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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
37TH AEROSPACE RESCUE AND RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96337



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 370

SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT (1-3-14, 22 Feb 68) (U)

TO: 37C

3rd ARRGp (JSARC)
IN TURN

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SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652
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23 February 1968

1. (U) This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2/3rd ARRGp Sup 1 dated 15 June 1967.

2. (C) At 1300Z, 22 Feb 68, Det 4 AMES alerted the 37th ARRS for a possible MEDIVAC of 31 litter and 16 ambulatory MEDIVACS from "Delta" Hospital, Dong Ha, RVN to the NSA Hospital, DaNang, RVN. At 1420Z, having received permission from Queen, Jolly Green 07 was launched from Channel 94 followed by JG 04 at 1443Z, JG 30 at 1456Z and JG 10 at 1507Z. At 1529 Jolly Green 07 landed at Dong Ha, loaded on 11 litter and 4 ambulatory and departed for DaNang. Shortly thereafter, Jolly Green 04 picked up 12 litters and 1 ambulatory, JG 30 picked up 5 litters and 5 ambulatory, and JG 10 picked up 4 litters and 6 ambulatory. The aircraft landing times at Channel 94 after delivering the MEDIVACS to NSA Hospital were: JG 07 at 1715Z, JG 04 at 1730Z, JG 30 at 1743Z, and JG 10 at 1746Z.

3. (C) The weather was a factor in the mission. Dong Ha's weather was 300 foot overcast and less than 2 miles visibility. GCA control had to be utilized for both take-offs and landings, causing some congestion as GCA could only handle one aircraft at a time. No ground fire was sighted.

4. (U) Crew members of Jolly Greens:

JOLLY GREEN 07

RCC Capt John B. McTasney
RCCP Capt John I. Patterson
FE Sgt Odell Carter
RS A1C Ricky D. Hindman

JOLLY GREEN 04

RCC Major John W. Robey
RCCP Capt Robert Levins III
FE SSgt Gordon T. Greever
RS Sgt Angus C. McDougall

JOLLY GREEN 30

RCC Capt William E. Brennan
RCCP Capt William B. Byrd Jr
FE SSgt Robert H. Baldwin
RS Sgt Donald K. Claudius

JOLLY GREEN 10

RCC Capt Thomas E. Bair
RCCP Capt Frank Cardile
FE SSgt Windell L. Stumbaugh
RS Sgt Peter J. Ganun

GROUP 4

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John B. McTasney
JOHN B. MCTASNEY, Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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APO 96337. The pararescueman, Sgt Angus C. McDougall, was lowered on the hoist to assist the second survivor who reportedly had two broken legs. However, despite his injuries, the second survivor, 1st Lt Paul Sieler, FV3173627, 390 TFS, APO 96337, managed to run to the penetrator and Sgt McDougall. The survivor and pararescueman were hoisted aboard and Jolly Green 10 followed the FAC up through the overcast. The mission was terminated upon landing at DaNang.

(8)(U) 1-3-14, 22 Feb 1968. At 1420Z Jolly Greens 07, 04, 30 and 10 were utilized to transport thirty one (31) litter and sixteen (16) ambulatory MEDIVACS from "Delta" hospital, Dong Ha, RVN, to NSA hospital, DaNang. The reasons Jolly Greens were used for this unusual mission were the extremely low cloud ceiling, darkness, and poor visibility at Dong Ha precluded any fixed wing aircraft landing there. The patients were in critical condition and had to be transferred immediately.

(9)(U) 1-3-15, 22 Feb 1968. At 1824Z Jolly Green 25 was scrambled from DaNang to search for the crews of a USMC A-6 and an F-8 that had collided twenty (20) miles southeast. Since this mission took place entirely at night Jolly Green 25 was assisted by a USAF C-47 flareship. At 1800 Jolly Green 25 made a night water landing and picked up the survivors - Capt Lawrence E. Pabin, 092192, and Capt Roderick Smith, 094204, VMA (AW) 533. A