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7 Mar 68

SUBJ: Mission Narrative Report (10-38-14, 6 Mar 68)

TO: 10-38C *RES*
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3rd ARRGp (JSARC)
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1. This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2/3rd ARRGp Sup 1, dated 15 June 67.

2. At 0913Z, 6 Mar 68, this unit was advised by Paddy Control (radar) to scramble on a Mayday. Pedro 39 launched at 0915Z and when airborne was advised that an F-100 pilot, Dice 01, had bailed out 63 miles from Binh Thuy on a heading of 210 degrees. The wingman, Dice 02, Boxer flight, two F-100s, and David 22, a FAC O-1, were orbiting the area and providing cover. One strike was made to keep personnel away from the downed pilot who was on the ground with an injured leg (coordinates 9 deg. 6 min N. 105 deg 10 min E). Pedro 39, Dustoff, an Army medical helicopter, and Wrecker 01, an Army maintenance helicopter were all enroute with Wrecker 01 making the pickup at 0933Z. Pedro was 27 miles out of Binh Thuy at the time of pickup and headed back for Binh Thuy. Twenty miles out of Binh Thuy Pedro was requested to fly to Ca Mau, pickup the pilot, and fly him to a hospital. Pedro, the primary alert aircraft with only 700 pounds of fuel, diverted to Soc Trang for refueling. In the meantime Wrecker 01 brought the pilot from Ca Mau to Soc Trang where he was transferred to the Pedro aircraft. Pedro departed Soc Trang at 1045Z, offloaded the pilot, who had a fractured leg, at Dong Tam at 1140Z, and returned to Binh Thuy at 1215Z. The F-100 had received ground fire. Pedro 39 did not receive ground fire. Weather was CAVOK with winds at altitude 100/22.

3. The name of the survivor was: Dale Sissell, Capt., 90th TAC Fighter Sq Bien Hoa.

4. Crewmembers of Pedro:

Pedro 39

RCC Capt Laurence W. Conover
RCCP Capt Albert E. Tollefsen
FE ALC Harold D. Cooper
RS ALC Lonnie N. Davidson

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