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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
40TH AEROSPACE RESCUE & RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96237



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 40C (Lt Col Ratcliffe/2727)

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (#2-3-072-8332) (U)

TO: 3ARRGp (JSARC) *leg*
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1. (U) This report is submitted in accordance with ARRSM 55-2/
3ARRGp Sup 1, dated 11 July 1968.

2. (S) On 27 Nov 1968 at 0900Z Jolly Green 72 and 71 had just been
RTB from a normal alert orbit position when they heard a call for
assistance in recovering an Air America pilot who had landed at Lima
Site 126 and had come under an enemy mortar attack. Jolly Green 72
and 71 answered the call, received the information concerning the mis-
sion and immediately set course for Lima Site 126. While inbound to
Lima Site 126, Jolly Green 72 made contact with Crown 02 who informed
Jolly Green 72 of the status of the area. Unfriendly forces were in
the area, but had retreated and had not fired since the original attack
when the Air America pilot landed. Weather in the area was overcast
with a few small holes. Bases of clouds were approximately 5500' MSL,
tops 7000' MSL. The terrain elevation was approximately 4000'. Jolly
Green 72 and 71 arrived in the area at approximately 1020 and set up
an orbit pattern approximately 5 miles west of the objective and was
joined by Sandy 11 and 12. At 1025Z Sandy 7 cleared Jolly Green 72
for the pickup. Jolly Green 72 and 71 descended through a hole approx-
imately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the objective and proceeded up a valley to the
site of the objective. As Jolly Green 72 approached the site it was
determined the pickup could best be made with a slope landing. Jolly
Green 72 landed at 1030Z and picked up the Air America pilot plus 4
indigenous personnel. Three of the indigenous personnel were wounded,
one serious and two with minor wounds. At 1033Z Jolly Green 72 took
off to return to Udorn RTAFB. During the trip to Udorn RTAFB, the PJs
assisted by the FE and AP gave first aid to the wounded. Jolly Green
71 maintained a position to keep Jolly Green 72 in sight in the event
assistance was needed. Jolly Green 71 reported flashes from ground
fire on a ridge line approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the Northwest of the
objective. Jolly Green 72 did not see any ground fire nor did it
receive any hits. Jolly Green 72 and 71 landed at Udorn RTAFB at
1125Z.

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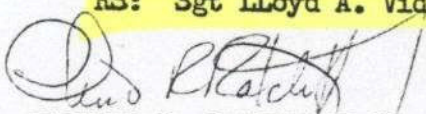
3. (U) The rescue crews were:

Jolly Green 72

RCC: Lt Col Chester R. Ratcliffe Jr.
RCCP: Capt Claude E. Stowell
FE: SSgt John B. Mahoney
ES: Sgt Donald C. Johnson
RS: Sgt Lawrence R. Zettervall
AP: SSgt Raymond H. Windham

Jolly Green 71

IP: Maj John E. Duffy
RCCP: Capt John L. Harvell
RCC: Capt Louis D. Durham
FE: SSgt Maxie L. Hilligoss
RS: TSgt George E. Schipper
RS: Sgt Lloyd A. Vide


CHESTER R. RATCLIFFE JR., Lt Colonel, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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