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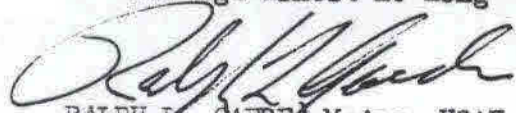
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SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (10-38-042-4Jul69)

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1. This report is submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2, 3ARRGp Sup 1, 11 July 1968.
2. At 1645L, Navy Binh Thuy TOC called Pedro Operations and requested immediate evacuation of 3 wounded personnel. Pedro 39 launched at 1650L for coordinates XRO01887. Pedro 39 arrived in the area at 1710L. Radio contact was made with Black Pony 05, a Navy OV-10 providing cover for the ground troops. Visual contact was made with the ground forces and Pedro 39 made an approach into the area landing at 1715L. Throughout the approach and while on the ground, four OV-10's were providing close air support and cover. The PJ with the help of the FE, unloaded three wounded and one uninjured. Takeoff was made at 1717L. After takeoff, Pedro 39 was notified by supporting OV-10's that VC were closing in on the ground forces position. While enroute to the 29th Army Field Hospital, the PJ, with the assistance of the FE, administered much needed medical attention. Pedro 39 arrived at 29th Army Field Hospital at 1730L, offloading the wounded personnel and one extraction. Pedro landed at Binh Thuy at 1735L. Negative ground fire observed. Four combat saves credited. ~~Two~~ sortie with 017 flying time.
3. The names of the survivors:
 - a. Galligan, Robert T, E-8, Seal, Det B, USN
 - b. Firedel, Lenard, Lt J.G. Det B, Seal, USN
 - c. Chau Sai, Vietnamese, PRU Force
 - d. Chau Hat, Vietnamese, PRU Force
4. Crewmembers of Pedro 39:

AC Major Ralph L. Gaede
CP Capt Jack D. Cusano
PJ TSgt Jackie L. Porter
FE Sgt Ernest L. Long


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