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FROM: Det 7, 38th ARRS (Captain George R. Andrews, 6541) 26 January 1968

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative 7-38-1, 25 Jan 1968 (U)

TO: 3JSARC

1. This report is submitted IAW MR 55-2, 3rd ARRGp Sup 1, dtd 15 June 1967.
2. Detachment 7 was notified at approximately 0857L than an O-1 had crashed on the 032 degree radial of ch 94 at 3 miles. On take off, 0900L, tower advised Pedro 93 to contact Panama on guard; the pilot was also on this frequency. Soon the pilot sighted us, vectored us to his position and set off a red smoke grenade. After a reconnaissance pass a landing was made near the downed aircraft at approximately 0905L. The wreckage was in an area known to be secure and friendly. The downed crew was reached by the pararescue specialist and flight engineer and found to be in good condition. The pararescue specialist was stationed at the crash to protect it from the gathering local residence. The crew was taken to Marble Mountain Airfield 3 miles East of DaNang AB, RVN. Pedro returned to the crash site to wait for the pararescue specialist to be relieved from guarding the wreckage. When fuel became low we returned to DaNang AB, RVN. After refueling, Pedro 93 took off at 1027L to pick up the pararescue specialist. After being relieved, the pararescue specialist was picked up and Pedro 93 returned to DaNang at 1045L. There were no injuries or damages involving civilians.
3. No problems were encountered. The weather was 250 overcast, visibility 7 miles, haze and light rain, wind calm.
4. The names of the survivors were:
 - a. P. F. Meg, 092582, Capt USMC, H & MS-16 (O-1 Detachment) APO 96337.
 - b. J. J. Major, 01878822, LtCol, USA, 108th Arty Gp APO 96269.
5. Crew members of Pedro 93 were:

- a. RCC Capt George R. Andrews
- b. RCCP Capt Richard E. Porter
- c. FE Sgt William P. Owens
- d. RS TSgt John L. Hennessey

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Air Force Base. The HH-53B crew was picked up later by another Super Jolly Green and brought to Udorn. The aircraft was later repaired and recovered.

Major John V. Allison on 17 January 1968 also rescued three (3) of the six crew members of the downed B-66 crew. This rescue was accomplished under poor weather conditions with the survivors all in different locations. On 23 January Major Allison was again called out to locate the remaining three (3) B-66 survivors. Hearing a good beeper and seeing two Pen Gun Flares, Sandy pilots directed the helicopter into the area of the beeper. While entering a hover at 150 feet absolute altitude and at 20 knots indicated airspeed, the helicopter experienced ground fire and was taking hits. Major Allison and crew immediately evacuated the area but not before expending 500 rounds of ammunition at suspected enemy locations. Two miniguns were put into action for the first time in a combat capacity by an HH-53B. It could not be determined if any of the enemy had been hit. Sergeant Wayne L. Fisk, Pararescueman, believes he may have made hits on the enemy. With the aid of aerial refueling, the HH-53B returned to Udorn with leaking auxiliary fuel tanks but landed safely after receiving 23 hits. The enemy was successful in putting the aircraft out of commission for several weeks.

Captain Alfred C. Montrem and crew on 8 February 1968 recovered a downed crew member from the 555th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Ubon, Thailand. Because of hoist cable difficulties on Captain Montrem's aircraft, Jolly Green 70 (the High Bird), commanded by Captain James

CHAPTER III

OPERATIONS

MISSIONS

1. Mission 7-38-1, 25 January 1968. Pedro 93 was scrambled by tower on a crashed Marine O-1, 3 miles out on the 032 degree radial of channel 94 (DaNang). The crew of the O-1, Captain P.F. Meg, 092582 pilot, and LtCol J.J. Major, 01878822 observer, were both in good condition and taken to a near by Navy hospital for check-up. Pedro 93 returned to the crash sight for investigation and later returned to DaNang Air Base. Two non-combat saves were recorded.
2. Mission 1-3-7, 27 January 1968. Pedro 69 was scrambled by tower on an F-4 airborne emergency. The emergency developed into a bailout of the F-4 crew approximately 12 miles East of DaNang. Pedro 69 crew responded and recovered Lt Boyce R. Core FV3173649, by water hoist pick up. Pedro 69 crew returned to DaNang and was credited with one combat save.
3. Mission 7-38-2, 30 January 1968. Pedro 69 took off following a rocket attack on DaNang Air Base to check damages and for medical evacuation of injured during the attack. The Pedro crew air evacuated one patient, Sgt James House AF14821066, from DaNang to a near by Naval Hospital and recorded one save.
4. Mission 7-38-3, 2 February 1968. The crew of Pedro 69 responded to a call on an urgent med-evac. The patient, ADJM Wayne Michalai, B518166, had suffered a cardiac arrest, and was rushed to a near by Naval Hospital. Because of the quick response and aid given, Pedro