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SUBJ: Mission Narrative (2-3-21, 12 Mar 68) (U)

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TO: 1-370W
3rd ARRG (JSARG)
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1. (U) This report is submitted IAW ARPSM 55-2/3rd ARRG Sup 1 dated 15 June 67.

2. (S) Jolly Greens 36(L) and 17 were scrambled from Nakhon Phanom RTAFB at 1015Z, 12 Mar 68, in response to a distress signal of unknown origin whose initial position was given as 203/66/89. Because of reports that the survivor spoke no English, an interpreter was carried aboard Jolly Green 36. Arriving on scene at 1055Z contact was made with Covey 685, a Forward Air Controller who was searching for the survivor, and Crown 2. The latter reported that its strongest signal from the survivor was detected at 360/53/51 and both Jolly Greens were instructed to fly toward that position. Commencing with our arrival in the first area the interpreter (who spoke very little English) tried unsuccessfully to make radio contact with the man on the ground. As we neared a point 345/67/51 Jolly Green 17 detected a swing on his UHF/ADF and an intense electronic search began even though it was by then dark. The interpreter still could establish no voice contact with the survivor even though the aircraft remained in the area for one hour and 30 minutes. At that time a weak beeper was detected toward the southeast and both aircraft proceeded toward it. All the while the interpreter was attempting voice contact. After 5-10 minutes in the new area the survivor and interpreter were in good voice contact with one another and his position was narrowed to 353/58-59/51. However, because of language difficulties we could not get him to assist us in pinpointing his location or helping with the recovery. We did learn he was uninjured. At 1310Z both Jolly Green aircraft were RTB'd by Compress to Channel 89, landing at 1350Z. Weather throughout the mission was clear although darkness prohibited an effective low-level search.

3. (U) No survivor was recovered.

4. (U) Crewmembers of the Jolly Greens were:

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