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Summary Report 1-3-121-8335, 30 Nov 68

(C) At 0917Z, 30 Nov 68, Jolly Green 31 and 34 were approximately 095/22/103 enroute to CH 77 from CH 103. At this time a Mayday was broadcast on the UHF Guard Channel from Highboy 32-69, who stated that he was down at position 335/16/69. He continued talking on Guard Channel attempting to make his position known to helicopters flying near the area. JG 31 proceeded toward the area and informed Highboy 32-69. When JG 31 was approximately 4 - 5 miles from his position, Highboy 32-69 again broadcast a Mayday and stated that indigenous personnel were approaching his aircraft, but at this time did not appear hostile. He said he was on the sand dune between the Gulf and the Bay. Approximately 2 miles from the coast JG 31 spotted a CH 46 on the Sand Dunes and called Highboy to verify that it was his aircraft. Since JG 31 was farther south and closer to the downed aircraft, and because of the approaching indigenous personnel, JG 31 called that he was going in immediately to pickup the crewmembers. At this time an OH-6 helicopter and an O-2 were circling the area and a Huey Cobra had called in to say he would be flying gunship cover. JG 31 landed next to the Marine CH-46 and waited for the crewmembers to remove guns, ammunition, and electronics equipment. JG 34 maintained high position while the Huey Cobra circled the area. With the 5 Marine crewmembers and equipment on board, JG 31 proceeded to CH 69 to drop off the Highboy crew, arriving at 0938Z. The Highboy aircraft commander stated that he had made a forced landing due to control difficulty. There were no injuries to the crewmembers. Jolly Green 31 departed CH 69 at 0950Z, and with Jolly Green 34, proceeded to RTB CH 77.

(U) Crewmembers of Jolly Greens:

JOLLY GREEN 31 (High)

RCC LtCol Charles R. Klinkert
 RCCP Major Russell G. Mills
 FE Sgt Robert T. Anderson
 RS Sgt John D. Nusbaum

JOLLY GREEN 34 (Low)

RCC Major John G. Kakacek
 RCCP Capt Ronald G. Spray
 FE TSgt Charles D. Severns
 RS SSgt Allen J. Avery

(U) Highboy 32-69 crewmembers names unknown. Organization is HMM 265.

CHARLES R. KLINKERT, Lt Colonel, USAF
 Rescue Crew Commander

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