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FROM: 1-370

SUBJ: Mission Narrative (2-3-06, 12 Jan 1967) (U)

TO: 1-37C
3rd ARRGp (JSARC)

22 JAN 1968

1. (U) This report is submitted in accordance with ARRS 55-2/3ARRGp Supl 1, dated 15 Jun 67.
2. (S) Jolly Green 17 was launched from LS-36 at 1357L to recover wounded personnel at LS-85. JG-17 was airborne at 1410L. After becoming airborne, JG-17 was requested to hold until Fireflies arrived in the area because of reported ground fire. JG-17 held at LS-85 and during this period it was determined that all wounded had been evacuated from that site. JG-17 moved to 340/12/CH97 because of the possibility of recovering a survivor from an aircraft which had been shot down after attacking site LS-85. Ground forces subsequently discovered that there were no live crew members aboard the downed aircraft. JG-17 was at this time diverted back to LS-85 for a medical evacuation. JG-17 landed at LS-85 at 1525L and departed for LS-20 at 1555L with a wounded civilian. The wounded civilian was delivered to LS-20 at 1645L. JG-17 departed LS-20 at 1650 and arrived Lima 98 at 1655L and terminated.
3. (S) At an undetermined time during this mission or during airborne alert on the following day, JG-17 sustained battle damage from what apparently was a .30 cal. armor piercing bullet.
4. (U) Weather was not a factor. Communication was extremely difficult because of the number of aircraft in the area. The survivor was Mr. Roland F. Hodge, Det 1, 1043 RES, APO San Francisco 96237.

JOLLY GREEN 17

RCC LT COL JOSEPH L. WELLS
RCCP LT BILLY N. PRIVETTE
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FOR; ARCCO AND PRCCO. SUBJECT; UNUSUAL INTEREST MISSION (U).
THIS MESSAGE IN THREE PARTS. PART I. ON 12 JAN 68 AT 1500H LOCAL
JSARC WAS NOTIFIED THAT TWO RUSSIAN BUILT (AN-2) COLT BIPLANES
HAD ATTACKED LS 85, ADJACENT TO TACAN CHANNEL 97, DROPPING 15
250 POUND BOMBS. NO MARKINGS OR REGISTRY INDICATED. AIR
AMERICA (HUIE) PURSUED COLTS AND SHOT ONE DOWN WITH A CARBINE
RIFLE 12 MILES NORTH OF LS-85 AND FORCED SECOND COLT TO CRASH
INTO MOUNTAIN APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE FROM THE FIRST. (HH-3E)
EVACUATED ONE WOUNDED FROM LS 85. GEN MOMYER DIRECTED ACTION
BE TAKEN TO RETRIEVE ONE OR BOTH OF THE AIRCRAFT IF POSSIBLE.
ONLY HELOS CAPABLE OF LIFT IN AREA ARE (HH-53'S). PART II.
EXTERNAL SLING KIT BORROWED FROM USMC DANANG. DELIVERED TO
UDORN NIGHT OF 12 JAN BY (HC-130) AND INSTALLED ON HH-53. TWO
HH-53'S PROCEEDING TO LS 85 EARLY 13 JAN TO EVALUATE SITUATION

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AND TO RETRIEVE COLT ACFT IF FEASIBLE. INTELLIGENCE SOURCES
INDICATE COLT WEIGHT 7500 POUNDS. HOWEVER, BOTH CRASHES AT
4500 FT MSL. IF OGE HOVER REQUIRED ACFT WILL HAVE TO BE
PARTIALLY DISASSEMBLED FOR LIFT. PART III. I HAVE DIRECTED
EXTREME CAUTION BE EXERCISED AND THAT EFFORT BE ABANDONED
IF NOT WITHIN FLIGHT MANUAL CAPABILITIES OF HH-53. 3ARRGP
VICE COMMANDER TDY UDORN PROCEEDING TO FORWARD LOCATION TO
INSURE ALL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS OBSERVED. MAJOR WILLIAMS,
HH-53 STANDARDIZATION PILOT AND RCC ON PRIMARY ACFT, HAS
EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE RETRIEVING DRONES AND LIFTING CARGO
EXTERNALLY. WILL ADVISE RESULTS WHEN KNOWN. GP-4.
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