 9, on FM. As we neared the bailout area we saw CREAMO 53 first and then we saw the two O-1F's. Viper 9 said that they had not received any ground fire and that friendly troops were on the way to the injured crew man. Viper 9 led us to the injured man. He was at the edge of a small clearing 11 39N - 106 32E. There were clumps of small bamboo and stumps scattered about the clearing, but there was adequate room to land. We landed at approximately 1450. The pararescueman, crew chief and co-pilot loaded the injured man onto a stretcher and into the helicopter. The pararescueman said that the crewman probably had a fractured pelvis and/or hip. He was in severe pain and light shock. Airman O'Beirne treated him for shock by administering morphine and liquids orally. He decided not to start an I.V. since a doctor was nearby. The friendly forces arrived shortly after we landed and deployed to secure the area. We proceeded to the second downed crewman who was about one mile east 11 39N - 106 33E. We landed in a small clearing beside a dirt road where there was a convoy of friendly troops. The pilot was uninjured. He got aboard and we proceeded to Hon Quon 11 39N - 106 37E. The C-123 had already landed there. We landed at 1520 and transferred the survivors to the C-123 for medical attention and transport to Tan Son Nhut AFLD. We departed Hon Quon and proceeded to Bien Hoa AB landing at 1600L. Mission Completed.

10. COMMENTS: Neither armed escort nor backup helicopter was present during the mission.

Raymond L Murden

RAYMOND L. MURDEN, Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

62

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-1059-7 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USAF 01E
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] BARC F-1

[illegible]

[illegible]

3

15 NM N SAIGON

[illegible]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO San Francisco 96227 8 Dec 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Mission Number: 6-1059-7 Dec 65.

2. SAR Alerted By: Bien Hoa Control Tower.

3. SAR Aircraft Used 2 HH-43F.

Members of Rescue Helicopter Were:

RCC	Captain Maurice G. Kessler	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	1st Lt Mark C. Schibler	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	TSgt Richard E. Connon	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt Leon Fullwood	Det 6, 38th ARS

Crew Members of Cover HH-43F Were:

RCC	Captain Harold D. Salem	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Dale L. Potter	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	A1C Gerald C. Hammond Jr.	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	A1C William H. Pitsenbarger	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pick-up: 0:09.

5. CAP assistance: 1 A-1E.

6. Area and type of pick-up: Land, coordinates: 1054 N - 10648 E.

7. No signaling equipment used to locate survivor.

8. Survivors name: Captain Rexford T. O'Connor, FV3005903, Assigned Hq 2nd Air Division, Tan Son Nhut, RVN.

9. Summary of Events: At 1745L we were advised by Bien Hoa tower that a O-1E aircraft had crashed to the SE at about 45 NM. Since this was beyond normal range with reduced fuel load required for LRR alert, immediate refueling was requested. The 38th SARCC was advised and top cover requested. 38th SARCC advised that Paris control had the downed pilot's position at approximately 200° at 45NM. While awaiting fuel at approximately 1749L Bien Hoa tower advised that an A-1E pilot had sighted the crashed O-1E 4 miles Southwest of Bien Hoa AB. Both HH-43F's were scrambled at 1750L and arrived over the crashed O-1E at 1754L. The A-1E was circling the crash. The uninjured pilot was picked up at 1754L and returned to Bien Hoa at 1759L. The O-1E pilot stated that he had contacted Paris control during descent after his engine failed and had given his position as "4 to 5" miles southwest of Bien Hoa. The pilot also stated that unidentified Vietnamese began approaching him after he crashed but left immediately when the A-1E approached overhead.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

10. Comments: Interpretation of the "4 to 5 miles" as "45 miles" delayed our T.O. by approximately 4 minutes. Whenever possible, recommend pilot's be briefed on the strong possibility of misinterpretation when distances are given in this manner.

MAURICE G. KESSLER
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Cy to: PARC, 38ARS

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

63

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER	D7-38-671-21 Nov 65 (2 SAVES)
SUBJECT	USAF C-123 (6)
	HH-43F

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

671

PRIORITY

2 Dec 65 16 27

CCN/09T/ARS

PFTC JAW RUNNGGB0720 3360617-CCCC--RUWTFIA.
DE RUHLKM 157 3360127
ZNY CCCCC
P 020050Z
FM PARC HICKAM AFB HAW
TO ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L/PRCOP/50620. DEC 65. THE FOLLOWING DET 7, 38TH AIR RESCUE SQUADRON MSG IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND NECESSARY ACTION. QUOTE.
"CONFIDENTIAL DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 50597. NOV 65.
FOR PARC (RCC), 38ARESCUE SQ (JSARC), 6252 TAC FTR WG (CONDR), MATS (MAOCO/AT), HQ USAF (AFXOPH).
1. RCS - 1 -ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER 7-38-671-~~21 NOV 65~~ 21 NOV 65
3. OBJECTIVE: USAF C-123 CREW AND PASSENGERS CRASHED 1 MILE SOUTH OF RUNWAY. SEVEN SOULS ON BOARD. ONE MARINE ON GROUND
L

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 2 RUHLKV 157 C O N F I D E N T I A L
IN A BUNKER SLIGHTLY INJURED. C-123 OPERATED BY PERSONNEL OF 311TH ACS WAS ON A LOCAL OPERATIONAL MISSION FROM DANANG AB RVN. CALL SIGN - SMOKEY SILVE.
4. PRIMARY CRASH/21 NOV 65.
5. SCRAMBLED HH-43F AT 0044 HOURS 21 NOV 65.
6. 1602N 108 12 E.
7. MEASURED ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED OVERCAST, TWO AND ONE HALF MILES VISIBILITY IN LIGHT RAIN SHOWERS, TEMPERATURE SEVENTY FOUR, DEW POINT SEVENTY ONE, WIND ZERO THREE ZERO DEGREES AT SIX KNOTS GUSTS TO TWELVE KNOTS. REMARKS OCASIONAL RAIN SHOWERS.
8. DET 7 38ARESCUEFSQ.
9. DANANG FIR DEPARTMENT PERSONNE.
10. HH-43F HELICOPTER CREW FKEW TWO MOST SERIOUSLY INJURED TO MARINE HOSPITAL. OTHERS WERE TRANSPORTED TO AIR FORCE DISPENSARY BY AMBULANCE.
11. SEVEN SURV VORS PLUS ONE MARINE/NO DECEASED.
12. TWO PERSONS SAVED.
13. THREE PATIENTS RELEASED TO MARINE HOSPITAL. OTHER SURVIVORS IN CAVE OF 6252D USAF DISPENSARY.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PAGE 3 RUHLKM 157 C O N F I D E N T I A L
14. TWO SCRITES/0 PLUS 40/HH-43F
15. SIX GROUND PERSONNEL FROM CONTROLLING ORGANIZATION, ONE VEHICLE, NO VESSELS. TWENTY-FOUR PERSONNEL, SEVEN VEHICLES, NO VESSELS FROM ASSISTING AGENCIES.
16. C-123 CRASHED ONE MILE SHORT OF RUNWAY 35 AND SLID TO A STOP JUST THROUGH PERMIETER FENCE. THERE WAS NO FIRE. GCA LOST AIRCRAFT ON FINAL APPROACH, NOTIFIED TOWER PERSONNEL WHO ACTIVATED CRASH CIRCUITS. CREW OF HH-43F, CALL SIGN RESCUE 67, SCRAMBLED FROM ALERT TRAILER. FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HOSPITAL PERSONEL WERE ON SCENE WITH A SEARCH LIGHT WHEN RESCUE 97 ARRIVED ON SCENE. HELICOPTER WAS SUCCESSFULLY LANDED ON SLOPING TERRAIN ADJACENT TO CRASH DESPITE GUSTY WIND AND RAIN. TWO SERIOUSLY UNJURED SURVIVORS WERE FLOWN TM MARINE HOSPITAL BY HELICOPTER. OTHER SURVUVORS WERE AKEN BY AMBULANCE TO USAF DISPENSARY. NEWS RELEASE IS BEING PREPARED BY 6252D TAC FR WG INFORMATION OFFICER." UNQUOTE.
GP-FOUR.
BT

NOTIFICATION
ORGANIZATION NOTIFIED AXS
TELEPHONE NUMBER 424
PERSON CONTACTED Edson
OPERATOR WHO NOTIFIED CONTACT

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIED EFTO

TYPE MSG	BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE
			X

PRECEDENCE
ACTION PRIORITY
INFO

DTG

FROM: DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB, RVN

TO: ARS ORLANDO AFB, FLA

INFO: 38ARECOVERY SQ TAN SON NHUT AB, RVN
PACARESCUE CEN, HICKAM AFB, HAWAII

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

UNCLAS EFTO DET 7, 38ARESCUE SQ 00829 NOV 65

MISSION NARRATIVE

1. MISSION NUMBER: DET 7-38-671/21 NOV 65
2. SAR ALERTED BY: PRIMARY CRASH PHONE
3. TYPE SAR AIRCRAFT USED: HH-43F HELICOPTER CREW COMMANDER: CAPT ALVA G. GRAHAM, DET 7, 38ARS, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. CO-PILOT: CAPT ROCKWELL N. GREENE, DET 7 38ARS, LINCOLN, KANSAS HELICOPTER MECHANIC: A1C RONALD E. RENARD, DET 7 38ARS, EUCLID, OHIO. PARARESCUE: A1C MICHAEL D. LEONARD, DET 7 38ARS, LAWLER, IOWA.
4. TIME FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION TO PICK UP: SEVENTEEN MINUTES.
5. CAP ASSISTANCE: NONE
6. LANDED ON GRASSY SLOPE JUST INSIDE PERIMETER FENCE FOR PICKUP.
7. A LARGE SEARCHLIGHT ILLUMINATED THE WRECKAGE.
8. SURVIVORS MOST SERIOUSLY INJURED AND EVACUATED BY HELICOPTER WERE:

DATE	TIME
21	
MONTH	YEAR
NOV	65
PAGE NO.	NO. OF PAGES
1	4

DRAFTER
TYPED NAME AND TITLE: SSGT ROBERT G. CAVICCH,
PHONE: 6104

RELEASER
SIGNATURE: Rockwell N. Greene
TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE: CAPT ROCKWELL N. GREENE USAF, OPS OFF.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
UNCLAS EFTO

REGRADING INSTRUCTIONS

☆ GPO 1965—761-888

...EDITION OF 1 MAY 55 WHICH MAY BE USED.

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

JOINT MESSAGEFORM - CONTINU...ON SHEET | SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLAS EFTO

FROM:
DET 7 38ARESCUE

A1C MICHAEL J. KELLY, AF19754928

1LT ROGER RUCKER, FR69676

~~A2C KIRBY R. WHELLER, AF11406666~~ O.K.

HOMETOWNS UNKNOWN.

9. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: THE HH-43F CREW WAS ASLEEP IN THE ALERT TRAILER ON THE FLIGHT LINE WHEN THE PRIMARY CRASH PHONE RANG AT 0035. A C-123 HAD CRASHED ONE MILE SHORT OF RUNWAY 35. NUMBER OF SOULS ON BOARD WAS NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME. CAPT GREENE TELEPHONED THE BARRACKS TO SCRAMBLE THE SECOND ALERT CREW. THE HELICOPTERS HAD BEEN TIED DOWN AND ANCHORED FOR SEVERE WEATHER WARNING. THE PRIMARY ALERT CREW, ASSISTED BY HOOK UP MAN, TSGT ROBERT K. FLANDERS, DET 7, 38ARS, AVENAL, CALIF., UNTIED THE ALERT HELICOPTER AND WAS AIRBORNE NINE MINUTES AFTER PRIMARY CRASH PHONE RANG. SSGT PATRICK, CONTROL TOWER OPERATER, RELAYED EXCELLENT DIRECTIONS TO CAPT GRAHAM, GUIDING HIM TO THE CRASH THUS SAVING VALUABLE SECONDS WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN SPENT SEARCHING FOR THE CRASH. THE PILOTS LOCATED A GRASSY SLOPE JUST INSIDE THE PERIMETER FENCE AND ADJACENT TO THE CRASH SUITABLE FOR LANDING. THE LANDING SITE EVALUATION WAS HAMPERED BY GUSTY WINDS AND EXTREMELY POOR VISIBILITY DUE TO THE RAIN AND BLINDING LIGHTS AT THE CRASH SCENE. THE TWO MOST SERIOUSLY INJURED, 1LT RUCKER WITH A BROKEN JAW AND A1C KELLY WITH CONCUSSION AND CHEST INJURIES WERE IMMEDIATELY LOADED BY A1C LEONARD AND A1C RENARD ASSISTED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND

SYMBOL	PAGE NR	NR OF PAGES	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	INITIALS
DET 7 38ARS OPS	2	4	UNCLAS EFTO	

DD FORM 173-1

★ U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1962—644744

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

JOINT MESSAGEFORM - CONTI. ATION SHEET | SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLAS EFTO

FROM: DET7 38ARESCUE

USAF DISPENSARY PERSONNEL ON THE SCENE. THE CABIN CREWMEMBERS LOST THEIR CAPABILITY OF TRANSMITTIN TO THE PILOTS SO CAPT GREENE AND A1C LEONARD COMMUNICATED BY MEANS OF HAND SIGNALS TO DETERMINE WHEN THE CABIN WAS SECURE FOR TAKEOFF AND HOW MANY MORE SURVIVORS REQUIRED EVACUATION. NONE OF THE OTHER SIX SURVIVORS (INCLUDES ONE MARINE KNOCKED FROM HIS SANDBAGGED BUNKER BY THE C-123) REQUIRED AIRLIFT EVACUATION AT THIS TIME. A1C LEONARD HAD TO HOLD DOWN THE LITTER PATIENT A1C KELLY WHO WAS IN EXTREME PAIN. HE ALSO HAD TO KEEP A RECUSITUBE IN A1C KELLY'S MOUTH WHILE ADMINISTERING FIRST AID AND TREATING BOTH SURVIVORS FOR SHOCK. THE HAZARDOUS FLIGHT TO AND FROM THE MARINE HOSPITAL OVER HOSTILE TERRAIN WAS FORTUNATELY COMPLETED WITHOUT INCIDENT. CAPT'S GRAHAM AND GREENE WERE ABLE TO LOCATE THE UNLIGHTED MARINE HOSPITAL HELIPORT AT THE FOOT OF HILLS OBSCURED BY CLOUDS AND RAIN ONLY BY SUPERIOR PILOT SKILL, FAMILIARITY WITH THE AREA, DEAD RECKONING, AND LOOKING OUT THE SIDE DOORS TO REMAIN IN VISUAL CONTACT WITH THE GROUND AS FORWARD VISIBILITY THROUGH THE RAIN AND RAIN COVERED NOSE BUBBLE WAS ALMOST NON-EXISTENT. A SECOND LANDINGXXXX AT THE CRASH SITE TO VERIFY THAT NO ADDITIONAL SURVIVORS REQUIRED EVACUATION WAS ACCOMPLISHED ON THE PERIMETER ROAD. THE SECONDARY CREW HAD REACHED THEIR HELICOPTER FOR MASS CASUALTY EVACUATION AND WERE JUST READY FOR TAKEOFF WHEN THE PRIMARY CREW RETURNED TO THE RAMP. THE SECONDARY CREW MEMBERS WERE:

CREW COMMANDER: 1LT TOMMY L. BROWN, DET 7 38ARS, FORTVILLE, IND.

SYMBOL	PAGE NR.	NR OF PAGES	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	INITIALS
DET 7 38ARS OPS	3	4	UNCLAS EFTO	

DD FORM 173-1

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1962—644744

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

JOINT MESSAGEFORM - CONTINUATION SHEET | SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLAS EFTO

FROM: DET 7 38ARRESCUE

CO-PILOT: CAPT JAMES C. RODENBERG, DET 7 38ARS, HALSTEAD, KS.

HELICOPTER MECHANIC: A1C EDGAR W. FORRESTER JR, DET7 38ARS,

NORTH ATTELBORO, MASS.

PARARESCUE: A2C ALBERT W. FOSTER III, DET 7 38ARS, VIRGINIA

BEACH, VA. ASSISTED BY TSGT PATRICK A. BOWERS, DET 7 38ARS,

KINGSTON, N.Y.

THE PRIMARY CREW WAS SCRAMBLED AGAIN AT 0610 TO EVACUATE

SURVIVOR A2C WHEELER WITH A BROKEN MANDIBLE TO THE MARINE HOSPITAL.

TAKE OFF WAS AT 0620. THIS FLIGHT WAS ALSO COMPLETED WITHOUT

INCIDENT DURING DARKNESS,GUSTY WINDS, AND LIMITED VISIBILITY DUE

TO RAIN. TIME: FORTY MINUTES. SORTIES: TWO. 2 sorties, 40 minutes

10. COMMENTS: THE C-123 WAS ALMOST UNRECONGNIZABLE. THE AIRCRAFT

HAD SLID THROUGH RICE PADDIES, A MINE FIELD, ASAND BAGGED BUNKER,

AND PERIMETER FENCE COMING TO REST JUST INSIDE THE PERIMETER

FENCE. THE EMPENAGE BROKE OFF, WHAT WAS LEFT OF THE CABIN, WING,

AND ENGINES WAS INVERTED ON TOP OF THE CRUSHED NOSE SECTION. WE

WERE AMAZED ANYONE GOT OUT ALIVE. THE ABSENCE OF FIRE PROBABLY

MADE POSSIBLE RECOVERY OF ALL.XX

THE HELICOPTER CREW WAS INFORMED LATER THIS MORNING THAT THEIR

FIRST LANDING AT THE CRASH SCENE WAS MADE IN A MINE FIELD.

SYMBOL	PAGE NR	NR OF PAGES	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	INITIALS
DET 7 38ARS OPS	4	4	UNCLAS EFTO	RHA

DD FORM 173-1 ★ U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1968—864744

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ [redacted] 64

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER	D7-38-682-13 DEC 65
SUBJECT:	USN (USMC) UH1B (1)
	HH-43F

[redacted]
~~SECRET~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

7-38-682

PRIORITY CCY/139 / ARS

15 DEC 65 09 02

Det 7
38th
OPEN/CLOSE
LC

PFTC JAW RUEBJTC0697 3490842-CCCC--RUEBSBA.
ZNY CCCCC ZFH 1
CZCCSB 103ZCSRD040
PP RUEAHQ RUCDAA RUEBSBA RUHLKM
DE RUMSAG 21 3480630
ZNY CCCCC
140600Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WAHINGTON DC
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEBSBA//-4 94)-,$9 AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAX FB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAX AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ TAN SO NHUT AB RVN
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

Action AROD
Info CCI

C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ 50669. DEC 65
FOR HQ USAF AFXOPH, MATS MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS ARSCP, PCAF
PFOCC-H.
1. RCS 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. 682
3. 1 AXERICAN SURVIVOR OF CRASHE HU-1B
4. PINAMA-1 DEC 65 -43X 1515 OCAL
6. 15 DE 28'N 107 DEG 40'W
7. 3500' BROKEN, 8 MILES VISIBILITY, WINDS 060/10

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 21 C O N F I D E N T I A L
8. USA
XOM USAF
10. USAF, HH-43F HOIST
11. 1 SURVIVOR Army
12. 1 Save Combat
13./ 43574,3$ 59 $-,-,& -84 BASE
14. 2 SORTIES/ 1 PLUS 55
15. N/A
16. 1 COMBAT SAVE
GP-4
BT

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

P-F1

Holkow

NNNNPFTS JAW RUEBJTB0383 3512200-SSSS--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAG 37 3510800
ZNY SSSSS
P 170600Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUESQ DANANG AB RVN
TO RUEBSBA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUESQ TSN AB RVN
BT
S E C R E T 50677 DEC 65.
REF MSN 7-38-682-13 DEC 65. R@C - 1/LT TOM BROWN.MAN
SAVED WAS MSGT FORRESTER,USMC.
BT

PRIORITY

17 Dec 65 22 02

[redacted]

CCN 311/ARS

DOWNGRADED
IAW EO 13526

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified [redacted]
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

NNNN

[redacted]

Sq ARS SC No. 656485

ARODC # 655730 JGM

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 65

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-1220-15 DEC 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
	HU-16B

~~SECRET~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL

18 Dec 65 04 01

PFTC JAW RUEBJTB0402 3520340-CCCC--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSBJ 85A 3510920
ZNY CCCCC
P 170906Z
FM 38 ARS TAN SON NHBY AFLD RVN
TO RUEBSBABUAREKORWZNDO AFB FLA
INFO RUHLKM/PACARESIECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUABGK63ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L 38CCO 40060 DEC 6. THE FOLLOWING MSG RECEIVED
FROM COMMANDER NAVAL SAR TASK FORCE
UR
THE SAR EFFORT (U). 1. SUCCESSFUL SAR EFFORT THIS AFTERNOON, CONDUCTED UNDER THE VERY REAL MIG THREAT, WAS THE RESULT OF BEAUTIFUL COORDINATION BETWEEN SURFACE SHIPS, RESCUE AIRCRAFT AND COVER AIRCRAFT. THE PILOTS LOCATION WAS PINPOINTED IN ONLY SECONDS AFTER THE INITIAL ALERT WAS AT IT WAS A MATTER OF EXCELLENT AIR CONTROLLING AND DETERMINATION BY THE AIRCRAFT COMMANDERS AT THE SCENE. 2. THERE IS NO DOUBT BUT THAT THE PILOT OF DODGE ONE OWES HIS LIFE

PAGE 2 RUMSBJ 8AC C O N F I D E N T I A L
TO THE DEDICATION AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES OF THE USS WADDELL,
DODGE 84, GOOSE ONE, AND HOLESONE 602 AND 603. UNQU
BROWN BRAVO IS A 33 ARSQ HU-16 PRESENTLY TDY TO DET 7 38 ARSQ,
DANANG AB, RVN.
B

RELEASED SUBJECT TO

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

ARDAS

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

P-F1

IMMEDIATE

CCA/393/ARS

OFTS JAW RUWMQGC0131 3 2003-SSSS--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAR 561 3491740
ZNY SSSSS
O 151735Z
FM 38ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC
RUEGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEBSBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2DA RI DIV TSN AB RVN
RUMBDA/6235CSG TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMABA/31ARS CLARK AB PI
RUMSAG/DET 7 38 ARS DANANG AB RVN

[redacted]

S E C R E T SAR 51082 DEC 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH AND MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-FL, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1220-15 DEC 65.
3. SAR OBJRECTIVE: USAF F-105 PILOT (DODGE-02)
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: 15/1222H OBJECTIVE CONTACTED PREPOSITIONED HU-16 AIRCRAFT.
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: 15/1222H PREPOSITIONEDSYU-A16 ACFT SET COURSE TO INTERCEPT.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2042N 10724E GULF OF TONKIN

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 561 S E C R [redacted]
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCI[redacted]TOR.
8. CONTROLLING AGECNY: 38 ARS TSN AB RVN
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: WI NG MAN OF DODGE 01.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVORS AND /OR RECOVER OF DECEASED: HU-16 MADESSUCCESSFUL WATER PICK UP OF PILOT.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS/DECEASED: 1.
12. NUMBER OF PERSONSS SAVED: 1 COMBAT USAF ACR.
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVORS:DECEASED: HU-16 RETURNED TO DANANG AB RVN THEN USAF HH-43 TOOK PILOT TO DANANG MARINE HOSPITAL.
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE OF ACFT AND AGENCY: 2 USAF HU-16 SORTIES 4 PLUS 20. 1 USAF HH-43 SOTIE PLUS 10.
15. NUMBER GROUND PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH:
NONE.
16. ADDITIONAL INFOR: PILOT SUFFERING FROM BROKEN LEFT LEG, FACIAL LACERATIONS AND SHOCK.
BT

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
28 MAY 1970

IMMEDIATE

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified [redacted]
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

ARODC # 655687
656436

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

66

OPENING/CLOSING: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-1065-19 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USA SOLDIER (1)
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

WPE

6-1064-19 Dec 65

1/0200Z Called PARC CAPT TEEL re type save (item 12) and whether combat or non-combat inflicted also type of med. attn required. He will call back.

1° SAVE KIND?

(seriously wounded)
21/0215Z COMBAT CASUALTY SAVE
PER CAPT TEEL PARC

DEC 65

00434

6-38-1065-19 DEC 1965 COMBAT CASUALTY seriously wounded

30NM EAST Tan Son Nhut

COMBAT

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

66

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Sq, APO San Francisco 96227 20 Dec 65

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Mission number: 6-1064-19 Dec 1965. 1065

2. SAR alerted by: Bien Hoa Tower.

3. SAR aircraft used: 2/HH-43F.

Members of Rescue Helicopter Were:

RCC	Captain Edwin A. Henningson	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Maurice G. Kessler	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	TSgt Richard A. Connon	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt Leon Fullwood	Det 6, 38th ARS

Members of Cover Helicopter Were:

RCC	Captain Dale L. Potter	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Captain Harold D. Salem	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	A1C Gerald C. Hammond, Jr.	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	A1C William H. Pitsenbarger	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pickup: 0:45.

5. CAP assistance:

a. 2 USAF O-1 aircraft - Rescap.

b. 2 Army UH-1B helicopters - Rescort.

6. Area and type of pickup: Hoisted stokes litter pickup from hostile, heavily wooded area, trees 100-120 feet high, coordinates 1039N - 10711E.

7. Signalling equipment used to locate survivor: Smoke grenades.

8. Survivors name: SP-4 Jimmie Hunt, "B" Company, 2-18.

9. Summary of events: At 1315L hours, 19 December 1965, Bien Hoa Tower called on the telephone with information that U.S. Army personnel Southeast of Bien Hoa were requesting a hoist recovery/med evac for one (1) casualty. The information had been passed from a ground FM station to a USAF O-1 capping the scene, and had then been retransmitted to Bien Hoa Tower. It was necessary to request information required for mission planning (such as distance, extent of injuries, security of area, etc.) via relay back through this extended chain of communications. Meanwhile,

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

a U.S. Army UH-1B light fire team (gunship flight) was requested from 38th SARCC for Rescort. At the sametime we were given air strike information coordinates to check out. During this period of time special equipment (stokes litter, power saw, etc.) were loaded aboard the helicopter and refueling was requested. The first UH-43F was scrambled at 1335L, the second (top cover ship) following shortly thereafter. The lead UH-43F rendezvoused with one USAF O-1 who led the way to the pickup scene. The remaining O-1 had stayed to cap the incident site located 29 NM Southeast of Bien Hoa Air Base. Approximately two minutes prior to reaching the scene, the Rescort UH-1B helicopters intercepted the rescue helicopters. The U.S. Army ground party was located without difficulty in an area heavily wooded with trees 100-120 feet high. No ground fire was observed. Army personnel on the ground indicated they knew how to "rig" a stokes litter for hoisting, so the litter was lowered without putting a paramedic on the ground first. During the actual process of raising the casualty to the helicopter the stokes litter began to spin violently, more violently than any of the personnel on board either helicopter had ever seen. Had it not been for the skill and competency of the hoist operator, severe difficulties might have been encountered with the remainder of the recovery. However, with the assistance of the paramedic he was able to overcome the problem and the remainder of the process was uneventful. The survivor was on board the helicopter and on his way to the hospital by 1400L. During the return flight to the hospital, the paramedic determined that the casualty had sustained a severe wound in the leg and was suffering from shock, so he administered a Dextran Solution I.V. to him. The patient was delivered to the 173rd "Mash" area hospital at 1425 hours.

10. Comments: The Rescap, Rescort and Communications/information relay were outstainding. Support and coordination arranged for by the 38th SARCC was excellent. An EUR will be submitted on the unsatisfactory performance of the hoisted stokes litter as soon as the matter has been thoroughly investigated to determine the probable cause.

EDWIN A. HEMMINGSON
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Cy to: PARC, 38ARS

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~

67

OPENING/CLOSING/[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: 38-1236-20 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
[redacted]
HU-16B

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

BT
S E C R E T SVC ZUI RUEBSBA 214 H/W ZDK RUMSAR 752
DO RUMSVA/RUMBOA/RUMAGA/RUMSGK/RUHLKM/RUCDAA/RUEAHQ/RUNGBS/RUEBSBA
DE RUMSAR 752 354 1433
ZN SSSSS
O 021345Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUNGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEASBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSVA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUAGGK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBOA/354 TFS TAKHLI AB THAILAND
RUMBOA/6235 CMBT SPT GP TAKHLI AB THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51094 DEC 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPR, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-N, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1236-20 DEC 65.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: F-105 PILOT, CHEVY 3, USAF, HAD SURVIVAL MIRROR, LPU, URT 21 AND DAY NIGHT SMOKE FLARE. PILOT USED BOTH ENDS OF HIS FLARE. URT 21 WAS EFFECTIVE AT ONE MILE DISTANCE ONLY.
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: AT 20/1520H
USAF F-105 CHEVY ON [redacted] ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT THROUGH
NAVY DESTROYER ([redacted] REPORTED CHUTE IN SITE BUT RAN

[redacted]

UNDERLINED PORTION GARBLED AND MAY BE IN ERROR
SERVICE WILL BE INITIATED UPON REQUEST.

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 752 S E C R E T
LOW ON FUEL AND HAD TO DEPART THE AREA.
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: USAF HU-16 TURNED TOWARDS VICINITY OF THE DOWNED F-105 AND ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AT 1537H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2055N 10715E, BAY SURROUNDED BY ISLANDS AGAINST THE MAINLAND.
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: 1000 SCATTERED 3000 BROKEN HIGH OVERCAST.
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS TAN SON NHUT AB, RVN
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: AFTER TAKING RADARS, VECTORS FROM THE NAVY DESTROYER THE USAF HU-16 COPILOT SPOTTED SMOKE OF BUURNING WRECKAGE; NAVIGATOR AND PJ/MRZYCUE MAN SPOTTED RED SMOKE OF PILOT DAY FLARE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: USAF HU-16 MAKE WATER PICKUP. AIRCRAFT TOOK OFF FROM THE SURFACE AT 1542H.
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF PILOT
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE USAF PILOT.
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: THE PILOT WAS FLOWN TO DANANG AB, RVN.
14. SORITES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 7 PLUS 45 HOURS
USN A1H 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 00 HOURS
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH:

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 752 S E C R E T
USN DESTROYER VECTORED THE HU-16 TO THE GENERAL VICINITY OF THE DOWNED AIRCRAFT.
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: THE RCC REPORTED GROUND FIRE COMING FROM THE ISLANDS IN THE VICINITY OF THE PICK UP. THE RECOVERED PILOT SAID AFTER BEING PICKED UP, THAT HE WAS AFRAID THE HU-16 WOULD NOT LAND BECAUSE OF THE GROUND FIRE. THE HU-16 REMAINED ON ORBIT WAITING FOR ANOTHER HU-16 TO REPLACE IT ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT. THE AIRCRAFT RETURNED TO BASE WHEN THE SURVIVOR APPEARED TO BE GOING INTO SHOCK (ON TWO OCCASIONS) BUT WAS TREATED BY THE CREW AND WAS ON HIS FEET AND WALKING AROUND THE AIRCRAFT BEFORE LANDING AT DANANG. THE F-105 PILOT REPORTED THAT HE WAS HIT BY ANTI AIRCRAFT FIRE AND THE AIRCRAFT BEGAN BURNING. HE THEN EJECTED. SURVIVOR: CAPT JOHN S RUFFO, FV3034178, 354 TFS TAKHLI AB, THAILAND. HOMETOWN: 9 LACKAWANA AVE, MT MORRIS, NY. CREW: RCC, MAJ WILLIAM P DEWITT, DORCHESTER, MASS AND FT WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA. CP, CAPT MAURICE F GOLDEN JR, COLUMBUS, OHIO. NAV, CAPT JAMES H HILL JR, LAURENS, S.C. FN, A1C DEAN F STOUGH, YORK, PENN. RO, SSGT BOBBY R HATHAWAY, MIDWEST CITY, OKLA. PAR, SSGT DUDLEY R PECKINPAUGH, EVANSVILLE, INDIANA.
FOR PARC: LAST OPENING REPORT TRANSMITTED WAS 1233.

CCN 102/ARS

1236

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 70

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GSA
By [redacted] (Date) 14-3-75

655839
ARODC #

656558

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

IMMEDIATE 20 DEC 65 20 SECRET

1236 P-F1

OFTM JAW RUEBJTA0996 3542017-SSSS--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAR 834B 3541820
ZNY SSSSS
BT
S E C R E T SVC ZUI RUEBSBA 214 H/W ZDK RUMSAR 752
OO RUMSMA RUMBDA RUMABA RUABGK RUHLKM RUCDAA RUEAHQ RUWGBS RUEBSBA
DE RUMSAR 752 3541400
ZN SSSSS
O 201345Z
FM 38TH ARS TSN AB RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON D C
NUGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEBSBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMABA/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMSAG/DET 7 38TH ARS DANANG AB RVN
RUABGK/33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA
RUMBDA/354 TFS TAKHLI AB TAHILAND
RUMBDA/6235 CMBT SPT GP TAKHLI AB THAILAND
BT
S E C R E T SAR 51094 DEC 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH, MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARODC, PACAF FOR PFOCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.

ccn 102/ARS

[redacted] 1236

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR-205-2
13 MAY 1970

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38ARS-1236-20 DEC 65.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: F-105 PILOT, CHEVY 3, USAF, HAD SURVIVAL MIRROR, LPU, URT 21 AND DAY NIGHT SMOKE FLARE. PILOT USED BOTH ENDS OF HIS FLARE. URT 21 WAS EFFECTIVE AT ONE MILE DISTANCE ONLY.
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: AT 20/1520H USAF F-105 CHEVY [redacted] ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT THROUGH NAVY DESTROYER. [redacted] REPORTED CHUTE IN SITE BUT RAN

[redacted]

UNDERLINED PORTION GARBLED AND MAY BE IN ERROR
SERVICE WILL BE INITIATED UPON REQUEST.

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 752 S E C R E T
LOW ON FUEL AND HAD TO DEPART THE AREA.
5. TYPE AND TIME OF INITIAL SAR ACTION: USAF HU-16 TURNED TOWARDS VICINITY OF THE DOWNED F-105 AND ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AT 1537H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2055N 10715E, BAY SURROUNDED BY ISLANDS AGAINST THE MAINLAND.
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF INCIDENT: 1000 SCATTERED 3000 BROKEN HIGH OVERCAST.
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: 38ARS TAN SON NHUT AB, RVN
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: AFTER TAKING RADARS, VECTORS FROVTHE NAVY DESTROYER THE USAF HU-16 COPILOT SPOTTED SMOKE OF BUURNIING WRECKAGE; KOVNAVIGATOC AND PAJWRZYCUE MAN SPOTTED RED SMOKE OF PILOT DAY FLARE.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVIVOR: USAF HU-16 MADE WATER PICKUP. AIRCRAFT TOOK OFF FROM THE SURFACE AT 1542H.
11. NUGBER OF SURVIVORS: ONE USAF PILOT.
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE USAF PILOT.
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: THE PILOT WAS FLOWN TO DANANG AB, RVN.
14. SORITES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HU-16 2 SORTIES FOR 7 PLUS 45 HOURS
USN A1H 2 SORTIES FOR 2 PLUS 00 HOURS
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH:

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~24 Dec 65 16 08~~

24 Dec 65 16 06

[illegible]

DE RUMSAG 74S 3591350
ZNY CCCCC
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L SVC ZNI [illegible] ZDN RUMSAG 29
3570700 2305[illegible]Z
PP RUMSAG [illegible]
DE RUMSAG 29 3570700
ZNY CCCCC
P 2305[illegible]Z
FM DET 7, 38ARESCUE [illegible]
TO RUEBRA/HQ ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
INFO [illegible]
RUMSB/38ARESCUE SQ TSN AB RVN
ZEN/6252ND TACFTRWG DANANG AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DET 7, 38ARS 50696 DEC 65. SECTION I OF II.
MISSION NARRATIVE. 1 MISSION NUMBER:38ARS-1236/20 DEC 65.
2. SAR ALERTED BY: PROGMAN 1520L.
3. TYPE SAR AIRCRAFT USED: HU-16B CALL SIGN CHOWS BRAVO.
RESCUE CREW COMMANDER,DEWITT,WILLIAM P.MAJOR,FR39[illegible]5:
48ARS EGLIN AFB FLA,HOMETOWN:DORCHESTER,MAS.
RESCUE CREW CO-PILOT,GOLDEN,MAURICE F.JR,.CAPPTAIN,
FR53018,48ARS EGLINE AFB FLA,HOMETOWN:COLUMBUS,OHIO
RADIO OPERATOR:HATHAWAY,BOBBY B,.SGT,AF 18471643,48ARS
EGLIN AFB FLA,HOMETOWN:MIDWEST CITY,OKLA

[redacted]

CCN180/ARS

13 Copies

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARIIG		
ARAMS		

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
NAVIGATOR:HILL,JAMES H.JR,CAPTAIN,FR78537,48ARS EGLIN
AFB FLA,HOMETOWN:LAURENS,S.C.
PARARESCUEMAN:PECKINPAUGH,DUDLEY R,.SSGT,AF16[illegible],
33ARS NAHA AB OKINAWA,HOMETOWN:EVASVILLE,IND.
FLIGHT MECHANIC:STOUGH,DEAN F.,A/1C,AF 13537868,48ARS EGL
AFB FLA,HOMETOWN:YORK,PENN,ALL CREW WERE TDY TO THE
DET 7, 38ARS
4. REACTION TIME FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION TO PICKUP:NINETEEN MINUTES
5. CAP ASSISTANCE:TWO NAVY A-4B AIRCRAFT.
6. 7-1/2NM EAST OF HON GAY,COORDINATES 2055N/10715N(WATED
A SMALL BAY OFF THE COAST OF NVN SURROUNDED BY MANY ISLANDS.
7. SIGNALLING EQUIPMENT USED:LPU,MARK 13MOD 0 FLARE,URT-2.
8. SURVIVOR:RUFFO,JOHN S,.CAPTAIN,FV3934678,354TH TACFTRSQ
TAKHLI,THAI,HOMETOWN:BLACHAWANNA AVE,.MT.MORRIS,N.Y.
MARRIED FATER OF TWO CHILDREN.
9. CROWN BROVAD AN HU-16 DEPATED DANANG AB RVN ON A SCRAMBLE AT
1020L BECAUSE CROWN ABLE ANOTHER HU-16HAD SUSTAINED SHELL
FIRE HITS WHILE ON SEARCH FOR A DOWNED PILOT AND HAD TO BE
RELEIVED.WE PERFORMED NORMAL ORBIT 13 NM SOUTH OF A US
NAVY SHIP CALL SIGN PROGMAN UNTIL 1520L WHEN A CALL WAS

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date)
14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~24 Dec 65 - 16 08~~

24 Dec 65 16 06

[redacted] CCR0180/A125

13 Copies

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		
ARDDC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARFDC		
ARCOI		
ARIIG		
ARMS		

ZEN/[redacted]52ND TACFTRG DANANG AB RVN

BT

[redacted]

CONFIDENTIAL DET 7, 38ARS 50696 DEC 65. SECTION 1 OF 11.

MISSION NARRATIVE. 1. MISSION NUMBER:38AR-1236/22 DEC 65.

2. SAR ALERTED BY: FROGMAN 152CL.

3. TYPE SAR AIRCRAFT USED: HU-16B CALL SIGN CHEVY BRAVO.

RESCUE CREW COMMANDER, GENITT, WILLIAM P. MAJOR, FR39508,

38ARS EGLIN AFB FLA, HOMETOWN: DORCHESTER, MASS.

RESCUE CREW CO-PILOT, COLLINS, MAURICE F. JR., CAPTAIN,

FR38818, 38ARS EGLINE AFB FLA, HOMETOWN: COLUMBUS, OHIO.

RADIO OPERATOR: HATHAWAY, [redacted] SSGT, AF 18471618, 38ARS

EGLIN AFB FLA, HOMETOWN: MIDWEST CITY, OKL.

[redacted]

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L

NAVIGATOR: HILL, JAMES H. JR, CAPTAIN, FR39537, 38ARS EGLIN

AFB FLA, HOMETOWN: LAURENS, S.C.

PARARESCUEMAN: PECKINPAUGH, DUDLEY [redacted] SSGT, AF16088902,

38ARS NKHA AB OKINAWA HOMETOWN: EVANSVILLE, IND.

FLIGHT MECHANIC: STOUGH, DEAN E., A/1C, AF 13537868, 38ARS EGLIN

AFB FLA, HOMETOWN: YORK, PENN. ALL CREW WERE TDY TO THE

DET 7, 38ARS.

4. REACTION TIME FROM INITIAL NOTIFICATION TO PICKUP: NINETEEN MINUTES

5. CAP ASSISTANCE: TWO NAVY A-4D AIRCRAFT.

6. 7-1/2NM EAST OF HON GAY, COORDINATES 2855N/10715E(APPROX)

A SMALL BAY OFF THE COAST OF NVN SURROUNDED BY MANY ISLANDS.

7. INSTALLING EQUIPMENT USED: ELP, MARK 13 MOD 0 FLARE, DET-2.

8. SURVIVOR: RUFFO, JOHN S., CAPTAIN, FV3338678, 35TH TACFTR SQ

TAKHLI, THAI, HOMETOWN: SCRANTON, PA. MORRIS, N.Y.

MARRIED FATHER OF TWO CHILDREN.

9. CREW ARRIVED AN HU-16 DEPARTED DANANG AB RVN ON A SCRAMBLE AT

1028L BECAUSE CREW'S ANOTHER HU-16 HAD SUSTAINED SHELL

FIRE HITS WHILE ON SEARCH FOR A DOWNED PILOT AND HAD TO BE

RELIEVED. WE PERFORMED NORMAL ORBIT 13 NM SOUTH OF A US

NAVY SHIP. CALL SIGN FROGMAN UNTIL 1528L WHEN A CALL WAS

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEARD ON THE EMERGENCY RADIO. CHEVY 2, ONE OF A FLIGHT OF

FOUR A.F.F-105 AIRCRAFT STATED THAT CHEVY 3 HAD BEEN HIT B

ACK ACK AND WAS ON FIRE AND THE PILOT BAILING OUT AND HIS

POSITION WAS 38NM NORTH OF FROGMAN. WE IMMEDIATELY TURNED

NORTH AND PROCEEDED TO FROGMAN AT MAX POWER WITH AN AIR SPEED

OF [redacted] KNOTS. AT 1540L WE WERE [redacted]

EMERGENCY AND VECTORED [redacted] TO THE ACCIDENT AREA.

APPROXIMATELY 1558L THE REMAINING THREE F-105 FLIGHT OF

CHEVY FLIGHT HAD TO LEAVE THE AREA AS THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD

BEEN HIT. ALSO AT THIS TIME FROGMAN DIRECTED TWO U.S. NAVY A-4

AIRCRAFT CALL SIGN RAVEN 304 AND 305 THAT WERE ORBITING OVER

OF FROGMAN TO ACT AS RESCAP FORCE AND TO ASSIST IN THE SEARCH

FOR THE DOWNED PILOT. AT APPROXIMATELY 1536L I ARRIVED IN

AREA AND BEGAN A CIRCLING SEARCH. THE WEATHER IN THE AREA WAS

A CUT A 1000' SCATTERED AND 3000' OVERCAST VISIBILITY 7 MILES.

AFTER ONE CIRCLE IN THE AREA THE CO-PILOT SPOTTED SOME BLACK

SMOKE A COUPLE OF MILES TO THE EAST. WE FIGURED THAT WAS HIS

AIRCRAFT BURNING AND AS HE BAILED OUT AT 4500 FEET HE HAD TO BE

NEAR IT SO WE HEADED IN THAT DIRECTION WITH THE 2 NAVY A-4D

FLYING ESCORT. WHEN WE WERE ALMOST TO THE BURNING AIRCRAFT THE

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [redacted] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 3 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
HEARD ON THE EMERGENCY RADIO CHEVY 2 [illegible] FLIGHT OF
FOUR A.F.F-1[illegible] AIRCRAFT STATES THAT CHEVY [illegible] HIT
[illegible] AND [illegible] ON FIRE AND THE PILOT BAILING OUT AND HIS
POSITION WAS [illegible] OF [illegible] IMMEDIATELY [illegible]
[illegible] AT [illegible]
OF 24[illegible] KNOTS. AT THE SAME TIME FROGMAN NOTIFIED US OF THE
EMERGENCY AND VECTORED US TO THE AREA OF BALOUT. AT
APPROXIMATELY 1530L THE REMAINING THREE F-13[illegible] AIRCRAFT OF
CHEVY FLIGHT HAD TO LEAVE THE AREA AS THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD ALSO
BEEN HIT. ALSO AT THIS TIME FROGMAN DISPATCHED TWO U.S. NAVY A-4[illegible]
AIRCRAFT [illegible] AND [illegible] THAT WERE UNITING OVERHEAD
[illegible] ASSIST IN THE SEARCH
[illegible] PILOT. AT APPROXIMATELY [illegible]
[illegible] THE AREA [illegible]
[illegible] VISIBILITY [illegible]
[illegible] IN THE AREA THE [illegible] PILOT SPOTTED SOME [illegible]
[illegible] OF MILES TO THE EAST. WE [illegible] THAT WAS HIS
AIRCRAFT CRASH AND AS HE BAILED OUT AT 4500 FEET HE HAD TO BE
NEAR IT SO WE HEADED IN THAT DIRECTION WITH THE 2 NAVY A-4[illegible]
FLYING ESCORT. WHEN WE WERE ALMOST TO THE BURNING AIRCRAFT THE

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 4 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
NAVIGATOR AND THE PARARESCUE MAN SIMULTANEOUSLY NOTIFIED THE
RESCUE CRW COMMANDER THAT THEY SPOTTED RED SMOKE A HALF MILE TO
THE LEFT. WE IMMIDIATELY TURNED IN THAT DIRECTION TO MAKE POSSITIVE
SIGHTING AND IDENTIFICATION. AT APPROXIMATELY 1537L WE FLEW
DIRECTLY OVER THE DOWNED PILOT AND SET UP A SHORT CLOSE [illegible]
ALTITUDE PATTERN BECAUSE OF THE LAND MASS AND ISLANDS BEING SO CLOSE
ABOUT A HALF MILE SO AS TO REDUCE THE CHANCES WE BEING HIT BY GN
FIRE. WE DROPPED THE DROP TANKS AND MADE A POWER APPROACH FULL
STALL MINIMUM RUN LANDING A 1539L INTO THE SOUTH, JUST BEFORE
AND ABEAM THE DOWNED PILOT. THE HIGHTH OF TTE WAVES WERE ABOUT TWO
FEET RUNNING EAST TO WEST AND THE WIND OUT OF THE SOUTH AT ABOUT
8 TO 10 KNOTS. IMMEDIATELY AFTER RUNOUT THE THROTTLES WERE LEFT IN
REVERSE AND WE BACKED THE AIRCRAFT UP ABOUT 50 FEET WHERE THE DOWNED
PILOT WAS AND THE PARARESCUEMAN WITH A ROPE DIED ABOUT HIM AND IN
THE HANDS OF THE FLIGHT MECHANIC JUMPED INTO THE WATER TO HELP THE
DOWNED PILOT IN TO THE AIRCRAFT. THE NAVIGATOR, RADIO OPERATOR AND
FLIGHT MECHANIC ASSISTED IN GETTIN THE SURVIVOR AND THE
PARARESCUEMAN BACK INTO THE AIRCRAFT. THEY NOTIFIED THE RCC THAT
EVERBODY WAS ON BOARD IN POSITION AND RADY FOR TAKE OFF TAKEOFF
WAS MADE AT 1542L INTO THE EAST ACROSS THE WAVES AND

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 5 RUMSAG 29 C O N F I D E N T I A L
BECAUSE OF THE ISLAND AND LAND MASS. A HALF MILE SOUTH AND WEST
OF THE AIRCRAFT POSITION AND BECAUSE OF THE INTENSE GROUND FIRE
COMING FROM THE ISLANDS AND THE LAND MASS. AFTER TAKE OFF WE HAD TO
THREAD OUR WAY THROUGH SOME MORE ISLANDS AND AROUND NUMBEROUS FISHING
JUNKS, AND TWO BIG ISLANDS. WE HAD THE RESCAP BOMB TO NEUTRALIZE
THE END OF EACH AS WE APPROACHED AND PASSED BETWEEN THEM AS THEY
WERE NOT QUITE A MILE APRT, THIS SEEMED TO BE WHERE MOST OF THE
FIRING WAS COMING. FROM THE SURVIVOR SUFFERED MINOR BURNS ON THE
FACE AND BACK OF HIS NECK. HE STATED THAT WHEN HE SAW THE AIRCRAFT
APPROACHING HE FIRED THE NIGHT END OF HIS FLARE BUT THE AIRCRAFT
DID NOT SEE IT. WHEN HE SAW THE AIRCRAFT PASSING HIM HEADED TOWARDS
HIS BURNING AIRCRAFT HE FIRED THE DAY END RED SMOKE AND SAW THE
AIRCRAFT TURN TOWARDS HIM. HE ALSO STATED THAT AS THE AIRCRAFT
HU16 FLEW BY HIM AT SUCH A LOW ALTITUDE AND DID NOT LAND HE
THOUGHT THAT THE PILOT SEEING THE GROUND FIRE AND BULLET SPLASHES
WAS AFRAID TO LAND AND HE WAS GOING TO BE LEFT THERE. HE SAID HE
WAS OVERJOYED WHEN HE SAW US SWING RIGHT INTO A PATTERN, COME AROUND
TOWARDS HIM, DROP THE TANKS AND LAND. HE STATED HE WAS IN THE
WATER FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES AND ABOUT FIVE MINUTES OF THAT
WITH NO U.S. AIRCRAFT NEAR HIM AND THE V.C. POTSHOTING HIM WITH
BT

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

CONFIDENTIAL 29 Dec 65 13 29

PRIORITY

CCN 205/ARS

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

~~SECRET~~ 68

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

OPENING/CLOSING	[redacted]
MISSION NUMBER:	38-1239-21 DEC 65
SUBJECT:	USAF F-105
	HH-3

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

22 Dec 65 01 40

PFTS JAN RUWMOGB 0847 3560129-SSSS-RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAR 804 3551810
ZNY SSSSS
P 211000Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUWGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB
RUCDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUEBSBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKM/PACAREQUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMALB/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MAVC SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMBDF/DEPUTY CMDR 2AD UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 38ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDK/6234 CSG KORAT AB THAILAND
BT

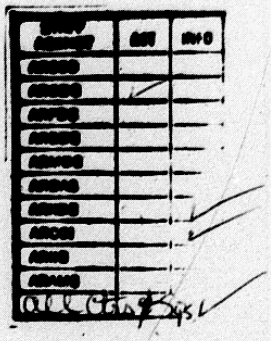
CCN 025/ARS

PRIORITY

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [signature] (Date) 14-3-75

[illegible]	[illegible]	INFO
[illegible]		
[illegible]	✓	
[illegible]		
[illegible]		
[illegible]		
[illegible]		
[illegible]		
[illegible]		✓
[illegible]		✓
[illegible]		
[illegible]		
All Ctrs		✓

S E C R E T SAR 51100 DEC 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPH AND MATS FOR MAOCD/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARDOC, PACAF FOR PFPCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS 1239- 21 DEC 65
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF PILOT, F-105 CEDAR-2, NO INFO AVAIABLE ON ADDITIONAL SURVIAL GEAR.
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: AT 21/0827Z H F-105 WINGMAN ALERTED HC 54 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT THROUGH RADAR STATION AND UDORN TACC (SAR CENTER FOR DET 5 38 ARS.
5. TYPE AND TIME INITIAL SAR ACTION: HH3,HC54, AND 2 A 1E WERE



[redacted]

DOWNGRADED
IAW AFR 205-2
13 MAY 1970

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 804 S E C R E T
LAUNCHED AT 0830H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1752N 10543E DRV THE TERRAIN WAS ROUGH IN HEAVY FOREST AREA ON THE SIDE OF A HILL.
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF IN CDENTGC NOT A FACTOR
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
9. AGENCY LOCATIONG OBJECTIVE: THE HC54 ARRIVED ON THE SCENCE AT 0910H AND AT 0915H THE HH3 AND ESCORTING A1ES ARRIVED. THE CHUTE AND PENFLARE WAS SVOTTED BY A1E PILOT AT 0923H. THE HC 54 PICKED UP BEACON AND VISUAL ON PILOT AT 0932H.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVISOR: THE HH3 PICKED UP THE PILOT BY HOIST AT 0955H
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVOR: ONE
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE COMBAT ACR
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: SURVIVOR WAS RETURNED TO UDORN AB THAILAND BY HH3. THE PILOT WAS IN GOOD CONDITION
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HC54 1/8 PLUS 05 USAF HH3 2/5 PLUS 15 USAF F-105 8/15 PLUS 30 USAF F4C 3/4 PLUS 30 USAF KC135 2/4 PLUS 00 USAF A1E 4/11 PLUS 00 USN A1H 2/4 PLUS 00
15. NUMBER GROUND PERSONNEL/VEHICLES/VESSELS PARTICIPATING IN SEARCH

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

1 8+05
2 5+15
8 15+30
3 4+30
2 4+00
4 11+00
2 4+00
22 52+20

[redacted]

PAGE 3 RUMSAR 804 S E C R E T
16. ADDITIONAL INFO: THERE WAS GROUND FIRE REPORTED IN THE AREA BY THE HH3 CREW. NO HITS WERE SUSTAINED.
SURVIVOR: CAPT JAMES SULLIVAN WICHITA KANAS
HH3 CREW: PILOT BURTERA, JAMES L. CAPT NATIONAL CITY CALIF.
CP. KOWELL, WILLIAM E. CAPE HONOLULU HAWAII.
CC HEYWOOD SPENCE C. TTSGT MESA ARIZONA
PAR BIRTEL HARRY W A1C SHALIMAR FLORDIA
FOR PARC: LAST MSN REPORT: MSN 1236
GP-4
BT

Bq ARS SC No. 656598

ARODC # 655960

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

1237

SECRET

22 Dec 65 01 40

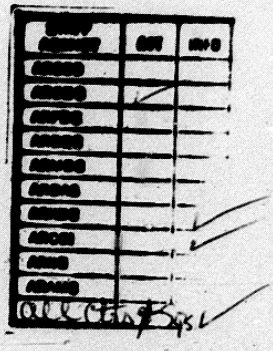
PFTS JAN RUWMOGB0847 3560128-SSSS--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAR 804 3551800
ZNY SSSSS
P 211800Z
FM 38 ARS TSN AFLD RVN
TO RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC
RUMGBS/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB
RUDDAA/MATS SCOTT AFB ILL
RUESSBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUHLKV/PACARECUECEN HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMALR/13AF CLARK AB PI
RUMSMA/MAVC SAIGON RVN
ZEN/2AD TSN AB RVN
RUMBDF/DEPUTY CMDR 2AD UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBDF/DET 5 38ARS UDORN AB THAILAND
RUMBOK/6234 CSG KORAT AB THAILAND
BT

CDN025/ARS

PRIORITY

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By [illegible] (Date) 14-3-75

S E C R E T SAR 51100 DEC 65. HQ USAF FOR AFXOPR AND MATS FOR MAOCO/AT AND MCP, ARS FOR ARDOC, PACAF FOR PFPCC-H, 13AF FOR JSARC.
1. RCS: 1-ARS-F1, OPENING/CLOSING REPORT.
2. MISSION NUMBER: 38 ARS 1239- 21 DEC 65.
3. SAR OBJECTIVE: USAF PILOT, F-105 CEDAR-2, NOT INFO AVAILABLE ON ADDITIONAL SURVIAL GEAR.
4. ALERTING AGENCY AND DTG ARS INITIALLY NOTIFIED: AT 21/0827Z H F-105 WINGMAN ALERTED HC 54 ON PRECAUTIONARY ORBIT THROUGH RADAR STATION AND UDORN TACC (SAR CENTER FOR DET 5 38 ARS.
5. TYPE AND TIME INITIAL SAR ACTION: HH3, HC54, AND 2 A 1E WERE



CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNGRADED IAW AF 205.2
13 MAY 1970

PAGE 2 RUMSAR 804 S E C R E T
LAUNCHED AT 0830H.
6. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1752N 10543E DRV THE TERRAIN WAS ROUGH IN HEAVY FOREST AREA ON THE SIDE OF A HILL.
7. WEATHER AT TIME OF IN CDENTGC NOT A FACTOR.
8. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DET 5 38 ARS UDORN AB THAILAND.
9. AGENCY LOCATING OBJECTIVE: THE HC54 ARRIVED ON THE SCENCE AT 0910H AND AT 0912H THE HH3 AND ESCORTING A1ES ARRIVED. THE CHUTE AND PENFLARE WAS SVOTTED BY A1E PILOT AT 0923H. THE HC 54 PICKED UP BEACON AND VISUAL ON PILOT AT 0932H.
10. AGENCY AND METHOD OF RESCUE OF SURVISOR: THE HH3 PICKED UP THE PILOT BY HOIST AT 0955H
11. NUMBER OF SURVIVOR: ONE
12. NUMBER OF PERSONS SAVED: ONE COMBAT AOR
13. DISPOSITION OF SURVIVOR: SURVIVOR WAS RETURNED TO UDORN AB THAILAND BY HH3. THE PILOT WAS IN GOOD CONDITION.
14. SORTIES/FLYING HOURS BY TYPE ACFT AND AGENCY:
USAF HC54 1/3 PLUS 00
USAF F4C 2/4 PLUS 00
USN A1H 2/4 PLUS 00

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

1 8+05
2 5+15
8 15+30
3 4+30
2 4+00

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Rg #: 10961

SECRET

P-F-1 64
Narrative

FROM: Det 5, 38th Air Rescue Sqd, APO San Francisco 96237

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

31 DEC

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla.

1. Mission Number: 38ARS-1239-21 Dec 65

2. SAR alerted by: Invert Radar (CCI Nakhon Phanom)

3. ARS Aircraft used: 1 HC-54, 2 HH-3C

Members of Rescue Helicopter were:

RCC Captain Butera, James L., FR66926
CP Captain Cowell, William E., FV3056890
HM TSgt Heywood, Spence C., AF19435977
PJ A1C Birtell, Harry W., AF13451830

Members of Cover Helicopter were:

RCC Captain Kamhoot, Norman B., FR61288
CP Captain Rush, Charles P., FR69405
HM SSgt Youngblood, Theodore M., AF17235041
HM A1C Crites, Robert E., AF15551790

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		✓
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		✓
ARBDC		✓
ARMDC		✓
ARDAS		✓
ARXDC		✓
ARCOI		✓
AHIG		✓
ARAMS		✓

+ ALL CEN + Spds Except PACAF

4. Reaction time from initial notification to pickup: 0:50

5. CAP assistance:

a. USAF F-4C

b. USAF A1E (Sandie)

c. USN A1H

DOWNGRADED IAW AFR-205-2

6. Area of pickup: Approximately 200 feet down the side of a mountain in 50 to 60 foot trees, and in heavy undergrowth.

7. Survivors name: Captain James Sullivan

8. Summary of events: While on alert at Nakhon Phanom AB, Thailand we received notice from Invert at 0725 local that an aircraft was down at 18N 10550E. Received instructions from Compress (Udorn RCC) to scramble. Jolly Green 27 and 33 were airborn at 0730 local. We proceeded on the 030° Radial for 40 miles to avoid flak area ENE of Nakhon Phanom. We then proceeded 090° for another 40 miles to the target area.

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-75

660031

ARODC # 660039

CONFIDENTIAL

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

SECRET

a. There was a complete overcast from the border mountains east across the pan handle of DMZ. We arrived in the target area at 0815 local. Sandies found a hole in the overcast and dropped down to begin an electronic search. Sandie 13 spotted the downed airman's chute and notified us at about 0835 local. Both Jolly Greens were still above the overcast and no holes were visible.

b. After taking radio bearings off the Sandie aircraft we positioned ourselves NE of his position, distance unknown. Sandie discribed the area below the overcast and directed us over a valley where the ceiling was 700 to 1000 feet. We took up a heading down the valley and descended thru the overcast entering the clouds at 5000 and breaking out at 2600 indicated, which was approximately 900 feet AGL. We made immediate visual contact with sandie who led us around known flak positions along a mountain ridge to the area.

c. As we arrived I observed a pen flare. We flew a low altitude, high speed pass over the spot and saw a chute but were unable to see the pilot due to tall trees and the indigenous type forest in the area. Just as I passed over the chute I received a faint call from the downed pilot which was blocked out almost immediately. I made a 180° turn coming to a hover above the chute. At this time the flight mechanic spotted the pilot and talked me into position. The pick up was made at 0845 local, 200 feet down the side of a mountain in 50 to 60 foot trees, and heavy undergrowth.

d. The terrain dictated that I take off straight ahead which took me near a road and a village. We received two bursts of fire just below the chopper which made our tail lurch up knocking the crew in the cabin to the floor. Sandies immediately returned the fire as we turned left away from the village. No further fire was observed. The Sandies looked us over and reported no visual damage. We then took up a heading towards a valley and climbed up thru the overcast.

4 A/C ??

e. Communications between the SAR aircraft was excellent. The downed pilot's use of the pen flare aided us of his location and reduced our time in the area to a minimum. The Sandies rapid reaction to the ground fire reduced the ground fire to a minimum. We returned the pilot to Udorn at 1025 local. Actual pick up was at 1801N 10543E.

James L Butera
JAMES L. BUTERA
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GDS 14-3-75
By [illegible] (Date)

Cy to: PARC

only 1 Crewmember on F-4-C ?

2 A/C was F-105

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

Det 2, 3RD Aerospace and Recovery Group
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO San Francisco 96237

[redacted]

6 Jan 1966

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		X
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		X
ARBDC		X
ARMDC		X
ARDAS		
ARXDC		✓
ARCCI		✓
ARIP		X
ARAMS		X

Reg No 11017

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 79ARS/Capt Schneider

SUBJECT: Narrative Report, Mission Number 2-1-1

TO: Hqs PARC, Hickam AFB Hawaii

Crown 27 departed Udorn Thailand at 05/2246Z, arrived over Lima [redacted] 98/20 at 05/2334Z for weather check and arrived on station at Point Alpha at 05/2355Z.

Cys to all Ctrs + Sq's except in PACAF

At 06/0148Z, we were advised by Compress that a Air America Hotel aircraft was down at coordinates 16-30N, 105-30E, that Jolly Green 29 and 33 were departing Shoestring ASAP along with Sandy 21/22. Two additional Sandies 11/12 were departing Compress ASAP.

Jolly Green 29 and 33 and Sandies 21 and 22 were airborne from NKP at 06/0151Z. Jolly Greens arrived on scence at 06/0235Z, Sandies at 06/0230Z, and Crown 27 at 06/0230Z.

Immediately after arriving on station, Sandy 21 reported that the Hotel aircraft was down for maintenance on an abandoned airstrip at coordinates 16-33N, 105-27E.

Spruce flight provided high cover from approximately 06/0225Z to 06/0300Z, rotating 2 aircraft at a time to the tanker orbiting NKP. Spruce flight was released when Dancehead (Forward Air Controller) near downed chopper reported Hotel aircraft safe in friendly zone and protected by friendly forces.

RTB was recieved from Compress for Task Force at approximately 06/0300Z and passed on to all aircraft, Jolly Green returned to NKP however. Dancehead requested use of Sandies against targets in his area and request was passed to Compress and denied. The Sandies remained in the area to provide immediate reconnaisance for strikes being conducted in this time period. Crown 27 orbited the area until the strikes were complete and passed the RTB to Sandies, (Sandy 11/12 to Compress; 21/22 to Shoestring).

Crown 27 maintained radio contact with Hotel 22, which landed at the abandoned airstrip to assist the downed chopper. Hotel 22 relayed the required parts through us, Compress,AA. The following parts were required; Right forward transmission mount; 2 ea flux hydraulic lines for forward and aft right lateral servos, tools, if transmission must be pulled, an A-frame will be required.

Hotel 22 airlifted the crew of the downed chopper to 1s-39 via a refueling stop at SavannaKet. Crown 27 departed area for NKP at 06/0348Z and received RTB at 06/0428Z. Landed Udorn at 06/0505Z

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unclassified
By Authority of GPS
By [signature] (Date) 14-5-75

660152 JGM
ARDDC # 660147
Hq ARS SC No.

Robert R Hudson Capt
For LESLIE G. SCHNEIDER
SAF Controller
Det 2 3ARRG

[redacted]

Cy to: Hq ARS
3rd ARRG TSN RVN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

UNCLASSIFIED

69

OPENING/CLOSING [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D6-38-1068-21 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USA SOLDIER (1)
HH-43F

UNCLASSIFIED

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[illegible]

(1044W)

TOD

combat
non crew mgt
army

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO San Francisco 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report 27 Dec 1965

TO: HQ Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Mission Number: 6-1068-21 Dec 65.

2. SAR Alerted by: 3rd TFW Command Post.

3. SAR Aircraft Used: 2 HH-43F .

Members of Rescue Helicopter Were:

RCC	Capt Charles P. Nadler	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Capt Raymond L. Murden	Det 6, 38th ARS
MM	TSgt Kenneth L. Perkins	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	A1C Henry J. O'Beirne	Det 6, 38th ARS

Crew Members of Cover HH-43F Were:

RCC	Capt Karl G. King	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Capt Ronald L. Pachman	Det 6, 38th ARS
MM	A1C Alexander Montgomery	Det 6, 38th ARS
RS	SSgt George E. Schipper	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from release to scramble to pickup: 20 minutes.

5. CAP assistance: 2 A-1E's + 2 UH-1B's.

6. Area and type of Pickup: Jungle Area, 100foot trees, hoist pickup using stokes litter.

7. Ground party used smoke grenades to mark area and ARA - 25 used by the rescue helicopter to home in on CAP aircraft.

8. Survivors name: Unknown USA soldier.

9. Summary of Events: Detachment 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron was notified by the 3rd TFW Command Post of a badly wounded soldier located at XS 255075, 21 miles Southeast of Pleiku Air Base, RVN at 1605, 21 Dec 1965. We were released from a prior commitment to a C-47 accident at 1626 by the 38th Air Rescue Sqdn SAR Center and were airborne at 1630. A flight of two A-1E's, Hobo 61 were orbiting the area and we homed in on them with our ARA-25 homing adaptor. We arrived at the area at 1647 and were advised that there were about 15 Viet Cong spotted one kilometer to the East of the pickup point. I picked up my UH-1B escort, Sidewinder 21, and brought the HH-43F to a hover over 100 foot trees and was able to descent amongst the trees to a 20 foot hover where the wounded soldier

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

was hoisted up in the stokes litter at 1650. We departed the area and landed at the 93rd Field Hospital at 1710, offloaded the patient, and returned to Bien Hoa Air Base. Total flying time for both HH-43F's was 1:30 with 4 sorties and we were credited with one save.

Charles P. Nadler

CHARLES P. NADLER
Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

Cy to: PARC, 36ARS

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted]

70

OPENING/CLOSING INDICATOR: [redacted]
MISSION NUMBER: D7-38-681-29 DEC 65
SUBJECT: USN (USMC-HF-1E) 1 ACR 4 OTHER
HH-43F

?

[redacted]

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

[redacted] PRIORITY

30 DEC 65 09 21

VWJ

119

Briefed 3 Jan Hallon

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARIIG		
ARAMS		

PFTC JAW RUEBJTCQ240 3640845-CCCC--RUEBSBA.
DE RUMSAG 13 3640340
ZNY CCCCC
P 30/0115Z
FM DET 7 38ARESCUE SQ DANANG AB RFVN
TO RUEBSBA/ARS ORLANDO AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PACARESCUECEN HICKAM AFB HA
RUMSBJ/38ARESCUE SQ TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
BT
C O N F I D E N T I A L DE 7 38ARESCUE SQ 50720. DEC 65
FOR ARS ARSCP, PARC PRCOP, 380PS.
1. 1AARS-F1 [redacted] OPENIIIING/[redacted]OSING REPORT
2. 7-38-681-29DEC65
3. HE-1E(USMC), CALL SIGN DEADLOCK, SHOT DOWN 26 MILES FROM

DNNANG AB
170 DEGREE TACAN RADIAL. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL
ABOUARD UNKNOWN.
4. DANANG RADAR CONTROL DEC 9
5. 2 HH-43F 1930L
6. 15DEGREE 37'N 108DEGREE 15'E

5 SAVES
1 ACR
4 NON ACR
7-38-681

NO W-H REPORT
[redacted]
REC, NAR
SNIPES

PAGE 2 RUMSAG 13 C O N F I D E N T I A L
7. 2000 SCATTERED, VISIBILITY 5 MILES
8. DANANG RADAR CONTROL
9. USMC GROUND TROOPS
10. 2 HH-43F'S LANDED IN RICE PADDY, TOOK ABOARD 1 SERIOUSLY INJURED CREWMEMBER AND 4 MARINES SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN GROUND ACION.
11. HH-43F MEDEVAC ONE SURVIVOR OF CRASH. OTHERS WERE NOT INJURED AND WITH FRIENDLY GROUND FORCES.
12. FIVE.
13. MEDEVAC TO MARINE HOSPITAL AT DANANG.
14. HH-43F 2/3PLUS 40
FC-47 1/1PLUS 45
ARMY O-1E 1/2PLUS 30
15. UNKNOWN-AREA WAS A BATTLEFIELD.
16. MISSION CLOSED.
GP:9
BT

STAFF AGENCY	ACT	INFO
ARCCO		
ARODC	✓	
ARPDC		
ARBDC		
ARMDC		
ARDAS		
ARXDC		
ARCOI		
ARIIG		
ARAMS		

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
[redacted] AFTER 12 YEARS.

[redacted]

CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
Or Changed to Unscheduled
By Authority of GDS
By LJD (Date) 14-3-78

NNNN

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526

BLANK

THIS PAGE IS DECLASSIFIED IAW EO 13526