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18 March 1968

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 370

SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT (1-3-24, 16 Mar 68)(U)

TO: 37C *Koe*
3rd ARRGp (JSAR)
IN TURN

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1. (U) This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2/3rd ARRGp Sup 1 dated 15 June 1967.
2. (C) Jolly Green 04, high aircraft at Marine Quang Tri, departed at 0745Z for a Whiskey Orbit. JG 04 was 35 miles from Channel 109 on 360 radial when a Mayday was declared on Guard Frequency at 0814Z. The aircraft, a Marine F-8 (Ringneck 519-2) was headed feet wet on the 085 radial of Channel 109. JG 04 altered course immediately toward the aircraft. The pilot bailed out and JG 04 was vectored to the area (0840/23/Ch 109) by Waterboy. The pilot was located by a Marine CH-46 (callsign unknown) who was hovering by the survivor when JG 04 approached the scene at 0840Z. The CH-46 moved off and JG 04 picked up the survivor from a hover using the Navy sling at 0850Z. The survivor was returned to Channel 94 at 0920Z.
3. (U) Weather in the pickup area was good. Crew coordination was excellent.
4. (C) The survivor was Captain Gary L. Post, USMC 086936, VMF (AW).
5. (U) Crew members of Jolly Green 04:

RCC Capt Jerry M. Griggs
RCCP Capt Don W. Wiegard
FE Sgt Herbert H. Honer
RS Sgt Rodger A. Klenovich

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JERRY M. GRIGGS, Captain, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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damage. At 0600Z a USMC UH-1 again attempted to recover the back-seat pilot and was shot down. Jolly Green 07, who had just entered the area, observed the UH-1 going in and immediately made an approach to the downed aircraft's position, landed beside it, and recovered the entire crew. The enemy fire was so heavy around Jolly Green 07 the RCC utilized the survivors and their weapons firing out both sides of the aircraft to literally shoot his way out. The survivors were Capt R.L. Green, Capt C.W. Hubbell, Sgt E.A. Jackson, and Cpl M.W. Miller, USMC. Jolly Green 03 was not committed to any further attempts to recover the two original survivors and both Jolly Greens returned to Hue Phu Bai. The front seat pilot was later recovered by a UH-1 gunship escorted by ten other helicopter gunships making continuous strafing passes around the survivor. The backseater was presumed captured as no further voice contact could be made.

(17)(C) 1-3-23, 15 Mar 1968. At 0210Z Jolly Green 03 and 10 were scrambled from Quang Tri to recover the crew of a USAF F-4C down twelve (12) miles north of Saravane, Laos. At 0245Z a USAF FAC O-2 located the survivors and led the Jolly Greens in for the pickup. Jolly Green 03 picked up both survivors and returned to DaNang. The survivors' names were Capt Richard Fairlamb, FR62591, and 1Lt Paul E. H... 500, USAF.

(18)(U) 1-3-24, 16 Mar 1968. At 0745Z Jolly Green 04 was diverted while returning to Quang Tri from the southern orbit to

a point twenty-three (23) miles east of Dong Ha, RVN. At 0840Z Jolly Green 04 recovered the pilot of a USMC F-8, Capt Gary L. Post, USMC 086936, VMF (AW) out of the water and returned to DaNang.

(19)(U) 1-3-25, 17 Mar 1968. At 0210Z Jolly Green 28 was scrambled from Quang Tri to recover the crew of a USAF F-4C down in the water twenty-eight (28) miles north of Dong Ha, RVN. Jolly Green 28 landed on the water at 0240Z and pulled Major Paul D. Lambrides, USAF, on board. A USN SH-3A recovered the other pilot. Jolly Green 28 returned both pilots to DaNang.

(20)(U) 1-3-26, 18 Mar 1968. At 0325Z Jolly Green 28 and 04 were scrambled to recover the two man crew of a USAF F-100F downed by enemy fire fifty-three (53) miles north of Khe Sanh, RVN. RESCORT was provided by USAF A-1Es and another F-100F. At 0425Z the A-1Es located one survivor, Capt Brian Williams, whom Jolly Green 28 recovered using the hoist. A search was conducted with negative results for the other pilot.

(21)(U) 1-3-27, 21 Mar 1968. At 1900Z Jolly Green 24 and 04 were scrambled to recover the pilot of a USN A-4 nine (9) miles southeast of DaNang. Recovery was delayed until 2200Z by bad weather and low visibility. At first light, Jolly Green 24 landed and recovered Major John A. Herber, USMC 063664, VMA 311. No hostile fire was encountered during the mission.

(22)(U) 1-3-29, 25 Mar 1968. At 2100Z Jolly Green 25 and 04 were scrambled from DaNang to recover the crew of a USMC H-34 down in the water twenty (20) miles north of DaNang. A USAF C-47