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Det 2-3-51-6 May

(C) Two O-1E pilots were located and recovered by an HH-3 using the hoist at 1720 10540E. Both survivors were returned to Nakhon Phanom. : LAOS

Det 2-3-52-6 May

(C) An F-105 was hit over the target; his wingman reported a good chute at 2139N 10451E (NVN), approximately five miles from the target area. Electronic search the next day by F4C's produced strong beeper contact but was unsuccessful due to limited time on scene before fuel bingo. Search suspended the following day when no visual or electronic contact was made.

Det 2-3-53-10 May

(C) The pilot of an F-105 shot down in the vicinity of the Red River (NVN) was located at 2156N 10435E. ALE's in the area contacted the downed pilot; an HH-3 recovered the injured airman by hoist. On leaving the scene, MIG's attacked the two helicopters but were driven off by F-4C's.

Det 2-3-54-10 May

(C) Two HH-3E's were scrambled from Nakhon Phanom to recover a downed F-105 pilot at 2030N 10412E. ALE's vectored the helicopters to the scene and marked the pilot's position with smoke. One of the HH-3E's lowered its hoist penetrator to within three feet of the pilot who had a bad leg injury; however, he was able to get aboard the penetrator and was hauled into the aircraft for return to Udorn.

Det 2-3-55-11 May

(C) C-130 and ALE's made visual and electronical search for USMC pilot of an A-4 down in Laos at 1621N 10648E with negative results. Search suspended since wingman was doubtful that pilot ejected.

Det 2-3-56-13 May

(C) An F-105 pilot bailed out 5½ miles NW of Nakhon Phanom and was recovered by hoist using an HH-3 helicopter.

Det 2-3-57-15 May

(C) HC-130, HU-16, KC-135 and F-105's made electronic search for F-105 pilot down at 1722N 10630E (NVN). Search suspended due to negative contacts.

Det 2-3-58-15 May

(C) The last known position of an AC-47 was 1658N 10604E (Laos). HC-130 and ALE's made visual and electronic search but no leads or contacts were made.

Det 2-3-59-16 May

(C) The pilot of an ALE bailed out successfully at 1712N 10610E. His wingman had the chute in sight and radio contact with the downed pilot. On arrival of HH-3E's, the downed airman fired a smoke bomb, was located and picked up by hoist for return to Nakhon Phanom. Ground fire was heard during the recovery but no battle damage was sustained.

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