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FROM: Det 1, 38th Aerospace Rescue & Recovery Squadron (MAC)
APO 96321

REPLY TO ATTN OF: Det 1, 38ARRSq

25 Nov 1966

SUBJECT: Narrative Report for Mission #1-38-11-24 Nov 1966 (u)

TO: 3d ARRGp (RGRC)
APO 96307

(c) At 1410L, we were notified by MAC-V that three ARVN soldiers were in need of immediate medical evacuation. The ARVN's were engaged in a search and destroy operation 10 miles South East of the base. At 1415L, the AH-43B's were scrambled. At 1418L radio contact was made with Cagey 66, an O-12, for further directions to the ARVN force, who stated that there was no enemy contact at that particular time. Upon arrival at the scene, a smoke bomb was set by ARVN's for positive identification. Pedro 92 went in for the first landing while Pedro 44 remained high. Two of the patients were picked up by Pedro 92, and then took off to maintain a high cover position while Pedro 44 landed and picked up the remaining patient. The three were then taken to a field near the town of Phan Rang and turned over to ARVN medical authorities. All three patients were litter patients and unconscious due to shock.

(u) The crew of Pedro 92, the alert bird was:

RCC - Capt Clarence N. Cochran, Amarillo, Texas
CP - Capt Leonard D. Fliako, Utica, New York
HM - A2C Daniel P. Kimball, Campbell, California
MT - SSgt Howard D. McClellan, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania

(u) The crew of Pedro 44, the backup bird was:

RCC - Capt Larry A. Nitz, Billings, Montana
CP - Capt LaMonte M. Kahler, Idaho Falls, Idaho
HM - SSgt William R. Dunbar, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
RS - SSgt William B. Kimmel, Aldophia, Maryland

Clarence N. Cochran
CLARENCE N. COCHRAN, Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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Det 1-38-11-24 Nov (RCC Narrative)

(C) (GP-4) At 1410L, we were notified by MAC-V that three ARVN soldiers were in need of immediate medical evacuation. The ARVN's were engaged in a search and destroy operation 10 miles South East of the base. At 1415L, two HH-43B's were scrambled. At 1418L radio contact was made with Cagey 61, an O-1E, for further directions to the ARVN force, who stated that there was no enemy contact at that particular time. Upon arrival at the scene, a smoke bomb was set by ARVN's for positive identification. Pedro 92 went in for the first landing while Pedro 44 remained high. Two of the patients were picked up by Pedro 92, and then took off to maintain a high cover position while Pedro 44 landed and picked up the remaining patient. The three were then taken to a field near the town of Phan Rang and turned over to ARVN medical authorities. All three patients were litter patients and unconscious due to shock.

Det 2-3-137-6 Dec

(C) (GP-4) SAR Objective: Two RF-4C pilots downed in area near Dien Bien Phu. Four Sandy aircraft and two Jolly Green helicopters were diverted to the scene. Sandy A-1E's picked up beeper signals and then established voice contact with both pilots. Condition of the first survivor was reported good but the second one had bad leg and back injuries. Jolly Green 53 moved into position and hoisted the first pilot aboard using the forest penetrator. The pararescueman (PJ) had to be lowered with litter to aid the injured pilot. As the litter containing the survivor was being raised the HH-3E received battle damage from ground fire and had to withdraw due to the loss of oil pressure leaving the PJ on the ground. Jolly Green 05 moved in to recover the PJ but could not locate him visually or by radio so elected to lower his PJ to search for the one from Jolly Green 53. After about five minutes hovering Jolly Green 05 observed a fire light on number one engine and was forced to pull off the hover to gain airspeed. Crew prepared for forced landing, however, aircraft remained flyable on one engine and a landing was made at a site for emergency repairs. Enroute Jolly Green 05 received several hits from groundfire. Both pararescuemen left on the ground evaded for almost two hours. Although they heard many shots and much activity in the immediate area, they never saw or heard each other until another Jolly Green arrived and recovered them.

Det 1-3-91-8 Dec

(U) SAR Objective: Two crewmembers of an F-4C down near Danang. Two HH-43F's were scrambled to the scene and made contact with the downed pilots by radio and flare signalling. One helicopter landed and the two survivors climbed aboard for the return to Danang AB. Time from launch to pick-up was ten minutes.

Det 6-38-135-11 Dec

(U) F-100 pilot ejected in an area north of Bien Hoa. Pilot landed in jungle in trees 75 to 100 feet high. UH-1B's (Hueys) and F-100s flew protective cover while HH-43Fs were enroute. One of the UH-1s received battle damage from groundfire in the vicinity. Survivor recovered by HH-43 using

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