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MISSION NARRATIVE 2 MAR 66

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Notified by COMPRESS to scramble at 0151Z, 2 March 1966. Jolly Green 31 and 30 airborne at 0156Z. Immediately after takeoff contact was made with INVERT and a heading and distance of 090 degrees, 67 NM from Channel 65 TACAN was given to Jolly Green. Sandy 21, 22, 23 and 24 were scrambled and airborne at 0159Z. Enroute to the area contact was established with Crown 28 and Gombey aircraft. Gombey advised that there was a possible collision between an F-105 and 01F aircraft. Jolly Green was advised by Diamond Back flight that the crash site and one chute had been located and that they had picked up a beeper in the same area. Sandys 21 and 22 proceeded to the area and Sandy 23 and 24 escorted Jolly Green to the area. Sandy 21 and 22 confirmed crash site, chute and beeper and directed Jolly Green to the area. Jolly Green arrived on the scene at approximately 0230Z. Crown 28 advised Jolly Green 31 that we were clear to investigate the chute at pilots discretion. Jolly Green descended to approximately 1500 feet and made a pass over the chute and crash site. A strong beeper signal (appeared to be two beepers) was heard by Jolly Green in the immediate vicinity of the crash site and chute. The immediate area was approximately one eighth of a mile west of a river and approximately 40 yards from a dirt road. The trees were approximately 75 feet tall with dense underbrush. The chute was located approximately 30 yards south of the crash site. The pilot was not observed at this time. Jolly Green then descended to tree top level for closer search of the area around the chute. While approaching the site, a pen flare was observed near the chute. The pilot was not in sight. As Jolly Green hovered over the chute the downed pilot was transmitting on his survival radio trying to direct Jolly Green to him. However, his radio transmissions were drowned out by the strong beeper signals. At this time Jolly Green 31 requested clearance from COMPRESS to lower the pararescueman on the hoist for ground search of area near the chute. After being cleared by COMPRESS the pararescueman was lowered on the hoist at approximately 0305Z. Approximately 2 minutes later (0307Z) the flight mechanic spotted the pilot within the immediate area of Jolly Green. The tree penetrator was maneuvered to the pilot and a hoist pickup was accomplished. Jolly Green took off, circled the area, and directed the pararescueman by radio to return to the point where he was lowered on the sling. The pararescueman was then picked up on the hoist and Jolly Green departed the area to channel 65 on a heading of 270 degrees. In route the pararescueman and flight mechanic administered first aid to the pilot who had suffered burns, facial lacerations (eyes swollen shut) and was suffering from shock. Jolly Green landed at channel 65 with the injured pilot at 0318Z.

Pilot recovered: Capt Tastet.

Low Bird, Jolly Green 31
1st Lt Letton, RCC
Major Schmidt, RCCP
SSgt Chapman, HM
A2C Kellerman, PJ

for *Harold A Vaura May*
ROBERT W. LETTON, 1st Lt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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ARMDC		X
ARDAS		X
ARXDC		X
ARCOI		X
ARIIG		X
ARAMS		X

High Bird, Jolly Green 30

Capt Weekley, RCC
1st Lt Sans, RCCP
SSgt Barnes, HM
A2C Halvorson, PJ

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SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Capt Jerry W. Jennings, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
(1st OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on
22 Feb 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Capt William R. Uhl, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
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SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, MSgt William G. Daniels, Det 5, 38 ARRSq,
DFC (1st OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight
on 22 Feb 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, SSgt Michael R. Holloway Det 5, 38 ARRSq,
DFC (1st OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight
on 22 Feb 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Maj Frank A. Schmidt Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 2 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Capt Francis E. Hendrickson, Det 7, 38 ARRSq,
DFC for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 7 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Capt Jerry W. Jennings, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
(2d OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on
15 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, Capt William R. Uhl, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
(2d OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on
15 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, 1st Lt Thomas E. Kenny, Det 7, 38 ARRSq, DFC
for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 7 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, 1st Lt Robert W. Letton, Det 5, 38 ARRSq,
DFC for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 2 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, SSgt Leo M. Chapman, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 2 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, SSgt Arron D. Forrior, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 7 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, SSgt Michael R. Holloway, Det 5, 38 ARRSq,
DFC (2d OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight 15 Mar 66

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, SSgt Harold R. Schrader, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
(1st OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 7 Mar 66

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, ALC Dennis J. Kraft, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC for
extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 15 Mar 66.

SO G-512, 7AF, 28 Jun 66, ALC Laverne W. Kellerman Jr, Det 5, 38 ARRSq, DFC
(1st OLC) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 2 Mar 66

SO 516, 7AF, 29 Jun 66, ALC Edgar W. Forrester Jr, Det 7, 38 ARRSq, Air Meda
(1st OLC) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on 10 Jan 66.

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