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37TH AEROSPACE RESCUE & RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
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REPLY TO
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22 AUG 1968

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (1-3-8222, 9 Aug 68) (U)

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1. (U) This report is submitted in accordance with ARRSN 55-2/3ARRGp Sup 1, dated 15 Apr 68.

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2. (C) As JG 07 approached the coast into Ch 103, there was a Mayday from Cookie 01 at 0335Z and shortly thereafter, a beeper was heard. JG 07 got a UHF/DF steer with the ARA-25 homer and headed in the general direction. A direct course would have taken JG 07 through the DMZ into North Vietnam. Cookie 02 gave bailout position as 331/21/109 and later as 333/25/109. Cookie 02 reported a good chute, saw the man go down, and had voice contact.

(C) Misty 21 joined Cookie 02 who was on the scene. Both aircraft remained in the area until Cookie 02 left to refuel. Covey 155 came into the area shortly before JG 07 arrived at 0345Z. Voice contact had been lost with Cookie 01 by this time and Covey 155 went into the area of Butterfly Lake to reestablish contact. During one of Covey 155's low passes, he reported small arms fire. JG 24 and JG 29 were scrambled from Ch 103 and were in the area. By this time Cookie 02 had returned. JG 07 obtained border clearance through Crown 4 and prepared to attempt the rescue. After JG 07 crossed the coastline, there was still no voice contact with Cookie 01 nor had he been spotted so the rescue attempt was aborted. JG 07 held along the beach to await the Spads. Spads 11, 12, and 13 arrived and made a closer examination of the area where Cookie 01 was down. The Spads reported 8 people running along the edge of the lake; some had weapons. After several other passes up to 34 people were counted, many with weapons. The Spads received small arms fire during some of the low passes. The decision was made not to return fire because the exact position of the survivor was unknown. JG 07 RTB'd to Ch 103 to refuel at 0455Z. JG 24 and JG 29 remained in the area, but were RTB'd later to Ch 103. JG 07 launched for an afternoon orbit and upon return at 0935Z, Misty was still attempting to contact Cookie 01. Misty reported receiving a weak beeper a few times as he crossed the vicinity of the downed pilot. Later, he heard a weak voice signal and JG 07 diverted to the area. However, none of the instructions given by Misty 41 were followed by anyone on the ground. The Spads and Ch 103 alert JG's 24 and 29 were scrambled. JG 29 RTB'd to Ch 77 with mechanical difficulties, but JG 24 joined JG 07. JG 07 remained in the area until refueling was necessary. At 1040Z Crown 6 came north of Tiger Island for the refueling. After making contact with the drogue, JG 07 went to refueling position and the fuel flow lights went out. Crown 6 confirmed no fuel flow on their gauges, so JG 07 dropped back to disconnect. On separation from the drogue, the probe head did not close, thereby spraying a large quantity of fuel

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along the right side of the helicopter. The boom was recycled, but the leak persisted. The main tank switches on the pressure refueling panel were closed and the leak subsided. JG 07 RTB'd to Ch 103 without further incident. The probe was inspected, but there was no evidence of leaking fuel so JG 07 returned to Ch 77. A thorough inspection revealed a faulty valve, so the probe head was replaced. An incident report was submitted through channels to higher headquarters.

3. (U) The crew of the Jolly Greens were:

JOLLY GREEN 07

RCC Lt Col Jacob T. Carwile
RCCP Major Herman C. Stafford
FE Sgt Odell Carter
RS TSgt Nathaniel Smith Jr.

JOLLY GREEN 24

RCC Major Don P. Olsen
RCCP Major Robert E. Booth
FE SSgt Gordon T. Greever
RS Sgt Robert D. Baker

JOLLY GREEN 29

RCC Capt Richard D. Griffiths
RCCP Capt Laurens C. Davis
FE SSgt Samuel C. Adams
RS Sgt Peter J. Ganun

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Rescue Crew Commander

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Operations Officer

Charles R. Klinkert
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Commander