

FROM: Det 7, 38ARRSq, APO San Francisco 96337

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Subject: Narrative of Mission 7-38-33, 14 May 66

TO: 3d ARRGp, APO San Francisco 96307

1. I was on strip alert at Cigar when requested at 1715 local to med-evac eight wounded Laotian soldiers from a location 14 miles west of Tango. We secured permission from Queen and departed at 1730 local. A slight delay was incurred because we off-loaded partially filled auxillary fuel tanks before departure. Enroute to Tango we were ordered by Queen to hold at Tango for rescap. Since darkness was approaching and the recovery location was known to be secure, we requested and received permission to continue unescorted. We arrived at the location at 1810. The primary helicopter loaded four patients and the secondary three. We arrived at Tango at 1830 and all patients were off-loaded. We then departed, but were recalled by Baton Rouge 9 after approximately 20 minutes flight. Two of the patients were in critical condition and the Tango medics felt they would not survive the night at Tango. We returned and loaded one litter on each helicopter. We then proceeded in marginal night weather to Charlie med. Our patients were off-loaded and we landed at DaNang at 2115.

2. No problems were encountered on this mission. The patient on my aircraft was suffering from a open chest wound and I was requested to fly at a minimum altitude. The low altitude and night flying condition were the only aspects of this mission that were out of the ordinary.

3. Seven combat saves for Detachment 7, 38ARRSq.

Primary Crew:

RCC Captain Harold A. Solberg
CP Captain Donald J. Couture
HM A2C Dennis J. Wilson
RS A1C Dennis C. Hughes

Secondary Crew:

RCC Captain John B. Kneen
CP Captain Rockwell N. Greene
HM A1C Ronal E. Renard
RS SSgt William C. Sutton

for John B. Kneen, Capt
HAROLD A. SOLBERG, Capt., USAF
Rescue Crew Commander