

FROM: RCC

23 Apr 68

SUBJ: Mission Narrative Report (10-38-27, 22 Apr 68)

TO: 10-38C

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3rd ABRGp (JSARC *21/6*)

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1. This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2/3rd ABRGp Sup 1, dated 15 Jun 67.

2. At 0448Z 22 Apr 68 Det 10 38th ARRSq was notified by JSARC, Tan Son Nhut AB, that a Navy personnel with a serious gunshot wound required medical evacuation from an LST in the South China Sea. The patient was being brought to the LST by a smaller Navy boat and the patient would be ready for pickup at 0600Z. Pedro 39, an HH-43F, topped off fuel at Binh Thuy AB and was airborne at 0455Z. After topping off fuel again at Bac Lieu Aerodrome (0545) Pedro 39 continued out to sea and rendezvoused with the LST at 0605Z. A slight delay was encountered while the deck was cleared for a landing. Landing at 0610Z Pedro 39 unloaded the litter patient and departed the LST at 0615Z. At 0730Z the patient was offloaded at the 3rd Field Hospital Dong Tam, RVN. Pedro 39 refueled and returned to Binh Thuy AB at 0810Z. Weather was 3500 broken, 6 miles, winds 090/15. Pickup was made at 09 deg 03 min N; 105 deg 07 min E. Sea swells were 3 - 5 feet.

3. The name of the survivor was: Lt/JG C.R. Grutzius, Costal Division 13, USN.

4. Crewmembers of Pedro:

Pedro 39

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RCCP Lt Col Roland E. Speckman

FE SSgt Gordon L. Browning

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