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SUBJ: Mission Narrative Report (10-38-013-9029)

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3rd ARRGp (JSARC)
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1. This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2 3rd ARRGp Sup 1, 11 Jul 68
2. At 1620L, Paddy Control notified Pedro Ops of a downed huey gunship at WS935315. Pedro 39 launched at 1625L for rescue location. Enroute weather was 6000' scattered and clear. Pedro 39 arrived at location at 1640L. The downed aircraft was visually sighted and a tactical approach made to the area. Two huey gunships arrived a couple minutes later for cover from possible hostile fire. The downed aircraft was located in a rice paddy near a canal. No injuries were sustained among the crew and passengers. Pedro 39 picked up the five passengers while a huey gunship picked up the crew. Pedro 39 departed the area and flew to Sadec, a nearby town, to offload two of the passengers. Pedro 39 departed Sadec at 1650L and dropped the remaining members at a nearby outpost. Pedro 39 departed the outpost at 1700L and terminated at Binh Thuy at 1715L. Negative ground fire observed. Five combat saves. Four sorties and 0.8 hours flying time.

3. The names of the survivors was: Major John A. Fesmire,
9th ARVN G3; Major Thonh, ARVN, 9th Div G3; Capt S. E. Draper, OF101413
(organ.unknown); 1stLt Billy J. Hendrix, 1st Lt Tim Petersen,

4. Crewmembers of Pedro 39 crew were:

RCC Capt John L. Debevec
RCCP Capt Jack D. Cusano
PJ ALC Richard C. Stiefken
FE SSgt Gerald H. Jones

John L. Debevec
JOHN L. DEBEVEC, Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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