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FROM: Det 7, 38ARRS

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SUBJECT: Mission Narrative 7-38-034-30 Apr 69

TO: 3ARRGP/JSARC *LEG*

1. Pedro 93 was scrambled at 0305Z, 30 Apr 69 by the DaNang Tower on a routine intercept of an F-4, Call Sign "Standoff", landing at DaNang with battle damage. Pedro picked up the fire suppression kit and established an intercept orbit at the north west end of runway 17, DaNang AB. The F-4 made several low passes, and it was confirmed that it had nose wheel down, and no main gear down. The aircraft hook was down. The pilots felt that they were getting low on fuel, and decided to attempt an approach and barrier engagement no main wheels landing. On landing the aircraft hook missed the barrier, although it appeared to be in good position to snag the barrier. The aircraft skidded approximately 1000 feet down the runway, then erupted in flames. The aircraft continued another two thousand feet down the runway in flames, then tucked one wing and flipped off to one side, landing inverted fifty meters west of runway 17R, near the 4000 foot markers. Pedro 93 had followed the aircraft down the runway, and deployed the fire suppression kit and the two firemen onboard, and the PJ. As they began spraying foam the base fire trucks arrived. After ten minutes the firemen returned to Pedro 93 with word that the pilots were deceased. Pedro 93 recovered at the Detachment 7 Helipad at 0347Z.

2. The crew of Pedro 93 was as follows:

AC: Major Tom W. Brumfield, Det 7, 38ARRS
 CP: Capt. John E. Murray, Det 7, 38ARRS
 FE: SSgt Kenneth R. Jones, Det 7, 38ARRS
 RS: Sgt George S. Gladu, 366 CES (FD)
 RS: Sgt Roger D. Elam, 366 CES (FD)
 PJ: AIC Joel L. Talley, 37 ARRS

3. This report is submitted in accordance with 3 ARRGp Sup 1 to ARRSM 55-2.

Tom W. Brumfield
 TOM W. BRUMFIELD, Major, USAF
 Rescue Crew Commander

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